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## New Blood

Pure Blood is a guarantee against Disease.

One or two Bottles of good Blood Purifier may save you a spell of sickness.

## ROYAL SARSAPARILLA

is guaranteed to do the work. Better take a bottle. It is sure to tone up the Blood and put your system in condition for the long hot summer.

Graham Drug Co.

## THE LEADER.

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### LITTLE LOCAL LEADERS.

Lee Rickman returned last Monday from Fort Worth where he has been several weeks on a visit to his Grandmother.

You can always find everything in the grocery line at Ford Bros. Mrs. Franka Shumaker, who went to Fort Worth a few weeks ago, with her son, is still there. An operation was performed on her son's throat, and she will have her eyes operated on before she returns.

If you want good and fresh groceries at Rock Bottom prices, call on A. R. McDonald & Co.

Presiding Elder C. W. Daniels came in Monday and held Quarterly meeting at Center Ridge Wednesday.

A glance through our BIG Store will convince you that we have the largest and prettiest stock in town. You can see things on all sides that you really need, at prices to suit you.

F. W. Knight, of Indian Mound neighborhood left a sample of his wheat at THE LEADER office the other day. It is certainly fine and the prospect now is that he will make 30 bushels to the acre.

It will be equally as great a treat to examine our stock of Dress Goods as it will be for us to show you. They are just beautiful, and the price is within the reach of all.

Sheriff Williams and Deputy Brooks were very busy the fore part of the week receiving taxes. They closed their books on Wednesday, the 31st.

When at Mineral Wells stop at the Mineral Wells Wagon Yard. Mrs. W. P. Beckham visited relatives in Graham this week.

Let Bigham & Crain have a chance at your trade. They will save you money on every bill you buy.

WANTED.—On subscription, two or three fair-sized sheets. Now is the time to pay your subscription without the cash.

I have for sale 20 head of High Grade Durham Bulls, one year old.

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120 Rubber Tip Pencils for \$3.00. Good enough for anybody.

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### All kinds of Country Produce

Buy your Lumber and Portland Cement from H. N. FROST, the leading Lumber Dealer of Mineral Wells.

All who want Fresh, Standard Medicines, School Book, or second-hand, Stationery of any kind, Toilet Articles or Notions, at lowest possible figures, should call on C. G. King at the Post Office Drug Store.

Potatoes, Onions and all kinds of seeds at

The following named subscribers have paid their subscriptions to THE LEADER since last publication: J. M. Paschal, L. C. Chast, Lee Laasater, T. M. Sifton, J. C. Bullock, J. W. Caudill, J. W. Carson, J. E. Ford, D. A. Ford, J. W. Akin.

The rich man can't afford to squander money in these tight times, while the poor man requires the duty of every dime and penny. Can you afford to pay more for goods than we are selling the same articles for? Get our prices and prove us.

We have just received a nice line of New Goods this week. Get our prices. We are below all others.

You can see in our Big Store as pretty and as well selected stock as anywhere—rain or not, and as far as the prices are concerned, we know they are right. Come and see us.

There is very little sickness in town now.

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### LADIES.

Call and see our new Millinery. We make no charge for style and very little for the goods. Sew hats away down.

The finest rain of the season fell last Sunday.

Ford Bros. is the place to get cheap Groceries—cheapest in the West.

Squire Starrett held court for civil business the first of the week.

Our Clothing. The Strongest Line in the city. Prices under all.

R. G. Graham returned Tuesday from Fort Worth. He reports Willis Stewart improving.

The greater the number that give me patronage the lower will price fall on Drugs in Graham. Give me a chance at your trade.

Jim Bryan was kicked by a horse Tuesday and pretty badly hurt. One kick on the thigh and one in the breast. Dr. Geo. LeGrand was called in to see him. The Doctor thinks no bones were broken and that he will soon recover.

Remember, the most elegant line of men's and boys' Clothing show in the city is now being opened at J. E. Morrison & Co.

THE STYLES AND PRICES we guarantee will please. You can't afford to purchase before examining our line. A pleasure to show goods.

Elder D. W. Russell was in town Tuesday. He will start to-morrow with his family to Uvalde county, where he will in future reside. Mr. Russell is one of our oldest and best citizens, and we regret to lose him.

By Rev. G. W. White at M. E. Church the first Sunday in April 11 A. M. All Knights are earnestly requested to meet at Castle Hall at 10:30 to go in a body to church.

S. R. Crawford, with a gang of hands, moved the big safe from the old federal court house to Johnson & Akin's office this week.

Will pay 20 cents each, cash, for a limited number of green oak poles—stripped clean—to be not less than 20 feet long, perfectly straight and not less than seven inches at the but end, delivered to me at Graham, Texas. Write for information, stating how many you can deliver, before 15th of April, 1897.

Mr. Gardner of Dallas, organized a Camp of the Woodmen of the World here Tuesday night with nine members.

It will pay you to get our prices on anything you want in our line. We will save you money every time.

S. B. Street & Co. have built a shed to keep their lumber under. We have two well stocked lumber yards.

What Do You Like? Cream or skimmed milk. Our bargains are like the top of the milk pan. Try them.

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### Young County Teachers' Institute

Met at Goose Neck Bend March 27, 1897. The following teachers were present: Prof. C. G. Tetter, J. N. Johnson, J. A. Payne, G. A. Gray, W. T. Hinkle, J. M. Hammack, H. Fowler and Geo. McLean; Misses Lee Blakey, Neice Holt, Ivy Darling, Mollie McMillon, Lillian Earnest, Georgia Jewell, Nellie Whittington, Cornelia Jewell, Lizzie Letstrand and Mrs. J. J. Greenwald.

The permanent chairman being absent the house was called to order by Judge Finlay, and on his motion Prof. Tetter was elected temporary chairman.

After prayer by Rev. W. M. Goode the regular program was taken up. The first question on the program, "Should prices be used," brought forth various opinions as to their use. However, the majority seemed to think it at certain cases and under certain conditions that they should be used.

A paper—"Cooperation of the parents"—which was to have been read by Prof. J. E. Simpson, but he being absent the question was at once thrown open for discussion, and Prof. Gray appointed by the chair to lead.

Prof. Tetter came forward with a very pleasing and interesting talk. Being called upon, Rev. W. M. Goode responded in his usual happy way. His talk, though somewhat and logical, was interspersed with just enough fun to occasionally bring forth shouts of laughter and applause. Prof. Johnson said "patrons should always understand the relation of the teacher to the pupil, and should be very careful how they speak to their children of the teacher." Prof. Tetter remarked that "the elements of a good school are a qualified teacher, trustees who know their business, and the co-operation of the parents."

The importance of good school houses, next came in order. This was thoughtfully discussed. The old dilapidated school house was contrasted with the neat, clean, well built school house. It seemed to be the general opinion that the environments of the school children enter in as one of the prime factors of education. A venture-and-estimate of the school room comes in for their share of the discussion. The tobacco chewer and the cigarette smoker got a pang from every side. Prof. Tetter said "that he does not object to a man using tobacco provided he does not do so within ten miles of any school house and while using it."

Prof. Fowler read a letter in regard to Summer Normals through the Institute. Mr. Carlisle stated that a bill would very likely be presented to the Legislature asking for an appropriation of \$20,000 to be used in establishing Summer Normals throughout the State. It was voted by a majority of the Institute to petition the Legislature, not to pass such a bill. After being warmly discussed and carried it was lost.

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### County Correspondence.

Center Ridge. The cold wave that swept over our country this week has damaged more of the fruits and gardens.

Farmers are busy harvesting their corn after the recent rain and hail.

Bro. White preached quite an interesting sermon to a large congregation last Sunday.

Misses Belle and Maud Cunningham and their brother Deak of Graham, were visiting friends here Friday and Saturday.

The young folks of Victory and Center Ridge met at Mr. Mathias' last Sunday night and had an enjoyable singing.

John May was out at church Sunday with his best girl.

E. R. Ragland was very much disappointed Sunday; he was expecting a wedding, he says he is getting hungry for cake.

The parties that went to meet Mrs. Hendrix and son at Weatherford, returned last Thursday. Mrs. Hendrix is well pleased with Texas. She thinks she will make Young county her home.

Virgil Willis and Mrs. Ann Brogdon, accompanied by Mrs. Hendrix and son, visited A. B. Medlin's family Saturday and Sunday and enjoyed some nice music by the South Bend string band Saturday night.

Misses Lizzie Turner and May Bagland entered Victory school Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Briscoe visited Bryson Sunday.

Misses Mary Willis and May Ragland attended the institute at Bryson Saturday and report a nice time.

E. R. Ragland is fencing a large pasture east of his farm.

With best wishes to the LEADER.

Country Talk. If you want something nice and new to save time and money, call on J. E. Morrison & Co. Dress Skirts, Shirt Waists, etc. A handsome line of Corsets, including the World Renowned "Thomson's Glove-Fitting" for both ladies and Misses. Mrs. Williams will take pleasure in showing you through.

The Fish Creek Farmers are through planting corn and some have ploughed over the first time. Grass is growing very fast and cattle are doing very well, what looking fine, good prospects for a good crop.

Preaching at Fish Creek last Sunday—there was a very large attendance—had prayer meeting in the afternoon—Sunday School every Sunday.

The Grubbing Club are finishing up the work on G. O. Craig's new farm—had a log rolling yesterday—the Club rolled up some of the largest logs that was ever known to be rolled up in this part of the county.

Roscoe Davis, a nephew of S. D. Davis, from Tennessee is on Fish Creek with the Grubbing Club; he expects to make Texas his future home. He is very well pleased with Texas.

We are showing more styles in Ladies, Misses and Children's Oxfords than the rest of the town. The goods are as good as anybody's and the price right.

Scarcely any sickness in our little village this week.

Business still improving—the business men are constantly receiving fresh supplies from the railroad. Telephone coming.

We will be explicit as possible this week. "All of our accidents has gone off happily." We have soaked all our valises, also our feet and if we don't catch "the latest news" we will go off and soak our heads.

J. M. Keen has been doing some business in Archer Co. this week.

Prof. Ayneworth opened his subscription school here Monday with a good attendance.

Walter Keen and wife of Wichita county, were visiting J. M. Keen and wife this week.

Miss Bertie Perry of Archer county is visiting Miss Pearl Goggs here.

L. Ayneworth and wife of Graham, is visiting their son Prof. A. and wife.

Misses Estlin and M. J. Estlin of Archer county were visiting with our merchants this week.

Miss May Predeux, who has been attending school here has re-

### turned to her home in Archer Co.

W. M. Hayter made a trip to Wichita Falls recently.

T. H. Wann left Tuesday for West Texas. We wish him much success.

Albert Wilson made a business trip to Bowie this week.

Willie Benson, with his best girl, spent a pleasant Sunday at Hawkins Chapel recently.

L. Z. Timmons of the Jackboro College was visiting his sister, Mrs. Ayneworth, of this place this week.

Mrs. Holden, who has been staying the last two weeks at Prof. Ayneworth's, has returned to her home in Archer county.

Sebe Benson and Bob Hunt were out deer hunting this week, but their game fell short. They say their walk did not.

Miss Louisa Timmons was visiting her sister, Mrs. Ayneworth this week.

Walter Heifer and Bro. of South Prairie, are visiting their sister, Mrs. J. B. War.

Dr. Terrell and Sebe Benson made a flying business trip to Graham last Saturday.

J. W. Casey is having his store and residence painted.

Dick Cahal was in town this week as usual with gide spitting, button hole waiting jokes.

Zearl and Walter Steen were in town doing business with our merchants the other day.

John Garvey was dealing with our merchants this week.

See our dress goods, compare styles and prices with other houses, then come and buy from the Cheapest House in Town.

Small grain looks splendid. M. H. Steadham was down from Proffitt Friday and reports a heavy hailstorm there Thursday. During the storm one of his hens with a brood of chicks was beaten so badly by the hail that she seemed to be crazed and went off through the farm at a rapid rate of speed. When he got her he found her on the bounds of his wagon where she had been sitting through a trip of twenty miles on the road. How's that for a moving spectacle?

Henry Frye is talking seriously of going to Seymour, Mo. Sunday.

That flood of McKinley prosperity has not reached this place yet.

Theo. Dullis has been very sick with lagrippe.

Received this week. The hand-some line shown in the city, including black Jacquards, Albatros, Henriettes, Black Silks, Brocade Silks, Tailor made Suitings, Lappes, Mulls, Silk Stripes, Challois, Syrian Dimities, Loppet Lace, Swiss Organdy, Lace Stripes, Bonnettes, Tissue Broads, etc. The effects in Dress Goods are by far more beautiful than ever before. Our prices are under all.

More rain, more rest and better prospects for crops.

There was not a very full attendance at school the first part of the week on account of bad weather, but by the middle of the week we were all back and hard at work; our school cannot be beat.

We had a contest in both Texas and U. S. History Friday evening; the girls against the boys; in both the boys were victorious. This is the way it will be the next time you hear us out.

Chas. Smith has quit school and gone to work for Mr. Baker. We know Walter R.—must be glad he has gone for Chas. S.—was very much in his way Friday nights and Sundays.

Prof. H. left town again Saturday; don't know where he went. Prof. must be thinking of getting married, as he leaves here nearly every Saturday and don't get back until Sunday night. He always goes in the same direction, but we cannot find out where he stops.

The Donnell boys are digging tanks this week.

Misses Flora Robertson of Crystal Falls and Dora Cooper of Breckinridge are visiting friends and relatives here this











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A messenger has been arrested for splitting in a Philadelphia street.

New York labor unions are agitating a tax on whiskers in the interest of the barbers.

The Illinois senate ousted Manfield (dem.) and seated Berry (rep.).

The bill granting Dallas a new charter has passed both houses of the legislature.

The greatest point in Jennings education is to keep a closed mouth and open eyes.

The season will soon admit of church festivals, short skirts and low-necked dresses.

From one to a bottle of Griffin's Rheumatic Cure will cure any case of Rheumatism.

Forty-eight persons went down in an angry sea when the ill-fated Velle de St. Nazaire foundered.

Walter Houston planned to kidnap a child at Houston, but was shot when he attempted to execute his design.

King's prison has a fine convict chain and it is considered among the convicts as a well thing to belong to it.

Straightening the hair of colored people affords one in St. Louis a good income. His possession's secret for doing it.

Martin, Wis. & Pittsburgh, a big outfit of Paris, failed on Monday with liabilities exceeding \$30,000.

A bill has been introduced in the Texas legislature prohibiting the state from sending outside of the state for any printing.

Telegraph communication with the southern part of the state was completely cut off.

Spain has not received a single prisoner in the Island of Cuba.

Since this administration asserts that the workingman's dollar has declined in purchasing power, it is quite true—what's the matter with cutting government salaries to one-half.

The price of Houston paid last year \$200,000 in premiums on fire insurance, and received \$50,000 for losses by fire.

Bucklin's Arnica Salve. The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chittiness, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively kills or cures every kind of Itch.

Something to Know. It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired nervous system to healthy vigor is Electric Bitters.

The Grandest Remedy. Mr. R. E. Grove, merchant of Chihuahua, Mexico, writes that he had consumed medicine for years, but that he had found the Grandest Remedy in the world.

What a Printer Can Do. A printer is the greatest of all mechanics. He can set while standing and sit while setting.

Arabian Jack, White Swan. THIS FAMOUS JACK WILL MAKE his stand at J. D. Short's place in Graham, Texas.

SECRET SOCIETIES. MASONIC. B. A. BOTTS CHAPTER No. 167 R. A. M., meets Friday night of or before the full moon of each month.

YOUNG COUNTY LODGE No. 485, A. F. & A. M., meets on Saturday night on second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

W. H. GEORGE, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in FURNITURE, CARPETS, And Household GOODS.

WHISKEY, OPIUM AND COCAINE HABIT. Used all diseases that come to this great health root, such as Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Insomnia, Nervous, Blood, Liver, Kidney and Stomach Complaints.

THE LEADER \$1.00 A YEAR.

Severe Wind and Rain Storm.

Fall Extended From End to End of the State and Ranged in Depth From 11 1/2 to 3 inches.

Dallas News, March 26th. Texas was visited by a general rain and wind storm yesterday.

The rain was general over nearly the whole state, while the wind seems to have done its worst in the south central section.

Rain poured down all day, the average fall being between 3 and 4 inches, and as much as 5 inches in some places.

The Dallas division, the track being washed out near Waxahatchie and Inza.

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Estimates of the amount of damage are impossible. It will be several days before details can be received from the great stretch of country included in the reach of the storm.

At Alvarado alone the destruction of property is over \$100,000. At Austin it is nearly the same figure.

It is announced that trains will be running this morning, but this is doubtful, as the rain continued most of the night.

The Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, in an address to the Alumni Association of Yale University, said:

"The south is the banana of the future. We have developed the means and sudden opportunity in the northwestern states and on the Pacific slope, but there is a vast country with the best climate in the world, with conditions of health that are absolutely unparalleled."

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They are coming, coming, Major, from the mountains to the main; The South alone is silent, for her part was passed in vain!

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