

RURAL CITIZEN.

"A Government of the People, by the People and for the People."

VOL. II.

JACKSBORO, TEXAS, THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY, 5 1882.

No. 27.

Entered at the Post-office at Jacksboro Texas as "second-class matter."

Locals.

J. J. Rogers of Breckenridge is in town to-day.

The grandest ball of the season was given at the Horton House last Monday night.

Farmers Alliance meets at Los Creek School House on Saturday January 7.

The justly popular B. F. Avery & Co's. plows can now be found at S. W. Eastin's.

Two stray ponies were sold Monday at \$25.50 and \$36.00. One horse, private property sold for \$50.00

The officers of Fort Richardson Lodge A. F. & A. M. went to Post Oak to-day, to institute the new Lodge at that place. Dr. McClure was appointed D. D. G. M. for the occasion.

Eggs, butter, lard, and all farm products taken in exchange for groceries at S. W. Eastin's.

Extra inducements are now being offered in way of prices at Knox's Call and price before buying elsewhere.

Mr. W. Callaway has been quite ill for some time, but it gratifies us to state his health is improving.

Last Saturday as Mr. H. A. Benson was returning home from town his wagon was upset and our old friend W. A. Benson was thrown out and had one of his arms broken.

Both these afflicted gentlemen are our oldest acquaintances and friends in Jacksboro, and they have our deepest sympathy.

I will buy for cash, or take on account and for goods all classes of cattle at highest market price.

JAMES W. KNOX.

Peltries, furs, hides, &c. meet with a ready market at the grocery house of S. W. Eastin.

We are requested to announce that Rev. Mr. Reese Preacher in Charge, requests the stewards of the M. E. Church, to meet him at the Masonic Hall next Saturday 11 o'clock A. M.—he will preach at that time and also on Sunday. The first quarterly conference meets at Carroll Creek on Saturday before the third Sunday.

S. W. Eastin will have in stock at an early date a full line of D. M. Osborne & Co. Famous farm machinery, such as threshers, reapers, mowers &c., &c.

On Christmas Eve the officers and teachers of the Methodist Sunday school gave a festival at the Masonic Hall which was very pleasant and satisfactory to all parties interested and those present.

LOST! I have lost a light bay mare 3 years old blaze face, branded J 4 E on the left hip. I will pay a liberal price to know where she is
J. E. Erwin,
Jacksboro, Texas.

The largest, best assorted, and cheapest, stock of fancy and staple groceries ever offered to the citizens of our town or county is that now offered by S. W. Eastin in his new and commodious store west side Public Square, don't forget the place.

Wm. Taylor avails himself of the present opportunity to inform his clients that he will be in attendance at the Dist. Court and will give to the cases that he has; the attention that they merit.
3t.

McConnell has cleared out his toys and is again at the front with more goods in the drug line than would fill half a dozen little apothecary shops. Call on him he intends to divide prices from now on, and don't keep any whiskey for any purpose.

LOST OR STOLEN! One Iron-gray horse pony, about 6 years old, 13 hands high, heavy mane and short tail, branded K on left shoulder and hip. A liberal reward will be paid upon the delivery of said animal to me at Jacksboro Texas.
2t B. Rush McConnell.

The railroad meeting on last Monday was called to order by T. F. West, Chairman of the Railroad committee, and on motion Maj. Horton was called to the chair, and J. N. Rogers chosen secretary.

The chairman requested Mr. West to explain the objects of the meeting, to which he responded, stating for the benefit of those present that the Texas and Great Western Railroad Co. were going to build a road

through Jack county, and that Capt Wood, Gen'l Manager, had agreed that if the citizens of Jacksboro and Jack county would give the Company the right of way, depot grounds, &c. and \$15,000 he would have the road built through the corporate limits of Jacksboro within one year, and the object of this meeting was to secure the money and right of way for said road. J. R. Robinson was called on for a speech. He said he did not think a speech necessary, but he did say a few words, in which he stated clearly the necessity of having the railroad to run through the County Seat. If the roads should be built a few miles from town the question of moving the county seat would be raised; when if the road is built here that question that has never been raised never would be.

Maj. Stewart of Gertrudes was called but declined to respond. However, he said that he was in favor of a railroad.

Dr. Elliot of Crafton was called on and also declined.

The meeting was not very enthusiastic; only about \$4,000 was added to the amounts already subscribed. The committee say they will be able to raise about \$10,000.

Christmas Trees.

On Christmas Eve the families of Dr. Banner, J. W. Stark, and W. J. McClure, had a supper and Christmas tree in the old hospital building, to which a few families were invited. We learn they had an evening of splendid enjoyment.

On the same evening at the residence of Mr. T. F. Horton there was another which was expressly for the little ones of the family. These are the Christmas trees that make homes pleasant and children happy.

On Monday evening the Presbyterian and Baptist Sunday school exhibited a splendid tree at the Presbyterian church which is noticed at length elsewhere.

There were trees in different neighborhoods in the county, some of which we have received notice and had the promise of others that have not yet been handed in.

MARRIED, At the residence of the bride by Rev. John Powell, Mr. J. W. Dodson to Mrs. Elizabeth Brummett, on Dec. 29 1881. All of Jack county Texas.

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That he defies competition west of Fort Worth, and is ready to compete with any of the markets on the railroad (Dallas and Fort Worth not excepted).

He pays the Highest Price for Wool and Cotton.

He keeps everything necessary to supply the wants of the people.

He sells more goods for less money than any other house in North west Texas.

Call and see for yourselves, that the above statement is correct.

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ATKINSON.

Christmas Eve at Atkinson was celebrated in a manner reflecting credit on the community. By four o'clock the school room was crowded with the children and friends of that and adjacent neighborhoods, all showing a lively interest in the affairs; and at early candle light the impatient children were thrown into ecstasies at the appearance of Santa Claus and the unveiling of a tree loaded with gifts for all. Mrs. T. J. Atkinson through her kindness of heart saw that no child was neglected, as aside from the numerous other gifts, she gave something to each child; and many are the words of commendation spoken in behalf of herself and husband of the interest they take in the welfare and advancement of the children of that community. The distribution of presents which was accomplished with less confusion than is customary on such occasions, was followed by an entertainment of much merit consisting of music, recitations and dialogues, the school children, young ladies and gentlemen of the community, participating. Mr. Adams has one of the best if not the best school in the county, and the way the children acquitted themselves shows that interest and appreciation is not wanting.

Four years ago a tree and entertainment of that kind could not have been gotten up in North West Texas but such is the advancement with "Onward and Upward" for our motto that it is impossible to imagine how great will be the change in the next four.

OBSERVER.

[We are informed that M. L. Sikes is one of the powers, concealed.]

COAL MINES.

Gordon, Tex., Dec. 21 1881.

Editor Citizen:

In reporting from this section I would state that business prospects remain about as usual except that the cross-ties are being laid on the switch, the Coal Co. will certainly follow up by putting in the mining cars. This will probably be done immediately after the holidays. There is but little preparation be-

ing made here toward Christmas entertainments, though most of the miners will no doubt celebrate the day after the common fashion of "drinking and making merry." Our Superintendent Mr. C. A. Finnegan is laying in a fine lot of nice household furniture, which corroborates the rumor that he is to adopt "married blessedness" on Christmas. Mr. Harry Hardin and Miss Maggie Gifford both of this place were married last Friday the 16th.—The latest sensation in these parts is that a number of the citizens of the mines including your correspondent spent about thirty-eight hours in the Palo Pinto jail, being released by the Co. Judge on Monday the 19th. We had been arraigned for not working an illegal road and as we could not get a trial before the Justice of the Peace, we refused to give bond and were consequently confined in jail until we could get a hearing before the Co. Judge. He decided that we were illegally imprisoned and allowed us to come home. As miners we do not object to working lawful roads or doing our part toward the support of our common country; but we can not spare the time to work a road for the convenience of only a few individuals.

I wish the CITIZEN success, may it be filled with instruction and have an elevating influence over its readers.

DEGRESS.

For the Citizen:

DeGress, Dec. 20th 1881.

There has been less cold and disagreeable weather up to the present time than for many years past, but it has been raining ever since yesterday morning and with the howling of the north wind around the corners the weather presents a dreary aspect that bids fair for the closing days of the never to be forgotten year, to be dismal indeed, which will add still another link to the chain of our recollections of the departing year one to be long remembered by all. We cannot say that the rain was exactly out of order but a blue norther was a

little more than we were prepared for without being previously warned.—The young folks are making big preparations for Christmas. Among the pleasures proposed is a Christmas tree and a ball and supper the night after Christmas, and from the way our young folks generally manage to enjoy themselves we feel doubly assured that the named occasions will be attended with gratifying results to the participants.—There is some excitement here about the mineral well on Bean's Creek, wonderful cures being reported but as to whether there is any foundation for such reports or not we do not know.—There was quite a serious accident at school week before last. Mr. King's little son Raphord while running and playing with the other little boys slipped and fell and dislocated his arm at the elbow, which caused the little fellow almost unendurable pain until it was reset by Dr. Rogers. Since then it has been doing very well and he will soon be able to attend school where he has been sadly missed by his teacher and playmates.—Mr. G. W. Curtis of Eldorado, Wise county, who owns the gin and saw mill at this place has moved on Parson Jackson's farm two miles south west of here, where he will reside the forthcoming year.—Mr. Archer will soon have his new residence completed, which he will occupy immediately.—Mr. John Palmer has left town and moved back to his farm about three miles north of here.—The health of the community is improving which we think is due a great deal to the fine weather we are having.

With best wishes for the prosperity of the CITIZEN, and a Happy New Year for its worthy editors, I remain

Truly, SAXET.

Fort Worth

Fort Worth, Dec. 12, 1881.

Ed. Rural Citizen:—Your valuable paper is received regularly, for

which accept many thanks. It is always a welcome visitor; coming as it does, from my old home affords me much pleasure. Fort Worth continues to improve rapidly and is fast becoming the leading city of Northwest Texas. It already has three railroads in operation and two more being built. It is soon to have another street railroad. The Fort Worth Packing house is completed and the company ready for business and will pay the highest price for merchantable hogs This will be a great saving and convenience to all who have a surplus of pork. The Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe R. R. is now running regular passenger trains to Galveston.—I am learning rapidly the "Art preservative" and hope in the course of time to rank among the firstclass "typos." * * * Tom.

Half a million emigrants are said to be already booked by the steamship agents for passage to this country next year.

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JAMES W. KNOX.

So much for Guns and Toy Pistols.

Specials to the N. O. Times-Democrat.]

San Antonio, December 26.—A young German, named Wolff, yesterday, while celebrating Christmas with a shotgun, had the same to explode, lodging his right hand in a tree near by. About 20 other accidents resulted from fire crackers and toy pistols.

Charleston, December 26.—Christmas was generally observed here to-day, and business was almost entirely suspended. An Italian boy was playing with a pistol here yesterday, when the weapon was discharged, the ball entering his abdomen and killing him instantly.

Atlanta, December 27.—A shooting scrape in high life is reported from Hawkinsville, South Georgia. Quite a number of ladies and gentlemen assembled at the Female College in that place the other night to rehearse the comedy of "Married Life" for an amateur performance. Among the party were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Steele. It seems that some one threw a fire-cracker in the hall, which exploded near Mrs. Steele, whose husband thought that Mr. James T. Davis, a young man, was to blame for it. A difficulty between the two gentlemen was the result, during which Davis drew his pistol and fired at Steele, the ball (a 32 calibre) entering his breast, cutting through the right lung and coming out at the back. The wound is expected to prove fatal.

The San Antonio Express refers to the "toy pistol" as follows: "The many serious and oftentimes fatal accidents that are brought about by placing the mis-called toy-pistol in the hands of children for playthings seem to be on the increase. Time and again the press of this country has warned parents and guardians of the dangerous nature of these toys, but the warning seems to have little or no effect, for almost daily there is some serious accident brought about by their use. The latest happened in this city, on Laredo street yesterday afternoon, in which a little boy by the name of Johnny Finnie shot his playmate, Willie Anderson in the face, in all probability blinding him for life. The cause of this accident was one of those innocent toy pistols exposed for sale in our shop windows in the toy department.

The Detroit Free Press has got the correct views about the Tariff Convention held in the city of New York. It is fortunate for the country at large that the proceed-

ings of the body were of so unequivocal a character as to enable the press to declare the real intentions of the class it represented. The Detroit Free Press says: "One thing the New Tariff Convention has made clear. Hereafter protection is to be advocated openly and boldly, for the sake of protection. The old pretense about "infant industries, which are to be "fostered" is not to figure any longer in the discussions. It has played its part in disarming opposition while monopoly was tightening its clutch upon the customer's throat; and there is no longer any necessity for keeping up the farce. Protection is to be urged as the true American policy, not for a day, but for all time; and the nonsensical notion of the ancients, that commerce was a source of wealth and prosperity is in disregard. So far as possible a Chinese wall is to be built around the country so that the many may be taxed without stint for the benefit of the few."—[Dallas Herald.

Atlanta, Ga. 20.—The City Council last night appropriated \$1,000 to be expended by the Board of Health in having the citizens of Atlanta vaccinated.

Chicago, December 20.—There were 25 deaths from smallpox last week in Chicago, 4 deaths from this disease yesterday, and 13 new cases developed.

Little Rock, December 20.—A telegram from the Indian Territory says that an effort is being made to prove that the Choctaw Council was inveigled into granting the right of way through the Choctaw Nation to the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad. The opponents of the proposed grant hope to receive through the Secretary of the Interior some action that will prevent or at least delay the construction of the road. It is not believed however, that the grant can in any way be effected.

LaCross, December 28.—The Mississippi is now open from St. Paul. Navigation was resumed yesterday. Lake Pepin is also open. It was never before known to be open at this season of the year.

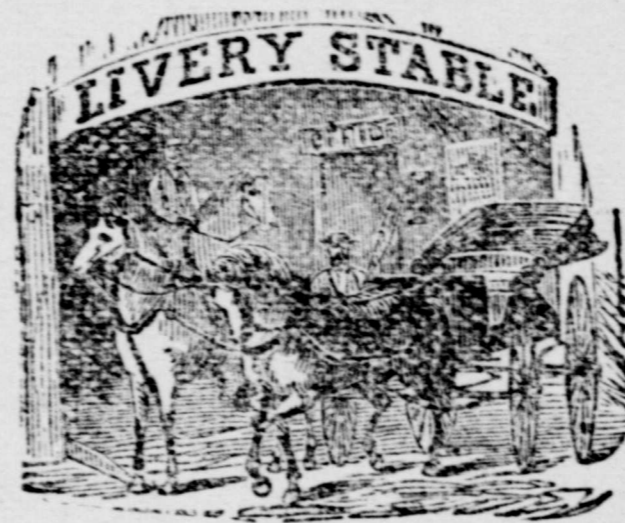
Wahpeton, D. T., December 28.—Seventy-seven cases of small-pox have occurred in the infected districts below here, 25 of which proved fatal. The disease is spreading considerably on this side of the river and seems to be singularly fatal. Some of the victims are said to have died within 24 hours after being attacked. It is also said that before death blood gushes from the eyes, ears and noses of the victims. These symptoms suggest that the disease is not simply small-pox, but rather partakes of the nature of a plague.

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Estray Notice!

Taken up by James Felder and estrayed before William Obarts J. P. Precinct No. 2 Jack County, Texas: One bay horse about 13 hands high, 10 years old, branded u in a circle over a half-circle on the left shoulder and v P on the left thigh and T with a — across the bar on the right shoulder: Also one bay mare, 2 years old 3 white feet, blaze in the face lower end turning to the left, no brand: Also one brown pony horse 4 or 5 years old both hind feet white, 13 hands high, white spot in forehead no brand. D. B. Mizell, Nov. 8 1881. C. C. C. Jack Co. Tex.

Taken up by J. G. Eubank and estrayed before Thos. W. Williams J. P. Prec. No 1 Jack Co, Tex., Dec. 7th 1881: One black filly 3 years old, 13½ hands high, no brands perceivable. And one bay horse 4 years old, 13½ hands high, some white in face, branded IS on the left shoulder. D. B. Mizell, Co. Clk.

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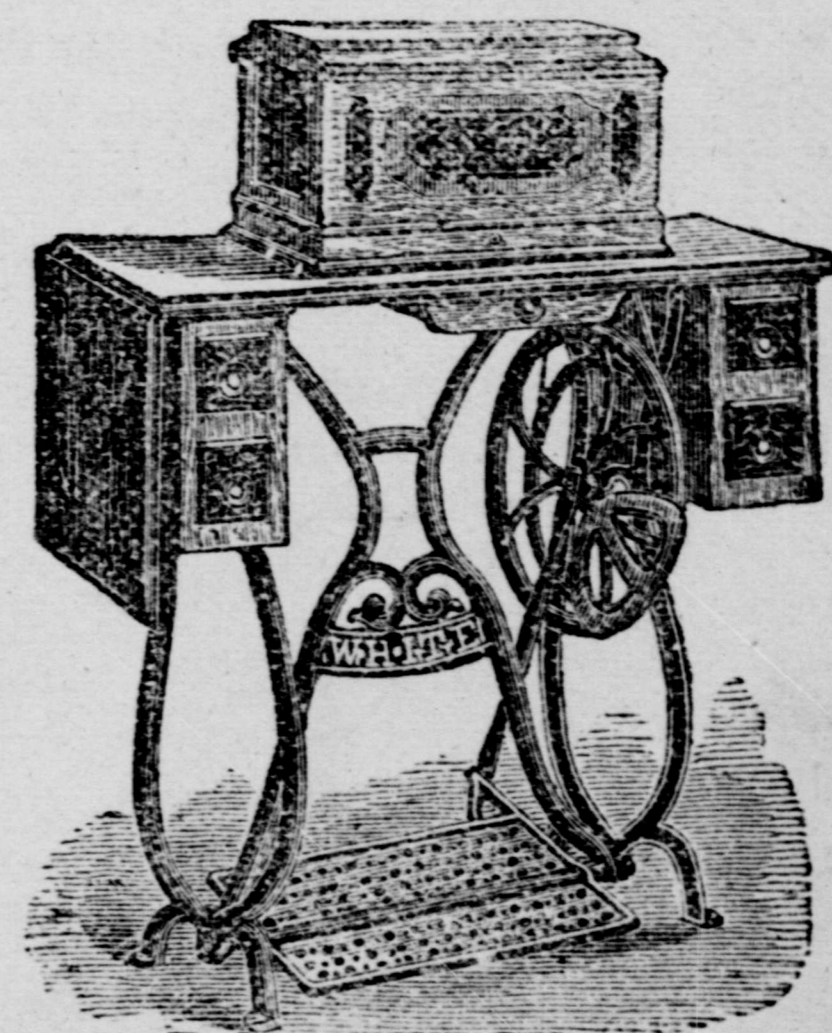
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**STATEMENT OF THE FINANCES OF JACK COUNTY,
TEXAS, TO NOV. 12, 1881.**

1881.			
August 5th.	Amount of outstanding indebtedness or Interest bearing Scrip,		\$834.65.
MONEYS TO THIS FUND			
" "	Cash on hand as per Treasurers Report	\$591.57.	
Nov. 11.	" rec'd of W. M. King Tax Collector	175.16.	
	Total		\$766.73.
DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE QUARTER.			
Aug. 15.	Cash to J. T. Henson on Scrip No. 147		\$18.76
" "	" " " " " " 76		6.28
Nov. 11.	" " Treasurer, Coms. on receipts		4.38
" "	" " " " Disbursements		.67
	Total		\$30.09
SUMMARY.			
Nov. 12.	Scrip still outstanding		\$809.61
" "	Cash on hand to this Fund		736.64
" "	Balance against the county		\$72.97

PAUPER FUND.			
Aug. 5.	No Scrip outstanding to this Fund.		
" "	Cash on hand as per Treasr. report	\$104.64	
Nov. 11	" recd. of W. M. King, Tax collector	35.03	
	Total,		\$139.67

DISBURSEMENTS			
Aug. 9	Cash to W. M. King on scrip No. 398		\$6.50
" "	" " " " " " " 415		9.00
" "	" " " " " " " 414		12.00
" 19	" " D. O. Kay " " " 436		12.50
Sept. 3	" " Dr. P. Gresham " " 437		2.50
Nov. 11	" " Treasurer Coms. on Receipts		.89
" "	" " " " " " Disbursements		1.36
	Total		\$44.75
Nov. 12	Cash on hand to this fund.	\$94.92.	

GENERAL FUND.			
Aug. 5.	Amt. of Scrip outstanding		\$4489.02
Scrip registered from Aug. 5, 1881 to November 12, 1881.			
Date of issue	To whom issued	For what service &c. allowed	Amount.
Feb. 24 1881.	W. M. King	Waiting on Coms. Court 6 days	12.00
May 11 "	J. C. Lindsey	Service as Co. Comr. 3 "	9.00
Aug. 9 "	D. B. Mizell	For marriage License record	12.25
" " "	" " "	Exofficio services as Dist. Clerk 3 mo.	75.00
" 11 "	" " "	For record for Co. Clk office	10.15
" 9 "	Dr. R. L. McClure	Professional visits and medicine for prisoners	10.50
" 11 "	J. A. Hudson	Service as Co. Comr. 3 days	9.00
" " "	T. M. Jones Co. Judge	Presiding over Comr. court 4 days	12.00
" " "	" " " "	Fees in 15 criminal cases	45.00
" " "	" " " "	Ex-officio services as Co. Judge 3 mos.	100.00
" 9 "	W. M. King Shff.	Board of prisoners	121.05
" " "	" " " "	Conveying W. L. Head to Lunatic Asylum	155.60
" " "	" " " "	Waiting on Jack co. court 21 days	42.00
" " "	" " " "	Jail expenses for the quarter	13.00
" " "	" " " "	Expenses for lunatic W. L. Head	25.48
" " "	" " " "	Exofficio services 3 mos.	60.00
" " "	" " " "	Waiting on Comr. Court Aug. term 3 days	6.00
" " "	P. I. Hartman	Repairs on court house	26.75
" " "	Wm. Hensley	Services as Co. Comr. 4 days	12.00
" " "	W. J. Craig	" in case State vs. W. L. Head	11.60
" " "	" " "	Guarding prisoner Brown	3.00
" " "	H. Hoxton	Rent of room for Grand Jury	12.00
" " "	D. O. Kay	Support as pauper 3 mos.	12.50
" 7 "	Dr. P. Gresham	Visit and medicine to Pitts pris'er	2.50
Feb. 24 "	F. M. Marks	Services as judge of election	2.00
	Total		800.38

1881 GENERAL FUND. Receipts.			
Aug. 5th	Cash on hand as per Treasurers report		\$285.25
" "	" to Error in Treas. commissions May 7 1881		5.53
Nov. 11th	" from W. M. King tax collector		175.16
" "	" " T. M. Jones Trial fee in case 77		5.00
	Total		\$470.93
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Aug. 15th	Cash to T. F. West on Scrip No. 157	\$276.00	
Nov. 11th	" on Scrip Nos. 404, 427, 428, 434, & 435	76.23	
" 12th	" Treasurer Coms. on receipts	4.26	

Nov. 12th	Amt. of Scrip registered to this Fund still outstanding	4816.52
" "	Cash on hand to this fund as per Treasurers Report	105.64
	Balance	\$4710.88

JAIL FUND. Receipts.		
Aug. 5th	Cash on hand as per Treasurer Report	\$302.21
" "	" to error in Treas. Coms. May 7, '81	1.38
Nov. 11th	" from W. M. King Tax collector	70.06
	Total	\$373.65

DISBURSEMENTS.		
Aug. 9th	Cash to W. M. King on Scrip No. 384	\$78.15
Nov. 12th	" Treasurers Coms. on receipts	1.75
" "	" " " " disbursements	1.95
	Total	\$81.85
" "	No scrip registered this fund still outstanding	
" "	Cash on hand to this fund as per Treasurers report	\$291.80

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND. Receipts.		
1881		
Aug. 5th	Cash on hand as per Treasurers report	\$25.83
" "	" by error in Treas. Coms. May 7 '81	1.96
" "	from J. A. Hightower J. P. Pre. No. 3 fines	1.00
Sept. 3rd	" " T. W. Williams " " " " 1 "	3.40
Oct. 5th	" " " " " " " " " " "	11.05
" "	" " J. S. Welch Const " " 2 "	4.50
" 7	" " T. W. Williams J. P. " " 1 "	4.25
" 24	" " " " " " " " " "	2.55
" 29	" " " " " " " " " "	5.10
Nov. 4	" " " " " " " " " "	4.25
" 7	" " W. J. Craig Const " " " "	5.10
" 8	" " T. W. Williams J. P. " " " "	5.10
" "	" " J. S. Welch Const. " " 2 "	2.25
" "	" " T. M. Jones Co. Judge " " "	10.00
	Total	\$86.34

DISBURSEMENTS.		
Nov. 12	Cash to Treasurer Coms. on receipts	\$1.46
	Total	\$1.46
" "	Cash on hand to this fund	\$84.88

JURY FUND.			
Aug. 5th	Scrip registered to this fund still outstanding		137.82
Scrip registered from Aug 5th 1881 to Nov. 12th 1881			
Date.	To whom issued.	For what service.	Amount
Aug. 2 1881	J. D. Raines	Jury Service	2.00
July 19 "	O. Morrison	" "	8.50
Mar. 20 "	Wm. Owens	" "	2.00
" 22 "	R. McLane	" "	2.00
" 20 "	Howell Felton	" "	4.00
" " "	Newton Yates	" "	2.00
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" " "	Wm. McElhanan	" "	4.00
" 20 "	Fred McCagg	" "	2.00
" 22 "	Henry Lawrence	" "	2.00
" " "	Thos. Hawkins	Holding inquest	5.00
July 18 "	Thos. Speers	Jury Service	7.25
Aug. 2 "	S. R. Riggs	" "	2.00
July 19 "	J. S. Eidson	" "	1.50
Aug. 8 "	L. C. Martin	" "	.50
May 9 "	J. E. Erwin	" "	4.00
" 14 "	" " "	" "	2.00
July 14 "	G. W. Latimer	" "	2.00
Aug. 9 1880	E. M. Callis	" "	2.00
" " "	A. J. Hall	" "	1.50
" 24 1881	G. L. Clonts	" "	1.00
" " "	H. A. Benson	" "	.50
May 9 "	J. G. Keith	" "	9.00
Sept. 5 "	J. A. Shook	" "	1.00
" 9 "	S. F. Parrett	" "	2.00
" 5 "	M. B. Russell	" "	2.00
" 9 "	M. I. Allen	" "	2.00
Aug. " "	J. F. Middlebrooks	" "	2.00
Sept. 5 "	William Sloan	" "	1.00
" " "	W. C. Thompson	" "	1.00
" " "	A. J. Abernathie	" "	1.00
July 7 "	E. M. Callis	" "	8.00
Oct. 4 "	S. Jacobs	" "	1.00
" " "	Bird Bunch	" "	.50
July 18 "	F. Marks	" "	6.00
Mar. 15 "	G. W. Gordon	" "	2.00
May 9 "	L. L. Moore	" "	6.00

Rural Citizen.

J. N. & Alice M. Rogers. Editors

Dr. F. E. Yoakum did not write the article from Antelope. He has never, that we now remember of, wrote a line for the CITIZEN.

With this issue we commence a new year, the Christmas holidays; the days of joy and gladness throughout Christendom, are past, and we hope they were merry, pleasant and profitable to our many readers and friends, and now we wish all a Happy New Year.

As the year advances we hope to make the CITIZEN more beloved and valuable, and we intend to leave nothing undone that we can do to make it a welcome visitor in every well ordered family.

We exceedingly regret that our press has been delayed so that we must again appear in our old dress. Be patient with us friends, it hurts us much worse than you. We have expended a large sum of money, for a country office, to enlarge and improve the CITIZEN. You may rest assured that we are doing every thing reasonable to keep our paper abreast of the times.

With the new year, Ayer's American Almanac makes its customary appearance. It is a welcome visitor in every family. Its pages are replete with crisp medical advice, refreshing humor, and much information not usually found in such a work. Its astronomical calculations have a high reputation for accuracy, and they are adapted, in the various editions of the Almanac, to all parts of the globe. While a large portion of its pages are devoted to an elaborate advertisement of the medicinal preparations of this house, it is a noticeable feature that many prescriptions are freely given for the benefit of the sick, irrespective of Ayer's medicines. These preparations are universally used and appreciated for their valuable and reliable qualities. The almanac describes the application of these medicines to the disease they are intended to cure. It can be obtained free of charge of any druggist or dealer in medicine.

The Christmas Tree of the Presbyterian and Baptist Sunday School was a brilliant success, and reflected credit on the committees and those who assisted them. At early candle light on Monday evening the 26th ult., the Presbyterian Church was crowded with merry

people of all ages, the Sunday School Children being seated in front, all eager to see the Tree and Santa Claus.

The evening exercises were opened with a Christmas Carrol, sung by the School, led by Mrs. McConnell, organist; after which prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Niles, speech of welcome by G. F. Daugherty. Other appropriate songs and anthems followed alternately.

In due time to the great joy of the young people, the tinkling of bells announced the approach of Santa Claus, who soon made his appearance; he made a short talk, distributed a few presents and gave directions for the distribution of those on the tree, then wishing all a merry Christmas departed. All seemed to enjoy his visit very much indeed.

The Tree was pronounced by many to be the nicest ever had at this place. The audience was very large, the house being densely crowded, but the best of behavior prevailed throughout the entire exercises of the evening. The audience had been dismissed and all were passing quietly out, the Superintendent and others were congratulating themselves on the good behavior and success of the evening's entertainment, when suddenly a heedless man mounted on top of the backs of the benches, and stooping passed under the chandelier and when under raised himself up and threw both lamps out, one went out before it struck the floor, the other was extinguished in less than one-half a minute. The lamps were metal and non-explosive, but the cry of fire was raised and a perfect panic ensued, several persons were run over but no one seriously injured.

Austin, December 31.—The bids for the capitol were opened to-day. Two bids were made—Walter Scheill, of Rock Island, Illinois, offering, with some change in the specifications, and contract, to erect the building for the three million acres; and A. A. Burck, of Rockdale, Texas, with some changes in the contract, offering to build for two million nine hundred and seventy thousand acres, the capitol. The board will consider the propositions on Monday. Both bids are backed by syndicates, each representing millions.

The Governor to-day pardoned twenty convicts, ranging between sixteen and thirteen years, on account of their youth. He also pardoned Harry Grace of Dallas county, aged seventeen for good conduct and on account of disease. The youths include J. Burleson, Dick Clayton, Jesse Lee, Tarrant; George Hubert, of Hunt; and Tom Green, of Dallas.—[Dallas Herald Special.

Nov. 3	"	D. B. Vaughan	"	"	2.00
" 5	5	J. M. Armstrong	"	"	6.00
" 8	"	Jno. Zemmer	"	"	2.00
" "	"	M. A. Gowdy	"	"	4.00
" "	"	A. J. Abernathie	"	"	4.00
" "	"	L. D. Eatherly	"	"	4.00
" "	"	James Hefley	"	"	4.00
" "	"	W. C. Hood	"	"	4.00
" "	"	M. B. Russell	"	"	4.00
" "	"	Jno. Cameron	"	"	4.00
" "	"	A. J. Shook	"	"	4.00
" "	"	W. A. Smith	"	"	4.00
" "	"	W. A. Smith	"	"	2.00
" "	"	W. Brummett	"	"	1.50
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" "	"	"	"	"	2.00
" "	"	S. W. Eastin	"	"	4.00
" "	"	"	"	"	2.00
Dec. 4	1880	"	"	"	6.00
Nov. 8	1881	J. S. Eidson	"	"	4.00
Aug. 24	"	H. H. Grinstead	"	"	1.00
Dec. 14	1880	G. F. Daugherty	"	"	1.50

Total \$184.25

RECEIPTS.

Aug. 5	1881	Cash on hand as per Treasurers Report	\$54.73
" "	"	" to error in Treasurers Coms.	.05
" 17	"	" from A. L. Ham for sale of Estray	2.82
Sept. 2	"	" " R. A. Northcut " " " "	1.50
" 5	"	" " J. A. Clark " " " "	37.50
Oct. 4	"	" " Jno. Luttral " " " "	29.50
" "	"	" " Jno. Cameron " " " "	19.50
" "	"	" " Wm. Hensley " " " "	22.80
" "	"	" " " " " " " "	30.50
" 7	"	" " Wm. King T. C. occupation tax	64.87
" 9	"	" " T. M. Jones Jury fee in case No. 77	3.00
Nov. 6	"	" " Jno. Luttral sale of estray	7.75
" 7	"	" " T. J. Atkinson " " " "	27.30
" "	"	" " G. W. Walker " " " "	16.00
" "	"	" " J. F. Wood " " " "	26.25

Total \$344.07

DISBURSEMENTS.

Sept. 25	1881	Cash refunded to B. B. Lafland for horse sold as an estray	\$21.84
Nov. 12	"	Cash on Jury Scrip cancelled at the Nov. term 1881 of Comr. court	205.25
" "	"	Cash to treasurer Coms. on receipts	7.48
" "	"	" " " " Disbursements	3.63

Total \$238.20

" "	"	Registered scrip still outstanding to this fund	116.82
" "	"	Cash on hand as per Treas. Report	105.87

Balance 10.95

Total amount of registered indebtedness of Jack County Nov. 10th 1880 \$9009.50

Total amount of indebtedness registered from Nov. 10th, 1880 to November 12th 1881 4485.29

Total \$13494.79

Total amount of registered indebtedness paid off during the financial year beginning Nov. 10th 1880 and ending Nov. 12 1881 \$7761.44

Balance unpaid \$5733.45

Total amount of cash in the Treasury Nov. 10th 1880 \$208.12

Total amount of cash in the Treasury Nov. 12th 1881 \$1418.62

Increase of cash on hand \$1210.50

Total Excess of Reg'd indebtedness over cash on hand Nov. 10th 1880 } \$8801.38
Actual indebtedness Nov. 10th 1880

Total excess of registered indebtedness over cash on hand } \$4314.83
Actual indebtedness of Jack County Nov. 12th 1881

Total decrease of indebtedness during the year ending Nov. 12th 1881. \$4486.55

Done by order of the County Commissioners Court J. C. T. D. B. MIZELL, Clerk.

Dec. 19th 1881.

Guiteau's Ingratitude to the Scovilles.
From a Report of the Trial.

As the examination proceeded Guiteau frequently interrupted and roundly abused Scoville for his incompetency and charged him with compromising his case. Turning toward the judge he added deprecatingly: "Scoville is a perfect idiot in this matter, and between him and Corkhill I have a pretty hard time. [General laughter.] I'm a good-natured man, laughing, "but I can't stand abuse, and when I'm abused I want to talk right back."

Scoville, who had borne everything heretofore with apparent equanimity, seemed to feel very keenly this last evidence of heartless ingratitude. His voice trembled and for a minute he was unable to go on. Even the prisoner realized the injustice of his conduct and hastened to apologize, saying: "You are doing very well, Scoville; to the best of your ability!"

Several times afterward, during the examination of Worcester, Guiteau denounced Scoville. At one time in evident anger and again with a sarcastic smile: "Why, your Honor," he shouted, if I was indicted for manslaughter I would be hung for murder if Scoville should defend me."

Mrs. Scoville reached over to speak to Guiteau when he snarled, "You keep your mouth shut, you're as big a fool as your husband. You're a crank on this business. If you had all stayed in Chicago it would have been far better for my case. These relations are a nuisance. I would be better off if I didn't have any. I would have plenty of friends if this pack of relatives were out of the way." Mrs. Scoville whispered some expostulatory reply, when he turned again angrily and shouted: "You have been an unmitigated nuisance on this case all the way through." Then changing quickly from anger to mirth, he added with a laugh, "You're a queer lot, you Scovilles." [N. O. Times-Democrat.]

The Governor to-day pardoned two colored convicts—Nancy Holmes, of Llano county, and Jane —, of Galveston, under life sentence for infanticide in each case. These pardons were granted on evidence of the women's reformation.

He also granted commutations of five years each in the following cases, on account of good conduct: Sanders Griffin, of Travis county, theft of buggy, eight years, sentenced in 1877; Sam A. Bokan, of Hill county, horse theft, fifteen years, 1877; H. B. Leverett, Delta county, mule theft, eight years, 1878; George Winsworth, of Johnson county, horse theft, seven years, 1878; John Moore, Montague county, horse theft, fifteen years, date of sentence not given; Mark Peeler, Johnson county, horse theft, ten years, date of sentence not given.

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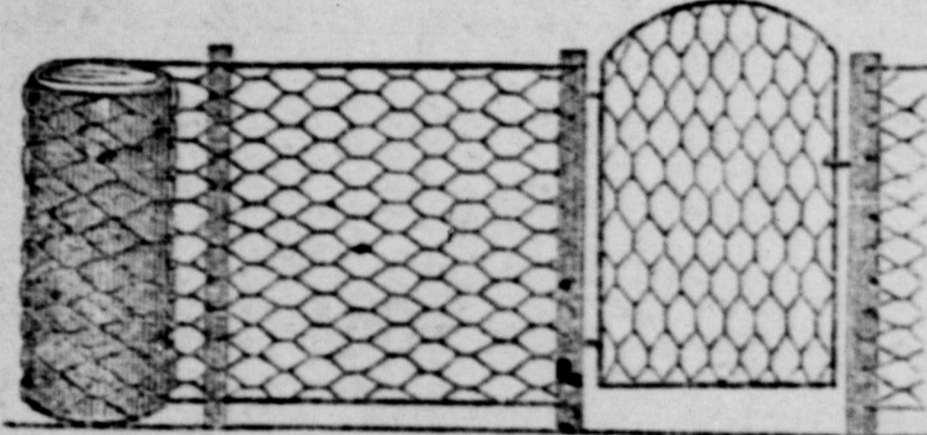
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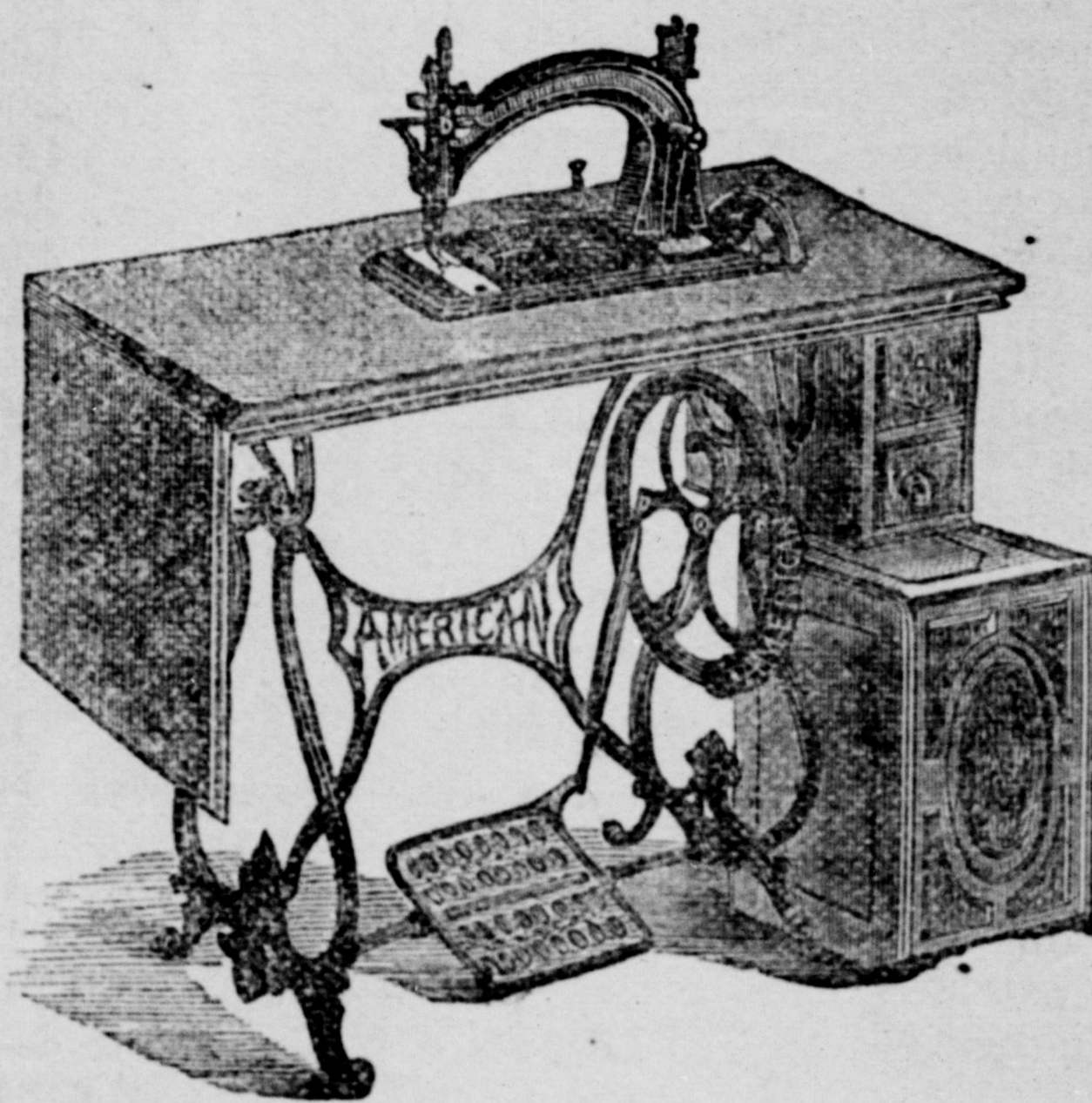
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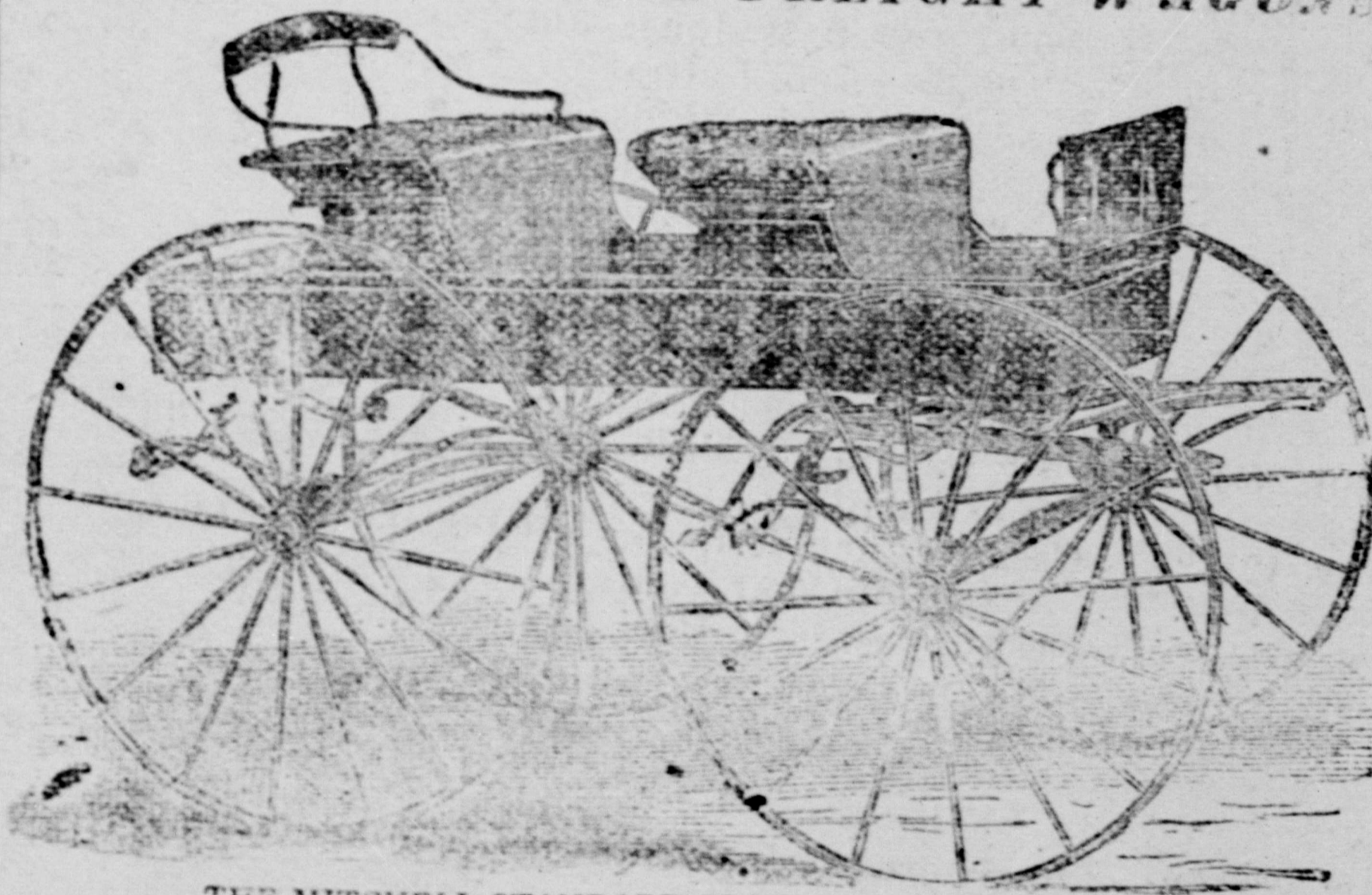
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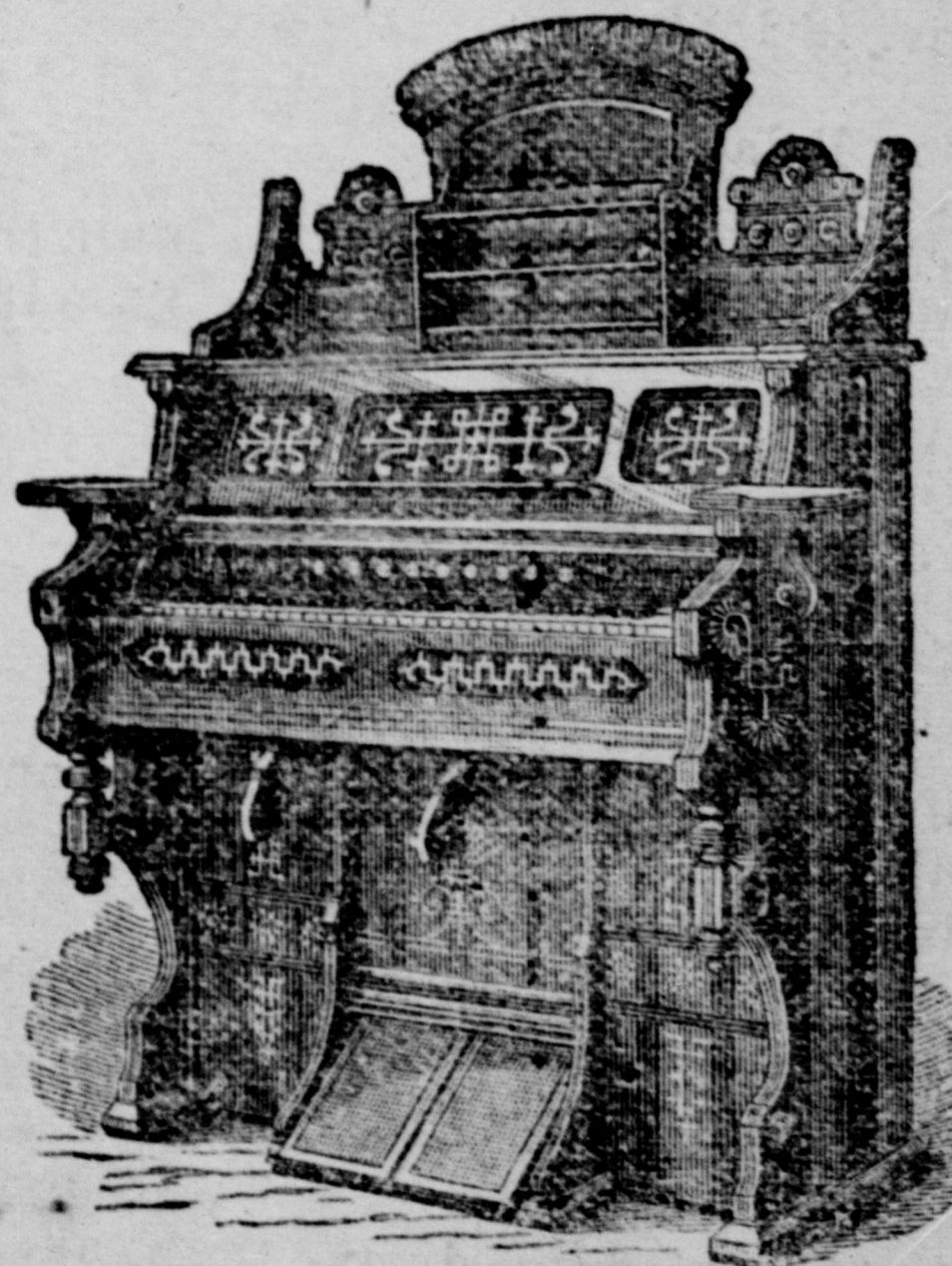


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Taken up by Theodore Green and estrayed before T. W. Williams J. P. Prec. no. 1 Jack Co. Tex., one iron gray horse 4 or 5 years old, 14 or 15 hands high, left hind foot white, shod all round. 2 on the left shoulder.

Taken up by E. B. Baxley and estrayed before T. W. Williams J. P. Prec. no 1 Jack Co. Tex., one bay mare 6 or 7 years old, about 15 hands high, shod all round, and branded JH (connected) on left shoul-

der; also one black horse 5 or 6 years old no brand.

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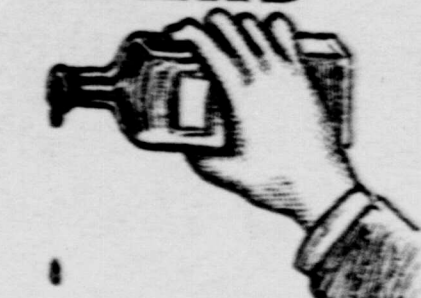
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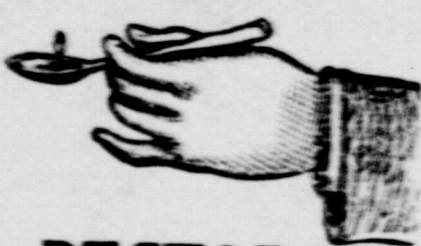
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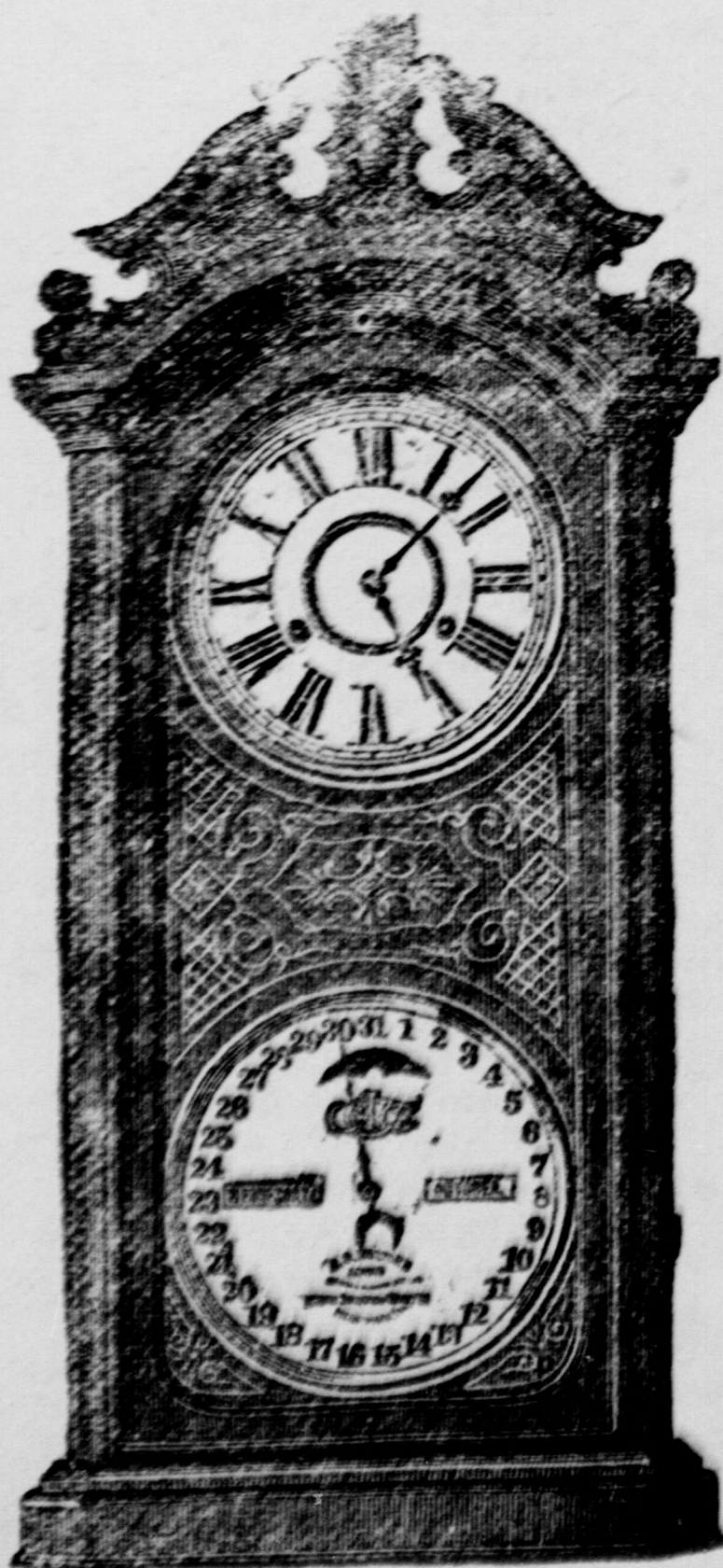
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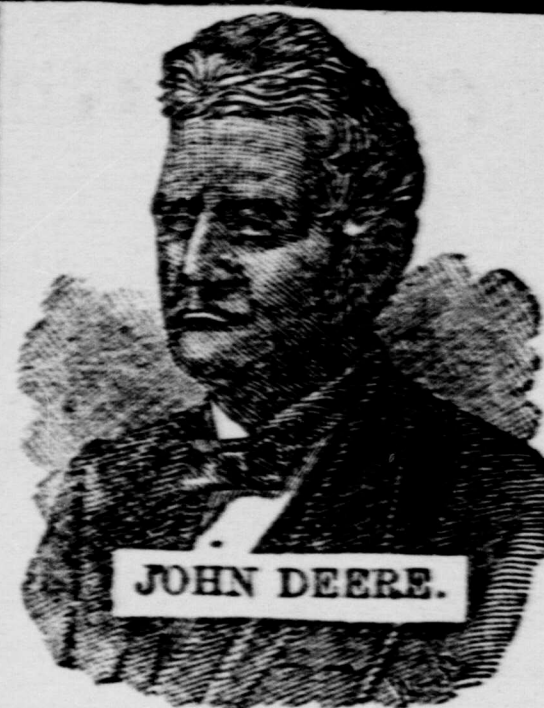
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