Henderson [TX] Times, 1863-1865

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[Summary: poem "None but the Brave Deserve the Fair: Song of the Texas Volunteers" by Mollie E. Moore.]

Mr. Joseph Gaston, of this county, was shot, and almost instantly killed, in Tyler, one day last week. The homicide originated from the usual cause.

The ladies of Rusk County, are again invited to attend at the Court House, in this place on Tuesday next, at 10 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of completing arrangements for establishing a "Way Side Hospital," at this place.

A number of ladies are taking an active interest in this matter, and it is to be hoped others will unite with them. The object is entirely laudable.

We are requested to state that J. W. Sturdevant of Gilmer, will leave for Johnson's army in Mississippi, about the 1st of September. Those desiring to send letters by him, can be accommodated by leaving the same with Major Thompson Camp, of this place, depositing with each letter one dollar.

Miss Mollie E. Moore, the distinguished poetess, spent a few days in Henderson during the past week. She received that attention that one refined and intelligent community ever extend to the meritorious.

We have for some time regarded Miss Moore as one occupying no ordinary position in the Literary World. Our personal acquaintance with her strengthens our opinion. To the highest order of genius she unites a well balanced, richly stored, and investigating mind. With such endowments, she is destined to occupy is such that her friends may contemplate with the most exalted pleasure. Tho' only eighteen years of age, she has written poems that bear the severest criticisms, and abound in thought that challenges the attention and investigation of the Philosopher, the Statesman, and the Divine.—May she meet with the encouragement, as an authoress, that is the just desert of superior worth is our sincere desire.

Fresh Drugs.

Calomel
Opium
Morphine
Dover Powders
Epson Salts.

Alum.
Copperas.
Park [?] Green
Spanish Crown [?]
Red Lead, &c.

Black Pepper.
Superior Cotton Cards.
Just received and for sale by J. McBride & Co.,
August 28th, 1863.

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, August 29, 1863, p. 4, c. 4

Powder for Sale.

I have 1,000 pounds of good powder for sale; bring your flasks and gourds, as I cannot obtain wrapping paper.

J. W. Shelton.
Henderson, July 29th, 1863.

We have had the pleasure of meeting, during the past week, with Colonel Thompson Camp, of the 2nd Texas Infantry. His command is still stationed at Nacogdoches, the order to march to Navasota having been countermanded.

We are requested to state that Lieut. Young of the 10th Texas Cavalry will leave for his command, east of the Mississippi on next Tuesday. He will carry all letters to members of the Regiment, that may be left for him at the Post Office, in this place, by Monday morning.

The Government shop at this place, established by Capt. W. W. Barnet, and under the immediate supervision of Capt. J. S. Boggs [?], Sen. is getting under fine headway. By the exercise of unparalleled industry and energy, these gentlemen have succeeded in procuring a good supply of iron and other material for the shop. While in Shreveport, we believe, the meed of praise was universally extended to Capt. Barret as being one of the best quartermasters ever attached at that place. He is becoming equally popular among our people. He gets all that the Government needs that the citizens can possibly spare, without resorting to impressment.

The ladies of the Soldiers Aid Society tender their thanks to Mr. Lewis Mayer, for flax thread, buttons, &c. for making soldiers' clothing.
Soldiers' Aid Entertainment.

The Soldiers' Aid Society will give an entertainment on New Year's Eve at the Masonic Institute, in this place, consisting of Tableaux Vivants, Acting Charades, selections from Shakespeare, vocal and instrumental music, &c.

Admission, $1.00

The Society gives the entertainment at this time, because it is in present need of funds to enable it to carry out the object for which it was instituted—that of relieving every needy soldier whose case is presented. The admission fee is put at a low figure to enable every one, who desires it to enjoy the entertainment. Contributions from those who are able and willing to give more, always thankfully received.

We are directed, by the government officials in this place, to notify the public that a few "hornets' nests" are needed in the medical department. The nests must be fresh, and contain the live young hornets; otherwise they will not be received. Three fine nests were condemned this week because the young hornets were dead. A young gentleman from Panola county brought up three fine looking nests the other day, which Gen. Flanagan, Dr. Stedman, and Capt. Barret pronounced "all right," but Capt. Armstrong, the Inspecting officer, upon examination, found that the young hornets were dead, and condemned them on that ground; so the young gentleman had his ride of fifty or sixty miles to no profit. It is to be hoped he will have better luck on his next trip.

I propose to give ten [two?] pounds of sugar to each soldier's family living in Henderson Beat, who are dependent upon their own labor for a support, as a Christmas Present. Parties will please send to my store.

Lewis Mayer.

Free Entertainment
at the Masonic Institute To-night!

By very general request the Sacred Drama of "Moses in the Bulrushes" will be repeated. In consequence of the failure in rendering the "Limerick Boy" on last evening, it will be repeated. The friends of "Miles' Boy" are determined he shall redeem himself.

There will be enough of good music.

The Entertainment will close by half past 9 o'clock. Come one, come all, without money and without price.
HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, May 21, 1864, p. 2, c. 2

We regret to be under the necessity of disappointing a few of our subscribers to whom we promised to [illegible] white paper. Those who are not satisfied can get double the money due them, by notifying us or we will fill out the remnant of their subscription on brown paper. We hope in a few weeks, to get some white paper from Eagle Pass.

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, May 21, 1864, p. 2, c. 2

We understand that calico is now selling in Shreveport at $50 per yard. Lining and thread for a dress, at this rate, would be about $100 more. Now is the time for soldiers to dress their wives; it will only require about 4½ years wages in the army.

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, May 21, 1864, p. 2, c. 3-4
[Summary: Account by "Texas" of battle at Mark's Mill, letter dated May 8, 1864]

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, May 21, 1864, p. 2, c. 4
[Summary: J. S. O. Brooks, Neches Saline lost Jourdan, negro 6’, 24 years “likely and smart” $500 reward. Probably going to Yankees”]

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, May 21, 1864, p. 2, c. 4
[Summary: J. S. O. Brooks will exchange lime and salt for leather, corn meal or provisions]

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HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, September 16, 1864, p. 1, c. 1
[Summary: List of killed and wounded of 14th Texas since May 17, 1864; also 32nd Texas Regiment, Ector's Brigade, May 17-August 8, 1864]

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, September 16, 1864, p. 2, c. 1

Any of our fair readers who may desire to learn the art of making nice potatoe [sic] pies, and serving them out according to the latest style, who will apply to us, will be directed to a distinguished widower friend of ours who will take great pleasure in giving the necessary instructions, with practical illustrations.

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, September 16, 1864, p. 2, c. 1

On last Sunday morning at 4 o'clock in company with a friend, we started for Mt. Zion Church, 3 miles east of Mount Enterprise, to attend the Camp Meeting in session at that place. At ten o'clock we completed our journey. We found several large and commodious tents within the encampment, which had been erected by the [illegible] of that community for the accommodation of themselves and the people generally, who might attend the meeting. [illegible] enlarged hospitality we have never [illegible] than was manifested at this Camp [illegible] the "tented" made no effort at [illegible] administered to every want with [illegible] who were present on Sabbath.—[illegible] was large, and composed [illegible] and condition, the most perfect [illegible] was observed during service. We [illegible] were the Rev. J. H. Rowland [?], the Rev. G. W. Roggers, the Rev. T. L. [illegible] and the Rev. Sparkman to [rest only partially readable. See original at the University of Texas at Austin]
Cotton Cards for Tobacco!!

Half dozen pair cotton cards Nos. 10's in exchange for good sound twist tobacco.—Call at the residence of the [illegible] west of Bellview.

L. B. Bell.

Mt. Tabor, Texas, Aug. 30th, '64.

Cards! Cards!!

If you wish your cards repaired bring them to my shop immediately, as I do not expect to remain but a short time. I can be found in the back room of the old Post Office.

Jno. H. Boykin.

Henderson, Oct. 21st, 1864.

Mark's Mill, Oct. 28th, 1864.

Editor Times:—. . . Our brigade is still on outpost duty, killing a few feds, and sending grey-backs upward in search of mast. . . Can't the Government details make their wool hats a "leetle" thinner, and their red gaiters a "leetle" softer"? Has the Government a right to detail a man, and then learn him his trade?

Billy Phillips

[Summary: J. S. Brooks wants 100 Negroes—probably for Neches Saline salt works]

Camps near Camden, Ark.,

J. M. Dodson, Esq.—Dear Sir:

Dr. T. J. Leverett has been ordered to Texas by Maj. Gen. Magruder, to collect Hospital Stores for this Brigade and will, I presume, visit your town.

We entered the spring campaign with a limited supply which has been exhausted by the drain created by the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill. We were fortunate enough during those battles to capture a portion of the Federal supply and thereby were enabled to treat our wounded at Jenkin's Ferry.

Our stores are consumed and should we be called into an engagement our wounded would suffer for the want of proper dressing with which to treat them.

The articles needed are principally, such as are of but little value at home—old sheets, table cloths, towels, garments that have worn, &c., old cloths make a more pleasant and comfortable dressing than new ones.
Roller [sic?] bandages are also needed, these should be made of good material. A few dozen made according to the following table would be useful:

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It is unnecessary for me to make any appeal to the citizens of Rusk county; all that is necessary is for them to know that the articles are needed.

I have heard that the ladies have organized an Aid Society in Henderson; if this is true I feel assured that we will receive a large supply of Hospital stores from Rusk county.

Very Respectfully yours,
E. P. Becton.
Surgeon 22d Texas Infantry
Waul's Legion, Flourney's Division.

I will be in Henderson between the 20th and 30th of November. The articles mentioned by Surgeon Becton may be deposited at the Drug Store of Blair & McBride.

T. T. Leverett,
Collecting Agent Hospital Store for Waul's Brigade.

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, December 17, 1864, p. 2, c. 1

Soldier's Aid Entertainment.—To come off at the Masonic Institute, in Henderson, on the night of the 23rd.

Ladies who may attend are expected to deliver to the Door Keeper, a pair of Socks, or two hanks of thread, (course [sic?], six hundred) one chain and the other filling, or some garment for a soldier. A pair of good soldier's pants will entitle an entire family to admittance. Gentlemen will be charged in New Issue, $5.00, or in old $10.00. The entire proceeds of the entertainment will be applied to the relief of needy soldiers.

Goldsmith's inimitable comedy, "She Stoops to Conquer," will be presented entire by the Henderson Amateurs.

HENDERSON [TX] TIMES, December 17, 1864, 1864, p. 2, c. 3

Notice!

I have a Pottery which I wish to sell or lease, or would take in an experienced Potter as a Potter. My address is Henderson, Rusk county, Tex.

Wm. H. Street.

December 15th.
Large numbers of Federal deserters have been passing through this section of country, of late, on their way to Mexico under the orders of General Smith. They represent that a great many more will desert at soon as opportunity offers.

From the Trans-Mississippi Bulletin of the 27th, ult., we learn that Capt. A. U. Wright, QM., has been transferred from Jefferson, Texas, to Gilmer, with his shoe and hat manufactories, where he consolidates with the manufactories at that place and will supervise the whole. No quartermaster in the Confederacy has done more towards supplying the army, in proportion to the facilities at his command, and we know of but one whom we think has done as much, Capt. W. W. Barret, stationed at this place, and controlling the transportation for this District.

From the Houston Telegraph we learn that the Bastrop Manufacturing [sic] Company have got their factory in operation. The examples of thread are said to be good. On the 6th of August last the machinery was in Mexico when Judge Munger purchased an interest in it and took entire control of all the interests. By his energy and good management, in less than six months, it was in operation. Such enterprise is commendable and the one who exhibits it is entitled to the lasting gratitude of the people.

[Summary: Schedule of Prices for Texas, Marshall, Texas, November 1, 1864]

[Summary: Tyler Reporter—Capt. S of Brown’s regiment had his horse’s tail shaved closely by a prankster, so he made a scabbard of leather and fit it to the tail. Then he shaved the tail of another horse and attached the hair to the artificial tail.]