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## FALL OPENING.

### New Goods! New Goods! New Goods!

D. C. BROWN is now receiving the largest and most complete stock of fall and winter goods ever brought to this market.

All the departments will be complete by Sept. 20th. Time and space will not permit mentioning the different kinds and styles of goods kept in this house. I will say that no such stock of General Merchandise so varied in assortment can be found anywhere west of the larger towns on the railroad.

These goods were purchased from head quarters, in New York and Philadelphia, since the decline in cotton and woolen goods which enables him to sell Goods as cheap as the largest cities in Texas.

Being thankful for a larger almost universal patronage for the past eight years by continuing to keep the best stock and selling at close railroad rates, he hopes to meet a continuance of the same. Seeing is believing call and convince yourself.

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RURAL CITIZEN.  
N. & ANNE M. ROGERS, Editors

## Locals.

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Wanted—First class carpenter. Enquire at the Weatherford Plaster Mills or of Evan Jones at Jacksboro.  
Craquet sets at cost, at McConell's.  
Fresh preserves in table sets at Owens'.  
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T. E. Horan has a large stock of saddles and is well prepared for the fall trade. He does not propose to be undersold by anybody. Call and see him.

We are pleased to learn that Rev. W. H. Niles has purchased a lot on North Main Street between Wm. Appleby and Sil Stark, and will erect a residence at an early day. We welcome all such families as Mr. Niles' as permanent citizens in our town.

If you wish to buy extra good platform scales, weigh half ounces and as much as 240 pounds; second hand, used but very little and as good as new; they were bought with a closed out stock of goods and will be sold very cheap. Call at the CITIZEN Office or McKeenan Bros.

Prof. McKinley's exhibition has come and gone. He exposed his feats of legdomin on Saturday night, and told his audience he expected when he did so, they would feel like they had thrown away their money. We guess they did.

Many horses are dying north of the West Fork, with what some persons call a new disease, while others claim it is not so new. We are told that it is a similar disease to Erysipelas in man and requires a corresponding treatment for horses.

Rev. W. H. Niles returned from Hornsville, New York, last Saturday evening, on the stage. He took in the Louisville Exposition as he came home. We feel sure he spent a pleasant vacation for he has lost nothing from his pleasant expression, and looks much improved in health.

Walter Somervell, Esq., Attorney at law, late of Brownsville, Tennessee, has located in our town and will practice his profession in connection with Wm. Taylor. See their card elsewhere. Mr. Somervell comes well recommended as a christian gentleman and lawyer. He is a graduate of the law department of Cumberland University.

Mal. Horton and Lady are spending this week in town visiting their children, and gave us a pleasant call last Monday. The Major says he has not enjoyed as good health for years as he has this summer; and Mrs. Horton is looking as well as we ever saw her. They will return in a few days to their home in Toyah.

Col. Sil Stark returned last Saturday evening from the Exposition at Louisville, Ky., and Terre Haute Ind., accompanied by his mother who will remain with her sons perhaps all winter. The Col. says he commenced taking notes to write to the CITIZEN but soon found he could not do justice to the wonders he saw and so desisted.

McConnell's stock is unusually full (that is not "unusually full" for the stock, but unusually large for a town so far in the interior) and he is prepared to sell many lines at prices that dealers still further "to the front" will serve their interests by buying of him, as he buys many goods in such quantities as to enable him to compete with Weatherford, freight not excepted. "Come by," and "buy."

The scholastic population of Jack county reported by the assessor is 1334, reported by communities 1347 pro rata apportionment per capita \$4.61 5-7. Last year's apportionment per capita \$3.26 1-4. There are 52 school communities in the county and schools maintained in 40. Next week we will give the amount apportioned to each community.

Evan Jones of the firm of Jones Bros., Contractors and Builders, Weatherford, Texas, is now staying at the Wichita Hotel, Jacksboro, and will furnish estimates and plans on application free of charge. It will be to the interest of those contemplating building to call and see him as he is in position to turn out work better, cheaper, and quicker than any other contractor this side of Dallas. Being proprietor of the Weatherford Plaster Mill which enables him to make his own plaster, doors, doors and window frames, sashes, counters, shelves, sills, and casings, and everything in the carpenter's line. Orders for turning, sawing, planing, etc. left at lumber yards, Weatherford, promptly executed.

Last Tuesday J. C. Lindsey circulated a petition to the governor, to call a special session to legislate on the "Big pasture and wire fence" question. Almost every citizen to whom it was presented signed it. This question should have received attention long ago. Fences have been pulled down and carelessly, if not intentionally, burned long before there was any barbed wire, or barbed wire fence, and it was just as wicked then to pull down or burn a rail fence and leave a crop exposed to the ravages of stock as it is now to cut wires. Now is a time that all selfishness should be laid aside, and every citizen should strive for the good of our common country.

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THE SICK, WORN AND DEBILITATED should read the advertisement of our new liquid remedy.

Sheet music at McConnell's, and by arrangement with Oliver Ditson & Co. of Boston, any music published will be furnished at the net prices of the other catalogues by him.

Old papers, (exchanges) will be sold at this office at 1 half cent each, 50 cents per hundred. They can be utilized in various ways, papering, padding carpets, wrapping goods, etc. &c.

Notice. Having closed out my business, I desire to close my books immediately, and hope that parties indebted will come forward and settle at once. S. W. Eastin.

I have the German carp fish, suitable size for stocking ponds, for sale, at \$10 per hundred. Jacksboro, Tex. John Luttrall.

WANTED—10 cords of Wood. I will pay \$2 cash per cord for ten cords of good wood, half-seasoned, or half green and half dry, at my house east side of town. J. K. Conley.

Strayed or Stolen, Friday night, Aug. 31, one yellow gelding pony, 14 hands high, 4 years old, blotched brand on left shoulder, shed all round. I will give a liberal reward for the delivery of the pony or information so that I can get him. At pd Luke Hensley.

\$10.00 Reward! I will pay ten dollars reward for the delivery, to meat Jacksboro of one brown mare 15 hands high 7 years old branded on right shoulder Z. This mare either strayed or stolen from Sam Ingram's Stable in Jacksboro Tex. on the night of 27th of July, 1883. D. C. Brown.

STAGE ROBBERY. Last Thursday evening about 3 o'clock just beyond Grindstone Creek about 5 miles from Weatherford, the stage from this place was robbed by two young men, one rather stout and a blonde, the other dark. Mr. Paris Hoerner of Ennis, Ellis county, the only passenger was robbed of \$145, and a gold watch and chain. From the driver they took \$3.50 and a silver watch. They took the mail bags and took several registered packages. One registered package from Jacksboro, contained \$350.

2,000 new subscribers wanted for the Rural Citizen by the 1st of January 1884, and to enable everybody to get the paper, we make the following EXTRAORDINARY OFFER, we will send the Citizen one year clubs of 20 or more subscribers at \$1.00 each.

List of Letters Remaining un-called for in the Post Office at Jacksboro, County of Jack State of Texas, for the month ending August 31, 1883.

B. Bryant Samuel, Hudson Abe, Bennett V., Long Robert, Boyd R. C., Landers C. B., Bailing W. J., Moore J. S., M. Motzenlocker E. Mrs.

C. Cameron B. E., Pool W. J., D. White W. E., Davis Miss Minnie, Rogers J. M., Darby Miss Jennie, S. Duncan Ashberry, Senzavator M., F. Felton Howell, Sheffy W. R., G. Finley J. P., Tucker W. A., Fall A. B., Trice Gus., Freeman Alfred, Truscott James.

Green Chas. R. (2), Worden W. D., Gorce R. D., White W. E. These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office October 1, 1883, if not delivered before. In calling for above, please say "advertised," giving date of list. H. H. McConnell, P. M.

REPLY. For the Citizen. Is that splendid piece of genius found in your issue of Aug. 30, over the signature of D. H. Creager, I find the following: "A great many preachers have gone mad on the subject of sanctified education."

Now, believing the above to be a slur thrown at me, as well as every other one who favors christian education I claim the right to present to your readers my views upon the subject as set forth in my address here the 4th of July, to-wit: "In the beginning when man's creation was announced by an anthem of the morning stars and the sons of God shouted for joy, he contained the pure principles of the Great Creator, but the subsequent fall spread a moral light over the fair field of nature. Though the thunders of God's Providence with the whirlwinds, clouds and fires may seem to bury

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man's hope in darkness we approximate an effectual remedy; it is found in the proper culture and development of the mind." Again, "I assert in the face of all the world's precedents and axioms so called above the practice of the good and great that education unassisted by morality is a curse, but with the sanctifying influences of christianity it is a blessing whose true value can only be estimated in the rolling cycles of eternity." Again, "By education I do not mean glittering intellect and external display, the outside polish of the man, but a thorough training in the principles of true science in all the powers of our being physical, intellectual, and moral." I dwell at some length upon necessary safeguards to insure the young against vice, and lead them to love virtue, and sequenced our thoughts thus: "I must confess though that the great remedy is found in the preaching of the cross." Prof. Creager upon that occasion spent his time mostly in criticizing us, and now swings out in the Citizen and their Annual Catalogue, and calls every one who differs from him "gone mad."

The above quotations were taken from my manuscript without presuming to change a word.

And now I ask every person who believes in Christianity to decide who has gone mad. The Professor or a great many preachers. Who ever heard of a minister opposing christian education, and not only so but the world, and founders of the greatest universities in the United States have "gone mad" on the subject. Now, Bro. Creager we have given this letter good natured badinage, that you may not again be led into such gross blunders, and such public assaults. As for the term "sanctified education," we grant you the privilege of a little criticism, but education blessed with christianity is a heaven sent doctrine.

S. J. VAUGHAN, Whitt, Texas, Sept. 6, 1883.

FOR SALE. 1600 or 2000 good Missouri sheep, principally ewes. Also 100 Cotswold and Merino bucks. Rancho on Roberts prairie, 10 miles N. W. of Jacksboro, Texas. Maupin & Irvin. Subscribe for the RURAL CITIZEN. One copy one year \$1.50, clubs of 4 or more copies \$1.25 each, in advance.

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DYSPEPSIA! DYSPEPSIA! Reader, there is not a case of Dyspepsia or headache yet reported that Brown's Peppermint Tonic has failed to cure and it is sold by all druggists at 50c a bottle.

THE FALL ELECTIONS. Will result more satisfactorily than years and their families expect the military from their armies, and our country will prosper by using Brown's Liquid Peppermint Tonic. Now correctly manufactured in America so well respects the intelligence of this country. Call for Brown's Vegetable Liver Pills.

WONDER CROPS FOR 1883. Means rank, leaving vegetation later in the season. Drive out the weeds of disease now, by using a bottle of Brown's Sarsaparilla and Dandelion with Lobster of Potatoes. This remedy is now acknowledged to be the best blood purifier for all diseases known, and has saved the lives of thousands. Procure bottles at once, every druggist sells and recommends.

BROWN'S SARSAPARILLA. J. M. NELMS, M. D., Sole Brewer, Medicine.

ESTRAYS.

Taken up by Stanley Cooper and posted below. F. R. Austin, J. P. Post. No. 1, J. C. T. One black mare about 4 years old, about 14 hands high, branded on the right thigh also on her neck with a blue circle about 2 1/2 inches in diameter. Taken up by J. E. Jones and posted below. J. H. Baker, J. P. Post. No. 2, Jack county Texas. One dark bay horse, 8 years old, 14 hands high, saddle marked, branded with a circle with a bar extending through it on the left thigh. (In circle) on left shoulder, and L. in L. (in circle) on right shoulder. D. B. Merrill, co. clk. Sept. 12, 1883.

A. J. ROE

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SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT

Of the Condition of the MERCHANTS AND PLANTERS' BANK

OF SHERMAN TEXAS.

At Close of Business on the 30th Day of June, 1883.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Bills receivable.....\$90,507 46	Capital Stock.....\$150,000 00
Overdrafts.....15,114 02	Surplus Fund.....60,000 00
Bonds.....3,500 00	Tls. and Ex. for Six Months.....74,050 40
Real Estate.....4,426 56	Depositors.....77,222 87
Bank Building and Fixtures.....3,101 50	Due Banks.....130,280 49
Total Resources for Six Months.....140,000 15	Unpaid Dividends.....372 00
Due from Banks.....140,000 15	Total.....\$1,000,000 00
Cash on hand.....150,434 12	Total.....\$1,000,000 00
Total.....\$1,390,000 00	

I, T. R. RANOLPH, Cashier of the Merchants and Planters Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. R. RANOLPH, Cashier.

At a regular meeting of the Directors of this Bank today the Surplus Fund was increased to.....\$100,000 00

Which work our capital paid up, of.....\$50,000 00

Gives us a total of.....\$150,000 00

A dividend also was declared of \$100,000 00 out of the net earnings for the past six months, and ordered to be paid to the stockholders in cash.

C. C. BINKLEY, President.

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Located 10 miles N. W. of Weatherford, on Weatherford Boons creek & Jacksboro Road.

I offer to the Public for Fall and Winter planting a choice and carefully selected lot of home grown trees known by long experience best adapted to our climate consisting of

Apples, Peaches, Pears, Plums, Apricots, Almonds, Grape Vines, Raspberry & Black berry Plants, &c. &c.

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J. J. GALLAHER, Proprietor.

March 10, 1883.

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