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General Merchandise

Ware & Wolf.

General Merchandise

Carry a complete line of

Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, China ware and Farming Implements.

A few of the many things we handle at Rock Bottom Prices.

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Full suits as dressy as any tailor-made outfit.

The celebrated Stetson and other brands of hats.

A big line of the well known Selz and Par Excellence shoes. Also other brands of wide reputation.

We have on hand a big supply of Wright's Health Underwear. If you need any heavy underwear we can fit you out with the best at moderate cost.

We haven't space here to enumerate all the things in our Dry Goods line that we wish you to know of, but come and see, we will take pleasure in showing you through and anything you want can be found.

Miscellaneous Articles.

Saddles, Harness, Soldier blankets, Tarps. All kinds of cartridges. General assortment of cooking utensils. Line of Crockery and China ware.

Come to us for anything you want.

It is our purpose to carry in stock everything needed by the farmer and stockman. Our main storeroom is 20x85 feet in size and is stocked from bottom to top.

In addition to this we have a storage room 24x40 feet underneath which is a cellar 22x38 feet.

Both are full of goods and we are prepared to supply your every need.

Mr. Wolf of the firm has returned from the eastern markets where he purchased a \$1000 addition to our already tremendous sized stock.

Come in and see what we have. We believe we can make it greatly to your interest to trade with us as we sell our goods at the lowest possible prices. We want your patronage and offer the inducements of low prices and good goods to secure it.

Yours truly, Ware & Wolf.

Cane Seed

For Sale

Lay in a supply now.

A few of the many things we handle at Rock Bottom Prices.

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

This department is fresh and complete. Everybody is interested in good, pure, wholesome food and those who patronize us may set an appetizing table.

We have the best grades of flour and meal and have a good full stock of bacon, sugar and all kinds of can goods. Jellies, both bucket and jars.

Pickles, potatoes, lard, salt, seven different kinds of bucket syrup. Big line of breakfast foods.

Also fresh dried fruits such as apples, peaches, apricots, prunes, etc.

Miscellaneous Articles.

All kinds of tobaccos. line of ropes.

Stock salt for sale in any amount.

Nails, saws, hammers, rain proof, tin buckets. Washing materials, such as potash, gold-dust, and a variety of soaps.

Come to us for anything you want.

We have the largest stock of General Merchandise in Terry or adjoining counties at prices the lowest.

Ware & Wolf,

Gomez,

Texas.

W. J. Peveler

has a

First-class Wagon Yard and Feed Stable with all accommodations. Feed for sale by wholesale or retail. N. E. corner sq, Gomez, Texas.

The Tow Hotel

Terms, \$1.00 per day. Monthly rates made known on application. Tables supplied with the best the market affords. Your patronage solicited.

Gomez, Texas.

H. W. Stoneham,

Real Estate and Collections

Has some choice lands for sale or to exchange for other lands or for cattle or mules or property of value. Write for list and terms. Lubbock, Texas.

Xmas passed off nicely, everybody seem to be cheerful and happy.

John Parks and Misses Inez and Pearl Popnoe, of Cochran county, were here spending Xmas with friends last week.

N. J. Oquin,

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Chicago, Texas.

Carries a nice line of Groceries and will appreciate your trade.

BLACK-DRAUGHT STOCK and POULTRY MEDICINE

Stock and poultry have few troubles which are not bowel and liver irregularities. Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine is a bowel and liver remedy for stock. It puts the organs of digestion in a perfect condition. Prominent American breeders and farmers keep their herds and flocks healthy by giving them an occasional dose of Black Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine in their food. Any stock raiser may buy a 25-cent half-pound air-tight can of this medicine from his dealer and keep his stock in vigorous health for weeks. Dealers generally keep Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine. If yours does not, send 25 cents for a sample can to the manufacturers, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

ROCHELLE, GA., Jan. 30, 1902. Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine is the best I ever tried. Our stock was looking bad when you sent us the medicine and now they are getting so fine. They are looking 20 percent better. S. P. BROCKINGTON.

To Save The Cotton.

Farmers in North Texas seem determined to lose nothing of the fine prospects for a good yield of cotton and though the early frost nipped many of the fields while yet in the unopened boll and these bolls have refused to crack so as to allow picking, the staple will be gathered anyhow. So important has this industry become that already the rail-ways have made rates for this freight of cotton bolls and the separating of boll and fiber is becoming an important business.

It is done in this way: Through the fields the farmers go with their sacks, as if to pick the downy cotton, but instead in the fields where the cotton has disappeared or failed to put in its first appearance they pass along the rows and pull off the unopened but fully grown bolls. These collected in large quantities, are passed through an ordinary thrasher and the bolls well broken up. This process takes out much of the woody substance. The mass is then ginned in the ordinary way, and the cotton thus obtained is said to class not so very much below the clean staple prepared in the usual way. Buyers are paying for the cotton from the thrashed bolls about 2c less than the market prices for the cotton taken in the orthodox way.

Planters in the neighborhood of Mesquite, Lancaster and other places in this country and throughout the northern part of the State are reported to be realizing well from what at first looked like a total failure of crop. They say the crop handled in this way is far less troublesome and that while the cotton brings lower prices, there is less waste and the profit is as large or greater.

"Who knows but that this may revolutionize the cotton industry?" said a local ginner yesterday.

Experiments are being made by Dallas ginner, who have estimated the amount of unopened bolls in North Texas and Indian Territory to be worth while, and they expect to devise a better method of saving the staple in these bolls than has so far been devised.

The rate that has been made was placed after a showing that there are several hundred car loads of the unopened bolls available for use in saving the staple. —Gatesville Star-Forum.

Ranchmen should watch the columns of the Voice for information about the stock on hand with our merchants. It is difficult to keep up a good stock this far from the railroad and it is quite a convenience to know before coming whether the goods are here.

Always in Stock.

A chemist was boasting in the company of friends of his well assorted stock in trade. "There isn't a drug missing," he said.

"Come, n. w.," said one of the bystanders by the way of a joke. "I bet that you don't keep any spirit of contradiction, well stocked as you pretend to be."

"Why not?" replied the chemist not in the least embarrassed at the unexpected sally. "You shall see for yourself." So saying he left the group and returned in a few minutes leading by the hand—his wife!—London Tidbits.

Fire at Big Springs.

Enterprise Office Furnishes a Little Excitement.

Last night shortly after the play at the Opera house was over an alarm of fire was given and the roof of the Enterprise office was discovered to be in flames.

The first person to discover the fire was Deputy Sheriff E. M. Mobly, who gave the alarm.

At the first alarm, many citizens who had been attending the play rushed to the scene. The office is a two story building the upper story having until recently been occupied as a photograph gallery and being still occupied by the fixtures of the gallery.

Lack of ladders made the fire difficult to get at but James Garrett, broke a hole through the ceiling and roof and buckets of water were passed up from the lower story and the fire which had gained but little headway was soon extinguished.

One of the printers, Otis Geers, was in the office at the time the fire broke out, writing a letter, but as the fire was in the roof he did not suspect it until the alarm was given from the outside.

It is seldom that a fire in a printing office does as little damage as was done last night. Mr. Geers had the presence of mind to order nothing in the office to be removed and the crowd had the good sense to heed him, so that the usual accompaniment of picket cases and forms was avoided, those present confiding their efforts to putting out the fire.

Too much praise cannot be given to those whose prompt and intelligent efforts prevented a disastrous conflagration.

The Enterprise office stands in a block of wooden buildings and had the fire once gotten from under control nothing on earth could have prevented the entire block from going up in smoke.

The fire company responded at the first alarm but since the new fence has been built around the courthouse it was necessary to take around-about course to reach the business part of town and to drag the heavy hose-cart across a plowed lot. Fire was out when the hose-cart arrived on the scene. In this particular case it may have been fortunate that it was so as it saved damage by water but in another case it might result in much loss. The difficulty of reaching the scene of fire emphasizes the fact that the fire fighting apparatus should be kept in a more accessible place. Fortunately it is not often needed but when wanted it is wanted in a hurry.

We wish to thank those who did such splendid and prompt work in putting the fire out, and especially are we thankful to James Garrett and James Smith, who worked like trained fire fighters.—In last weeks Enterprise

A Social Event.

Last Friday night week the young people of Gomez gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Glover's and spent several hours very pleasantly. Flinch, plays and candy drawing were the amusements. After the games were played for quite awhile cake was passed around which was baked to a "queens taste." When the hour came for the guest to brake away everybody expressed themselves as having had a good time. It will be with pleasure that they look forward to the time when Mr. and Mrs. Glover again entertain.

Program of Literary Society To be Held January 9, 1904

Music by Opobas
Recitation by Hilliard
Restation by Maude
Diagoue by Stella
Ruby Jones and Ethel Tow
Restation by Cora
Restation by Verna
Reading by Arlie Blanker
Restation by Li
Essay by Myrtle
Paper by Mrs. Willie Reeves
Quartette by Miss Berni
Deshazo, Mrs. Willie Reeves,
Head, Mr. W. P. Florence.

Respectfully,
Program Committee

J. M. Head, of Fisher county was here last week with a load of household goods for his brother who lives south 11 miles of Mr. Head is a father to a barber, W. J. Head, of the worst objection he has in ry county is that he does a part of it.

New Live Stock Rules.

New rules governing the transportation of live stock, recommended by members of the Texas Railroad Commission, are now in effect.

The reduction of limit of portion is from twenty days. Horses hereafter considered the same as one class of live stock, and transportation will be one car.

Shipper will be required to do so, to make a davit indicating the stock shipped.

This last is considered to be the most important of the changes made.

The railroads have been endeavoring to get such a rule passed for some time so as to prevent being imposed upon by parties wishing to go along with a shipment of stock to another place.—The Texas Stock Journal.

Frost Worth Live Stock Markets.

This week opened with a tremendous rush of cattle to the Ft. Worth market and receipts for the most part were good. On Monday a total of 5695 head arrived, the largest on record. One bunch of Hereford and Durham's and another of polled Angus cattle, fed by D. F. Sansom & Co. were the best marketed for some time. The steers averaged 1266 pounds and sold at \$1.00, while the cows averaged 1030 pounds and brought \$2.00 in spite of the enormous receipts the market was generally active and prices steady. Hog receipts were larger for several months, the greater number being territory fed stock with several loads of Texans. Most of the day trading was active, but the market closed weaker in sympathy with the Northern packing centers. Tops are bringing about 12 cents more than at Kansas City. Sheep are steady, a load of 14 head averaging 80 pounds selling at \$3.36. Quotations.

	Top.	Bulk.
Steers	\$4.00	\$3.25 at 2.50
Cows	2.90	2.20 at 2.00
Hogs	4.90	4.85 at 4.75

—The Texas Stock Journal.

Messrs. Woods, Morton and their families, accompanied Jim Austin of this place Wednesday week for N. M., where they will home. They had friends near departue. Our gain.

County Voice.

weekly newspaper devoted to the upbuilding of Gomez and the developing of Terry County.

A. W. Long, Proprietor.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE:
Yearly \$1.00
Six months .50
Three months .25
Subscribers are requested to notify this office if the paper is not received regularly.

Application has been made to the postoffice department for second-class privileges.

Jan. 1, 1904.

Christmas Tree.

On Christmas eve night the people of this and surrounding communities were treated to the first Christmas tree in the history of Terry county.

Many had expressed the fear that on account of the unusual scarcity of money and other drawbacks it would be a tame affair, but a big house full of people found it to be a big mistake.

The house was packed to its fullest capacity, even the standing room being all taken up.

There were present numbers from the country around, and the festive cow-boy from the lone-some ranch was much in evidence as was also his big hearted chivalry as evidenced by the rich presents which hung from the tree and soon after gladdened the hearts of some the pretty girls of Gomez.

Oh! the happy go lucky devil-may-care knight of the lariat with a heart as big as a watermelon, what a pity that he is so fast becoming a character of the past to exist only in story and song.

Many thought that with no trees on the plains and not time to wait for them to grow, there could be no tree. Some one suggested that the presents be placed on a table, another suggested shelves like a grocery store, while still another said tubs and boxes might hold the presents. But the committee on arrangements did not wear suspenders and so these eminently practical suggestions didn't go.

On entering the house the audience were greeted with a beautiful sight of a vari colored tree loaded to the guard and revolving slowly and showing hundreds of dangling presents, a veritable "thing of beauty and a joy forever."

The exercises were opened by prayer, after which a short address by Mr. Gainer—followed by a beautiful piece of music by the string band and organ.

Then came a genuine surprise to the eager audience in the shape of some remarkably fine exercises by the school children.

Without going into details, we say that the exercises of the children from the little five year old up, would have done credit to any school in Texas (or out of it either.) They were superb. Peal after peal of applause showed how heartily the big audience appreciated them and it was patent to every one that we were being entertained by some very bright pupils who are in hands of efficient teachers.

After the recitations and Christmas songs Santa Claus came in sight to the great delight of the little folks. His grotesque appearance and his droll sayings made no little fun for the merry crowd. To the great delight of the little tots he read letters that some of them had written him and promised them everything they had asked for, which promise he fulfilled to the letter. He told them how much trouble his reindeer had given him on the trip, being so frisky and full of capers. He told how they shied at the moving clouds as they passed them kicked at the stars and made him run his sled against the north pole and made him get in too late to hear the music and the recitations. He said he talked with his old friend and neighbor, the "man in the moon" who told him all he saw them do during the year.

Lastly the tree was stripped and every heart present was made glad, some by receiving, and others by giving those gifts which were but a beautiful expression of their affection as well as an imitation of those great gifts to men by the Savior Who was the first Christmas gift to the world.

Long will be remembered Gomez' first Xmas tree. Sheriff Tom gives notice that he will give Gomez on Jan. 15th.

Some wicked joker, (it must have been Walter Gainer) put out word that the Town Commission offering a building lot for a "good house" on it as a reward to the parents of the first pair of twins born in Gomez. Then the bad old thing stood off and watched the boys jump in the breeze.

Longbreak put on a red necktie and a 7 inch smile and sallied forth among the Sallies with high hopes in his heart and gum drops in his pocket.

Miss Florence kept the roads clear in every direction until no matrimonial fish pond was left unseined; and left post haste to seek consolation at the side of the 20 girl who used to receive his attentions and his bewitching gaze. These bewitching Gomez girls ruthlessly stole out.

The popular principal of the Gomez School has received an offer of the position of teacher in the Summer Normal at Lubbock next summer. Prof. Florence is a fine instructor and the Summer Normal is fortunate if he accepts the position.

Our old friend Will Dixon, returned last week from a visit to see home folks at Converse, Mo.

E. W. Bounds, an attorney from Colorado, spent several days in our city last week on legal business, leaving by mail for Big Springs Monday.

Mr. Bradshaw moved in during the holidays and is domiciled in his new house in South Gomez. Mr. Bradshaw is a substantial citizen of north-east Terry, and is one of the most successful farmers in the county.

Frank Phenix is just finishing his house on first addition. Mr. Phenix comes to us from Lubbock and is said to be a first rate carpenter. He showed his faith in the future of Gomez by investing in 20 acres of ground joining the town plat.

Prof. Florence is staying this week on his bonus. The Professor has two fine sections 12 miles south of Lubbock which will in the near future sell for several thousand dollars or make a fine little home for the pedagogue and some body else. Hear that girls?

Roping Contest.

Gomez was treated to a roping contest on last Saturday.

The first contest was almost a flash in the pan for only one man succeeded in tying his belt after a struggle of one minute and eight seconds.

There were ten entries and Jno. Winburn, boss of the Ellingwood ranch took the purse.

On second trial there were 8 entries with time as follows:

- Ed Standefer, 1 min. 5 sec.
- Bunks Groves, 1 , 29 sec.
- N. Bell, 53 sec.
- J. B. Conner, No time.
- John Winburn 35 1-2 sec.
- Clif Patton, 33 1-2 sec.
- John Parks, No time.
- E. C. Groves, No time.

It will be seen that the boys let Mr. Winburn walk off with both purses amounting to \$140.00.

It may not be generally known that a Terry county boy, (R. Conly) holds the world's record for roping and tying down a steer. His time is 21 1-2 seconds.

The writer, and J. E. Reeves and family, D. B. Morrill and family, Roy Peveler, Mr. Longbreak, and Mr. Woods of Brownfield, and Hon. Bounds, of Colorado, were treated to a very palatable dinner Xmas day at Mr. J. M. Lane's. We were royally entertained by the host and hostess.

Chief justice Ford did some business in the magistrates court with the boys this week.

Don't stop to read, but see Dr Norris and have your Dental work done December 5th.

Gomez Drug Store.

Drugs, Oils, Paints, Stationery, etc.

*** South Side Square. T. Deshazo, Prop. *** Gomez, Texas.

Prices at Siam.

- 3 lbs A. & H. Soda, 25c.
- 16 lbs granulated sugar, \$1.00.
- 8 lbs Arbuckle coffee, 1.00.
- 15 lbs Lima beans, 1.00.
- 18 lbs Pink beans, 1.00.
- 1 dozen boxes Searchlight matches, 50c.
- 10 lb bucket Silver Leaf Lard, 1.35.

These are cash prices. L. P. Schooler, Siam, Texas.

For Lease.

Sections of fine grass land in county. See Long & Glover.

To The Homeseeker.

We are offering in Terry and adjoining counties some of the best bargains in Real Estate that has ever been offered by any real estate firm in Texas. In fact, we can sell a man a home in almost any county in the State. Below we will give a few of our many bargains.

No. 1 3 sections in block D 4. This is good land, and can be bought for \$2.00 per acre; 280 cash. Balance 6 annual payments at 8 per cent.

No. 2 4 sections in block D 11. This is fine land and can be had for \$2.50 per acre on long time.

No. 3 2 sections in block T. Fine land \$3.00 per acre. \$180 Cash per section. Balance in 11 annual payments, 8 per cent.

No. 4 2 sections in block T. At \$1.50 per acre. \$500 Cash, balance in 5 annual payments, 6 per cent. This is a bargain, a snap.

No. 5. 6 sections all fenced. A ranch house, a small farm, fine well and wind mill. This is the best bargain in Terry county, at 2.00 per acre. 1.50 Cash, balance in 4 annual payments, 6 per cent.

No. 6. 160 acres in block D14 section 11. Can be bought for \$2 per acre cash.

No. 7. 4 sections. A ranch house well and windmill small farm a good bargain price \$2 per acre.

No. 8. 4 sections \$1.50 school land. A good 5-room house, farm, fine well and windmill. This is a well improved place. One of the cheapest. Bonus Terry county at \$3000.

No. 9. 4 sections solid body \$1.50 school land a small farm a dug out. Bonus \$3500.

No. 10. A 3 years lease on 14 sections school land solid body will take for lease \$1200.

No. 11. 1 section \$1.50 school land a small farm a dugout a fine well and windmill. Bonus price \$750.

No. 12. 1 section \$1.50 school land and lease on one section all for \$600.

No. 13. 1 section patented land 5 miles from Gomez this is a fine section section and a bargain at \$2.25 per acre.

LYNN COUNTY.

No. 14. 1 section in west side of the county fine section of land and I can sell you this land for \$1.50 per acre \$500 cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years time at 7 per cent.

No. 15. 3 sections 2 miles south of Tahoka this land can be had for \$2 per acre with one-fourth cash balance in 1, 2 or 3 years with 8 per cent interest.

No. 16. 2 1-2 sections 7 miles northeast from Tahoka this is good land and a bargain at \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance at 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent.

No. 17. 1 section southeast from Tahoka ten or twelve miles. This is as fine section of land as Lynn county has and can be bought for \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years time. This is a bargain.

No. 18. 2 sections 14 miles east from Tahoka fine land in good watered belt this land is \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent.

No. 19. One section in south west corner of the county this is \$2 land on easy terms.

No. 20. 2 sections \$1.50 school land this is as good land as can be found on the plains. Bonus price \$1200 will take some trade.

No. 21. 1 section \$1.50 school land this section has a good dug out and as fine land as can be found in Lynn county and we want to say Lynn county has as fine land as can be found on the plains.

COCHRAN COUNTY.

No. 22. 53 sections of patented land in Cochran county all fenced this ranch is known as the Harrison & Brown survey and is located in the southwest corner of the county. This is a fine ranch well improved good house, farm, plenty of good water, this ranch is a bargain at \$1.75 per acre 1-2 cash balance to suit purchaser. This ranch has 1000 head of stock for sale also 1200 head of steers will sell these cattle with ranch or ranch with out cattle.

No. 23 25 sections solid body. This is as fine as can be found on the plains. Well watered, well improved. Can be had for 3.00 per acre on easy terms.

YOKUM COUNTY.

No. 24 104 Sections of patented land in Yoakum county. This

land is as fine as there is in the county. This land is well located and can be bought for \$1.25 per acre. We can sell from one to as many sections as you want with 1-4 cash, balance in 4 annual payments at 8 per cent.

No. 25 9 Sections patented in Yoakum county. Good land at 75 cts per acre, 1-4 cash balance in 4 annual payments at 8 per cent. This 9 sections are subject to 5 years lease.

No. 26 1 section, \$1.00 school land, fine land. Bonus price 500.00. Also 1 section leased will sell lease for 100.00. This is the best bargain in the county.

No. 27 4 sections, 1.50 school land. Bonus price 2500.00. HOWARD COUNTY.

No. 28 3 1-2 sections one dollar school land, time lived out this land is within ten miles of Big Springs, one of the best towns in west Texas, has first-class improvements, 2 sets good houses, 2 good wells and wind mills, a good farm as good land as can be found in the county, Bonus price \$3 per acre. This is certainly a bargain. Can put in with this land the lease on 12 sections of patented land also in adjoining this we can sell 2 1-2 sections of one dollar school land, time lived out at 2.75 per acre bonus.

No. 29. 1 section one dollar school land 7 miles from Big Springs, a very good house, good well and wind mill, 125 acres in cultivation, this is a fine little farm and ranch, and can be had for 5.00 per acre or will trade for unimproved land in Terry or Yoakum counties.

No. 30. 2 sections 1.00 school land, time lived out, 2 sections patented land leased, a good 4 room house, well and wind mill, 40 acres in cultivation, this place is 12 miles from Big Springs and can be had for \$200. Now my friends after looking over this list should you fail to find what you want write us for we have for sale other lands that are not on this list.

Respectfully,
Long & Glover,
Gomez, Terry county, Texas

J. N. Haney, Attorney-at-Law.

Will practice in courts at Gomez, Tahoka, Texas

Dr. T. P. Gaines, Physician & Surgeon.

Calls answered day or night. Gomez, Texas.

Long & Glover, Dealers in Real Estate,

Gomez, Texas.

W. J. Head, Barber.

Remember when you need a haircut, shave or shampoo, come to my shop and you will receive first-class attention. Gomez, Texas.

W. T. McPherson, Lawyer,

Solicits your business. Gomez, Texas

Buy your Xmas presents from Holmes. He competes with Big and quality

Price & Watkins,

Blacksmithing, woodwork, and general Repairing. Horse-Shoeing a Specialty.

Gomez, Texas.

J. T. Bess, Groceries.

Keeps a fresh and complete line and is constantly enlarging the stock. Get his prices before buying elsewhere. They are what talks. Also runs a

Meat Market.

Gomez, Texas.

Sam P. Ford,

Justice of the Peace and Notary Public.

All legal papers correctly drawn.

Gomez, Texas.

We are stocking up on staple articles as fast as they can be hauled in and our patrons may take notice that they will find what they want hereafter. We will have 7000 pounds of groceries and dry goods in a few days. Joe Lane. Assignee for Wolf & Ware.

The dance at Mr. and Mrs. Jones last week was well represented by the young people from all over the county. Everybody seemed to have had a good time. See Dr. N. and have your Dental work done on the 5th and 6th of Dec.

Gomez

The Capital of Terry County, Texas.

Gomez had nothing but coyotes and antelopes ten months ago---now contains fourteen business houses and twenty-six residences, the best school in the west, and two Church organizations.

Business lots on the square can be bought for \$75, corner lots \$200, other business lots from ten to thirty dollars according to location. Residence lots within four blocks of the square, S E corner \$30, N W corner \$20, others \$25. All residence lots 140 ft square. Fifty resident blocks containing from 5 to 8 acres each at \$12 per acre. All of these blocks are in less than half mile of public square. Lots or blocks can be bought for 1-3 cash, balance one and two years, or all lots purchased and built on at once, the house containing two or more well finished rooms, one year given and nothing paid down. For information as to Gomez write or see W. P. Florence or Sam P. Ford, at Gomez, Terry County, Texas. All deeds made by Sam P. Ford, J P and Notary Public for Terry county.

Gomez is one mile west of the center of Terry County.

Roping Contest.

We are requested to announce that there will be a big roping contest pulled off at Gomez on 5th instant.

It will be a battle of the heavy weights and will be worth watching. It is said that Conly, Bonegal, Connell, Criswell and Auburn will take part as will all lesser lights who feel so lined.

This is a royal battle between the lions of theariat.

The world's record in tying one is held by one contestant, and world's record in tying three held by another.

It ought to be a day worthy of Terry county.

It is said that Howard, Lubbock, Yoakum and Dawson counties will be well represented, and a lucky boy who carries off the prize will carry a load that will weigh on his galluses.

Mr. Groves and family, of Chicago, Dawson county, and Winburn and family, of Yoakum county, were visiting at Gomez and Mrs. Mauldin last week.

Dr. Norris the home Dentist will be at Gomez Tuesday and Wednesday prepared to do dental work in all of its branches.

Our lawyer, W. T. McPherson, deputy postmaster, Amos Blankenship, returned Tuesday. Mr. McPherson, from Yoakum county, and Mr. Blankenship from Yoakum county, where they have been on business. They were accompanied by Mr. Sam McPherson of Hamilton county.

Persons who are indebted to the Ware & Wolf will please make a settlement with them.

Lee Tow, son of the Gomez Hotel man wheeled into town this week on his bicycle having come from Oklahoma like a bird a flying. He has spent the fall picking cotton in Greer county. Terry county will give him employment next fall for she will have the fleecy staple smiling on every old patch.

Mr. L. P. Schooler requests the Voice to change his ad so as to offer 7 lbs. Arbuckle coffee for \$1.00 instead of 8 pounds. Also 1 gallon bucket of sorghum 50 cts instead 60. The request comes after the first page is off the press and so we call attention to the matter here.

The Voice has received since last issue more than 50 subscribers. They came in from near and far. Two names came in on last mail from Clinton, Ohio. The Voice is only a month old and now goes to almost every state in the Uncle Sam's dominions. She's a loud Voice.

Pigs For Sale.

T. S. Jackson, three miles west of Meadow, has 14 full blood Berkshire pigs at \$3.50 per head, also 7 half breeds at \$2.50 per head will be ready to take away Feb. 14.

Mr. J. N. Smith and Johnny helped the over-worked printer to get out the paper this week. Thanks.

School begins again Monday, and every pupil should take up their studies in earnestness.

He Preached for Nothing.

The Rev. Francis Bloodgood Hall, for thirty-nine years pastor of the Peristrome Presbyterian church of Plattsburg, N. Y., and probably the most widely known clergyman in Northern New York, died the other day. He had the novel distinction of having refused any pay for his services, holding to the Biblical theory that the gospel is and should be absolutely free to all.

Annis Richardson,

Blacksmith and Woodworkman.

All work guaranteed.

Bridle Bits and Spurs made to order.

Stanton,

Texas.

The Flanagan Hotel.

Stanton, Texas.

FIRST-CLASS Accommodations. Rates \$1.00 per day. Free wagon yard in connection.

A Big Dance and Supper.

On last Friday morning the young people of this and adjoining counties gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brooks, three miles south of town to enjoy an all day and night Xmas dance. They began dancing in the morning and continued the sport until it was announced that supper was ready to be served. After which they returned to the dancing room and danced until 11 o'clock next day.

The dance passed off nicely, and everybody seemed to have had a good time.

The New British Minister.

One who has served under Sir Mortimer Durand, the new British ambassador to this country, sums up the baronet in this fashion: "He has always been my beau ideal of an English gentleman and diplomatist, without fear and without reproach. It has been said that he is one of the few men who can wear the diplomatic uniform without looking ridiculous in it. With strangers he has a grave, dignified and very polite, though somewhat distant, manner, but in reality he possesses a most genial disposition, and is gentle and tender hearted as a woman."

Entertainment.

The entertainment at Mr. and Mrs. Deshazo Tuesday night was well attended by the young people of Gomez. Flinch and other games were played for quite awhile, that is, until some very delicious cake was passed around and everybody was soon busily engaged in eating cake. That act is hard to beat. When all had plenty, attention was again turned to games and it was a late hour before the guests could break away. Everybody expressed themselves as having had a time. It is to be hoped that the time will not be far off when Mr. and Mrs. Deshazo decide to go on entertainment.

There were also parties at Mr. Reeve's and Mr. Ford's. These entertainments were enjoyed hugely by the young people who are truly grateful to the kind hostesses.

Justifiable Suspicion.

"What makes you think Mrs. Weeds isn't sincere?" "She says she will never love again." "Well?" "And that life holds nothing for her." "Well?" "Well, I roomed with her last night, and she massaged her face for an hour, and wore a toilet mask to bed with her."

Humorettes From

The Gomez Humorist.

First boy:— Why is a Gomez woman like a wagon tongue?

Second boy:— I recon' its because she runs about so much.

First boy:— No that aint it.

Second boy:— Well, its because she has a bed and a sheet and a bolster and thimbles.

First boy:— That's not all yet. Its because she's got such a long tongue, and its a "wagging" tongue.

Lois Reeves:— Jewel, why is the public windmill like a little boy?

Jewel Bess:— I spect its cause its so dirty about the foot.

L. B.— No, guess again.

J. B.— Well its cause it makes so much noise and is always a turnin' around.

L. B.— No thats not it. Its cause it is always crying for more "gravy."

Willie Wiggler:— Sam, why is some of these boys wot gits to school late, like a cow's tail!

Sammy Sunburn:— Dog phino less its cause they play "hooky".

W. W.— Golly No, don't yer know a cow don't hook with her tail.

S. S.— Well, wot you say is the reason?

W. W.— Why its because they always behind and because they gits switched so much. D'ye savvy?

What the Kaiser Can Do.

The Kaiser is fond of recounting the number of things that he can do. He is as proud of being able to cook his own dinner as he is of having composed considerable music. He can play chess, it seems, give a lecture, preach a sermon, sing a song, manage a yacht, a regiment or a battleship. He has also studied electricity and engineering, has written a play and conducted its rehearsal, and has drawn illustrations and caricatures and conducted a choir.

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"That may be, but the announcement will appear in tomorrow's paper."

"But we are not to be married for ever so long—perhaps not at all. I may decide to break it off and marry somebody else."

"Oh, that will be all right. If you do, let me know and I will announce your new engagement."

Hotel for Dogs.

The recent fad in the fashionable world of London is a hotel for pet dogs. This establishment has been started by Mrs. Chan-Toon in a dainty house in Regentia. Mrs. Chan-Toon, or so ago, owned the Dog Club in Bond street.

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from April 1 next.
Russian government will arrange to simplify the passport and customs regulations for through passengers, so that those tedious and unpleasant formalities would only be gone through once. Arrangements will be made for reduced sea passages for travels to Peking, should these desire to return to Europe by steamer.

Boers May Rebel.

Karl Von Boeckman, formerly of Johannesburg, South Africa, and now traveling in this country, does not believe that South Africa will be under British domination over ten years at the outside. Mr. Von Boeckman says: "The Transvaal, Natal, the Orange Free State, as it was called of yore, and Cape Colony, will at no distant day form a federation and become as free of English control as Canada now is. I spent most of my life in South Africa, but after the war with England could never be contented to live there. It is a good land naturally and would become populous and rich but for the way the capitalistic combine which owns the Kimberley diamond field and the gold mines contrives to shut off development of native resources and to exclude foreigners who might come in and build up the country. The selfish and grasping combine does not look to the general welfare, but seeks only its private ends. It does all it can to keep the outside world from coming into any of this territory, which it now dominates and hopes to dominate for all time to come."

Hair and Health.

Most people dread baldness; hence, says Victor Smith in the New York Press, the world is full of hair restorers and wigmakers. The rule is, once a wig always a wig. It is a mistake for a man to begin wearing one out of vanity at an early age, because he will never have sufficient courage to leave it off after 40. Football players lose not a little of their physical strength while their hair is growing into the familiar mop. It is possible that important games have been lost by this custom. All of us know that some children become thin and weak when their hair is allowed to grow long, and immediately recover health when it is clipped. Physicians remove the hair on certain fevers to save the lives of their patients. He is an invidious man who pictures God with a bald head and a long white beard.

History of "John Brown's Body."

James Howard Jenkins, one of the four men who first gave prominence to the immortal war song of "John Brown's Body," is now president of the German National Bank in Osikosh, Wis. He and the other three were sergeants in the Boston Light Infantry in 1861, and, being singers, they formed themselves in a quartet. From some unknown quarter came the first verse, which they adapted to an old camp meeting melody. Later the Boston Light Infantry became part of the Twelfth Massachusetts, and the new song became so popular with that body that it came to be called "the hallelujah regiment."

The Thumbs of Thieves.

For the Bertillon system of identification, we may apparently score a good point in the report from London of the arrest of four rogues and Bertillon's theory assumes that no two men are absolutely alike; that if you can put upon record all the facts that fix a man's individuality, this will be a certain guide to that man's identity. Applied in the art of the detectives, this theory promised at one time more splendid results than have been realized, but it seems to be working its way. One of the points in the system involves the impression made by the thumb upon any soft surface, say wax. Upon the under surface of the end of the thumb you may observe a maze of minute lines; and it held that these lines are dissimilar in every person. In a London jeweler's shop a burglar had lighted his way with a candle and left the candle behind him, and on the candle left the impression of his thumb. At police headquarters they had an impression of the thumb of every professional thief, and making a comparison they found their men. They knew the man and his associates, caught them all and recovered a portion of the stolen property. Thus science helps the police—but it also educates the thieves, who learn eventually not to leave behind such certain evidences of their identity.

Lancashire's Mock Mayor.

A tiny Lancashire hamlet elects a mock mayor each year. The residents of the village find great entertainment in masquerading as "the ancient borough of Worston." With splendid seriousness the candidates issue addresses, and all the residents of the neighborhood are supplied with voting papers. The duly elected mayor always assumes the style of a privy councillor and the rank of a knight. The holder of the office for several years has been "the Right Hon. Sir William Bulcock," a laborer. He has his robes of office, a gorgeous cocked hat and huge brass chain and badge. The corporation meets at the village inn, and there ponderously discusses such moving questions as the re-painting of finger posts. At the coronation of Edward this mock borough had its civic rejoicings, and forwarded an address to the King, who acknowledged it as courteously as he did the congratulations of London or Edinburgh.

American Physical Type High.

It appears from the report of the surgeon general of the United States army that the total number of candidates examined for enlistment was 45,218, and that of this number about two-thirds, or 30,176, were accepted. This is a large proportion when the fact is taken into account that the standard of excellence required is very high, none but physically perfect men being accepted. Of the 45,218 applicants for enlistment, 42,183 were white men and 3,035 were negroes. Of the white men, 37,790 were accepted, and of the negroes 2,386. Out of every 1,000 men accepted, 781.05 on the average were born in the United States, 64.76 in British territory, 42.25 in Germany and 8.79 in Sweden and Norway. Of 18 American Indians examined, 14 were enlisted as scouts. It is interesting to note that during the year 736 native Malays were examined for enlistment as Philippine scouts, and that of these all except 20 were accepted, showing a surprisingly high standard of physique among the Filipinos.

In Ice Thirteen Years.

An almost forgotten mystery of the Austrian Alps has at last been cleared up. Thirteen years ago a guide named Untenstein disappeared from Grossvendinger, and nothing was again heard of him until his body was found thickly sheathed in ice. He had evidently fallen into a crevasse, and the body, forming round itself an icy casing, had during thirteen years followed the movements of the glacier, being at last recovered at its lowest extremity, where it emerged to view. The feet bones alone protruded from the ice. Great difficulty was experienced in extricating the body. An American novelist made a like incident the plot of a short story some years ago.

Tall American Liar.

An English weekly tells of an American innocent abroad who was unimpressed by the Eiffel Tower. To a proud Frenchman he announced that in America they had a tower so high that they had to let down the tops at night. "Vat for you let down ze top?" cried the astounded Gaul. "So as to let the moon go by," replied the heir of George Washington.

The Shorter College Course.

The University of Chicago has undertaken an important innovation in adding two years to the courses of its affiliated preparatory schools and deducting them from the college course. Strong arguments are adduced by those who favor this change in other universities. It would enable those who are unable to attend the expensive colleges to get at their high schools the equivalent of freshmen and sophomore work, and it would bring the break between the school and college where it properly belongs—at the point where prescribed courses yield to the free electives of the more mature student. The analogy of the German gymnasium, which yield their graduates to the universities at a stage corresponding to the end of the sophomore year in this country, is potent with those who admire German thoroughness in educational matters. Conservatives may rail at the suggestion, but plans for shortening the American college course are certain to increase in number and flexibility. In many progressive colleges, led by Harvard, it is already possible to complete the course in three years, and President Butler's suggestion of a two years' course for those intending professional studies no longer seems revolutionary in view of President Harper's actual accomplishment.

"Just Like His Father."

A lady teacher of a country school not a thousand miles from Garland is said to have received the following note from a patron a few days ago: "Dear Mis, You writ me about whipping Sammy. I hereby give you permishun to beet him up any time it is nassary to learn him lessons. He is jest like his pa—you hev to learn him with a club. Poud nolege into him. I want him to get it and don't pay no atenshun to what his pa says—I'll handle him.—Ex."

Xmas with all of its joy and gladness together with the old year with all of its possibilities have come and gone. Past experience and observation teaches us that success is to improve our time, our talent in every avocation of life, especially in farming, (the sinew and back bone of the world.) First to secure the best seeds obtainable. Second to properly prepare the soil in due time. Thirdly to diversify our crops. There are no boll weevil in our county. Cotton, Indian corn, maize, coffee corn, sorghum and millet all makes a good yield here. We have it from good authorities that there will be a good cotton gin put in at Tohoka, to gin the crop of 1904. It is very probable that we have one in Gomez before the gining season.

Mr. Grisum of the firm of Grisum & Ponder attorneys-at-law at Stanton was in town last Saturday night week and visited our Literary, and while here ordered the Voice sent to the above named firm.

Dry weather has prevailed throughout the state which caused sad faces. But of late, rains have fallen in many places, and with more to follow prospects for wheat is very good.

Rev. J. R. Miller of Lynn Co., pastor of the Baptist church at this place preached to a large and attentive congregation last Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m. The sermons were painted and wholesome. All the services of the day were good and well attended. We understand that Rev. Miller has been put on this field as a missionary.

Gail as a Business Center.

The Colorado and Big Springs, newspapers see fit to blow about the inestimable worth of our neighbor county, Terry, as a pride to be captured by their respective business men.

We admit the fact that the Terry county trade would be a great boon to the railroad sharks, but would fain advise them there are much larger fish in the commercial sea than even Terry. The trade of Gail itself is much larger than the entire county of Terry. notwithstanding the fact that Terry county has been landed to the skies by all known methods. It is true that Borden county has had no rain to speak of this year, still it is in much better shape today than two thirds of our neighbor counties. There is fine grass where the pastures have not been overstocked and cattle are fat.

We therefore warn the business people of Colorado and Big Springs that they had better be endeavoring to hold the immense trade of Borden county, instead of going on a "wild goose chase" after the insignificant bauble of Terry county trade.—Borden Citizen.

We highly appreciate the true merit and worth placed upon Terry county by our friends, Colorado and Big Springs.

But we do not see why the citizen should try to shrivel up the bonanza of the west.

Confidentially.

Rose—Shakespeare says that true love never thinks ill of its dear one. Violet (engaged)—Perhaps not; but I notice that it is very suspicious of its dear one's gentlemen friends.

Strategy.

"There comes our car. Let's go over to the corner."
"Don't walk so fast. If the motor-man sees we are not in a hurry, he is more likely to stop for us."

A friend of Dennis.

met him down town one morning with a large part of his facial physiognomy patched up with court plaster.

Hello Dennis; says he, where have you been, to a wake? No bedad been to a wedding.

Why, how did you get hugged up like this at a wedding.

Sure sor, whin I got over to Tine Moriartys where the weddin' was to be an the payple was a gatherin, here comes in a chap an sure he was dressed fit to kill wid his foine brood-cloth swallow tail togs and patent leather shoes an a big diamom a shining loike the headlight of a midnight express. Were, I walks up to him an I sez to him "sure an who be you?" "I am the best man sez he." I thought he wasn't sor, but faith he was.

A Famous Blind Man.

The name of John Metcalf of Knaresborough, engineer and road-maker, is in these feverish times in danger of lapsing into undeserved oblivion. John Metcalf was blind from the age of six years until he died. Yet as a boy and man he invariably displayed a high spirited courage. He was a true sportsman, a fine swimmer, and a hard rider to hounds. It was his solitary walk from London to Harrogate by a way unknown to him that first turned his attention to roadmaking. The roads in these days were very bad. He obtained authority from parliament to improve this state of things when he was 50 years old. In Yorkshire, Lancashire, Cheshire and Derbyshire most of the principal roads were made by him. He built the bridges and leveled rough places. Some of the plans were made for him by others, but usually he designed them himself, and he did his own surveying. He climbed mountains, trudge along on the edges of precipices, he crossed swamps and morasses, waded through bogs and forded rivers, relying wholly and solely on the long staff that was forever in his hand. He died in harness, full of years and laden with many honors, at the great age of 93.

A Story of an Early Roxburgh.

The marriage of the young Duke of Roxburgh to Miss May Goelet recalls to the London Chronicle the romantic attachment of one of his predecessors, which very nearly ended in the extinction of the dukedom altogether. It is a century and a half, as near as may be, since John, third Duke of Roxburgh, fell in love with the charming Christina, Princess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. His affection was returned, and all promised well, when the lady's younger sister, Charlotte, became affianced to George III. It was thought impossible that the Queen of England's elder sister should marry a British subject, and Christina's engagement was broken off. The princess died unmarried, and so did the duke, who consoled himself by becoming the greatest bibliophile in the kingdom; the Roxburgh Club was founded in his family library, with its copy of Valdarfer's Boccaccio. His kinsman and successor also died without issue, and the family honors, after being some years dormant, were revived in favor of the great-grandson of the first Earl of Roxburgh.

Profitable Begging.

A woman was arraigned for begging and vagrancy in the Essex market police court in New York a few weeks ago, who had among her belongings a heavy bundle tied in a large colored handkerchief, in which were found over \$70 in pennies and other small coin, the whole mass weighing more than fifteen pounds. This, according to the woman's own story, she had collected in two weeks, seated on the curb at a certain corner on the Bowery with a plate in her lap. And still more interesting was the disclosure made by a bank book of a savings bank in Syracuse, N. Y., in her possession, showing an account to the woman's credit of over \$1,000. It appeared, also, that the woman had three grown children living in Syracuse, who were able to care for her. Yet so woe-begone and poverty-stricken did the woman appear when arraigned in court that not until her hearings were disclosed would even a police court shyster take up her case.

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