

Newspaper Materials
Relating to the
HISTORY OF JEFFERSON, TEXAS
1842-1875

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KEY

CG	<i>Caddo Gazette</i> (Shreveport)
CN	<i>Confederate News</i> (Jefferson)
DJ	<i>Daily Jimplecute</i> (Jefferson)
DST	<i>Daily Shreveport Times</i>
DSW	<i>Daily South-Western</i> (Shreveport)
ETG	<i>Eastern Texas Gazette</i> (Jefferson)
HA	<i>Home Advocate</i> (Jefferson)
HF	<i>Harrison Flag</i> (Marshall)
HG	<i>Herald & Gazette</i> (Jefferson)
JH	<i>Jefferson Herald</i>
JN	<i>Jefferson News</i>
JR	<i>Jefferson Radical</i>
NS	<i>Northern Standard</i> (Clarksville)
SWSN	<i>Semi-Weekly Shreveport News</i>
SDN	<i>Shreveport Daily News</i>
SN	<i>Shreveport News</i>
SOTA	<i>Spirit of the Age</i> (Jefferson)
SSP	<i>Star State Patriot</i> (Marshall)
SSWN	<i>Shreveport Semi-Weekly News</i>
SWJ	<i>Semi-Weekly Jimplecute</i> (Jefferson)
SWN	<i>Shreveport Weekly News</i>
SW	<i>South-Western</i> (Shreveport)
TJ	<i>The Jimplecute</i> (Jefferson)
TR	<i>Texas Republican</i> (Marshall)
TS	<i>The Standard</i> (Clarksville)
WJ	<i>Weekly Jimplecute</i> (Jefferson)
WT	<i>Washington Telegraph</i> (Washington, Arkansas)
WTR	<i>Weekly Times and Republican</i> (Jefferson)
WWT	<i>Weekly Washington Telegraph</i> (Washington, Arkansas)

All of the newspapers on microfilm or in hard copy were scanned for information on Jefferson, and the information was typed out on computer. The only limitations on what has been produced is that some of the originals were damaged (and therefore the information is permanently lost), and the quality of microfilm reproduction of some of the early issues of such things as the Clarksville *Northern Standard* is poor, which means that completeness can be achieved only by reference to the originals (which was not done). In some cases, information tangential to Jefferson's history is referenced parenthetically. Information on steamboats to Jefferson in the Shreveport navigation columns has not been included because it is covered exhaustively in my *A History of Navigation on Cypress Bayou and the Lakes*.

The only inclusions in this document that were not obtained from microfilm resources were: (1) a poor reproduction of the December 16, 1848, Jefferson *Spirit of the Age*, which was obtained from the *Jimplecute* office; a copy of an article on a proposed Jefferson hospital, which appeared in the March 22, 1870, *Jimplecute* and was included in the Surgeon General of the Army's 1870 report on the Medical History of the Post of Jefferson, which was obtained from the National Archives (Record Group 94); an original of the November 4, 1871, *Home Advocate*, which was obtained from the Texas History Museum; and (3) various copies of Jefferson newspapers in the collection of Catherine Wise (now in the Texas History Museum), including the May 14, 1853, *Jefferson Herald*; August 2, 1865, *Jimplecute*; April 19, 1867, *Semi-Weekly Jimplecute*; May 21, 1867, *Semi-Weekly Jimplecute*; September 24, 1867, *Semi-Weekly Jimplecute*; October 11, 1867, *Semi-Weekly Jimplecute*; April 4, 1870, *Daily Jimplecute*; October 2, 1874, *Weekly Jimplecute*; November 23, 1875, *Daily Jimplecute*; and December 18, 1875, *Daily Jimplecute*.

The only additional newspapers from this period that I am aware of are: (1) the November 4 and December 2, 16, and 23, 1864, Jefferson *Trans-Mississippi Bulletin*, hard copies of which are available at the University of Texas in Austin; an original of the May 6, 1864, *Trans-Mississippi Bulletin*, which is available at the Jefferson Historical Society & Museum; an original of the August 13, 1873, *Home Advocate*, which is available at the Texas History Museum; microfilm copies of the August 11 and 18 and September 18 *Jefferson Radical*, which are available at the North Texas State Library in Denton; 1875 issues of the Marshall *Tri-Weekly Herald*, which are available on microfilm from Southwest Micropublishing, Inc.; and various originals of Jefferson newspapers available in the collection of Linda Prouty in Stonewall, Louisiana, including the July 28 and September 27, 1869, *Daily Jimplecute*; November 24, 1870, *Weekly Times and Republican*; October 2, 1874, *Weekly Jimplecute*; and others.

The advertisements are (with the exception of some of the Jefferson newspapers) from the first appearance of the advertisement in the extant sources and include subsequent modifications. The date on which the advertisement first appeared in the newspaper is often indicated in the advertisement. No attempt has been made to indicate length of time of appearance.

51-1

The District Court is yet in session. It will probably continue until the close of the coming week. The business, we understand, has been transacted with expedition. The lawyers, and all who have business with the Court, speak in the highest terms of Judge TODD; and say that while he is firm and able in the discharge of his duties, he is not unmindful of that courteous bearing which wins esteem. (TR 1/4/51)

51-2

We would call attention to Mr. SIMMS' card, which will be found among our advertisements. Mr. S. has the praise of all who have taken lessons from him. We have seen several specimens of his skill, and should judge that the praise of his pupils are merited. The importance, and even the pleasure of being a good pensman, will naturally suggest itself to every one.

Try Mr. SIMMS and you will be agreeably surprised at the rapidity with which you will learn to write a pretty hand. (TR 1/4/51)

51-3

(Lengthy homage to Todd signed by members of the bar and officers of the court in Marshall; response by Todd.) (TR 1/11/51)

51-4

(L. F. Pugh in Jefferson listed as seller of Eureka Tonic.) (TR 1/11/51)

51-5

(Dinner given for Judge Todd attended by Loughery, who describes him as "urbane and pleasant" and "as well calculated to adorn the festive board as to grace the bench.") (TR 1/18/51)

51-6

We should not overlook the Herald published in the prosperous town of Jefferson, a place that is fast growing into commercial importance. We notice several interesting editorials in the Herald, but we have so drawn upon the columns of our paper that we must defer a notice of them for the present. (TR 1/25/51)

51-7

We understand that Mr. Simms is going to our neighboring town of Jefferson for the purpose of opening a writing school. Mr. S. is an accomplished pensman, and we believe has the praise of being a good teacher. We wish him success. (TR 2/22/51)

51-8

Read the advertisement of P. M. Graham at Jefferson. Mr. Graham is a gentlemanly and accommodating merchant and has a very pretty stock of goods, and sells, we believe, at prices to suit the times. (TR 3/29/51)

51-9

We would call attention to the card of Dr. Cross, of Jefferson, which will be found among our new advertisements. Dr. C. is a well educated physician, and has had the best opportunity from his practice in the hospitals of New Orleans, of making himself familiar with the treatment of all diseases incident to a southern climate. (TR 3/29/51)

51-10

While in Jefferson, we called at the extensive wholesale and retail establishment of Messrs. May & Co. These gentlemen have the largest stock of goods we have seen this side of New Orleans, and sell on terms extremely moderate. Persons going to Jefferson would do well to call on them. Their advertisement will appear next week. (TR 3/29/51)

51-11

Several advertisements are promised us from Jefferson, which if they should arrive will be noticed. We would mention to them, as well as advertisers generally that the Republican has perhaps a wider circulation than any paper in Texas. It is taken generally in that portion of Harrison which trades with Jefferson. It has besides a large circulation in Cass county, and is taken extensively by the counties above it. (TR 3/29/51)

51-12

JEFFERSON.

The senior editor of this paper returned on Saturday evening last from Jefferson, having spent five days there. Court was in session, and the attendance of the bar was general, embracing many of the most talented lawyers in Eastern Texas. We had the pleasure of hearing several of them speak in an exciting land case in which they were arrayed, and, for legal talent, profundity of thought, and ingenuity, it was a forensic display worthy of any Courthouse in the Union. Hon. L. D. Evans presided, and the business of the Court was dispatched with diligence and celerity.

We had not been in Jefferson for eighteen months, and were consequently surprised and delighted at the improved condition of the place; not only in the town, but in the country immediately surrounding it. The place no longer presents the appearance of a dull plodding village, but has grown into a point of extensive commercial importance. It has now many large wholesale houses; steamboats arrive and depart weekly, heavily freighted; wagons from the surrounding country are to be seen pouring into the place; houses are going up; and everything betokens present and future prosperity. Six years ago, Jefferson had scarcely an existence; and when it was first laid out as a town, and it was proposed to navigate the Cypress with steamboats, the scheme was looked upon by almost everyone as ridiculous. The navigation of this Bayou and the Lake now having been established beyond question, the town with a back country of great extent to support it, is destined to grow with rapidity.

We were particularly struck with the improved condition of the country on the route leading to Daingerfield. It looks almost like a village, with neat cottages, and buildings of more pretending character. Many of these residences are owned by the business men of Jefferson, and are well improved. This region is called "Paradise;" a name given it, we suppose, from the fact that it contains a majority of the young ladies.

We saw many strange faces, and the place wore a different aspect from what it did of yore; but the kindly greetings of old friends, and the prosperity of the place, was sufficient to reconcile us to the change. Jefferson, to us, has many pleasant social recollections. Here we first located, when we came to Texas, and we shall always feel an interest in its prosperity.

Jefferson and Marshall are sister towns; not rivals. The growth of the one, is the improvement of the other.

We had the pleasure while there, of calling on Messrs. Westmoreland and Watson of the Jefferson Herald, and were very kindly treated by them. They speak flatteringly of their prospects. We wish them every success.

We remained five days at the Court, and met with very kind encouragement. Besides three advertisements obtained, we have the promise of one or two more, and seventeen new subscribers. We also settled up much of our outstanding business. Altogether our trip was pleasant and profitable. (TR 3/29/51)

51-13

Read the advertisement of MAY & CO., of Jefferson. Persons trading at Jefferson will do well to call on them. Their extensive business will insure cheap bargains. (TR 4/5/51)

51-14

We notice in the *Star State Patriot* a communication, calling on the Hon. L. D. Evans to permit his name to be run, which the editor of that paper says meets his hearty response.

We do not know whether the Judge will run or not, but if he does he will bring to his support and aid the most powerful influences--a clear head, and an honest heart, and a private character above reproach or suspicion.--[*Jefferson Herald.*] (NS 4/5/51)

51-15

Read the advertisement of MESSRS. BECKETT & CO., Jefferson, under the head of New Advertisements. Give them a call. (TR 4/12/51)

51-16

On the Sabbath preceding our arrival at Quitman, the citizens were favored with a sermon from our old Jefferson friend, M. D. Rogers, and he also preached during our visit. (TR 5/3/51)

51-17

We are authorized to announce Col. Matt Ward of Cass County, as a candidate for Lieutenant Governor of the State. (NS 5/10/51)

51-18

The Jefferson Herald is urging upon the citizens of Cass, and particularly of Jefferson, the necessity of repairing or rebuilding the Black Cypress Bridge. The editor of this paper has lately returned to his post from "a ramble of five or six weeks duration through several of the Southern States," upon which he says:

All we saw convinced us more perfectly of the fact that Texas, after all, was *the* place; and when we take in view her natural and physical advantages--the exceeding fertility and

cheapness of her lands--and compare it with the places we visited, we almost wonder to ourselves *how one can live any where else.* (TR 5/17/51)

51-19

Our brother of the Jefferson Herald, has been proposed as a candidate to represent the County of Cass in the State Legislature, but declines the proposition. (NS 5/17/51)

51-20

ADVERTISING.

He is but a poor specimen of a petty trader, who does not, in this day, recognize and value highly the advantages of advertising. Looking upon this as an established position, we would respectfully suggest to the Merchants of Jefferson and Shreveport, much of whose business comes from Northern Counties of Texas, in which the Standard has the only general circulation, a circulation now increasing, that they would find it much to their advantage to avail themselves of the use of its columns for setting forth the inducements which they offer to purchasers. The advertisements which they make in their home papers, are very properly made, for the benefit of the country immediately about them, but there is a large scope of country on which they rely for business, which those home papers never reach....

Jefferson and Shreveport are now competitors for trade, which the greater enterprize and liberality will successfully control. People at a distance cannot know who has the goods that will suit their wants, or the rate of prices, unless informed. He who secures the attention of the man at his own fireside, to articles of merchandise that he needs, secures certainly, the first application of that man, and has the best chance to sell to him.... (NS 5/17/51)

51-21

Around our town land is worth five dollars an acre--that is, choice land, but on the river it can be bought for two or three, and off the river, ten miles from town, probably for one dollar or one dollar and a half. (NS 5/17/51)

51-22

After a ramble of five or six weeks duration through several of the Southern States, we have returned to our post, and resumed our connection with the Herald. All we saw convinced us more perfectly of the fact that Texas, after all, was *the* place; and when we take in view her natural and physical advantages--the exceeding fertility and cheapness of her lands--and compare it with the places we visited, we almost wonder to ourselves *how one can live any where else.* [Jefferson Herald.] (NS 5/17/51)

51-23

Hon. WM. B. OCHILTREE is a candidate to represent the First Congressional District in Congress. (TR 5/24/51)

51-24

Hon. MATT. WARD is a candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Texas. (TR 5/24/51)

51-25

From some editorial correspondence by the editor of the Jefferson Herald, dated Auburn, Ala., April 7th--we extract the following--

I visited Eufaula and other places in this state as well as many others in Georgia, and the general feeling in regard to the recent measures of adjustment, as far as I could ascertain, seems to be in favor of its sustension. Majorities of both the whig and democratic parties meet on this common ground.

The lands throughout this part of the South are worn out and very unproductive. One is puzzled to know how it will sustain so large a population. A great many speak of moving to Texas next winter, and very many who are here now would have been off before this if it had not been for the prevalence of the cholera on the western waters.

There are a great many very silly prejudices still abroad here in the minds of the uninformed in regard to "Texas and the Texans." I was caught in a severe storm in a county in this state adjoining this, on last week, and stopped at a little house by the way side to wait till its violence subsided, where several men were present who, after they had pumped out of me the astonishing piece of information that I was "all the way from Texas" had a great many questions to ask about different men who had left various parts of the Union in the last twenty years for that country, and seemed, somewhat puzzled because I did not know all about them. I told many strange tales about the indifference of the lands, scarcity of water, lynching, &c. One chap who (as I afterwards learned) kept a stud horse for a living, and was corresponding Secretary of a Southern Rights Association held in the neighborhood, said he would have been in Texas long ago if the society were better. I told him I had no idea that it would suit him.

I will leave for Texas in a few days.

C. W. W. (NS 5/31/51)

51-26

JUDGE OCHILTREE.

This gentleman and Judge Evans came very near having a personal rencountre a short time since. It seems that an article was published in the Cherokee paper over the signature of "Justice" in which Judge Evans was accused of having attempted whilst a member of the convention which framed the constitution of the State, to deprive the settlers of some of their rights to land, which was used by Ochiltree, for electioneering purposes and read from the stump, and which was doing Judge Evans a great deal of injury; so much so, that he demanded the name of the author from the editor of the paper.--His astonishment must have been great when he was informed that the person who was using it most against him, was the one who wrote it; and that person was Judge W. B. Ochiltree. He attacked Judge O. about it (see the account in to-days paper) and alluded to it again in a subsequent speech at Rusk, and pronounced Ochiltree guilty of lying &c.

It certainly was a breech of good manners, and a violation of customs, usually prevalent among gentlemen, to thus shelter himself behind an anonymous signature, to injure one who stood in the relationship to him which Judge Evans occupied--whom of all men in the world, just at that time he was bound to treat with openhanded fairness. [*Jefferson Herald.*] (NS 5/31/51)

51-27

(J. W. Pitkin and Albert E. Perdew of Cass County are authorized to collect money for James D. Todd of Smithland.) (TR 5/31/51)

51-28

JIM-PLE-CUTE.

As a novelty we publish to our readers the Prospectus of a newspaper published in this place some years ago. It will gratify our old citizens to look back to former days, and amuse the more recent inhabitants of our county, as a specimen of Texas literature and the most ornate of styles. Dr. JOHNSON, the lexicographer and the author of the "Rambler"--even CHARLES PHILLIPS the Irish orator--cant approach it. It is on the *Beasley* order.

PROSPECTUS OF THE JIM-PLE-CUTE.

"Oh! as along the stream of time, thy *name*
Expanded flies and gathers all its fame,
May, then, these lines to future days descend
And prove thy country's good, thine only end."

Custom having sanctioned the usage of giving the public a fair and candid expose of the views, tenets, politics, creeds and casts of a literary bantling in the shape of a prospectus ere its birth is promulgated in the cynical gaze of a critical world, we therefore, stumbling, blundering and floundering in the riffled wake of predecessors, let slip the following precursor of the *Jim-ple-cute*, a weekly newspaper of medium size to be published in the town of Marshall, and edited by BEAZLEY, FITZPATRICK & Co.

Reason safely ensconced in the back ground of the future, the mind's eye clearly peeps through the loopholes in the perspective and points to the growth of our town and county, wealth and population, talent and enterprise, moral, social and political revolutions, that seem to mark the present crisis as an auspicious moment for the debut of an humorous and amusing journal, chequered with a peculiar stripe of fun and frolic, morality and logic, arts and letters, conundrums and riddles and an occasional disquisition upon Piano's and Fiddles. In party politics, we will be mute, but their acerbity and prejudices we will endeavor to refute; the news of the day, and gossip of the town, we will endeavor to portray, and faithfully expound; the ladies' rights and gentlemen's wrongs, the former we will advocate, the latter confute, and render justice where reason belongs. Should Poetry and Rhetoric, Love and Fable, woo our columns, each shall receive our warmest embrace. In short, we shall endeavor to portray every stage, and paint the actors who figure thereon to life. Satire and ridicule, anecdote and allegory, will serve as a rasp and a whetstone; the former by coming in contact with man's superstitions and prejudices; the latter by gradual friction, wearing his soul from error and misrule, imparting a zest to life, a motive to action; thereby graduating his habits and animosities, stimulating his energies and susceptibilities, to glide smoothly along the proper channel of pleasure and happiness, sobriety and rationality.

With this brief synopsis of the Jim-ple-cute campaign, we unfurl our sails to the stormy winds of a callous world. We weigh our anchor of hope on the platform of our conscience and steer our barque over an often explored, but still unfathomed sea of intellect; invoking the gentle zephyrs of talent, and an occasional puff of genius, to fill our sails and crowd our columns. With the chaste and matron form of discretion seated at the helm, our literary craft will hold her course, onward and upward bidding defiance to the strong winds of adversity and the dark and

dangerous rocks of envy, that lay concealed beneath the smooth and polished surface of a glittering world; yea, traversing the globe and gathering literary fruit from every clime and zone, ambrosial nectar from every press, (not wine press reader,) and delicious nuts from every bough and tree that flourishes in our happy land and country, and these for our dear readers to mince and feast, to sip and taste, to crack and shell, to their heart's content.

The Jim-ple-cute will be published weekly, and will be sent to subscribers for two dollars in advance, three at the end of the year. Our first number will appear about the first of December next. Editors friendly to the cause of knowledge, throughout the Union will please assist us by placing this fulcrum in the minds of the people, by giving it a few insertions, so that when we come to wield our power for weal or woe, if evil, we may eschew it for good, that it may abide among the multitude.

Persons wishing to subscribe, will forward their monies post paid to
BEAZLEY, FITZPATRICK & Co.
Marshall, Texas. (SSP 6/7/51)

51-29

We understand that the boll worm has already made its appearance on some of the cotton farms in Harrison county. [*Jefferson Herald.*] (NS 6/28/51)

51-30

We are authorized to announce B. H. Epperson, Esq., of Red River County, as a Candidate for Governor of the State. (NS 6/28/51)

51-31

DANGERFIELD, July 4, 1851.

Mr. Loughery:

I left Marshall on the 25th ultimo, in company with a friend for the purpose of visiting Jefferson, Dangerfield, and Mount Pleasant. Though I cannot now enjoy the privilege of addressing you an *Editorial* Correspondence, yet, the trip has been such an interesting one to me that I cannot think of letting the opportunity pass of giving you a brief account of it.

We arrived at Jefferson about ten o'clock, and stopped but a short time--intending as we returned to remain longer. Of this place it is unnecessary for me to say much since you gave a fair representation of its advantages and prospects, after your attendance at the Cass Court. Quite a number of new buildings are now going up. In fact business of all kinds seemed to be lively, and not yet interrupted by the failure of navigation for the season, since the merchants all have heavy stocks on hand. For several miles on the road leading north from Jefferson, residences are very numerous. It is said to be the case for some distance off the road, on both sides. This region, having no specified boundaries, is called Paradise, in which, about a mile and a half from town, is situated the Cass Academy, which is now in a prosperous condition. Mr. H. BURNSIDE and Lady, late of Marshall, have charge of the Female Department.

On the 26th, we arrived at this place (Dangerfield) for dinner. Never was I more agreeably surprised than to find Dangerfield a beautiful and thriving little village; for I had supposed that its prospects were long-since blasted, and that what little there ever was of it had been permitted to go to ruin. But instead of that, there are several stores, two blacksmith shops, two hotels, &c.; presenting quite a business appearance; and the number of improvements going

on, even under the difficulty of procuring lumber, show that the citizens are an enterprising and industrious people. The family residences, though not expensive, are neat and comfortable. I am told that many persons owning lots in town, and others having situations in the vicinity, are desirous of improving them, but cannot get lumber at present. This obstacle, however, it is thought, will soon be obviated. Two or three gentlemen have been here several days, looking round for the most suitable and convenient site to establish a steam mill. Such a chance to invest capital profitably cannot long remain open.

The citizens of the place have shown their intelligence and wisdom, in their efforts to make it an educational point. Learning, after our arrival, that the examination of the school, under the control of Mrs. HAMILTON, and Miss FLEMMING, was progressing, we attended for a while in the evening. I was much pleased with the exercises. Besides this school, two others will soon be in operation. The buildings, I believe, are nearly completed. One will be occupied by a lady from Clarksville. The other is for a college, under the control, I understand, of the Conference (or Synod) of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

I presume you are aware that Dangerfield was the county site of Paschal county, which "*was but is not.*" This county was cut to pieces in forming others, and Dangerfield was thrown into Titus, within a few miles of the line between Titus and Cass counties, and not far from Upshur. The people in this section of country, portions of the three counties, are going to make an effort to have a new county formed, of which Dangerfield is to be the county seat. The cleaning out of Big Cypress, which runs within seven or eight miles of Dangerfield, is also agitated to considerable extent. One thing is certain they are determined to build up a town here to *some* purpose. The principal portion of my business being at this place, and in the country surrounding it, I remained here six days, after returning from Mount Pleasant. I made many acquaintances, and found the people quite hospitable, social, and agreeable. I had the honor of an invitation to an infair which came off yesterday at Mr. BENNETT HAMILTON'S, six miles north of town. [The marriage notice I send you separately.] I do not wish to be personal, but will take the liberty of saying that the beauty collected on that occasion cannot be surpassed. Tom Moore truly says:

"Tis sweet to think, that, where'er we rove

We are sure to find something blissful and dear."

An excellent dinner was prepared, and every thing well arranged.

To-day is the seventy-fifth anniversary of American Independence. It was celebrated here with a barbecue. A procession was formed at the Hotel of Mr. Willis, and marched to the place prepared, in the shade of some large oaks, for the oration to be delivered. The exercises were commenced by prayer from Parson Zinn. "Hail Columbia" was then sung by the ladies; then the Declaration of Independence was read by Mr. Cicero Conner; next the Oration was delivered by Parson Zinn; after which the ladies sung "The Star Spangled Banner." The audience was then marched to the table which was abundantly supplied.

I have not said half that I might say, if I had the time and you the room; but must conclude for the present. I will just mention, as an item of news, that I have never before seen such a poor prospect for crops. The drouth has ruined them. Most of the farmers have despaired of even making corn enough for their bread. The cotton crops are not much, if any, better. I thought we were suffering in Harrison for rain, when I left; but since riding through Cass and Titus, I am inclined to think we have had pretty good seasons, comparatively.

FRANK. (TR 7/12/51)

51-32

(Charles Westmorland of the *Jefferson Herald* mentioned.) (NS 7/19/51)

51-33

Our neighbor of the *Jefferson Herald* is out with another able article on the right of secession. How can the editor enter so cordially into the support of Judge Scurry for Congress, when that gentleman entertains opinions on this subject directly opposite to him. We recollect distinctly that he denounced Judge Roberts, in no measured terms, for entertaining similar opinions. We will inform the editor, then, that Judge Scurry denies the doctrine of State rights in toto. He believes that the General Government is the supreme judge of its own powers, and has the right to subdue a seceding state. More than this, we have every reason to believe, that he will vote for men and money, in furtherance of this object if the question is presented to him. (TR 7/19/51)

51-34

(Judge Ochiltree condemned by *Jefferson Herald* as enemy of poor people for having supported property requirement for voting in Texas Constitution; Loughery cites letter from Ochiltree demonstrating that this charge is false.) (TR 7/19/51)

51-35

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Steamer St. Charles,
Red River, June 29th, 1851.

Dear Sir:--

We are gliding down the River Red, as smoothly and pleasantly as well may be, and with a gentle breeze, meeting us, forgetting for the time, that it is almost mid summer and that we are in a warm latitude.

Leaving Clarksville on Tuesday morning last, I reached Jefferson on Thursday at mid-day, without any incident worth relating, and observing nothing worthy of note, except that the crops South of Sulphur, were all suffering greatly from drought, getting worse as I got South. In the Hughes settlement on the red land, if they have got a rain by this time, they are probably saved, but in many places on the route, the Corn crop was past redemption; between Jefferson and Shreveport, rain will come too late, in many places; near Shreveport some of the corn will make a tolerable yield, and for a strip of six or seven miles, between Greenwood and Shreveport, they had a beautiful shower on Friday.

Jefferson is improving considerably, though not so much as I had supposed from representation.--The houses however, are not generally of much cost, although they will answer every present requirement. The business done there during the past year is said to have been very heavy, and to have interfered considerably with Shreveport.--Shreveport is also improving, and substantially. It has at present, however, a dull look....

C. De M. (NS 7/26/51)

51-36

We had the pleasure of seeing Judge Ochiltree on Tuesday morning. He appeared in fine health and spirits. On Monday he made a speech at Jefferson which we understand was one of his happiest efforts. (TR 7/26/51)

51-37

(*Jefferson Herald* supports pensions for widows and orphans of Revolutionary War soldiers who died in battle.) (TR 8/10/51)

51-38

SHOCKING OCCURRENCE.

We copy the following from the *Jefferson Herald*:

"On the morning of the 30th ultimo, about 8 o'clock, a tailor in this place, by the name of J. G. Snyder, committed suicide, by placing the muzzle of a gun in his mouth, and firing it off. The ball passed clear through his head, killing him instantly. The cause, so far as we have been able to ascertain, was a mental derangement, induced by drinking. He leaves a wife and child, nearly destitute, to mourn his untimely death." (TR 8/10/51)

51-39

(State and Southern Rights Association of Cass County, Texas, formed to "aid in preserving the Constitution of the United States from violation, in protecting the rights of the people of the slave-holding States from oppression on the part of the General Government, with security and equality in the Union for the future;" E. D. McKinney, president; Charles Westmoreland, vice president; T. L. H. Cross, corresponding secretary; William H. Robinson, secretary; John Hobdy, treasurer; John Poindexter introduces speakers.) (TR 8/23/51)

51-40

JUDGE OCHILTREE.

We copy the following from the *Jefferson Herald*. The majority of Ochiltree in this county was 360. The editor, we suppose, had not seen the official vote when he indited this article.

Judge Ochiltree said at Gilmer a few days after he had addressed the citizens of this place, that "his right arm should rot from his body before he would vote one dollar in money, or send one man to subjugate South Carolina, in case she seceded from the Union." The people of Upshur gave him a large vote on account of it; and he carried Harrison county by five hundred majority, because of this assertion. He would have received, we believe, a majority in this county if he had said the same thing here. See what a vote Bell received, which can be regarded as nothing else than an endorsement of his ideas of the rights of the States.

We are no disunionists. We have deprecated it from the first issue of the "*Herald*." We supported the Compromise measures, and we yet support them. We are willing to see things stand as they are at present; but we have a right to demand of the North that she will let us alone, and give us guarantees that she will not meddle with our rights.

We know of but one disunion party in Texas, and that is the coercionists, who are in favor of doing the very thing which, sooner than any other, would bring about a dissolution of this Union. It is true they will tell you that if you admit the right of a State to secede, the Union will

be but a rope of sand. Well, such an argument as this presents two or three other ill-looking features. First, that this is a government of *force*, when we have always thought that it is a government of *opinion*. Secondly, that the government is now so obnoxious to the people of the United States that they will assuredly cast it off immediately, if they have granted to them the liberty of so doing. Thirdly, that this is a consolidated Federal government--propositions as absurd as dangerous.

South Carolina, whatever may be her faults, has always been the firm and unwavering friend of Texas--and it ill-becomes one acquainted with our past history, to abuse her--our earliest and most faithful friend.

We hope she will not secede. We hope that she will yet hearken to the voice of other States, as much interested as herself. We are for the compromise. We are no disunionists. Emphatically we are no federalists. Yet we recognize in South Carolina the right to secede, as well as every other State; for we think that *it is a right* which no law can either give or take away. (TR 8/23/51)

51-41

JEFFERSON HERALD.

The impudent Editor of the Jefferson Herald has made a wonderful discovery and opposes the Bloomer Costume. We wonder if his mammy knows he is out "hold him." (NS 8/30/51)

51-42

George Ury has been elected Sheriff of Cass county, over B. F. Green, Esq. (TR 8/30/51)

51-43

We learn from the Jefferson Herald that Judge Denson has ordered an election to take place on the 12th September, to determine the county site of Cass county. The places to be voted for are Jefferson and Linden. (TR 8/30/51)

51-44

The Jefferson Herald of Tuesday last, in noticing the Thespian corps, at that place, says: "On Thursday evening they will appear again--Mrs. Strong's benefit--who will be dressed *a la* Bloomer. (TR 9/6/51)

51-45

(Richard Crump listed as state representative elect from Cass County.) (NS 9/13/51)

51-46

OUR TRIP TO JEFFERSON.

Last week we paid a visit to Jefferson, and remained there a couple of days. The District Court was in session, and quite a number of people were in attendance. Among these we noticed several familiar faces from the neighboring counties, principally lawyers, of which there was a fair delegation from Marshall. The array of legal talent presented, was indeed quite flattering. Among others from a distance, we noticed Gen. J. P. Henderson, and Hon. John T. Mills, of Red River.

On the 15th, the day before we arrived, the citizens of Cass county were addressed by Messrs. C. S. Beasley, of Marshall, Judge Mills, and Mr. Poindexter, of Jefferson, on the subject of State Rights and in advocacy of the abstract right of secession. These speeches were represented as able efforts, and we had every reason to believe they were well received. On Friday night Gen. HENDERSON was expected to address the people on the same subjects, and it was rumored that Judge L. D. EVANS would reply to him. We regretted very much that we could not remain until Saturday, urgent business requiring us to be at home on that day.

The navigation being closed, we did not find business as lively as it was when we were there last spring; such, of course, was not to be expected. But we found the town rapidly going ahead in improvements, and preparations making for the winter, when business will open no doubt with more animation than it has ever done before. Among the new houses going up, we noticed a large building in progress owned by Messrs. J. M. & J. C. MURPHY, who intend opening a large store in that place. The merchants at Jefferson, are doing at present, a very fair business, and the trade will soon increase as the crops of cotton begin to arrive.

Jefferson has two hotels, and they were both filled to overflowing. We learned from the citizens, and afterwards from the Herald, that at the recent election for the county site, LINDEN was chosen as the place. Whether the citizens in favor of Jefferson will acquiesce in the decision we did not learn. There was some talk about the illegality of the election, from which we were led to infer that it would perhaps be contested. We regret very much this unfortunate controversy which has arrayed two parties in this county, and we would rejoice to see it terminated, and the people once more harmonize. Jefferson is now so far ahead, that the removal of the county site can do it but little, if any, injury. On the other hand, the prosperity of the place, will be a decided benefit to the county, and enhance the value of every acre of land within it.

During our visit, we had the pleasure of being frequently in the company of Mr. C. WESTMORELAND, editor of the Herald. Mr. W. is a gentleman of agreeable manners, and we need not say a talented and popular Editor. We also saw much of our friend WATSON, of the Herald, the pleasure of whose company we should always like to enjoy. The Herald is going ahead finely, and the proprietors speak of enlarging it during the coming winter. On Wednesday evening, we had an interesting theatrical performance, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Strong. The audience was very large, many being unable to find seats. The excellent comedy of the "Golden Farmer," followed by the laughable farce of the "Irish Tutor," formed the night's entertainment. These pieces were really well played, and elicited merited applause. Every character was well sustained. We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Strong intend visiting Henderson soon.

On Friday we started for home. On the road, we had the pleasure of meeting with Hon. W. B. Ochiltree and Mr. Parsons, who were on their way to the Jefferson Court. Judge Ochiltree, we understand contemplates moving to Jefferson. We arrived at home on Saturday morning well pleased with our trip. (TR 9/27/51)

51-47

We call the attention of our readers in Titus, Hunt, Hopkins, Kaufman and Van Zandt to the cards of Ury and Ward, and Wm. P. Saufley of Jefferson, and L. C. Carter & Co. of Shreveport, in this number of our paper. These gentlemen offer inducements to purchasers which it would be well to notice. (NS 10/4/51)

51-48

(*Jefferson Herald* objects to Texas regulations on advertisements.) (NS 10/11/51)

51-49

SAMUEL F. MOSELEY, Esq., of Cass county, is a candidate for District Attorney, for the 6th Judicial District at the ensuing election.

In due time I will publish an address to the people of the District, setting forth *my opinions* of the *moral, personal, and legal qualifications* that should characterize that officer, and the duties connected therewith.

As soon as my health will permit, I will take pleasure in visiting the people, addressing them face to face, and making my views on this subject more fully known, as I deem that office to be second to none in the State to sustain and vindicate the laws of the land, and in protecting the rights of her citizens. I wish--yea, I demand, at least for myself, that these things be fully discussed by the Press and the people, and in so doing, that you "nothing extenuate nor aught set down in malice." Such is the ordeal I am of opinion all public officers *should pass through* before they are permitted to assume the powers thereby delegated, and enjoy the honors and profits arising therefrom. When the merits and qualifications of the candidates shall have undergone this test, then the people *need have no fears* that the office will not be filled by *one of merit*.

The Republican, and the Patriot at Marshall, Tyler Telegraph, Flag of the Union, and the Cherokee Sentinel, will please make the above announcement, and copy the accompanying remarks, calling the earliest and special attention of their readers and the public to the same. I would not ask this at your hands were it not that dangerous illnesses for five weeks, during which time it has gone forth to the world that I had died of various attacks of diseases that now, and will confine me for an indefinite period of time, and also, because other candidates are already canvassing for this office.

SAMUEL F. MOSELEY.

Jefferson, Texas, Oct. 21st, 1851. (TR 10/25/51)

51-50

JEFFERSON HOTEL.

The card of this establishment will be found in this day's Standard. The old friends of *Captain Gooding* will find that he has re-hoisted his flag at the head of navigation on the Big Cypress, and is determined to treat them hospitably *if* they will let him. The Captain's rotundity of person, with a certain merry twinkle of the eye, and the unctuously complacent expression of the countenance, are the best possible indications that he appreciates good living himself, and will be likely to have it prepared for those who *will participate* with him. (NS 11/1/51)

51-51

We call attention to the card of Mr. W. M. Freeman of Jefferson, in this number. (NS 11/1/51)

51-52

(William S. Todd and William Duke shown as farmers in the Clarksville area.) (NS 11/22/51)

51-53

EDITORIAL CHANGE.

We omitted last week, to notice that Charles W. Westmoreland, Esq., late editor of The Jefferson Herald, had retired from that position. He parts from his readers, with a valedictory evincing kind feeling for those with whom his editorial career has brought him in contact, and says:

I am done with politics; and though I have no enemies I desire to see punished, yet I have friends whose approbation has cheered me in my short Editorial career, whom I would be more than pleased to reward.

Our own opinions, and those of Mr. Westmoreland, in relation to a part of the public policy, have been different, but judging him partly by his editorials, and partly by a brief personal acquaintance, we feel disposed to bid him adieu professionally with much kind feeling, and wish him success in his future career.

The paper is temporarily suspended, with a view to enlargement. (NS 12/6/51)

51-54

(James W. Russell marries Miss Lucy Jane Bagby, daughter of George H. Bagby, on November 30.) (NS 12/6/51)

51-55

Among the appointments of Preachers made by the Eastern Texas Conference, lately held in Henderson, we see the following: Marshall District, AKIN N. ROSS, Presiding Elder; Marshall and Jefferson, ALEX. HENKLE; Marshall Circuit, JAS. R. BELLAMY, (and one to be supplied); Harrison County African Mission, WM. JAMISON. (TR 12/13/51)

52-1

We have received No. 1 of Vol. II of the Jefferson Herald, greatly enlarged, under the editorial control of J. W. FERRIS, Esq. Mr. F. honored us with a visit a few days ago, while in attendance at our District Court. He is a talented and courteous young lawyer.... (TR 1/3/52)

52-2

(William M. Harrison shown as a farmer in the Clarksville area) (NS 1/3/52)

52-3

Our friend, Dr. S. NORRIS, has removed the Drug Store of Norris & Tackett, to Jefferson, where he now resides. The citizens of that section will always find the D.S. well supplied with fresh Drugs, Medicines, &c., and a variety of "pretty things." (TR 1/10/52)

52-4

We call attention to the advertisement of our old friend Gooding of the Jefferson Hotel. (NS 1/10/52)

52-5

The Jefferson Herald, comes to us, somewhat enlarged, and bearing the name of J. W. Ferris, as editor. (NS 1/10/52)

52-6

(Rev. Dr. Baker of Jefferson to give dedication sermon for Methodist Church in Marshall.) (SSP 1/17/52)

52-7

(Loughery of *Texas Republican* objects to whig posture of *Jefferson Herald* and support of Ochiltree.) (TR 2/14/52)

52-8

(*Jefferson Herald* claims it never was whig, but rather union democratic, The proprietors, Watson and Moseley, have always been opposed to secession and disunion.) (TR 2/28/52)

52-9

The Spring term of the District Court for Cass county, commences on Monday next, HON. L. D. EVANS presiding. From what we can learn, Jefferson will have a goodly number of visitors, and the place will present a lively appearance. The Lake navigation being opened, the trade of the place has revived with it, and Jefferson is itself again. We shall be among the visitors; and fun and frolic, and "ground and lofty tumbling" will be duly chronicled should there be any on hand. (TR 3/13/52)

52-10

(*Jefferson Herald* supports Sam Houston as candidate for presidency.) (TR 3/13/52)

52-11

We copy the following paragraph from the *Jefferson Herald* of the 2nd inst:

"On Monday last, after an elaborate argument which was continued from day to day during the District Court, the application for an Injunction against the removal of the seat of Justice from this place to Linden was refused by the Court. With no impediment in the way, it is thought now, that the County Court will proceed to comply with the provisions of the last Act of the Legislature on this subject." (TR 4/10/52)

52-12

The Lake sends out some 30,000 or 40,000 bales of cotton a year, and the imports are of a corresponding ratio, and yet in twelve years not a single boat it is said has been lost in the trade. (SSP 4/10/52)

52-13

Now in confirmation of our position and in support of the resolutions and decisions we have matured, we will further state that the Lake has been successfully navigated by Steamers for the last twelve years, and the first boat has not yet been lost, in the Port Caddo, Benton or Jefferson trade, while insurance officers have in the mean-time realised a net profit of \$300,000, on risks to and from said Lake, without being called on to refund the first dollar. (SSP 4/10/52)

52-14

(Protests against New Orleans raise in insurance rates for Lake trade.) (TR 4/17/52)

52-15

A PRESENT.

We received on Thursday evening a very handsome present from our friend NORRIS, of the firm of Norris & Tackett, Jefferson. It consisted of a fine razor, (one of Wade & Butcher's best,) a bottle of hair oil, a ball of superb shaving soap, a box of shaving powder, a tooth brush, and a bottle of perfume. We were very "happy" to be thus kindly remembered, and can say that the trial of these articles fully warrant us in recommending the establishment from which they come. They are all of a superior character. It will be seen that Messrs. Norris & Tackett have recently received a large stock of Drugs, and "pretty things," which they propose to sell out at cash, at a small profit. Give the "Doctor" a call, and examine his fine stock and his prices. (TR 4/24/52)

52-16

We understood several days ago, that the brisk and thriving town of Jefferson was growing so fast, that it was getting altogether *above* the head of navigation. Or to speak more seriously, the lake was falling so fast, that boats would hardly be able to get up unless a further rise takes place. While the country back is not yet half supplied with the necessaries for ordinary comfort.--Gentlemen couldn't you give us a little encouragement by way of helping on our Rail

Road enterprise. That would do to tie to, and swear by in all weathers; if it didn't run exactly to your door "a half loaf would be better than no bread at all." (SSP 4/24/52)

52-17

It will be seen that our old friend Steinlein, is again, in his new and elegant establishment at Jefferson, a candidate for new and old customers in his particular line.

He was for a long time one of our most obliging and liberal merchants, and our numerous readers in Jefferson will hardly meet with better treatment elsewhere than at his establishment. See his advertisement and give him a call. (SSP 5/1/52)

52-18

(Ochiltree lives in Nacogdoches.) (TR 5/8/52)

52-19

The Jefferson Herald of the 28th says:

THE COUNTY SEAT.--Jefferson is no longer the county seat of Cass County. On Monday last, all the papers, records and paraphernalia of the County court, District court, and Surveyor's office were put into a wagon which started *en route* for Linden. As the vehicle rolled off, the welkin rang with shouts and cheers. Some of the boys went so far as to gather our friend Esq. E _____ (one of the late Attorneys for Linden,) and put him on the top of the load as a necessary accompaniment.

Our county seat is now at Linden, 20 miles North of Jefferson. We are told that the County Court has let out the contract for building a large and elegant Court house. Next Monday is Probate court. Go up and take a look at things!" (TR 6/6/52)

52-20

(B. J. Terry lives in Gilmer.) (TR 6/12/52)

52-21

The Jefferson Herald speaking of a correspondent says:

"We agree with the writer, that one grand trunk railroad should be constructed, commencing on the Mississippi river, and running centrally through Texas, intersecting the proposed Galveston road. From this main road, branches could be made, extending into every part of the State that might be considered expedient. The people of this State are too much divided, by ideas of local roads running near them. They will have enough to exhaust all their energies to construct first one grand central railroad. Division, disunion, and local favoritism, will weaken the cause, and assuredly postpone the ground work for years to come." (TR 6/12/52)

52-22

THE POISON SPRING.--On the road leading from Jefferson to Dangerfield there is a spring known by the old settlers as "the poison spring." The letter P is plainly marked upon several trees to designate the spot and warn the traveling community. Several years ago a family of emigrants camped by it, and drank largely of its waters. The following day all were taken suddenly sick and a part died. Sometime afterwards during a dry season, the greater part of a large drove of cattle drank of its waters and died in a few hours afterwards. The water runs

slowly from a sink or gulch; and its color indicates that it is tintured with a mineral, which at particular stages of the water and during a dry season operates as a poison. During the wet season, and when the water runs freely, it is said to be harmless.--*Jefferson Herald*. (TR 6/12/52)

52-23

OBITUARY.

Died, in Jefferson, Texas, at the residence of Mr. S. Norris, on the 4th of June, at 11 ½ o'clock, Mrs. CHARLOTTE T. PARKER, aged 76 years.

Mrs. P. was born and married in Virginia. Soon after the marriage, she moved to Columbia county, Georgia. Early in the settlement of North Alabama, she moved to Limestone county; in 1834 to Mississippi; and in 1849 to Texas, with her youngest daughter. She died as the righteous. She had been a worthy member of the Baptist Church for more than fifty years. She was a devoted Christian, mother, grand-mother, and friend. She lived out the time allotted to man. Her body now lies in the graveyard of Jefferson, Texas, but her sainted spirit is in Heaven.

The pains of death are past,
Labor and sorrow cease,
And life's long warfare closed at last,
Her soul is found in peace.
Soldier of Christ well done;
Praise be thy new employ,
And while eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Savior's joy.

Jefferson, June 5, 1852.

South Western Baptist please copy. (TR 6/12/52)

52-24

We have received from Major W. C. Batts, a large and enterprising planter of Titus county, a beet raised on his plantation weighing three and a half pounds--it being in circumference about one foot and a half. Who can *beet* it?--*Jefferson Herald*. (TR 6/19/52)

52-25

We are indebted to our friend Col. Matt Ward, who was a member of the Democratic Convention at Baltimore, for a copy of the Baltimore Sun of June 5th, also an extra, containing the proceedings of the Convention in full. (NS 7/10/52)

52-26

TO ADVERTISERS.

We would respectfully notify the Merchants of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and New Orleans--as also those of Galveston, Houston, Shreveport, and Jefferson, that the STANDARD has a circulation not surpassed by any Journal in Eastern Texas, and is the *only medium* through which the people of Northern Texas can be generally reached. We assert this unqualifiedly. We have traversed the entire Northern district of Texas, and say, that except in Cass County and to some extent in Titus, no other Journal than the Standard can be relied upon to convey information to the people of Northern Texas, containing (exclusive of Cass County) twelve counties; and occupying a district of County, comprised between Red River and the

Trinity, taking in both banks of the Sulphur Fork of Red River, and the heads of Sabine. Away to Collin and Dallas, and Denton and Cooke, no other Journal has a circulation worth mentioning, and in one or two of them not a copy of any other Texas Journal except the Standard is taken. This is partly the result of Geographical situation, and it is literally the truth. These Counties are as populous as any other section of the State, and part of them are now heavy producers of cotton. The others are largely so of Wheat; and the Trinity portion of them is destined by another year, to pour down to the Galveston and Houston, or to the Jefferson and Shreveport Markets, a large quantity of Wheat. The Standard is not only the paper almost exclusively circulating in these counties, but it is the only paper, which, on account of freedom from obstructions, and from contiguity, can get to them regularly.--These are advantages which can be readily appreciated by Commercial men, and with this explanation, we tender to them the use of our advertising columns at rates as low as those of any other Journal in the State. The home trade of the section of country in which our Journal circulates, it seems is already, in part, finding its way to Houston, as will appear by the annexed article from the Telegraph. Whether it will continue to go there or to the several other Commercial points within reach of wagons, which we have named, must, of course, depend upon the energy and enterprise of the Merchants of the several localities, and the promptness with which they avail themselves of mediums of publicity.

From the Houston Tel., June 11th.

The Spring trade of this city still continues, and, from present appearances, will abate but little for some weeks to come. The other day, we noticed wagons in town from Buffalo, on the Trinity, and some 250 miles distant, and also from Dallas county, some fifty miles higher up the river. Although the distance to Jefferson, on Soda Lake, near Shreveport, and with the same facility of navigation to New Orleans, is nearer the upper Trinity by at least 100 to 150 miles, than this city, the planters of that section prefer coming here.--People will go to the best and cheapest market, and they will transport their produce and supplies by the most certain and economical routes. In these respects, Houston has maintained the ascendancy over all other points in this State, and for the last fifteen years; and, with a proper regard to her interests, she will continue to do it, so far as the most valuable trade is concerned, from above her parallel of latitude, and between the Colorado and Trinity Rivers, for three hundred miles to the Northward. Other points have sought to drain off her trade within the last three years from some parts of this region, but with little show of success; and, until Nature shall afford a steadier and more abundant supply of water in the rivers, she has nothing to apprehend, unless she permits other places, with fewer natural advantages, and less capital, to construct rail roads or plank roads through the country, while she is idle and indifferent to such improvements. (NS 7/17/52)

52-27

The Jefferson Herald urges the people of that place to run a line of stages to Dallas. An excellent idea. (TR 7/17/52)

52-28

Mr. WATSON, of the Jefferson Herald, desires to sell his interest in that valuable establishment. (TR 7/24/52)

52-29

A CARD.

To the Voters of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Texas.

Professional business of an important and imperious nature compelled me to visit New Orleans during the past month, where I was detained by severe and dangerous illness, such detention has deprived me of the privilege and pleasure of participating in the pending canvass for the office of District Attorney of this Judicial District. I am therefore compelled to withdraw my name from before the people as a candidate for that office.

To those kind friends whose partialities have made me favorably known to the people in different portions of the district, I hereby tender my most grateful acknowledgments.

I am, very respectfully,

SAM'L F. MOSELEY.

Jefferson, Texas, July 20, 1852. (TR 7/24/52)

52-30

We call attention to the new advertisement of Ury & Ward, per J. H. Darnall. (NS 7/31/52)

52-31

We call attention to the card of J. W. Pitkin of Jefferson, in this number. Pitkin is an old Texan, and in former days, poured out his money in the cause of the Republic of Texas, when it had no money, and little credit; for which he got in return,--only glory. "The Pitkin Guards," we remember them. Just now however, we have no doubt he would rather we would call attention to his goods. The gentleman who handed us his card, says he has a large and superb stock of goods, and we say, that any body who deals at Jefferson, and would like to deal with one of the pleasantest humored and most accommodating gentlemen he ever met with, can call on Pitkin and find the man. "He'll do to tie to." (NS 8/21/52)

52-32

In another column will be found the Prospectus of the "Jim-ple-cute," a new paper to be established in Marshall. (TR 9/4/52)

52-33

MARRIED.

On Tuesday morning, August 24th, in Cass Co. Texas, by the Rev. B. B. Dye, Sam F. Mosely, Esq. of Jefferson, to Miss Eliza I, daughter of Seaborn J. Wilkinson, of Caddo parish, Louisiana.

Done gone--poor Sam! he has been looking very miserable for a long time--it's all explained now--hope his spirits will improve, and that he will wear a cheerful countenance hereafter. (NS 9/11/52)

52-34

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

We are requested to state that Hon. L. D. EVANS will address the people of Cass county, at Jefferson, on Friday next, the 1st of October. He will speak at Marshall on Saturday the 2d, and at Gilmer on Monday the 4th of October, the first day of the Upshur court. The people are

requested to come and hear him, and the invitation is particularly tended to his whig friends. (TR 9/25/52)

52-35

THE BARBECUE.

Our readers must not forget that there is to be a Democratic Barbecue on Friday next at Jefferson. The Democrats there are very anxious that there should be a large attendance, and have made arrangements for an elegant dinner. Several of the "big guns" of the party will be in attendance, and speeches are expected from Messrs. Bowden, Mills, Evans, Wigfall, and Moseley. On the whole, we expect it will be an interesting day. (TR 9/25/52)

52-36

CASS COURT.

We paid a flying visit to Cass county during the present week. We left home on Monday last, and returned on Thursday evening. We had the pleasure of seeing several of our old friends, and in some respects, at least, our trip was quite pleasant. Jefferson, at present, is dull, but is improving, and the Fall trade will open in a brisk manner.

We were at Linden, the new county site of Cass, where we spent Tuesday and part of Wednesday. The place is a new one, and of course the accommodations were not so fine as those of older places. It was as good, however, as might have been expected under all the circumstances, and we had the promise of the very best treatment at the next term of the court. Several buildings have been erected at Linden, but they are houses intended for the officers connected with the courts, or for public business. Other houses, however, are going up, and there will be a sufficient number in a short time for convenience and comfort. Among other buildings there is a two story frame Court house, just erected. This building is not complete. The frame is merely up, and the roof on; and the court was held on the ground floor. (TR 9/25/52)

52-37

There was a large attendance at the Democratic Barbecue at Jefferson, yesterday. Speeches were made by Judge L. D. Evans, S. F. Moseley, and Gen. J. P. Henderson. The Barbecue was excellent, and the speeches forcible and convincing. We shall give full particulars in our next. (TR 10/2/52)

52-38

THE DEMOCRATIC MEETING AND BARBECUE AT JEFFERSON.

We had the pleasure of attending the Democratic Meeting and Barbecue, at Jefferson, on the 1st. It was a very creditable affair, and numerously attended. Quite a number of our Marshall friends were present, and the delegates from Harrison county were full as numerous as could have been expected.

At 11 o'clock, the democrats formed in procession, numbering we supposed somewhere near 500, and marched to a large warehouse near the bridge. A number of others followed, some of whom were whigs, and in a short time, the capacious room displayed an interesting sight of animated faces. Quite a number of ladies graced the scene with their presence.

Judge Evans made the first speech....

Judge Evans having concluded, Sam. F. Moseley, Esq., was loudly called for. Mr. M. responded in a brief speech, which elicited applause.

Dinner was at length announced, and the company repaired to a grove about a hundred yards distant. The Barbecue was a very creditable affair. Quite a variety of "good things" were to be found on the tables. The meats were well-cooked, and there was an abundance of eatables for all who were present.

Dinner being over, the people repaired once more to the warehouse, and were favored with an address from Gen. J. P. Henderson....

After the conclusion of this speech the meeting adjourned. We understand that there was a Ball at night, which passed off pleasantly. Several of our friends remained, and expressed themselves as having enjoyed a happy time.

Altogether, the events of the day were of an interesting and pleasing character, and well repaid the visit. (TR 10/9/52)

52-39

THE IRON MOUNTAINS OF CASS.--In the southwestern portion of Cass county, there is a succession of large, rough hills, known as the Iron Mountains. As yet, they are but little known abroad; but the time is not far distant when the wealth obtained, will give them a locality and a name.

Mr. Nash, a good planter, lives in their vicinity, and is the owner and proprietor. Some three years ago, he carried different specimens of the iron ore to Tennessee, where it was pronounced by the best judges to be exceedingly pure, and yielding a larger per cent than the mines in that State. The mines of this country cover a large area--many of the hills possessing very large, corrupt bluffs. The iron ore, in the shape of large rocks, projects out from these hills, with a continued succession of layers. The mine, by the best judges, is considered a (?). We have no doubt these mountains would supply iron enough to build a railroad from this place to the Pacific Ocean.

Mr. Nash, in the way of experiment has gone so far as to get a bar of iron from some of the ore, which he now has on hand. He expects, soon, to erect an iron foundry on an extensive scale, and go into active wholesale operations.--[*Jefferson Herald.*] (NS 10/23/52)

52-40

ROADS.

We understand that the roads leading from Marshall to Shreveport, Henderson, and to Jefferson, need working on. The Shreveport stage driver says that the road from Marshall to the Louisiana line is in a very bad situation. We need an amendment to our road law. It is very defective. We can never expect to have good roads until there is more responsibility created than at present exists. As it is now, it is almost impossible to enforce the requisitions of the road law. We hope there will be an amendment to the law this session of the Legislature. (TR 11/20/52)

52-41

THE TURNPIKE.--The last Legislature granted a charter for a turnpike from Clarksville to Jefferson, or rather, for a turnpike across all the creeks and creek bottoms, between these places so that waggons can pass at all times with despatch and safety. The stock has been divided into a reasonable number of shares, the most of which have already been taken, in

the counties of Red River and Titus. Our citizens will at once perceive the great advantages which this road would give to Jefferson. It would afford the safest and most permanent transit for cotton, flour, hides, &c., &c., to this market. It would encourage the immediate establishment of a stage line, &c., &c.

It seems to us that the citizens of this place should at once communicate with the patrons of this road in Red River, take stock, and forward the enterprise to an early completion.

[*Jefferson Herald.*]

This is certainly sensible advice. The road once made, would be of great convenience and direct pecuniary advantage to the people at both ends of it; but to Jefferson especially, it would be of the greatest benefit, leading down to her, upon a passable medium of travel, at all times a large body of the trade upon which she depends for support, and in bad weather especially concentrating all the travel, from North of Sulphur as far west as the Trinity. The road would, as a mere matter for investment, pay well, but if it paid nothing, Red River, Titus, and Cass should build it, and it would be profitable to do so, if a dividend should never be declared upon the stock. We *know* that four years ago, we could have had a stage line from Clarksville to Jefferson and Marshall, if we had had a good road over Sulphur and White Oak. The stage line was formally offered to us, by Mr. Clapp, to start whenever the editor of this paper would notify him that there existed a road at all times passable for vehicles, with reasonable celerity. Red River alone has taken half the shares necessary for the work. Titus has taken a few, and Cass should, without delay, take the remainder, and allow the work to progress. (NS 12/4/52)

52-42

Charles Westmoreland is elected Representative from this county to the Legislature, in the place of Hon. R. P. Crump, resigned. [*Jefferson Herald.*] (NS 12/11/52)

52-43

We take pleasure in suggesting the name of Col. Matt Ward, a citizen of this place, as a suitable democratic candidate for Governor. The Colonel is an old Texan, was a member of Congress in the days of the Republic, and more recently a member of the Senate in our State Legislature. He has proved himself equal to every station he has filled; and wherever known he has left a favorable and enduring impress. He would make a Governor of which the State might be justly proud.

Col. Ward is no office-seeker. When he consented last year to become a candidate for Lieutenant Governor, it was only upon the urgent solicitations of his friends to allow them to use his name, and with the express understanding that his business would not justify him to canvass any portion of the State. Though remaining at home, he received a very complimentary vote, and would undoubtedly have succeeded could he have mixed with the people. Should he become the democratic candidate for Governor, we believe he would accept the nomination and canvass the State thoroughly, to his and the party's triumphant success. [*Jefferson Herald.*] (NS 12/11/52)

52-44

(Rev. Ward Taylor marries James A. Pruitt of Cass County to Julia A. Blades of Harrison County.) (TR 12/11/52)

52-45

DIED.--In Jefferson, on the 7th inst., Mr. HENRY GOODING, in the 46th year of his age. (NS 12/18/52)

52-46

(Costs on moving cotton by water include hauling, storage and weighing, freight, river and fire insurance, labor and drayage, commission, damage, and interest. Comparative costs given for rail carriage.) (TR 12/25/52)