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THE RUSSIAN-JAPAN WAR IS ON—JAPAN VICTORIOUS TO DATE

READ AND HEED.

Oswald Wilson Writes Instructive Letter Concerning the Culture of Wheat and Cotton in the Panhandle.

Ft. Worth, Texas, Feb. 6, 1904.
W. H. Rayzor,
Pres. Farmers Institute,
Hereford, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 4th, received and noted. Am very glad indeed to give you such information as I have at my command. In regard to cotton and spring wheat, I will have the department to send you some bulletins on the subject for distribution to your members.

I think that the wheat that you should use is the macaroni wheat. But will have Mr. M. A. Carlton, cerealist U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., write you full as to spring wheat.

As to cotton, I don't think there is any question, but what the Panhandle country will be the cotton fields of Texas. It is generally conceded by all that are in a position to know, the "Kings Early" and "Sugar Loaf" variety, which has been bred and grown in North Carolina, for a number of years, is the kind for you to plant. It matures within 100 days from the time the plant comes out of the ground and 90 per cent is open within 30 days thereafter, in other words within 4 months from the time the plant comes out of the ground your crop is harvested.

Very few farmers realize that it is just as important to plant a selected and uniform type of cotton seed, as it is to have a selected bull with the herd if you want a through bred cattle. The common ordinary variety of cotton as is planted in the south is mongrel seed that ripens and produces unevenly, which adds a great deal of expense of harvesting and will also subject the plant the danger of frost.

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In shelf hardware our stock is complete and we can supply your wants at a saving to you. Call for what you want in this line—we have it. We can't enumerate the whole list, but in queensware, glassware, cutlery, etc., we are setting the pace for the great Hereford country, especially in price and quality. In our store "How Good" comes first with "How Cheap" a close second. What you need to do is to come into our place and let us convince you. You ought to "put your home in order" for cold weather. Also let us sell you a good heater. Ours are the much-heat-little-fuel kind.

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We do not have to make any claims for the Eclipse Windmills. Manufacturers of other makes of windmills, in advertising their wares, make the claim that theirs is "as good as the Eclipse," but none claim to make any better mill than the Eclipse. This claim is the Eclipse's best advertisement, unless it be the testimony of those now using the Eclipse and have given it a thorough test. Among the owners of Eclipse mills we refer you to Ira Aten, Judge L. Gough and T. A. Cox. Remember we are sole agents for these windmills and would be pleased to show to you their goodpoints.

We have just received a car load of farm implements, consisting of plows of all kinds, cultivators, listers, drills, etc. When in town call at our store and get prices

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HEREFORD, TEXAS

I am disposed to think that if you will plant this Kings Variety of cotton as early as the danger of frost is over and cultivate thoroughly that you can get your cotton harvested in September, long before there is any danger of frost.

The Dallas Cotton Seed Jobbers Supply... whose circulars I enclosed... supplying the farmers with a thorough bred cotton seed at a low cost. This is an... of the business men of... no realize that something... be done if we wish to raise... in Texas, and that the old common variety and the old common method of planting and cultivation will not do in the boll weevil districts.

I will ask them to quote you seed

and would... order at... once from... cost a... little more than... variety, the... thorough bred bull which... than the common range... the results would be a... factory in your herd.

I believe... an opportune... campaign for... Panhandle... the world... consumption has... of 3 per cent... has re... the past few... from the... enous efforts... out the world... but it will

be many years before any pronounced results will be obtained. The increased consumption will always take care of the increased production.

Without some great national calamity, I don't believe that the farmer will ever see low prices of cotton again.

I thank you very cordially for your invitation to be present at the meeting and if possible I will be with you. I understand that Prof's Craig and Carson, of the A. & M. College are going to be with you on the 18th, but from your letter I should judge that they will be there on the 13th or 20th. I shall be glad indeed if you will act as my correspondent and I will close you blank.

I will also send your name to Prof. S. A. Nnapp, who will have charge of the government work in this state. Yours truly, OSWALD WILSON.

BATIMORE FIRE.

Loss Estimated at About \$225,000,000—Many Institutions Affected—The Lower House of Congress Voted \$2,000,000.

The fire which, this week, has laid Baltimore in ashes may be recognized among the greatest disasters of the world. Perhaps if Nero could be recalled from the dead and view the results at the once beautiful Maryland city, he would doubtless recognize in them the magnitude of the historic conflagration at Rome. The area destroyed covers 75 blocks or about 142 acres in the heart of the city, the value of which is estimated at \$225,000,000. It is said that the property was well covered with insurance so the brunt of the disaster will fall on the insurance companies of Baltimore.

The lower house of congress has passed a bill appropriating \$2,000,000 for the purpose of removing the debris.

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E. W. Harrison
Furnisher to Men

The Town of Tucumcari.

BY UNCLE FRED.

Some time ago in Mexico,
When travel made me weary,
A maid I met upon the road
On my way to Tucumcari.
"Where do you live, my pretty miss?
Where do you live, my dearie?"
She answered me quite modestly,
"I live in Tucumcari."
"How old are you, my pretty miss?
How old are you, my dearie?"
She answered me quite modestly,
"I'll be sixteen, come Sunday."
"Will you marry me, my pretty miss?
Will you marry me, my dearie?"
She answered me quite modestly,
"If you'll live in Tucumcari."
Her teeth were like the driven snow,
Her cheeks were like the cherry.
But then she lives in Mexico,
In the town of Tucumcari.
Her eyes are like the orange bloom,
Their looks ne'er make you weary.
But her dad gets on a boom
In the town of Tucumcari.
When a man loves his missie well,
No travel makes him weary.
But give me Hades, give me hell,
But never—Tucumcari.
They drink all day, they gamble all night,
One yells out, "I am a daisy;"
Another hollers, "You better get right."
That's style in Tucumcari.
Their liquor, like the lightning flash,
One streak will run you crazy.
So how can you ever make a mash
In the town of Tucumcari?
So I would rather be a fool
And run a Dutchman's dairy
Than risk getting on a boom
In the town of Tucumcari.
Now, I'll leave these diggin's soon,
Where I'll go to—me no carrie.
Yes, to Amarillo, get on a boom,
Farewell to Tucumcari.

Hereford's Cotton Movement.

The people of Hereford and vicinity are very much in earnest. The News is informed that some 1500 acres will be put in by the citizens of Deaf Smith and that this acreage will be added to materially by citizens of Castro county. This insures a gin for Hereford beyond a doubt. Summing up the farmers' meeting held at the Hereford court house Saturday, January 23, the BRAND says: "All and all the meeting was a most excellent one. Between eighty and one hundred men were present and all seemed to be fully convinced that the only things necessary to do to grow cotton on the Plains are planting and cultivation." Canyon City News.

For Sale.

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51-4tp

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby warned against hunting or otherwise trespassing on the Escarbada division of the XIT ranch. IRA ATEN,
37tf Division Manager.

BIG COLONIZATION SCHEME.

Santa Fe Will Locate Twenty Thousand Farmers on Lands in Northwest Texas.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5.—The Santa Fe has become interested in one of the largest land and colonization schemes in the history of Western railroads, whereby it is purposed to settle at least twenty thousand farmers on lands in Northwestern Texas. Although the railroad is not interested financially in the land, the management has decided to do all in its power to assist in the Texas movement.

C. E. Talmadge of Chicago and one or two others have secured something more than 1,000,000 acres in Northern and Western Texas. The land is situated between Higgins and Bovina. Agents which have been secured in different parts of the country will work up immigration parties which will be taken to Texas on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, when homeseekers' rates prevail.

The first party was taken out of Chicago Tuesday night on special cars over the Santa Fe road. The manager of the Santa Fe land and immigration department says the plan had been worked upon for nearly a year.

It is understood that the Santa Fe has made a large appropriation to assist the colonization movement.

The above, taken from the Dallas News, is the first Associated Press report of this colonization movement that we have noticed. This attempt to populate the Panhandle with practical farmers from the north and east is, we believe, the first of its kind which gives promise of being highly successful, as under the Talmadge plan this section of the state is bound to be visited by thousands of northern and eastern farmers who have the cash to pay for what they get, and that is all that we of the Panhandle need to populate our fertile lands, i. e., a visit to our section from men who are farmers and who are able to buy should they be suited. We have enough faith in the resources of this section to believe that it has only to be seen to be appreciated, and from the information we have received in regard to the project we feel safe in making the assertion that "it will be seen," in which event all that will be necessary to transform the prospector to a settler is the consummation of the drawing up of the deeds to the land. We have oftentimes stated in the columns of the BRAND that the only drawback to this country in the way of a dense population was the absence of farmer-prospectors. We believe that Mr. Talmadge has successfully solved this problem and hence look for a large number of this class of people to be located in the Panhandle during 1904.

It will be noted in the above dispatch to the News that the lands secured for their purposes lie between Higgins and Bovina. That the country surrounding Hereford will receive at least her just pro rata of these settlers may be evidenced by the fact that Mr. Talmadge has established his headquarters at Hereford, having secured suitable offices in the Witherspoon & Gough building.

Chimneys and Flues.

The Texas Fire Prevention Association, in a circular letter recently issued and sent out for publication, has the following suggestion to offer with regard to the construction of brick chimneys and flues:

Stone or brick chimneys or flues shall have walls at least four inches thick, laid in strong mortar, trowel pointed inside and outside, resting upon a safe foundation and plastered and slushed between chimney or flue and all woodwork; no timbers or other combustible material to be permitted to form any part or to pass into the chimney or flue.

Hereford Fuel Oil Co.

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Honor Roll.

The following is a list of those who have paid their subscriptions since the first of January, and same will serve as a receipt:

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Notice.

A fine span of mules for sale. \$200.00 gets them.
F. H. BRITAIN, Hereford, Texas.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Deaf Smith County Greeting:
Oath having been made as required by law, you are hereby commanded to summon C. G. Orr 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 47th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 47th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Deaf Smith County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Hereford, on the 1st Monday in March, A. D., 1904, the same being the 7th day of March A. D., 1904, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 10th day of November A. D. 1903, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 55, wherein Nobles Bros. Grocer Co., a corporation, incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas is Plaintiff, and J. H. Beach and C. G. Orr, comprising the firm of Beach & Orr, are Defendants, and said petition alleging in substance, that on the 27th day of June, 1903, Defendants, for a valuable consideration, made, executed and delivered to Plaintiff their certain promissory note in writing, bearing date June 27th, 1903, signed by said firm of Beach & Orr, for the sum of \$199.14, due September 1st, 1903, bearing interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from its date and providing for 10 per cent attorneys fees, if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, or in case of legal proceedings thereon. That said note remained wholly unpaid, and Plaintiff prays judgment for said debt, principal, interest, attorneys fees and costs of suit.

Herein I do not, nor have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. B. Beach, Clerk of the County Court of Deaf Smith County.
Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Hereford, Texas, this the 30th day of January, A. D., 1904.
W. B. BEACH,
Clerk, County Court, Deaf Smith County.

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S. B. Feemster
LOCAL AGENT

Hereford, Texas

ARTESIAN WATER.

State Geologist Says That Flowing Water Will Be Found at 2500 Feet.

The Index understands the state geologist, after investigating the formations in this section of the state, gave an opinion that artesian water would be found at a depth of about 2500 feet. He stated that marble would be found at a depth of 2260 feet and under that water. This opinion was given after examining every bit of data that could be found concerning this section of the state. As the Beaver road has contracted for a hole 3000 feet deep there is every reason to believe that plenty of water will be had at Childress before many weeks. Childress Index.

Meat

We have opened a market in the old Searchlight and are prepared to furnish fresh meats at reasonable prices. Call and get a steak for a roast for tomorrow.

STANLEY

Panhandle News

Portales, N. M., is to have a \$10,000 brick and stone court house.

Canyon City is asking for bids for the construction of a \$11,000 brick public school building, work to begin immediately.

The next meeting of the Panhandle Stockmen's Association will be held at Amarillo, beginning on the third Tuesday in April.

There has been a petition presented to the commissioners' court of Randall county to order a local option election in that county.

The annual meeting of the Cattle Raisers Association of Texas will be held in Fort Worth, beginning the second Tuesday in next month.

In the election held at Channing last Saturday for a bond issue in the independent school district, the bonds were defeated by eleven votes.

The application for the First National Bank of Miami has been approved and the institution will be organized with a capital stock of \$25,000.

The citizens of Henrietta have organized an oil company with a capital stock of \$10,000 for the purpose of sinking a deep well within the city limits of that town to ascertain just to what extent oil, natural gas, etc., exist.

On the 26th of January the First National Bank of Claude was organized with the following officers: T. S. Cavins, president; C. M. Byrd, vice-president; J. M. Johnson, cashier. The bank opened for business on the 8th inst.

The Amarillo Champion has again changed hands, this time R. L. Davidson buying the subscription list and good will of the paper. It is our understanding that L. B. Russell, the former editor, will devote his entire attention to job printing.

Fifty-fifth Birthday.

This week Mr. and Mrs. R. G. West left for Plainview where they will live for a while. Mr. West has been traveling for a number of years for his wife's health and has tried the climate all the way to California and back to Texas and they now go to Plainview for this purpose. These worthy people have made many warm friends, during the few months which they have spent in our midst, who regret to see them leave. The following clipping from a paper in Mr. West's home town shows, his standing there:

R. G. West, one of the most popular and efficient recorders Bates county ever had, celebrated his 55th birthday on the 7th of this month. He was born and raised in Bates county, having considered this as his residence always, although he was South during the war and has been away traveling for his wife's health. Mr. West is one of our most honored, most esteemed citizens, a thorough Democrat, true and steadfast to his friends, always remembering an act of kindness and repaying it if possible. The Democrat wishes him and his estimable lady a long future prosperity and contentment.

Speaking of Mr. West's gratitude, we might refer to his devotion to Major, afterwards Representative and Senator, Bradley. When the latter as Major was riding along with the troops, he came across young Gent West, footsore, weary and sick, and liable to be captured by the enemy, and he dismounted and helped the young Confederate soldier to the saddle and thereby saved him. For this, Mr. West did many great favors and was chiefly instrumental in securing his nomination for state senator.

This is a good trait in any man and evinces the right stuff. We mention this as a reminiscence.

Subscribe for THE BRAND—\$1.

FROM CALIFORNIA.

An Interesting Letter From Mrs. L. A. Montgomery, Formerly of This Place.

New Port Beach, Cal., Feb. 5.
EDITORS BRAND,
Hereford, Texas.

Dear Sirs—Please change the paper from Santa Ana to New Port Beach. Mr. Montgomery has a position with the New Port Beach Company for this year. We have been here two weeks now and have missed our paper both weeks. We never like to miss a copy as there is always so much that is interesting to one so far from home.

We think life very pleasant in California. Have a lovely five-acre fruit ranch near Santa Ana, only five miles from the ocean. There has never been a time during the past year that I could not go out in my yard and gather ripe lemons, or oranges. From May till November we had a heavy crop of prunes, apples, plums, peaches, pears, apricots, figs, loquats and quinces and berries of all kinds.

This fall we had our walnuts, pecans and almonds and have had fresh vegetables of almost any kind all the year.

My yard is always full of lovely roses of all colors, violets, geraniums, calla lilies (the largest I ever saw), sacred lilies, honey suckles, jasmine—in fact, flowers of all kinds. We also have many beautiful shade trees, but to my eye the low branching pepper trees, with their lovely fern-like foliage and clusters of red berries, are the most beautiful of all. The tall, stately palms and eucalyptus trees make such cool and shady driveways.

Then, too, we enjoy living at the beach. One never tires of watching the ocean. It seems 'tis never the same—the tide coming in and going out, the big waves breaking on the shore, the seagulls riding the waves, sometimes diving through for some choice morsel, screaming, fighting and circling in the air; the fishermen in their boats, seining for the small surf fish or coming in with their boats just loaded with the large deep water fish. Some of them weigh four or five hundred pounds, but the most are from ten to twenty-five pounds in weight. They also come in off the wharf with nice strings of bass of several varieties and ever so many different kinds of fish.

The ducks and other game that these sportsmen bring in would make some of those Hereford sports turn green with envy.

Quite a number are in bathing every day and digging out the clams by the sack full, out in the sail boats and steam launches and everyone seems to be in for all the pleasure there is in life.

We find the people here as pleasant and social as anywhere we ever lived. All this, with the mildest, most pleasant climate to be found, makes one feel that life is worth the living.

So you see there are two sides to every story and we were quite surprised when we read the letter from the gentleman from Hereford, which you published in the BRAND.

We often talk of coming back to Texas and have quite a warm place in our hearts for the Hereford people, but I hardly think we will drift back soon. We have all improved some in health and as that was our only cause for leaving Hereford, think we should be satisfied.

Please do not neglect to change our paper at once as we look forward to its coming each week and do not wish to miss any more copies, and oblige
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DON A. SWEET, Traffic Manager
Amarillo, Texas

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1904

SUMMER NORMAL.

In last week's issue of the BRAND the attention of the people of Hereford was called to the importance of securing the Summer Normal for Hereford by Prof. W. A. Smith. It was also stated that the location of the Normal would be decided at the Panhandle Teachers Association which holds its session at Amarillo today and tomorrow.

The value of the institution to our town and community can hardly be estimated. And too, Hereford can offer inducements which can't be offered by many towns on the plains in the way of boarding facilities and commodious halls in which to conduct the Normal.

We have talked with the faculty of Add-Ran College who assured us the teachers would be at liberty to use their college building which would be an ideal place for summer work.

Since the location of the Normal will probably be deferred till Saturday, we would suggest that those who are anxious to secure it will either speak or write to Professor Smith or some member of Add-Ran College so that they will know what inducements to offer when Hereford's claim is presented.

We call attention to the communications to W. H. Rayzor from different sources found elsewhere in this issue. From these it will appear that something definite can and doubtless will be done at the next institute, which will convene at the court house tomorrow. It is the intention to organize the institute permanently at this meeting and make the necessary arrangements for the reception and entertainment of those who will be with us from the A. & M. College on the 20th inst. The election of permanent officers will also be a prominent feature of

tomorrow's proceedings and it is necessary for all concerned to be present and take part in the work. There can hardly be found a body of farmers more a unit on the agricultural development of the country than those of Deaf Smith and Castro counties and the course now being pursued will bind them stronger in a solid phalanx in the great work necessary to bring the resources of this country well before an investigating public. Let everybody, both farmer and non-farmer, be present at tomorrow's meeting.

Lipscomb county is the best county in the Panhandle. Its people are a thrifty class of go-ahead citizens, who know the art of making money and also how to treat their neighbors and friends. As a desirable place to live there is no place that will beat Lipscomb county. Higgins News.

THE News is a stickler for stick-log to home. For this any newspaper is to be commended for 'tis but natural that everyone should think his community the best. Lipscomb county is a good county, being rapidly settled by substantial, progressive citizens: but the News, in our opinion, is saying a great deal when it declares Lipscomb the best county in the Panhandle. From a standpoint of soil, all the Panhandle, except the sand hills and breaks, is pretty much the same. As to climate, the south plains country naturally takes the lead. We are just as near the north pole as would be conducive to our better feelings and there is no inducement in those Polar regions for us. While those people are shivering in the cold we are basking in the warm sunshine, bathed by the gentle zephyrs. You have a good country, Mr. Mitchell, but not the best.

We acknowledge receipt this week of a half-tone engraving of the new Dallam county court house, the kindness of the Dallam County News. This is the first brick and stone structure of the kind to be built in this section of the Panhandle and indicates that the citizens of Dalhart and Dalham county are awake to their interests and determined to keep well abreast with the great progress that is just now characterizing the West. Such improvements as the above, aside from the convenience to the people, make a good impression upon the multitude of prospectors just now coming into our country, and by and by will put those communities having such improvements in the lead in the point of settlement and development.

THE Elida News, edited by Grant & Hall at Elida, N. M., is the latest addition to our exchange table. The News is neatly gotten up, has a good advertising patronage and possesses every indication of prosperity. The BRAND wishes the new paper abundant success.

"THE YALU KODEN."

Curious Specie of Fish From Korea on Exhibition at the Western National Bank.

Just at this time when all eyes are pointed to the Far East, on account of the war between Russia and Japan, anything pertaining to the country in dispute is not without its merits, even though it be but diminutive specimens of the finny tribe from the waters of one of her rivers.

Judge Jno. P. Slaton this week received and has placed on exhibition in the Western National Bank two specimens of the finny tribe, which are said to be inhabitants of the Yalu river in North Korea, China. These he has had placed in a glass jar in a conspicuous position in the corridor of the above named bank, with the following inscription or placard over the jar, that fully explains the merits

Jay Gould Once Said:

"TAKE CARE OF THE DIMES

THE DOLLARS WILL TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES."

This piece of advice coming from such a high authority should not be regarded lightly. It is just as true for today as for the time it was made. We offer every encouragement to those who wish to save.

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Hereford, Texas

of the contents of the jar:

"THE YALU KODEN."

These specimens were hatched out in the United States Special Foreign Hatcheries in Washington under the supervision of Mr. Enar, the spawn having been secured from the Yalu river in North Korea, China.

DIRECTIONS.

Keep in a basin or jar of water in building of even temperature until about four months old, at which time (if having been properly cared for) they should be about six inches long. Deposit in pool or stream where they are to remain. This species, when young, resemble the American Channel Cat, but at the age of one year take on more the shape and qualities of the Bass. A game fish, rapid growth and increase. The flesh is white, tender and of the finest flavor. Are specially prized by sportsmen of the Hudson River.

Many people who have visited the bank on other business have been attracted by the contents of the jar and many comments have been passed on the relative merits of the fish in question.

A first glance, perhaps, might cause the onlooker to believe he was already familiar (and should he be an ardent Tierra Blanco bass fisher, might think he was somewhat too much so) with the specimens contained therein, which at present are about one inch in length and resemble the much hated catfish of our own beautiful stream, but after a more careful examination and watching the antics of the little creatures he soon comes to the conclusion that here, indeed, is a rare specimen. While it is a well known fact that the catfish is of a more or less sluggish nature, the observer cannot help but notice the quick action and gameness (if we shall be permitted to use that term) of these particular specimens of the denizens of the deep. They are hardly still or quiet an instant and we dare say that at a more mature age would put up a hard fight for their existence should their gills become entangled with the hook of one of Hereford's many true sportsmen.

While the "Yalu Kodon," as it is known in its native home, may not become as numerous in the Tierra Blanco as it is in the stream of its nativity, we understand that the Judge purposes to follow the government instructions and, after having done which, will set them free in Tierra Blanco in the hopes that they will propagate and eventually become one of the prize fish of the stream. It is stated that a large number of fine specimens have been caught from the Hudson which has been stocked with specimens during the past year. The bank of course will make one request in connection with this article, and that is, for those visiting the bank for the purpose of view-

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ing this specie of fish will please refrain from asking questions of the employes of the bank concerning these fish, as the placard explains all and when you have read that you know as much about the specimens as do they. This request is made on account of so much of their time having been wasted in explaining that they know nothing further than is explained in the placard.

"Destrick Skule."

The old "destrick skule" held at the college hall Tuesday evening was pronounced a success by all who attended. It was participated in by many whose minds could run back to the time when the old time "destrick skule" was entirely different from our modern district school. The proceeds amounted to about \$35.

R. L. Shive Dead.

It is with profound sorrow we are compelled to chronicle the death of our beloved friend and citizen, R. L. Shive, whose spirit took its flight to the One who gave it, Friday night, February 5, 1904. Mr. Shive was born near Oxford, Miss., January 21, 1857, and moved with his parents to Texas, when a small boy, and has lived in different parts of the state every since. Mr. Shive was a gentleman of great worth and a true community that he lived in. He was united with the Old School Presbyterian church at the age of 15 years and has lived a devoted Christian life every since and was superintendent of the Shive Sabbath school at the time of his death. The death of Mr. Shive is a great loss to our community and also to the church and Sabbath school to which he belonged. He leaves an aged mother and sister, a wife and four sons and three daughters, all of

whom were at home at the time of his death, to mourn his loss, besides many relatives in other parts of the state, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy, and would say mourn not, for our loss is God's eternal gain. W. S. D.

Teachers Institute.

The following is the program of the Castro county Teachers Institute to be held at Dimmitt, February 27, 1904.

- 9:00 a. m.—1. What should be the aim in education—K. E. Turner.
2. Methods in Geography—Miss Mamie Todd.
3. The necessity and advantages of Supplementary Reading—Mrs. Harbison.
4. Should teachers practice celibacy—I. O. Jackson.
- 1:00 p. m.—5. Nature study in Primary Grades—Mrs. Hester Cash.
6. Morals and Manners in school—J. F. Eddleman.
7. How can we encourage the use of good language in school—Miss Lenna Greer.
8. Practical Hygiene in the School room—Dr. Donnell.

Entertainment Friday night by public school. Everybody invited. We would be pleased to have visiting teachers from other counties visit. We will try to make the institute interesting for all.

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201, south-bound	10:59 a. m.
202, north-bound	5:20 p. m.

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Lv. Hereford at 1:30 p. m. daily ex. Sunday
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Lv. Dimmitt at 7:30 a. m.
Ar. Hereford at 12:30 m.

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Lv. Arney same days at 6:30 a. m.

SHORT LOCALS

News of Interest Boiled Down for Rapid Reading—Facts Concerning People You Know.

B. C. Robertson of Boom was in Hereford Thursday.

Stove wood at reasonable prices at Hereford Fuel Oil Co. 51tf

Miss Jessie Sullivan went to Amarillo Thursday afternoon.

D. C. Laird came up from Dimmitt Tuesday after supplies.

Dr. A. H. Duff returned Wednesday from a business trip to Hillsboro.

J. P. Collier was in Hereford Tuesday from Rock Lake on business.

J. L. Crum was in town Saturday from his Castro county ranch on business.

Rev. B. H. Bounds returned Wednesday from several days' visit in Amarillo.

J. J. Thompson represented his section of the country at the county capital Saturday.

E. E. Flippins of Dallas arrived in Hereford Tuesday to prospect in Deaf Smith county lands.

If you have ranch or farm land to exchange for farm lands in Central Texas list it with J. A. Williams. 1f

J. S. McClure, a prominent ranchman living near Hart, had business in Hereford Monday and Tuesday.

J. R. T. Bassett left Monday afternoon for a business trip to Ada, Roff and other Indian Territory points.

Reagan & Dyer have just completed a mammoth dipping vat for Janes Bros., prominent ranchmen of Bovina.

S. J. Sanders and son, Grover, living 10 miles south of town, were transacting business with our merchants Saturday.

Make your place ornamental and saleable by planting shade trees and shrubbery. McClain sells 'em at Bell Bros. Tin Shop. 1t

W. C. Green's residence was this week sold to W. L. Fallwell and son, the deal being consummated by W. H. Rayzor. Consideration \$534.

We will trade with you on anything in our line, whether you have cash, cattle, feed or any other marketable product. Reagan & Dyer. 49

A. Laird of Bovina passed up the road Monday afternoon.

Hawkes eye glasses—good and cheap at Burns & Smith. 46tf

J. M. Ligon was mixing with friends our streets Tuesday.

C. H. Harlan of Endee, N. M., spent several days in Hereford this week.

Dow Mercer came in Tuesday from his ranch west of town after supplies.

C. S. Cardwell of Castro county was transacting business in Hereford Tuesday.

If you have cattle or sheep for sale or trade, list with J. A. Williams. 1f

W. W. Ligon, living 13 miles west of town, was among Hereford's visitors Tuesday.

W. R. Higgins was a business visitor from his ranch 10 miles north of town Tuesday.

List your cattle, horses and sheep with J. A. Williams. He can find sale or trade for you. 1f

J. M. Bounds of McKinney, arrived in Hereford Tuesday to spend several days prospecting.

Before placing your spring order for fruit trees see H. W. McClain at Bell Bros. He can save you money.

Leslie Robeson and A. C. Bratton came up from Bovina Saturday afternoon and spent Sunday with home folks.

Dr. W. J. Rogers left Monday afternoon for Grapevine in response to a message that his father was dangerously sick.

E. L. Merriman of Chico arrived in Hereford Wednesday, the guest of his former acquaintance and friend, Rev. B. H. Bounds.

J. H. Biggs came in Thursday from Vernon with his household goods and will locate somewhere in this section of the Panhandle.

Walter Donald of Arney, accompanied by his father, B. F. Donald, was in town Thursday and both were pleasant callers at the BRAND office.

LOST—Breast strap and tugs in Hereford or between Hereford and Summerfield. Finder will return to this office and receive reward. C. W. Dunn. 1tp

Mrs. J. N. English, who has been visiting for several days with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Black, left Tuesday afternoon for Amarillo, where she will visit before returning to her home at Cleburne.

S. Loveless and family left Thursday afternoon for Arlington, Texas, where they will live in the future. The place of this estimable family will be hard to fill in Hereford and we congratulate Arlington upon her acquisition.

The family of J. H. Biggs, who recently moved from this place to Vernon, arrived in Hereford Tuesday and will make their home here in the future. The return here was caused by the Vernon country's not agreeing with Mrs. Biggs's asthma. Mr. Biggs will come with his family household goods in a few days.

List your land or live stock with J. A. Williams. 1f

R. N. Mounts attended commissioners' court this week.

R. L. Ball was transacting business in the city Tuesday.

Ira Aten went to Amarillo Thursday afternoon on business.

J. A. Williams has plenty of black land to trade for plains land. 1f

Commissioner L. R. Bradley attended court for several days this week.

J. B. Collins of Castro county was a business caller to the city Wednesday.

J. O. Lindsey came up from his Castro county ranch Saturday after supplies.

H. H. Hawkins was numbered among Hereford's business visitors Tuesday.

S. B. Harbison of the Locust Grove ranch was a business caller in the city Monday.

H. H. Stanley came in Thursday and moved his subscription to the BRAND up a year.

G. F. Webb of Canyon City came down Sunday, the guest of his brother, H. B. Webb.

Mrs. Montgomery of Amarillo came down last week and visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Webb.

R. M. Hardesty and J. R. McFarling are moving the residence of Rev. H. K. Montoe from Hereford to Boom this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Tate of Dimmitt were shopping in Hereford Wednesday. Mr. Tate made arrangements for the BRAND while in town.

Having secured the agency of the Lawrence Nursery I am prepared to sell you all kinds of fruit trees, shade trees, shrubbery and flowers. H. W. McClain at Bell Bros. Tin Shop. 1t

S. H. Mount, who has been prospecting in Hereford this week, thinks it likely that he will locate with us. Mr. Mount orders the BRAND sent to J. H. Troxell of Rhone.

Jack Garvin, who has been in the employ of the Amarillo Daily Star for several months, arrived in Hereford today and will not return to Amarillo to work, as the Daily Star has suspended publication.

Mrs. C. E. Edwards was the first to visit the furniture store of E. B. Black on last Monday morning and so received the beautiful medalion offered by Mr. Black in last week's issue of the BRAND. We call attention of our readers to the offer made by Mr. Black in his display adv. in this issue, to the first lady who calls at his store on next Monday morning.

The following teachers left Hereford Thursday afternoon for Amarillo where they will spend today and tomorrow in attendance upon the Panhandle Teachers' Association: Professors Randolph Clark and W. A. Smith and Misses Pearl and Fannie Turrentine, Millicent Griffith, Alma Bates, Mina Dameron, Katharine Nunsley and Susie Grayson, also Professor Baker and Miss Lena Parker of Dimmitt.

Married.
On Sunday night February 21th T. J. Tate and Miss Izora Lovelace both of Dimmitt were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Mr. and Mrs. Tate were in Hereford Tuesday and tomorrow a BRAND representative will make Dimmitt their home. The BRAND joins their many friends in wishing them prosperity and happiness.

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GENERAL AND STATE NEWS.

Important Events Briefly Stated for Rapid Reading.

About 350 northern immigrants arrived in Dallas this week over the Frisco road.

The Northwest Texas Teachers' Association will convene at Vernon on February the 19th and 20th.

England is said to be in direct sympathy with Japan, while France is compelled to lean to the side of Russia.

The Citizens' National Bank of McGregor has gone into voluntary liquidation and the directors have notified the bank examiner, who will take charge at once.

On February 6, it was reported that a naval battle had been fought between Russia and Japan and that the Russian fleet had been sunk, but later reports failed to corroborate this.

The latest report from the war in the East is to the effect that Japan has been successful in every instance. Already she has disabled two battle ships and one cruiser and captured one cruiser.

The Petroleum oil field is declared to be the best in the West by an oil expert of Denver, Colo., who is making investigations for the Denver road.

A move is on foot among the citizens of Dallas to reorganize the Dallas State Fair and turn the enterprise over to the city to be supported by a tax levied on the taxable property. The petition to the City Council asks for the question to be submitted to the qualified voters of Dallas at the April election.

The Mayor of San Antonio this week created a sensation by ordering ten pauper graves to be opened. He charged that paupers were being buried in graves dug not over two and a half feet deep and that he believed an examination will disclose the fact that empty coffins have been interred in these shallow graves.

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N. W. T. P. A.

To Members of Northwest Texas Press Association:

Your secretary is pleased to announce that he has made a tentative contract with "The Inside Inn" as our headquarters during the World's Fair at the St. Louis, Mo., Fair, May 16-21.

"The Inside Inn" is a tremendous affair with nearly 2500 rooms situated right on the World's Fair grounds, and is the only hotel on the grounds. It is constructed and will be conducted under direct

supervision of the World's Fair officials, and Mr. Statler, the concessionaire, is under contract and bond with the Fair management to conduct the hotel in a satisfactory manner.

In due time your secretary will mail out further information about the hotel, but knowing you will be interested in the rate question, will say that we have been granted the exceedingly low rate of \$1 per day per person, European plan. Those who prefer can later make personal contracts different to this if they so desire. The effort of your secretary has been to secure accommodations which are good but within the means of the average member of the Association. Meals can be secured in the dining room of the "Inn" or at numerous other places on the grounds to suit the tastes and purses of the individual members.

Fraternally,
ORION PROCTOR, Secretary

Raise Broom Corn.

The Priddy-Huie Realty Co. has made arrangements for the purchase of fifty bushels of broom corn seed which will be received by them in time for planting. They want to distribute this seed to the farmers of this and adjacent counties at the price it cost them, and they further guarantee a market for all the broom corn that will be raised. It takes about one gallon of seed per acre and the yield is from one-third to one-half ton per acre. Quotations on broom corn now are \$1.00 per ton, f. o. b. Clarendon. This soil is adapted for the raising of this product and the Messrs. Priddy are anxious to see a large acreage planted locally this season. Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

In connection with the above we wish to say that those who follow the above advice will have no cause for regret. It has been demonstrated beyond a doubt that the broom corn crop is quite as sure in the Panhandle as are the feed crops and aside from the large local demand for brooms, there is hardly a limit to the demand for the product abroad. Hereford's factory, owned and operated by J. N. Askren, finds ready sale for all the brooms which it is capacitated to turn out. If, along with cotton and the other crops, the farmers will plant a few acres of broom corn, we believe they will be pleased with the result.

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WILSON ON COTTON.

Advices Diversification and Early Planting. This Climate is Adapted to the Growing of Certain Varieties of Cotton.

State statistical agent of the department of Agriculture, Oswald Wilson, after giving the subject of cotton raising in the Panhandle considerable investigation, has the following to say, which will be of interest to the farmers of this section:

First—That diversification is necessary to the success of any section.

Second—That the climate of the Panhandle country is peculiarly adapted to the successful culture and production of an early and quick maturing type of cotton, but not the common ordinary variety from mixed seed.

Third—That by planting the "Sugar Loaf" variety of cotton which has been bred in the Carolinas and Georgia for a number of years, they would have a cotton that would open in one hundred days from the time the plant comes out of the ground and that after the first boll is open ninety per cent can be picked in thirty days. This would give the wheat planter an opportunity of getting his crop out of the way in time for the fall sowing of wheat.

Fourth—Consumption of cotton is increasing at the rate of three per cent per annum, while production is being curtailed on account of the ravages of the boll weevil in the great cotton producing districts of Texas, and the whole cotton spinning world, particularly Europe, is making strenuous efforts to open up new fields for the production of cotton, and it is a fact patent to any one that for many years to come, cotton will prove a profitable crop to the successful grower.

Fifth—With the boll weevil as a factor in curtailing cotton production in the black land and river bottoms in central Texas, reducing the average yield per acre, which will force many tenants and small farmers to abandon that section entirely and move to some other locality, and the large plantation to be planted in corn and alfalfa, and devoted to stock farming, it would seem that this is an opportune time to encourage the production of cotton in the Panhandle counties. Something along this line must be done if the south wishes to retain her supremacy as the cotton-growing section of the world.

Sixth—Not only should the present farmer in the Panhandle practice diversification by planting a part of his wheat acreage in cotton, but active, energetic measures should be adopted to make known the rich possibilities offered by the Panhandle counties to cotton planters of other sections, particularly in the boll weevil district, who are discontented with their present condition.

A Nice Land Deal.

On Tuesday of this week a deal was consummated by which J. M. Ligon's three-section ranch, located 13 miles west of Hereford became the property of E. E. Flippins of Dallas.

The deal was made by J. A. Williams and the price paid was above \$4 per acre.

Mr. Ligon informed a BRAND representative that he had not fully made his plans for the future, but that he would probably visit in Johnson county for a few weeks after which he expects to locate permanently in this county.

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To stay at home when you can attend the convention of the Oklahoma Live Stock Association at Oklahoma City, O. T., February 23rd to 25th, inclusive, for the remarkable low rate of one fare plus fifty cents for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale at all stations, Carlsbad and north, February 21st, 22nd, 23rd, with final limit to return, February 27th.

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Dr. Lyman B. Raschbaum, the
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Hereford, Texas.

Wall Paper—E. B. Black. 44
G. A. Hughes and little son were
seen in town Tuesday.
D. W. Hawkins came in from his
ranch Saturday after supplies.

If you are going to put in water-
works see Bell Bros: for prices. 2t
Prof. W. B. Parks went to Hobart,
Okla., Saturday, returning Monday.

Witherspoon & Gough represent
nine old-line fire insurance compan-
ies. 43

J. S. Whitsett was a business
visitor from the North Draw Satur-
day.

Fresh line of fine candies just re-
ceived at J. P. Harding's drug
store. 38tf

W. H. Walcott came in Saturday
from his ranch in the Syndicate after
supplies.

W. S. Files represented his sec-
tion of the North Draw in the county
capital Saturday.

Those large drinking tubs you
see going out of Hereford were
made by Bell Bros. 51-2t

D. B. Roberson, one of Boom's
representative citizens, was seen on
Hereford's streets Saturday.

J. W. Bradley, a successful ranch-
man of this county, was transact-
ing business in Hereford Saturday.

Children, get your tablets, pen-
cils, school books and all school
supplies at J. P. Harding's drug
store.

Have you a phone at your
dence? If not, see W. G. ERS,
manager of the local system. It
will save you time; it will save
you steps; it will not only save
you money.

Valentines at Burns & Smith's. 2t
A. S. Gracey was a visitor from
his ranch Saturday.

Bell Bros. can make you a bath
tub and save you money. 51-2t

J. M. Ligon came in Saturday
from his ranch after supplies.

Dan Davee was in Saturday from
his ranch west of town on business.

Hereford Fuel Oil Co., for the
genuine McAlister coal. Phone
76. 50-tf

Sam Jackson, living northwest of
town, came in Saturday after sup-
plies.

Robert Keesee, Jr., came in Sat-
urday from his ranch south of town
on business.

J. B. Roberson, our correspondent
from Boom, was a business visitor to
the city Saturday.

J. P. Terry came up Saturday
from his ranch 12 miles southeast of
town after supplies.

Chas Renfro, who owns a ranch
in the Syndicate pasture, came in
Saturday after supplies.

B. J. Parks and son, J. L. Parks,
came in Monday from their ranch 10
miles north of town on business.

WANTED—Roomers and boarders.
Mrs. C. G. Burns, one block north
of the court house square. 50

G. C. Majors, one of Castro's
most successful stock farmers, had
business in the city Saturday.

G. T. Lynch was in from his ranch
Saturday and called around to ad-
vance his subscription to the BRAND.

A. J. Lipscomb went up to Strat-
ford Saturday in response to a mes-
sage that his father was seriously
ill.

Parties having property for sale
will subserve their own interests by
listing with us. B. H. Bounds &
Sons. 46tf

B. F. Donald of Justin, Denton
county, was in Hereford the latter
part of last week on a prospecting
tour.

Witherspoon & Gough write farm
property in the Aetna of Hartford
and Hartford Fire Insurance Com-
panies. 43

Albert Morris, a substantial
ranchman of the North Draw com-
munity, was in Hereford Saturday
after supplies.

J. C. Hamilton of Bovina was in
town Tuesday and took out several
wagons loaded with lumber for the
Drag Y ranch.

J. W. Goodnight of Prosper, Col-
lin county, came in Saturday to
spend a few days looking over Deaf
Smith's fertile soil.

Pianos, organs, sheet-music.
Everything in the music line.
Thos: Goggan & Bro., Galveston,
Dallas, San Antonio. 10-tf

J. R. Armstrong, commissioner of
precinct No. 3, came up Sunday to
be in attendance at the commis-
sioners court which convened Mon-
day.

Go to Herron & Coston for your
cotton seed to plant, they have a
car of seed from Young county,
away from the boll weevil dis-
trict. 50tf

Frank Shelton, who owns a ranch
in the Syndicate, was in Hereford
Saturday and made arrangements
for the BRAND to go to his home
every week.

G. B. Edwards, a successful
stock farmer of Hart, was in Here-
ford Monday and was a welcome
visitor at the BRAND office. Mr.
Edwards made arrangements for the
BRAND to go to him regularly.

Good oak stove wood already cut
at Hereford Fuel Oil Co. 51tf

Geo. L. Muse came in Monday
to attend commissioners' court.

S. N. Garvin, living west of town,
was seen on our streets Saturday.

I. Jennings went up to Amarillo
Saturday afternoon, returning Mon-
day.

Lard cans, churns, stove pipes,
bread boxes, hand made at Bell
Bros. 51-2t

Postmaster Laughlin was up from
Boom Saturday, mingling with
friends.

H. H. Stanley was in from his
Castro county ranch Saturday after
supplies.

J. M. Atcheson represented his
community at the county capital
Tuesday.

S. H. Mount of Rhome, Wise
county, came in Tuesday on a pros-
pecting tour.

J. W. Head came in Monday from
his ranch 9 miles northeast of town
after supplies.

Mrs. J. N. English went down to
Summerfield Monday to spend the
day with relatives.

J. A. Stegall, a progressive citi-
zen of Hart, was transacting business
in Hereford Monday.

J. M. Gollehon of near Dimmit
was in Hereford Saturday after wire
and other ranch supplies.

Rev. B. H. Bounds went up to
Amarillo Monday afternoon to visit
his daughter, Mrs. Craig.

T. S. Witherspoon, manager of
the Ware ranch west of town, had
business in Hereford Tuesday.

Have you heard all the racket
and noise at Reagan & Dyer's new
tin shop? Must be something
doing. 51tf

D. F. Weaver of Denver, Colo.,
came in Tuesday to spend several
days visiting his brother, D. E.
Weaver.

Misses Nora Walters and Nora
Daniel visited with friends and rela-
tives in Amarillo from Saturday till
Tuesday.

Christian Sailor, a substantial
ranchman living 9 miles northeast of
town, was numbered among our
visitors Monday.

S. E. Smith came in Monday from
the Syndicate after a large tank
which Snyder & Lacey had manu-
factured for them.

We don't want the world, and all
that is in it. We want your trade
and promise fresh meats and fair
dealings. Stanley & Arthur. 51-1t

W. J. Killough, a representative
cattleman of Hart, was in town this
and informed a BRAND-reporter that
everything moved smoothly in his
community.

Fresh vegetables and celery at
the City Bakery on Friday and Sat-
urday of each week, also a fresh lot
of choice home made and other can-
dies, such as you like. Nothing
shoddy, all nice and fresh. 51tf

E. J. White has received the
material for the new telephone line
to Bethel, Floyd and Elida, and we
will soon have telephone connections
with those places. Mr. White is a
hustler and loses no opportunity to
improve the service. Portales Her-
ald.

The Pecos Valley Hotel, formerly
the Hereford Hotel, is making on a
very different and under its
new administration, Pearce,
the owner of the hotel, is having
it painted, fenced, and other
conveniences necessary to make a
first-class hotel.

**Directors Report
To Stockholders**

Hereford, Texas, December 31, 1903.
A meeting of the Board of Directors was
held this day in the banking room of The
Western National Bank.

After a careful examination of each and
every loan held by the bank, and a general dis-
cussion of the bank's affairs, the following report
to the stockholders was adopted:

We, The Board of Directors of The Western
National Bank of Hereford, beg to report to
the stockholders that for the six months' business
since the organization of the bank we have made
a net profit of \$3366.99 upon our capital of
\$50,000.00, being at the rate of 13 1/2 per cent per
annum.

We have made no bad loans.
We have had no law suits.
We have never forced any customer to sacri-
fice his property to pay us.

We have never rediscounted any of our
paper.
We owe no bank anything.

Never having used our credit, we have this
in reserve to assist our customers, should such
assistance become necessary.

Our policy of making small loans, has made
us the POOR MAN'S BANK, and we have always
been able to make such loans though we have
often been forced to refuse large loans.

It is believed with the business now established,
a much better showing can be made six months
hence.

As our money can be well used in our busi-
ness, we have thought best to declare no divi-
dend at this time.

We have passed five hundred dollars to the
surplus fund.

We have elected Ross W. Davis, assistant
cashier.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. P. SLATON
J. P. CONNELL
W. S. HIGGINS
L. R. BRADLY
ROSS W. DAVIS
E. B. FULLER
G. A. F. PARKER

G. A. F. PARKER J. P. CONNELL F. B. FULLER
President Vice-President Cashier

The Western National Bank
Of Hereford, Texas
CAPITAL - - - \$50,000.00

DIRECTORS
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W. S. Higgins, J. P. Slaton, Ross W. Davis

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of their price.

R. H. Norton, Proprietor

A VALUABLE PROPERTY

That of the Progressive Gold Mining and Milling Company.

The BRAND office this week received a friendly call from G. Frank Weaver of Denver, Colo., who is here on a visit to his brother, D. E. Weaver, the grocer. Mr. Weaver is president of The Progressive Gold Mining and Milling Company of Wyoming, whose property is situated in the Medicine Bow Range in Albany county, Wyoming, and while in this state (his native home) on business for his company took advantage of a short duration of spare time and came to Hereford to see his brother and family, whom he has not seen before in fifteen years.

As Mr. Weaver is acquainted with some of the senior's kin folks in Colorado, we passed a pleasant hour in inquiring after their welfare, etc., during which the conversation naturally drifted to the business and prospects of Mr. Weaver's company. From him we elicited the following information concerning their plan of working their mining property:

At present but little work is being done, outside of making the necessary preparations for commencing active work on their property as soon as the winter shall have broken up, in the way of gleaning the gold from its native heath, but, as will be seen from the following extracts from the company's prospectus, the mine is an old one and is known to have large quantities of paying dirt which as yet have not been washed:

HISTORY.

In 1881 August Hurley, an old-time miner and prospector, located The Old Man's Delight Placer in Lincoln Gulch, in Albany county, Wyoming, about 45 miles southwest of Laramie City, on what is known as the Medicine Bow Range, and the same spring hauled in enough lumber and with a rope himself dragged it a distance of seven miles over mountains, rocks, creeks, gulches and fallen trees. With this lumber he built three sluice boxes. As the beavers interrupted his work he was obliged to stop and trap them. He made \$300 by so doing. He then renewed work on the placer, and that summer took out about \$1000. In prospecting the gulch he lost the bedrock, and afterwards found what proved to be an old river channel. He went into this old river channel and sunk a shaft to 22 feet deep. While down the shaft the quicksand caved in on him and he was obliged to flee for his life and the shaft filled to the top with this sand. Mr. Hurley says that while at the bottom of the shaft the placer dirt was the richest he ever saw, washing as much as 50 cents in gold to a pan. On the east side of this old river channel two men worked for ten days and together took out \$73 per day, making \$730 for the ten days' work.

Mr. Hurley worked this property for about 22 years and took out sums of money ranging from \$400 to \$1800 in a single season's work with the poorest of poor tools. With a small crude sluice box in 21 days, while working alone, Mr. Hurley took out \$1800.

At another time, the last work done by Mr. Hurley on this property at the end of the hydraulic season, in six days, he extracted \$72 with a small ground sluice. After Mr. Hurley had cleaned his bedrock, Mr. E. P. Collins cleaned the bedrock tailings, and got \$12 in four hours.

OUR COMPANY.

The Progressive Gold Mining and Milling Co. has secured a good title to 160 acres of this valuable placer property, and has made arrangements to secure a good title to 255 acres more, which will be acquired as soon as the present owners can perfect their title. This will make 415 acres of the richest placer mining property in the west.

MANAGEMENT.

This enterprise is in the hands of experienced and competent management. The names of the officers and trustees are a standing guarantee of conservatism and strict integrity, whereby each stockholder, however small, may feel assured of full protection for every dollar invested.

PAY STREAKS.

The property not only covers the river channel but a large amount of rich land on each side of the channel. There are two distinct pay streaks—the old river channel and one that crosses it diagonally. The river channel pay streak is about 300

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At \$3 to \$4 per acre and up

ON ACCOUNT OF THE CAPITOL SYNDICATE COMPANY'S (better known as the XIT's) intention to discontinue their cattle business their large ranch, consisting of over 3,000,000 acres and situated in the best part of the Texas Panhandle, will be sold in any size tract—to suit the purchaser.

This land is all fenced and has numerous wells and windmills, and other similar improvements which make it the best in the Panhandle. Improvements on land purchased will be sold to the purchaser at the actual cost to the Company.

Nearly 2,000,000 acres of this great ranch has been sold and it will be only a few months until the stock farmer of one or two sections

will have the one million acres left in beautiful homes and farms.

It has been demonstrated that the small stock farmer can make more money compared to his investment, than can the large ranch owner, and the splitting up of this large ranch (until recently the largest ranch in the world) will be a great boon to this class of farmers.

The Pecos Valley railroad (a branch of the Santa Fe System), the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific and the Fort Worth and Denver City Railroads are now intersecting this great ranch and the Choctaw road is now building from Amarillo to Tucumcari, N. M., and will traverse the entire Deaf

Smith county portion of the ranch. It is also expected that the Santa Fe branch, running to Albuquerque, N. M., will be built from Bovina in the near future.

This land, being situated in the western part of the Panhandle, lies close to the mountains of New Mexico and therefore is more susceptible to good rains than is land farther east.

This section of the Panhandle is noted for its mildness and even temperature—both in winter's cold and summer's heat—and has the right altitude for an invigorating and dry atmosphere. The nights are always cool, insuring sound and refreshing sleep.

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feet in width and the depth is known to be more than 22 feet, without striking bedrock, and is much the richer pay streak of the two and a recent test made by L. S. Pierce, 1653 Welton street, Denver, Colo., Patentee of the Pierce Gold Separator and Amalgamator, clearly proves a running of \$2.58 6-10 per cubic yard. The test was made in the presence of three disinterested prominent citizens of Denver. The dirt from which the test was made was taken from the top of quicksand, where a shovel handle sunk to its full length would not reach bedrock, and increases in value as depth is attained. The other pay streak is from 100 to 500 feet in width and the depth is from three to ten feet to bedrock. A prominent Denver expert tested this pay streak and reported that it would average over \$1.00 per cubic yard. This is unusually rich for a placer property, as a hydraulic placer mine can generally be worked profitably when it will run 30 cents per cubic yard.

PLACER WORKING.

A placer mine differs from other kinds of mining in that it does not require deep shafts, tunnels, drifts, levels and other large and costly workings, which have to be timbered, nor does it require the costly shipping of ore. Returns are also quicker, for this reason it is known as a poor man's mine.

FUEL AND WATER.

There is an unlimited quantity of the finest pine timber on the property, which is owned by the company. There is also an unlimited supply of water with which to work the mine.

CERTIFICATE AND BOND.

The company is incorporated for the conservatively low sum of one million shares at \$1.00 per share, par value, full paid and non-assessable, and have made arrangements with the owner of the copyright to issue the new certificate and bond. This is not like the old stock proposition that other companies use that requires you to wait until they get ore before you get any money back. Under this new certificate and bond the company pays you five per cent interest per year for five years on your money. It is like a government bond. You simply cut off, an interest-bearing coupon every six months and send it to the treasurer of the company, and by return mail get your interest. You also draw your dividends in full whenever the company declares dividends.

A SAFE GUARANTEE.

The members of the board of trustees have made a free gift to the stockholders of the company of 50,000 shares. These shares are to be sold and all the money received from said sale is to be deposited in a gilt edged savings bank and is to be used for no other purpose than to pay the interest when it becomes due. Thus the interest is secured to all holders of certificates and will be paid promptly. This will bear

the closest inspection.

Mr. Weaver informs us that only enough of the treasury stock will be sold to enable the company to buy additional machinery and equipment for the successful operation of the mine, and that when the necessary amount of shares have been sold to the public the stock will be taken off the market and no more stock can be purchased at the par value (\$1.00 per share), unless from individuals who obtain stock in the immediate future.

Mr. Weaver says that each stockholder will share alike (according to his holdings) in the profits of the company, no officer receiving a salary; his only remuneration being the dividends accruing from the sale of the products of the mine, and that every dollar received from the sale of stock will be devoted to developing the mine only.

Mr. Weaver says his company courts and desires the closest investigation of the merits of the property and management thereof and that he further desires that none of the BRAND's readers invest in the property unless they are thoroughly satisfied that the proposition is perfectly legitimate and have faith that the officers of the company will honestly and efficiently manage the property and funds thus placed in their care.

D. E. Weaver, the grocer, has been authorized to take subscriptions for the stock of this company and who will also be pleased to give any further information desired in regard to the company or its property.

Should any of our readers desire to subscribe for a few shares of this stock, cut and fill out the coupon below and send same to D. E. Weaver, Hereford, Texas, or to the address given below in the coupon:

To The Progressive Gold Mining and Milling Company, Fort Collins, Colorado.

I hereby subscribe for shares of the capital stock of The Progressive Gold Mining and Milling Company, full paid and non-assessable, at \$1.00 per share, and enclose you herewith \$ in full payment of same. You are authorized to receipt for my certificate. Kindly forward stock to me at my address below.

Name _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Make all remittances for money order payable to D. E. Weaver, care Central Bank, Denver, Colo.

Commissioner's Office.

The regular meeting of the commissioner's court is held on Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Members present in the morning were somewhat heavy in the case at the February

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W. H. Rayzor, Pres. Farmers' Institute, Hereford, Texas.

Dear Sir: By request of Oswald Wilson, S. A. for Texas and Indian Territory, we quote you on North Carolina cotton seed as follows: No. 1 King's Improved Early Maturing at 65c per bushel of 30 lbs. Extra Select King's Improved Early Maturing at 77 1-2c per bushel of 30 lbs. all f. o. b. cars Dallas, put up 3 1-3 bushels in a sack. These seed were selected with great care by our own expert seedman sent from here to North Carolina for that purpose and we are sure they are as nearly pure King's seed as can be bought in the United States, and the very best that have been shipped into Texas this year.

Shall be glad to have your order for as many of these seed as you may require. Kindly accompany same with postal order to cover shipment, and oblige.

VERN W. JONES, Manager The Dallas Jobbers Cotton Seed Supply Company.

Christian Endeavor Program.

The following is the program for the Christian Endeavor meeting at the Christian church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock:

- Subject—What will real friendship do?
- Leader—Miss Maud Miller.
- What will real friendship do?—Miss Grayson.
- True friendship, I Sam. 18: 1-3—Miss Hallie Davis.
- False friendship, Job 17: 5—Miss Beulah Wright.
- Christian friendship, Mal. 3:16—Miss Clark.
- Our way may our friendship be consecrated to Christ?—Miss No.
- Concluding—Miss Mary Clark.