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For everything in the way of

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Our stock is all new and we keep everything under cover. Special attention given to orders from Devil's River.

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Farmers, Stockmen and Wool Growers,

We find this the shortest and quickest route for all kinds of produce to the principal cities of the Gulf Coast. And of the North and East. Rates Low. Service prompt and efficient. Correspondence Invited.

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IS THE PLACE FOR THE PEOPLE FROM Devil's River.

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MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor.

SONORA, TEXAS. - September 26, 1891.

Dr. H. Guernsey, M.D., PHYSICIAN, OBSTETRICIAN & SURGEON.

SONORA, TEXAS.

Issues of his paper, will pay up on subscription, the beat takes the paper a year, and orders it stopped, that's an anecdote, but he will get his just desert.

Among the guests at the mountain resort, where all are all Massachusetts, accuracy in speaking. The other said to a waiter, "Miss parse that butter?"

"Permit me," said the trade, "to give you which asked for glass cups."

A. A. CARY, Contractor & Builder. ESTIMATES FURNISHED ON APPLICATION. SONORA, TEX.

TOM MEBANE, BUILDER AND CONTRACTOR. ESTIMATES FURNISHED ON APPLICATION. SONORA, TEXAS.

F. M. WYATT, The Blacksmith, is the Sutton Co. agent for the

"AERMOTOR" Windmill, Office SONORA, Texas.

Nothing curious under a strong microscope. What is it? It seems to be a foot, former armor "from head to toe,"

single black eye on each side, the rays of light scintillating through the tiny optic like sparks of fire.

Puget managed to look through the glass, finding that its surface diminished objects in size while it multiplied them in number—a man appearing like an army of fairies, and the flag of a candle becoming a thousand tiny stars.

From the shape of his head and from other reasons, the supposed to use but only by a time.

The offensive weapon of the little creature is composed of two palpi, or "feelers," two knees and a tongue. When it is it stands erect, thrusting the sucker into the flesh, and will at without intermission if not disturbed.

The flea's manner of breathing is still undetermined, but is thought to be through two small holes at the end of the palpi.

They come they see, Sonora conquers.

A Wool Exchange Would Be Beneficial.

Editor Boston Journal of Commerce:

I have been favored with a reading of an article, written by W. L. Black, on A Wool Exchange, which you are soon to publish, and I am tempted to write you in favor of its publication, for I feel that all experience shows that any trade which has adopted an exchange has gained greatly thereby. That there are special features of the wool trade, different from cotton, wheat, corn, etc., I know; but cotton offered what at first seemed insurmountable difficulties, and but few believed in the success of the exchange when it was inaugurated.

Twenty years ago the information as to statistics, etc., in cotton was fragmentary, unreliable and irregular. To-day in the New York Cotton Exchange we have three cables daily from Liverpool as to market, one from Havre, a half-dozen from New Orleans, and one each from at least a dozen different markets in the south.

"If you are looking for a ranch location do not forget to come to the Stockman's Paradise." "If you want fish to bite you must keep your hook baited; if you want the support of the public you must keep your names before it."

Day by day Sonora becomes more prominent as a thriving go-ahead town and the trading center of the Stockman's Paradise. Now we want a bank.

"Charley has had such bad luck with watches," said young Mrs. Tocker. "He lost two because they got saturated." "Charlie said they got soaked," replied her mother. "I know, but saturated is a prettier word, and means the same thing. These rains are so penetrating; I suppose they got into the works and rusted them."

Join the Texas wool growers association. For the man and woman who purely and truly love each other, and are guided by the laws of nature, marriage is a state of bondage. It is only when knowledge, publicly avowed lovers, that freedom is realized by them in its full significance.

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To one who has watched the experience of the wool grower and manufacturer, and who understands what an 'Exchange' can do, the apathy of those interested in wool, as the matter of organization and co-operation, seems remarkable.

Sonora is the metropolis of the Devil's River country.

BOLGER & LEAGUE,

DEALERS IN

STOVES and HARDWARE,

Queensware, China & Glassware.

San Angelo, Texas.

BUCKS FOR SALE.

We have for sale at our ranch, 12 miles north of Sonora, Texas raised

250 Head of Bucks, and

Merino Shropshire-Merinos.

Parties Purchasing now, can have the Bucks pastured until breeding time.

Kennedy & Roberts,

Fort McKavett, Texas.

CHARLES SCHREINER,

WOOL

Commission Merchant, Banker

And Dealer in

General Merchandise.

Headquarters for Ranch Supplies.

KERRVILLE, TEXAS.

Alexander Brothers,

Dealers in

Grain, Flour, Hay, Etc.

First-class Livery, Feed and Wagon Yard in Connection.

SONORA, TEXAS.

Will Bring Plenty of Water.

8 horse power stationary engine, and 6 horse portable wool or coal engine, also 4 horse oil engine, for sale at a bargain. Apply to E. A. McCarthy, the windmill man, San Angelo, Texas. - 26.

Lost Horses.

Lost from the Schleicher divide about 15th of April, one black horse fifteen hands high, branded 13 on jaw, on left shoulder, also one brown pony 14 hands high branded 17 on left shoulder, 99 on left thigh. \$5 a head reward for their return to B. F. McDonald, Juno.

Notice! Notice! Notice!

For sale 1800 of the second best flock of sheep in the county, about 400 nuttons ready for market. For further particulars, apply to C. T. COVINGTON, Wentworth, Texas.

\$50.00 Reward.

Lost from Sonora on the 24th of May, 300 dry sheep, branded round top A. CAHS. SOWELL, Sonora.

DENTIST.

Dr. H. H. Ramsey wishes to inform the public that he will return about the 1st of September, and will be located at the residence of Mr. J. L. H. in Sonora, Texas.

STAGE & EXPRESS LINE.

J. R. HOLMAN, Pro.

Single Trip \$5 Round Trip \$8.

Stage leaves Sonora and San Angelo every day, except Sunday, at 7 a. m. The trip being made in one day.

Express parcels carried at a low rate and satisfaction guaranteed.

REYNOLDS & CUSENBARY, Agents, Sonora.

R. E. HARRIS & BRO, Agent San Angelo.

A bank in Sonora could do a world of business.

Advertisement for Cooper's Dip, featuring an illustration of a dip and text: 'The World's Renowned COOPER'S DIP. REDUCED 25% 1000 GALLONS COOPER'S DIPPING POWDER. AMERICAN BRANCH GALVESTON TEXAS LOCAL AGENT Mayer & Hagerlund.'

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San Angelo Standard.

E. O. Church sold 30 bucks to P. S. Stark & Son, last Thursday, at \$10 per head, and on the same day sold 15 head to Andrew Nelson at \$10.

The San Angelo Wool Scouring Mill is now doing a nice paying business and is receiving the patronage of several of the enterprising wool growers of this section. If you have never had your wool scoured, how do you know what your wool is worth? A hint to you is sufficient.

W. S. Powers & Son, 12 at \$20. E. D. Church sold Williams & McMullen 30 rams, to James Currie of El Paso, 16 at \$20.

Duncan of Kimble county, five. S. Lapowski & Bro, report their following wool made by them this week: 2,000 lbs. of 47 clip, 49 bags, at 17c.

Jackson & Co, report their wool receipts to date, 889 bags, 172,083 pounds; this includes the Shannon clip of 140 bags.

Charles W. Hobbs reports receipts to date, 1258 bags: Principal clips received this week; Hines & McAdams, H. C. Young, Geo. B. Jackson, J. W. Nasworthy, D. Currie, A. L. Clark and G. K. Polk.

Chas. Ruff reports receipts to date of 209, 184 pounds. J. B. Cherbino received another car load of his fine Vermont bucks. They arrived yesterday and are as good as his first shipment, which has been selling so rapidly.

Charlie Willson and Belle P., the two most noted two-year-olds in the south, have entered for the two-year-old half mile dash to be run on Tuesday, Oct. 6th, the 2nd day of the Concho Valley Fair. The purse is \$500 and betting is going on already.

On the 24th, the Kirkpatrick & Whitcomb California rams two car loads—will be sold at the Elkhorn yards, San Angelo, in charge of that sterling buckman, J. C. Stevenson.

The fall wool clip continues to come in and is being stored in local warehouses to await the opening of the fall sales. Speaking of the fall clip Colonel T. C. Frost said: "I consider this a fair average clip as regards length and condition. I have seen brighter wool and I have seen worse conditioned wool. I regard the wool we have received this season as fair average fall wool."—San Antonio Express.

Professor Melbourne has entered into a contract to make rain at Goodland, Sherman county, Kan., September 26th. He is to receive \$500 for causing rain to fall over the territory within a radius of 50 miles of Goodland. Goodland is within fifteen miles of Colorado. That part of the state is greatly in need of rain. It has been found impossible to irrigate, and settlers have raised the money for making a rain test.

A contract was made between the South Concho, four mile between low San Angelo, and convey the water by canal within one mile of the town. The entire work was completed in 90 days from date. S. Cunningham is the enterprising gentleman who has done this for San Angelo.

Chicago, Sept. 19, 1931. The liberal runs of sheep, especially of the range class, have caused a decline of 15 to 25c in the market this week. Sales of Texas sheep compare favorably with other descriptions, but they have been comparatively scarce. The following have sold this week:

Table with 2 columns: Quantity and Price. Rows include 240 grassers, average 79lbs at \$3.75, 286 " " 84 " 3.85, 714 " " 83 " 4.05, 776 " " 81 " 4.15, 230 fed " 89 " 4.20, 500 " " 92 " 4.20.

Natives have sold largely at \$4 to \$4.75; Westerns, \$3.75 to \$4.30; lambs, \$3.75 to \$5.40.

GODDARD, HARDING & Co

The Ellis Hotel, Forth Worth, was destroyed by fire on the 21st. Loss \$100,000.

Perfect health is man's best and softest capital. The Stockman's Paradise and the Sonora country has health, wealth and happiness for you. Come!

Balmaceda, the ex-president of Chile, facing all chances of escape impossible, shot himself through the temple in his room at the Argentine legation in Santiago, on Sept. 20th.

In advertising you want to reach possible customers, not merely people. Remember this and advertise in the Devil's River News which is read by the most successful ranchmen in Texas.

Capt. B. L. Crouch, the man who owns 260 square miles of Prio county and a big slice of Val Verde county, died last week. He says in his will that he leaves his estate to his wife—Del Rio Record.

The first case under the alien land law was brought on the 15th inst, in the district court of McLennan county. Theo. Mallison is defendant and the state is brought by the county attorney to dispossess the defendant of twenty acres of land on the ground that he is an alien and cannot lawfully hold title to the land.

A sensation was created in Del Rio Thursday morning by an item which appeared in the San Antonio Express stating that the train robbers were identified at a house at which they stopped at Frank Regan, Alonzo Franks and a man named Ramsay. The Express must have good evidence to back it or a sublime disregard for the Texas libel law, or rather the absence of a libel law. In conversation with John Regan, Frank's brother, and Bob McMahon of the Record reporter was informed that Frank could prove a clear alibi, as he was at the Independence ranch on the Pecons at the time of the robbery. —Del Rio Record.

When to Stop Advertising. An English trade journal once requested a number of its largest advertisers to give their opinion concerning the best time to stop advertising, and the following replies were received:

"When population ceases to multiply and the generations that crowd on after you, and never heard of you, stop coming on."

"When you have convinced everybody whose life will touch yours that you have better goods and lower prices than they can ever get anywhere else."

"When you perceive it to be the rule that men who never advertise are outstripping their neighbors in the same line of business."

"When men stop making fortunes right in your very sight solely through the discreet use of this mighty agent."

"When you can forget the words of the shrewdest and most successful business men concerning the main cause of the prosperity."

"When every man becomes so thoroughly a creature of habit that he will certainly buy this year where he bought last year."

"When younger and fresher houses in your line cease starting up and using the newspapers in telling the people how much better they can do for them than you can."

"When you would rather have your own way than take advice and win."

"When nobody else thinks it pays to advertise."

A letter from Ozona says: Mike our town is a boom, you ought to come over and see. The town is beautifully situated, but is very dry here. Mrs. W. O. Mays died here on September the 23rd. I would write you a few lines for your paper but I have not the time.

At the next Methodist conference which will be held in October a new Mission will be formed known as the Sonora Mission and will comprise the country surrounding Sonora, Rock Springs and Ozona, with Sonora as headquarters. The Methodists will then build a church in Sonora.

If you want health, wealth and happiness, come to the Stockman's Paradise. Sonora is the Pride of the West.

Patronize Our Advertisers.

HOW TO DELAY BALDNESS.

A Prominent Physician Gives Some Hints That Will Preserve the Hair. A far more common cause of the "plentiful loss" of hair now so prevalent is bowel and nervous disorders. Dyspepsia and weak and falling hair go hand in hand; and who will say that we are not a dyspeptic nation? Now, dyspepsia is due to our modern mode of living; ergo, one of the great primal causes of baldness is civilization. Indeed, we have no doubt on this point when we remember that civilization has also introduced the "chimney pot," probably to aid and abet.

Very many of the "bleak and barren brows" we see around us are also due to dyspepsia. The hair therefore is Look after your stomach purely local the same as these causes can be caused, and, as these causes can be guarded against, perhaps you will allow me to tell what to do and what not to do in order, under ordinary circumstances, "to keep their hair on."

Avoid tight-fitting hats and collars and close fitting wraps, unless these be of some porous material. The two former prevent a due supply of blood to the parts, hence the hair papillae are put, as it were, on short commons all the time the hats and collars are worn. The caps engender scalds, which sets up irritation, and ultimately lead to that most stubborn form of dandruff, namely, pityriasis (i. e., a branny powder). Note that all headgear which is not porous should be ventilated at top and sides, to allow a free current of air.

Never sit or stand with the top of the head near a gaslight or lamp. The heat thrown out is apt to paralyze the scalp tissues and dries up the hair itself.

Don't wash the head oftener than once a fortnight, when first rub in the yolk of an egg and thoroughly rinse out with warm water, into which has been thrown a pinch of borax. Dry carefully and apply a little pure olive oil.

Beware of that common practice, dipping the comb in water when arranging the hair. It increases decomposition and irritates the natural oil, and so leads to rotting.

If the hair be naturally dry apply a little olive oil occasionally. If naturally oily, occasionally wash away the excess of sebaceous secretion by means of a lather of tepid water and soap bar.

Salt water is most injurious to the hair, for which reason when sea bathing wear an oil cap.

Always treat the scalp as if you loved it. Take to heart Dr. Godfrey's dictum that "Every touch affecting so delicate a texture as the scalp should be soft and soothing; every application bland and mild." Don't use stiff brushes, and in all cases brush gently. Also, always brush out the hair before attempting to comb it, and use the comb as little as possible.

Have the ends of the hair clipped once a month, if only to prevent them from splitting; but don't close crop.

I am sure, sir, that thousands of your readers would be benefited by following the above instructions. —Henry Williams, M. D., in London Telegraph.

The Giant's Chair. In Dolgely, in the north of Wales, there is a mountain celebrated in folklore, poetry and song as Cader Idris, or Idris' Chair. The hollow, couchlike excavation on the top of the mountain has given the peak its name, according to the Welsh bard the depression was caused by the Giant Idris long using it as a chair. There is a local tradition in North Wales that whoever passes the night in the Giant's Chair will be found in the morning either dead, crazy or endowed with the highest poetical aspirations.

Idris is variously represented in Welsh tradition as a prince, magician, sorcerer and astronomer, the only thing on which all authorities agree being his immense stature. The "Lake of the Three Pebbles" which lies at the foot of the Giant's Chair, contains three large stones, which Idris is supposed to have thrown from the top of the mountain.

The following story of a monkey's heroism is told by an Indian paper: "A large orang-outang was very much attached to his master and to the baby boy, who was the pet of the whole family. One day a fire suddenly broke out in the house, and everybody was running here and there to put it out, while the little boy in his nursery was almost forgotten, and when they thought of him, the fire was all in flames. What could be done? As they were looking up and wondering, a large, hairy hand and arm opened the window and presently the monkey appeared with the baby in his arms, and quickly climbed down over the porch and brought the child safely to his nurse."

Silver Thaw. "Silver thaw" is a name applied to winter phenomenon of frequent occurrence at Ben Nevis observatory. It consists of rain falling when the air is below freezing point and congelation whenever it reaches the ground. Of course this points to an inversion of the temperature, which is lower on the mountain top than at greater heights, and being largely associated with a cyclonic distribution of pressure, it is of considerable "forecasting" value. —New York Journal.

CHINA HUNTING.

NEW ENGLAND.

What One Devoted Collector of Rare Porcelain Learned About the Country Homes. Were the possession of old or valuable specimens of porcelain and pottery the only good things which came from the long days of country ranging and farmhouse hunting spent in china quests. Philistines might perhaps scoff at the waste of time and energy, but much else that good have I found. Insight into the nature, love of my native country, knowledge of her natural beauties, acquaintance with her history and her naval heroes.

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Cork Coverings for Steam Pipes.

A paper on the superior value of cork coverings for steam pipes and as a protection of water service pipes from frost has been published by a French engineer. According to this paper, one variety of these coverings which is found to be very efficient consists of pieces of cork, shaped to fit the different sizes of pipes, with radial joints, similar to the staves of a barrel, which are placed around the pipe and for the time bound to the pipe by strings.

After the pipe so covered has been used with steam for some time and the cork has sufficiently dried, the crevices are filled in and the string replaced by wire—elbows being also covered in the same manner—and, after the covering is finally fixed, the pores and crevices are filled with a varnish of cork, about 1/2 inch wide, and varying in thickness from one-fourth of an inch for small pipes to five-eighths of an inch for pipes from four inches in diameter and upward, and cemented to strips of cloth by an india rubber solution, are used; the bands are lapped spirally around the pipes and elbows and covered by another band of water proof canvas lapped in the same manner, so as to cover the joints of the cork bands, the whole being afterward covered by a thick coating of paint or tar.

Earthworms and Water. Besides the active enemies which are continually seeking to destroy earthworms, though apparently with comparative little effect, these animals have a habit of seeking destruction on their own account, which looks very like a determined effort at suicide. On any wet morning the shallow puddles in the roadways and elsewhere are often occupied by the dead bodies of worms or by individuals at their last gasp. Have these worms voluntarily sought a watery grave? Or do they represent, as Darwin thought, merely the sickly and dying individuals which have been washed out of their burrows by the rain? Darwin's explanation is probably partly true, but it is also credible that the heating of the puddles by the sun's rays has something to do with the great mortality of the animals.

Cold fresh water seems to be practically harmless, though salt water is rapidly fatal to earthworms. M. Perrier, a French naturalist, who has paid great attention to the group, kept various species submerged in water for months unharmed; and in this country there is a land island, which commonly passes its entire life or a great portion of it in streams and pools. The name earthworm is therefore somewhat misleading when applied to these forms, which have, however, no particular relation to the normally aquatic allies of earthworms.—Chambers' Journal.

Thought They Were Fooling Him. A young Englishman, who has been living hereabout for a time, but who enjoys his weekly walk in the suburbs, said, the other day: "I can't find a good map of New York and its environs. They don't seem to be made up to the present date. Now, I was out one afternoon strolling on the Palisades and I rather lost my bearings. Toward twilight I struck into a wood road where there was no one in sight, but a little girl. "Hi, little girl," I said, "wherever am I bound for? You're going to Gnaived, sir," she says. "You're utterly absurd name, Gnaived! "

"There was a village at the end of the road and I just caught a train there for New York. "What place was that?" says I to the conductor. And he answers, as cool as you please, "Gnaived O.K. I've looked at every map I can find and there's no such place. Now, is there a village called Gnaived, or were the child and the man guying me, should you think?"

The reply was: "There's no town of that name, but there's a Nordhoff in New Jersey."

"Really!"—Brooklyn Eagle.

Many persons have difficulty in making a good mayonnaise, but there ought to be no reason for it if you know your oil is good before you use it. The first thing you should do is to continually stir with a fork while you add the oil, which at first should be only drop by drop. The best way is to cut a notch in the side of the cork of the bottle and let the oil flow through. This prevents the oil from coming faster than you want it. After a bit add a few drops of vinegar, and it will expedite matters in bringing the salad to the desired smoothness and consistency. After this you can add oil almost ad libitum without danger of its separating. It is needless to add that during this process the dressing must be continually stirred. —New York Tribune.

Refunding. When "Aida" was played at Milan, an amateur living at some distance came to hear it but was disappointed. To make sure he tried it the second time, with the same result. Whereupon he wrote to the composer, complaining of having been put to considerable expense on his account for nothing, and inclosing a bill for thirty-two lire, with a request for the money. Among the items was one of two lire for "a detestable supper." Verdi deducted this on the ground that he might have had supper at home, but forwarded the balance on condition that his correspondent signed a formal agreement not to go and hear the opera again, which agreement was strictly fulfilled. —San Francisco Argonaut.

Always look in a progressive community a grow up with the country. Came to Sonora and Sutton county, the cream of the West.

Ranchmen for 50 miles around, do their trading in Sonora where they can buy their supplies as cheap as any place in West Texas.

MEDICINE HAT'S GARDEN.

It Blossoms Like the Flowers of Spring in Canada's Ranch Country.

At nearly all the stations on the Canadian Pacific railroad through Manitoba there are large glass jars over the station entrance containing the specimens of the various cereals raised in the country. One can see nowhere plumper wheat or finer rye or oats than the specimens he is able to inspect as he jumps from the train to take a turn on the station platforms.

Further west another sort of exhibition is given at the stations. It is not necessary through Manitoba to have gardens alongside the railroad track to convince the traveler of the remarkable productiveness of the soil. The great fields of grain along the road are sufficient evidence that he is in a country of abundant harvests. But when he reaches the western Ashiboin or Alberta, where the country is dryer, there are very few wheat fields to gaze at through the window, and the Canadian Pacific road has started a number of the gardens at Medicine Hat.

The garden at Medicine Hat is a particularly fine example, and has been laid out and attended with especial care, to cause all passenger trains stop at Medicine Hat a half hour, and passengers have plenty of time to wander through the grounds just across the track from

people. It has a weekly newspaper, a neat little church, several good stores and public buildings, and an important station of the mounted police. It lies on the right bank of the South Saskatchewan. Many travelers climb the little knoll covered with graves behind the town to get a view of the surrounding country. The graves are covered with stones to prevent wild animals from digging out the bodies. Wooden head boards, on which are painted the names of the dead, stand over the graves, most of which are surrounded by picket fences.

Below the knoll extends the little village, with the swift river beyond, which is navigable for nearly 800 miles from this point almost to Lake Winnipeg. Far away on every side stretch the plains, and toward the north are a line of buttes, perhaps 400 feet high, which vary the monotony of the land scape with their grim, bare and perpendicular fronts. Beyond the river are farms where some grain is raised, but the chief industry of this country is stock raising. An ocean of grass covers the prairie, and cattle ranches are multiplying.

The company desires to prove that by means of irrigation good crops may be raised. Its garden at the station, therefore, is carefully watered, and it is as fine a garden as can be seen anywhere, except on the Pacific coast itself. Cabbages, potatoes, Indian corn, flowers in great profusion, and small trees are seen in a very flourishing condition. A number of apple trees are growing very well.

The garden is a most pleasing spectacle to tourists, worried perhaps by the mending machine through which they are passing, and is one of the most unlikely that some day considerable means in this region will be irrigated by the means of the streams that flow through it, and the success of the Medicine Hat garden seems to show that nothing but water is needed to produce abundant crops. —New York Sun.

Why the Earthworm Thrives. In this country the earthworm is perhaps the most abundant animal of any size; it would be difficult not to meet with worms by digging in almost any locality, and yet it is one of the most persecuted creatures that breathe. Not only do birds hunt it meaningly, but the gardener, armed with a watering pot and solution of corrosive sublimate, slays his tens of thousands. When they seek for refuge deep down in the soil they are pursued by moles; centipedes and various insects attack them, and in fact every one's hand is against them. But, in spite of this general hostility on the part of animate creation, they thrive and multiply.

The first and principal reason for this is their great fertility; and the second is their great power of recovery after accidents which would rapidly terminate the existence of more highly or civilized creatures. An earthworm can lose a considerable portion of itself without suffering, apparently, even temporary inconvenience, and indeed some of the fresh water animals which are near relatives of the earthworm, voluntarily divide themselves into several pieces, each of which becomes a new worm. —Chambers' Journal.

Will the Earth's Motion Cease? Is the motion of our earth and other planetary bodies perpetual? A superficial glance of the motions of the earth continues forever. The earth, with its mass of 3,000,000,000,000 tons for a long time defied all attempts to detect its loss of speed, but, with the friction of the tides continually at work, it was shown that such loss must take place, and now it is pretty certain from calculations of Professor Adams and others that the earth loses about an hour every 16,000 years, and is slowly but surely coming to a stand still.

The experiments and investigations of modern scientists are proving what Sir Isaac Newton believed that the motions of all bodies in space are suffering retardation, and that their velocity is becoming less and less and will ultimately cease altogether. Then the whole planetary system will fall through space everlasting. —St. Louis Republic.

COUNTY OFFICERS. Judge.....L. J. Danagan. Clerk.....W. B. Silliman. Sheriff & Tax Collector.....P. McConnell. Treasurer.....W. H. Sowell. Attorney.....L. N. Halbert. Surveyor.....J. McNicol. Assessor.....W. R. Radcliff. Inspecter.....T. B. Adams.

A bank in Sonora could do a world of business

ADVERTISE IN THE

DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE

STOCKMAN'S PARADISE.

Economic Weight of a Hog. Experiments made for the purpose of determining the economic weight of a hog show conclusively that he never should be fed beyond eight or nine months of age, and the largest profit is found, as a rule, in a weight not to exceed 200 pounds. What is known as the food of support plays a very important part in the profit or loss of large weights. Suppose, as many farmers say, that a resolution is made to turn the hog when he reaches 300 pounds.

He must take from his food an increasing amount each day to support the weight already gained, or else he drops back. The German experiments indicate that 2 per cent of the live-weight in food must be taken each day to support that live weight. If the weight is 300 pounds, this amounts to 6 pounds of food each day.

A recent pig farmer's experiment at the Maine station illustrates this principle excellently. The pigs were taken at ages ranging from five weeks to eight weeks. During the first 100 days of the experiment not far from two pounds of digestible food produced one pound of growth, while during the last fifty days the ratio was four pounds of digestible food to one of growth. Every pound of pork made during the last fifty days cost double to that made in the first 100 days.

The lesson taught by this principle is practically stated that the most money can be made from young hogs turned at a medium weight. —Chicago Inter-Ocean.

A Pickpocket Out of Luck. I have just heard a good omnibus story, which is true. A lady riding in one was much attracted by the beauty of a diamond ring worn by a man sitting next to her. He presently left the vehicle, and as shortly afterward she sought for her purse to pay her fare, found it was gone. Of course she could not think her late neighbor had abstracted it, he looked such a gentleman, and besides, that beautiful ring. When she got home she told the story to her family. "Nonsense," said they, "you must have dropped it among your clothes," and they shook her vigorously.

The shaking was effective, for although they did not find her purse the identical single stone diamond ring rolled out from her skirts. A neighboring jeweler soon put all doubts to rest as to its genuineness by valuing it at thirty dollars, and so far the late owner has not advertised that he is anxious to return her purse and the diamond ring. As I have said, the story is a true one, and it is ready to take their affluence as to its correctness. —American Register.

Parental Pride Justified. Sir Thomas Lawrence was one of the great portrait painters in England. His parents were poor, his father being a country innkeeper. One day Lord Shaftesbury's father and mother stopped at the inn, leaving their younger son, the future lord, with them. In conversation the innkeeper spoke of the genius of his boy in drawing, and wished them to test it by a picture of their son. They assented, thinking to gratify a father's pride, but not looking for any evidence of superior talent. The boy came in modestly, with chalk and paper, and in a few minutes had drawn a picture of their son on which the parents looked with wonder. They recognized the genius and the promise of future greatness, and befriended the young artist, giving him the help needed to develop his wonderful gift. —Exchange.

Lamps for Cannon Inspection. An incandescent lamp, the invention of a French army officer, is placed at the end of a brass tube blackened on the inside, with a mirror set in it at an angle of 45 degrees, so that it will reflect up through the tube the light of the electric lamp below, which is thrown against the walls of the projectile or cannon which it is desirable to examine. The lamp and tube are held in a central position by a brass ring, which fits through the hole in the tube and is pushed by a twisting motion until the lamp reaches the bottom, and every part of the interior examined. A secondary battery, or a small hand dynamo, will furnish the current necessary to run the lamp. —New York Telegram.

The Valuable Palmyra Palm. A Hindoo poem enumerates 800 purposes to which the Palmyra palm alone is put. Among other things it supplies paper for writing upon, an intoxicating drink called "toddy," large quantities of sugar fruit and a vegetable for the table when the plants are young.

Palm wine is also obtained from the juice of the sugo palm, which yields excellent sugar candy when boiled. The pith of the trunk forms a large part of the food of the natives in many parts of India. Ropes, brushes and brooms are manufactured from the fiber of the leaf stalks. —Interview in Washington Star.

Publication Postponed. Wife—What are you writing? Colonel Ringgold (war veteran)—A magazine article showing that General Fitchwell did not win half the battles he is credited with. It's about done now.

"All ready for the printer?" "Oh, I won't print it until after he is dead." —New York Weekly.

# NOTICE-TAX SALE.

Notice is hereby given that I, J. P. McCONNELL, Tax Collector of the County of Sutton, have by virtue of the power in me vested, seized and levied upon each of the following described tracts of land situated in said county, to satisfy the unpaid taxes assessed thereon and now due for the year 1891, together with all costs accrued thereon, the assessment rolls of which are now in my hands showing that the taxes as hereinafter enumerated on the said lands have not been paid, and that I will by virtue of the aforesaid premises sell the same for cash to the highest bidder, at public outcry, at the Court house door of Sutton county, in such manner as the law directs, and between legal hours, on the first Tuesday in October, 1891, being the sixth day of said month, and will continue such sale until said lands are disposed of, described as follows:

OWNER.	VAL.	PR.	ORIG. GRANTEE.	ACR.	TAX & COSTS.	OWNER.	VAL.	PR.	ORIG. GRANTEE.	ACR.	TAX & COSTS.
Unknown	2	114	Anderson, Mrs Cath'e	640	\$6 82	Unknown	536	65	SP R R Co.	640	\$6 82
do	13	9	Beaty, Seal & Forwood	320	4 66	do	537	69	do	640	\$6 82
do	14	11	do	320	4 66	do	538	73	do	640	\$6 82
do	20	2	Bailey, Sallie	1280	11 14	do	539	73	do	640	\$6 82
do	23	4	Carrington, S N	960	8 98	do	540	11	do	640	\$6 82
do	24	5	Crawford, F K	640	6 82	do	541	78	Turnage, Shelby C	2302	18 04
do	29	1	Deatherage, J W	1280	11 14	do	542	3	Thompson, George	640	\$6 82
do	72	9	E L & R R R Co	640	6 82	do	543	1	do	640	\$6 82
do	78	27	do	640	4 32	do	544	19	do	640	\$6 82
do	84	11	do	640	4 32	do	545	1	do	640	\$6 82
do	85	5	do	640	4 32	do	546	1	do	640	\$6 82
do	91	22	Goodwin, Shirley	1225	10 76	do	547	17	do	640	\$6 82
do	100	3	Gililand, Susan W	1280	11 14	do	548	17	do	640	\$6 82
do	138	1	G C & S F Ry Co	640	6 82	do	549	31	do	640	\$6 82
do	139	5	do	320	4 66	do	550	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	170	29	do	320	4 66	do	551	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	204	23	G H & S A Ry Co	640	6 82	do	552	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	205	25	do	64	6 82	do	553	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	206	29	do	64	6 82	do	554	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	207	83	G W T & P R R Co	640	6 82	do	555	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	274	11	Harris, W A	182	3 73	do	556	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	373	61	H E & W T R R Co	640	6 82	do	557	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	478	2	Kings & Berry, C H	180	2 58	do	558	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	481	20	Lays, Frank	1280	11 14	do	559	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	483	2	Logan, Z L	1280	11 14	do	560	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	486	1	Landrum, Isabella J	640	6 84	do	561	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	487	4	Lythe, Susan	640	6 84	do	562	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	488	4	Landham, T B	1280	11 14	do	563	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	489	3	Loe, Wm	1280	11 14	do	564	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	491	2	Moulton, A J	1280	11 14	do	565	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	496	8	Manchaca, Jose A	1280	11 14	do	566	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	497	27	McClain, J B	640	6 82	do	567	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	498	28	do	640	6 82	do	568	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	506	31	Newber, Adolph	320	4 66	do	569	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	508	34	Priess, Johann T	240	4 12	do	570	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	511	9	Phillips, E M	1280	11 14	do	571	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	512	61	Rauenz, Gino	1180	10 46	do	572	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	513	388	Rinnann, Peter	320	4 66	do	573	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	513	539	do	320	4 66	do	574	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	518	3	Reed, J A	640	6 82	do	575	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	521	26	Reiley, J W	640	6 82	do	576	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	522	4	Smith, Obadiah	1237	10 85	do	577	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	524	13	Stevenson, Jas P	1324	3 83	do	578	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	525	4	do	400	5 20	do	579	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	528	2	do	38	4 97	do	580	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	529	1	Stubblefield, Lucy A	1280	11 14	do	581	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	534	67	S P R R Co	640	6 82	do	582	39	do	640	\$6 82
do	535	63	do	640	6 82	do	583	39	do	640	\$6 82

J. P. McCONNELL, Sheriff and Tax Collector, Sutton County, Texas.

CHAS. E. DAVIDSON, Attorney-at-Law. W. B. SILLIMAN, Surveyor.

## DAVIDSON & SILLIMAN, GENERAL LAND AGENTS, SONORA, TEXAS.

Land rendered for Taxes and Taxes paid for non-residents.

**DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS,** PUBLISHED WEEKLY. Advertising Medium of the Stockman's Paradise. SUBSCRIPTION \$2 A YEAR IN ADVANCE. Entered at the Postoffice at Sonora, as second class matter. MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor. SONORA, TEXAS, - September 26, 1891. Cheap Water. The president of the Citizens water works company, F. M. Wyatt, says his company is now prepared to furnish water at the following monthly rates: Families \$1.50; business houses \$1.00; and stock 10 cents a head.

### Herse Pasture!

I have a one section horse pasture, situated about 300 yards from the Court House, with abundance of water and grass. Charges 10 cents a day; 50 cents a week, and \$2 a month. STEVE MURPHY.

Samuel Wallick, the merchant of McKavett was in this week on business.

M. B. Palmer, buys for cash, and gives his customers the benefit of all discounts.

R O Misener, of Hamilton county, owner of 4000 sheep, was in Sonora Thursday. Mr Misener is looking for a ranch location in the Stockman's Paradise.

Pete McGregor, of the firm of Crews, McGregor & Co., Ballinger, dealers in furniture, sewing machines, and pianos and organs, was in Sonora Thursday.

Mrs. P. McHugh, left Monday with her daughter, Miss [name], for San Angelo, where she will attend the Convent school.

G D Felton, the ex-sheepman of Devil's River, was in Sonora this week.

H. C Young another prominent sheepman was in Sonora Thursday. Mr. Young's clip averaged 3 1-2 pounds for four months clip.

Mrs. [name] will teach a music class for the [name] beginning Monday, September [date]. Will give lessons on piano or organ. Thanking you for past favors I hope to have a liberal patronage in the future. Yours Truly, MRS. G. T. LOVE, Sonora, Sept. 4th, 1891.

N N Staggs, one of our diversifiers for well drilling, cured plenty of water for J Huerton's residence in west Sonora, at a depth of 164 feet.

R F Halbert, the sheepman who is fixing up one of the best inches in the country, was in Sonora Wednesday.

J. A. Barnett, of Knickerbocker, was in Sonora this week prospecting.

The Sutton county jail was accepted by the Commissioners court, Saturday from the Pauly Jail Building Co., of St. Luis.

The grand jury went in session Thursday and it is expected they will not be through before to-night. The following gentlemen compose the jury:—J T Wilson, foreman, M M Davore, John [name], Wm Guest, John Oaden, G J Moore, Sam Armstrong, E C Sanders, G Huber, A D Tisdale, M J Alexander, T T Thomason.

OLD TAYLOR WHISKEY Fitzpatrick and Lyell's, San Angelo.

S. K. White, manager for Sam Armstrong, was in town Monday looking after his real estate.

M. B. Palmer has two horses packed full of Furniture, Coffins and Undertakers goods, and three more carloads coming.

H. Knusenberger, of Highland ranch, finished shearing this week and shipped to San Angelo. His clip was unusually good and averaged for four months growth 3 3-4 pounds.

Call on Charlie Zenker, at the Favorite Saloon, when in San Angelo, take a glass of his cool beer and you will continue to call every time you chance that way.

F C Whipple was in town Monday buying ducks.

F C Whipple sold 1000 ducks from Ben Cusenbary for \$10.

Buy the "Old Reliable" Beer from Reynolds & Cusenbary. It is the best 5 cent cigar in town.

John Hill one of the handsome cattle kings returned from a trip to Bo-que county Friday.

Buy what Cooper D'p you want from Chas. W. Hobbs, San Angelo.

Duncan McGregor, of Coleman, was in Sonora Thursday. Mr. McGregor is a member of the general merchandise house of Gay & Co. of that city.

C G Cooper, of Crockett county came in town Thursday.

Hon. L. J. Dunsagan and W. W. Turpin, representative of the Pauly Jail Building Co., of St. Louis, returned from a trip to Ozona, Thursday.

Ben Cusenbary sold to E. M. Kirkland, of Kimble county 14 bucks at \$16.

D. B. Cusenbary sold to James Dros, 7 bucks at \$15; to Wm Miers, 8 at \$16.

Schomacker, Gold String. Philadelphia. Established 1858. Boardman & Gray, Albany, N. Y. Established 1837. Wm. Bourne & Son, Boston. Established 1837.

Pianos. Clough & Warren, Chicago Cottage Organs. Music and musical merchandise. Manufacturers dealt with direct and close prices given. Write for them. Early terms. F. C. ALLEN, San Angelo, Texas.

CONCHO VALLEY FAIR. The third annual fair of the Concho Valley Fair Association, commences in San Angelo, Texas, Oct. 5th, and continues until Oct. 10th. Fine racing on the fastest track in the South. Grand balloon ascension, and parachute drop, from one mile in the air. Exciting roping contests. Brass band concert each day. Fine stock exhibit. Every one should attend. Particulars address, Mrs. G. T. LOVE, Secretary.

MUSIC CLASS. Mrs. G. T. Love will teach a music class for the [name] beginning Monday, September [date]. Will give lessons on piano or organ. Thanking you for past favors I hope to have a liberal patronage in the future. Yours Truly, MRS. G. T. LOVE, Sonora, Sept. 4th, 1891.

Texas Raised Rams. For sale cheap, apply to Thomas Bond, Rancho de los Benados, Sutton County. 43-8t

FOR TRADE. 1000 first-class 10 pound young merino ewes for good fat shipping ewes or young wethers. Apply to TRADE, DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS.

NOTICE. Parties owing Searcy Baker on over due accounts will please settle at once, or make some satisfactory arrangement. SEARCY BAKER, 46 t-f. D. S. Coleman, San Angelo.

FOR SALE. Six room residence, centrally located in the business portion of Sonora. Apply at the Devil's River News office.

\$800 will buy a six room residence centrally located, by applying to the Devil's River News within two weeks.

\$200 is the price for thirty days, of one of the best houses in town. Main street, by applying at the Devil's River News.

\$10 Reward. Stolen from Sonora about Aug. 20th a bay horse about 14 hands high, branded W D C on left hip and other brands. Faces under saddle. I will pay above reward for recovery or information as to his whereabouts. MAX MAYER, So. ors., Texas. 47

NOTICE. The books of the Sonora Supply Co. and of Bevans & McConnell are in our hands for settlement. All parties indebted are requested to settle the within delay as longer indulgence cannot be given. Tayloe & Hurst. 49.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION. The firm of Reynolds & Cusenbary, druggists, Sonora, Texas, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. H. C. Reynolds selling his interest to W. H. Cusenbary, who assumes all the liabilities of the old firm. All who are indebted to said firm will please settle at once. H. C. REYNOLDS, W. H. CUSENBARY, Sept. 17th 1891. 49 t.

For Lease, Sale or Exchange. 24 sections—alternate—in block 5, T. W. N. G. R. R. Co., N. E. corner Sutton county, 2 rights are now rent to H. C. Cusenbary, who assumes all the liabilities of the old firm. All who are indebted to said firm will please settle at once. H. C. REYNOLDS, W. H. CUSENBARY, Sept. 17th 1891. 49 t.

Will Trade for Sheep. A comfortable four-room residence on 75 x 200 feet, centrally situated. Apply at once to S. H. Stokes, Sonora. 49

Sheep for Sale. 600 wethers also 1600 first class stock sheep. Address: George Brown, Fort McKavett. 50-5t

T. D. Newell who has his hornless merino rams on sale in Steve Murphy's pasture, sold 20 head Thursday to Wood & Willis.

Mr and Mrs David Adams, of Bee Hollow, were in Sonora Thursday.

J H Morrison the U S windmill man, was in Sonora Wednesday, accompanied by his family.

L W Jaques, T F Randolph and E Jaques of Bandera county, were in Sonora Wednesday; prospecting.

Tom Birtrong is building a large addition to his residence on Prospect Hill.

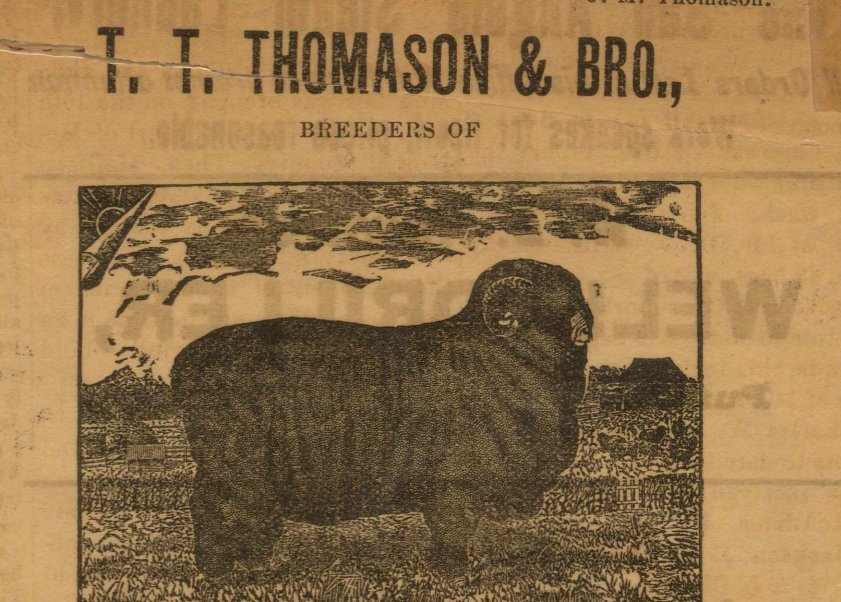
T. D. Newell sold 5 hornless merinos to J. Huett, at \$18, Thursday.

# Chas. W. Hobbs, WOOL Commission.

Liberal Advances on Consignments. San Angelo, Texas.

T. T. Thomason, J. M. Thomason. T. T. THOMASON & BRO., BREEDERS OF

Spanish Merino Sheep, Have now at their Ranch, near Sonora, 100 head of Thoroughbred Vermont and Ohio acclimated, and Texas raised Rams for sale, and will have at Sonora, on or about August 15th 225 more of the same grade, all acclimated and in prime condition Satisfaction Guaranteed.



BUCKS FOR SALE. 300 Spanish Merinos 100 Acclimated One-half car of French, and One-half car of Spanish Merino Rams from the celebrated California flock of Solomon Jewett. These are the finest lot of Rams brought to Texas. J. B. CHERBINO, San Angelo. Geo. W. Morris, T. B. Birtrong.

MORRIS & BIRTRONG, Dealers in

Fine Wines, Liquors and Cigars. SONORA, TEXAS.

PROCLAMATION BY THE Governor of the State of Texas. \$150.00 Reward.

To all to Whom these Presents shall come: Whereas, It has been made known to me that on or about the 16th day of June, 1891, in the county of Sutton, Texas, unknown persons did cut the wire fence enclosing the pasture lands of W. J. & D. B. Fields, near Sonora the county seat of said county and that said unknown persons are now at large and are fugitives from justice.

Now, therefore, I, S. Hogg, Governor of Texas, do, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby offer a reward of one hundred and fifty dollars each for the arrest and delivery of the said unknown persons to the sheriff of said county, inside the jail door of said county. This reward is payable on condition of arrest and return of said fugitives within six months from this day, and conviction thereafter.

IS TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto signed my name, and caused the seal of State to be affixed, at the City of Austin this 24 day of June, A. D. 1891. J. S. HOGG, Governor of Texas.

Geo. W. Smith, Secretary of State.

The Nesbitt House, on the north side of court house square is one of the nicest places in San Angelo for yourself and family to stop at while in that city. The rooms are clean and comfortably furnished. The table always supplied with the best the market affords and you wonder how the proprietress, Mrs. L. A. Nesbitt, can make such nice when she charges only \$1 a day. 22

I have for sale at Sonora, 175 good large, acclimated, thoroughbred registered Rams. Please call and see these Rams before purchasing.

This stock is imported from Michigan and Ohio, and has been wintered in Texas, and is thoroughly acclimated.

D. B. Cusenbary.

# L. N. HALBERT,

Lawyer, Land Agent and  
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J. T. WILSON.

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ESTIMATES MADE ON LUMBER AND BUILDINGS.

Concho Avenue. Sonora, Texas.

### GUS A. BATTE,

## FEED, WAGON & LIVERY YARD.

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Fresh Beef, Pork and Sausages.

Open from 5 to 10 a. m. and from 4 to 6 p. m. - TERMS, CASH.

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## N. N. STAGGS,

### The Well Driller,

Will contract to drill deep or shallow wells. Satisfaction guaranteed.

SONORA, - TEXAS.

## R. W. CALLAHAN,

Dealer in General Merchandise,

Sonora, Texas.

Terms: Strictly Cash, or approved Security on Time.

## JOE DOMM,

### MERCHANT TAILOR,

San Angelo, Texas.

Cleaning and Repairing done on Short Notice.

Wm. Boynton.

Lee Boynton.

## BOYNTON BROS.,

### STEAM WELL DRILLERS.

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#### KIPLING'S MONKEY STORY.

The French Convict-Naturalist and His  
Simplian Friend.

There was a pause in the outcry, and  
from Hans' mouth came an imitation  
of a snake's hiss so perfect that I at  
most sprang to my feet. The sustained  
murderous sound ran along the deck,  
and the wrenching at the bars ceased.  
The orang-utang was quaking in an  
ecstasy of pure terror.

"Dot stopped him," said Hans. "I  
learned dot trick in Mogoung Tanjong  
when I was collecting little monkeys  
for some zoos in Berlin. Every one  
in der world is afraid of der monkeys—  
except der snake. So I blay snake  
against monkey, and he keep quiet till  
Are you asleep, or will you listen and  
I will tell a dale dot you shall not pe  
lief?"

"There's no tale in the wide world  
that I can't believe," said I.

"If you have learned pelief you have  
learned somedings. Now I shall try  
your pelief. Good! When I was col  
lecting does little monkeys—it was in  
1879 or 1880, and I was in der islands  
of der archipelago—over dere in der  
dark," he pointed southward to New  
Guinea generally. "Mein Gott! I  
would sooner collect life red devils  
than little monkeys. When dey do  
not bite off your thumbs dey are al  
ways dying from nostalgia—homesick  
—for dey haf der imperfect soul, which  
is midway arrested in development, and  
too much ego."

"I was dere for nearly a year, and  
dere I found a man dot was called  
Bertran. He was a Frenchman and  
he was goat man—naturalist to his  
bone. Dey said he was an escaped  
convict, but he was a naturalist and  
dot was enough for me. He would  
call all der life beasts from der forest,  
and dey would come. I said he was  
St. Francis of Assisi in a new drama  
migration produced, and he laughed  
and said he haf never preach to der  
fishes. He sold dem for tripang—  
beche-de-mer.

"Und dot man, who was king of  
beast tamer men, he had in der house  
shust such another as dot devil animal  
in der cage—a great orang-utang dot  
thought he was a man. He haf found  
him when he was a child—der orang  
outang—and he was a child and brother  
and opera comique all around to  
Bertran. He had his room in dot house  
—not a cage, but a room—with a bed  
and sheets, and he would go to bed  
and get up in der morning and smoke  
his cigar and eat his dinner mit Ber  
tran, and walk mit him hand in hand,  
which was most loveable."

"Bertran" had seen dot beast  
throw himself back in his chair and  
laugh when Bertran had made fun of  
me. He was not a beast; he was a  
man, and he talked to Bertran, and  
Bertran comprehend, for I haf seen  
dem.

"Und he was always politel to me  
except when I talk too long to Bertran  
and say nodings at all to him. Den he  
would pull me away—dis great, dark  
devil, mit his enormous paws—shust as  
if I was a child. He was not a beast,  
he was a man. Dis I saw before I  
know him three months, and Bertran  
he haf saw the same; and Bimi, der  
orang-utang, haf understood us both."  
—Rudyard Kipling in Mine Own Peo  
ple.

#### A Cheap Process for Brickmaking.

A machine has been designed for  
making bricks and tiles on the semi  
dry process. The clay or material to  
be formed into bricks is fed into a hop  
per in a granulated state. The finished  
bricks are delivered as the charger  
returns to refill the empty mold. Each  
brick receives four distinct presses  
whereby the air is thoroughly expressed.  
All the labor required is one man to tip  
the clay into the grinding pan and one  
boy to take off the bricks as the ma  
chine delivers them. Among the various  
purposes for which this machine is em  
ployed besides brick and tile making  
are the forming of purple ore, or "blu  
billy," into briquettes for the smelting  
furnace, the forming of nickel oxide  
into cakes for the assaying furnace, the  
forming of dry cement compound into  
blocks ready for clinking and the  
pressing of coal and coke briquettes.  
—Boston Transcript.

#### Two Americans.

The London Athenaeum recently  
printed a hitherto unpublished letter of  
the poet Gray, written in 1761. It has  
to do with the shipping of some goods  
to Cambridge, and contains two flagrant  
"Americanisms," so called. The goods,  
he says, may remain packed till he  
comes, "which will be in about three  
weeks, I guess," and then he adds,  
"Mr. Gilliam, I reckon, will stay for his  
money till I arrive."

Gray was one of the most learned  
men of his time, and a person of the  
most fastidious taste, yet he "guessed"  
and "reckoned" like any countrified  
Yankee. In other words, these two  
"Americanisms" are simply English  
forms of speech which have gone out of  
vogue in the mother country, and which  
for that reason have a novel, "Ameri  
can" sound to the modern English tour  
ist. —Youth's Companion.

#### Not So Silent.

A drummer in a Grand Rapids mer  
chant's store was making some inquiries  
about his business.  
"You run the establishment alone, I  
suppose," he began.  
"Yep."  
"Anybody in with you?"  
"Yep."  
"His name doesn't appear on your  
sign?"  
"None."  
"Ah! A silent partner?"  
"No much! It's my wife." —Detroit  
Free Press.

### GRIDER'S RIDE FOR LIFE.

Paraded by a Pack of Wolves, the Wis  
consin Man Makes a Desperate Leap.

In one of the wildest portions of  
Wisconsin where it was a wild frontier  
state had resided the noted pioneer  
Hank Grider, a man whose successful  
endurance of a year in a measure il  
lustrated by this sketch.

Two dark and rainy night of the year  
1856 the brave pioneer, whose reckless  
nature had won for him the title of  
Wild Grider, and by which he was  
known far and wide, found himself  
some fifteen miles from home and with  
the Kakanook river, swollen and turbu  
lent from the recent rain, between him  
self and his destination.

Wolves howled upon every hand, but  
he paid no articulate attention to  
them, pressing steadily on in the  
drenching rain.

At length, however, he noticed that  
the grim scavengers of the forest were  
beginning to aggregate in large num  
bers into the trail behind him, and  
drawing uncomfortably near, howling  
and snarling at one another as they  
came.

"This serve to give him a slight an  
guish of mind as he urged his horse  
forward."

Steadily he rode of wet, shaggy  
forms increase in number until it  
seemed that thousands of them were  
crowding about him, the pioneer's  
track, made by the night troopers with  
their snarling voices.

"Now swift in pursuit came that  
writing man of now thoroughly en  
raged brutes, and though the pioneer  
was remarkable swift of foot he had to  
put forth every effort to keep out of  
the way of the wolf in the darkness of  
the Wisconsin wilderness, ensued a de  
perate race for life and death."

The ground was fairly smooth, and  
this aided the desperate man some  
what, but he was compelled to use the  
spurs mercilessly to escape those clash  
ing jaws.

Like the ve wind he sped along,  
his only hope in reaching the river  
in advance, his fierce pursuers, for  
once across the turbulent current he  
would be safe.

But fully five miles lay between him  
and the river and it would indeed be  
a miracle to reach it; but wholly un  
daunted the fearless fellow sped on,  
his teeth clenched firmly and his eyes  
glancing with the fire of his wild,  
excitable nature.

Half a mile was east behind, and  
daylight was beginning to steal over  
the land when the swift and swollen  
Kakanook hovin sight.

The ground leaped toward it, and  
down this descent flew pursued and  
pursuers, with large six feet separating  
them.

For over five miles had that desperate  
race continued, but now, exhausted as  
he was by his morning speed, Grider  
performed a feat that was simply  
marvelous and most unparalleled.

The banks of the stream were high  
and projecting and scarcely eighty rods  
below the river fell over a mass of jag  
ged rocks that no one could hope to  
pass over safely while it would be im  
possible to effect a landing when once  
the water was in motion.

With that roar of raging beasts  
close behind him, and the dangerous  
river below, an fully twenty five feet  
between its banks, the brave pioneer  
was truly in a most desperate situa  
tion. But, scarcely realizing his dan  
ger, in his desperation and frenzy, he  
galloped down the slope, and, putting  
every effort of his horse's fast failing  
strength in on mighty leap, landed  
squarely upon the other bank of the  
river.

The wolves were unable to check  
their headlong speed, and many of  
their number went over the bank and  
were swept away, while the exhausted  
steed sank trembling upon the ground.

Three hours later, however, he  
reached his cabin in safety, and in a  
few days had fully recovered from the  
effects of that terrible ride for life—  
about the most extraordinary one in  
the entire record of the west.

Grider's life was one of remarkable  
adventures, and now, a man of superior  
endurance, although nearly sixty years  
of age, he resides at Moose lake, Minn.,  
where his life is still a stirring and  
eventful one. —Yankee Blade.

#### Not a Mustelin.

One of Chicago's young men had  
been calling on one of Chicago's young  
ladies for a time. The young lady has  
a little brother, and a few Sundays ago  
the sister were left in each other's so  
ciety. "Why don't you bring your vio  
lin with you some time?" asked the  
brother. "I have no violin, my little  
man," said the admirer of the sister.  
"Pa thinks you have," added the boy.  
"What did pa say?" asked the lover.  
"That shows he thinks I have a violin."  
"Why?" said the sister.  
"I heard him say that he guessed  
you were hid somewhere after some  
money." That's going is a true story,  
the sequel to which is the lover has  
ceased to hide. —Chicago Herald.

#### Cape Cod is Disappearing.

There isn't the least doubt but that  
Cape Cod is gradually being eaten up  
by the greedy ocean. Less than 100  
years ago a lighthouse was placed on  
the headland by the government. The  
original deed calls for a plat of five  
acres in extent. At the present time  
the inclosure embraces hardly six acres.  
On a point just north of the marine  
stations at Highland light the face of  
the bluff has moved in nearly 250 feet  
in the last seven years. At this rate it  
is only a question of time when Cape  
Cod will be a thing of the past. —St.  
Louis Republic.

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#### JUST THE PLACE FOR SNAKES.

Where They Lie Around as Thick as  
Prairie Dogs in a Colony.

"Talking about snakes," said J. A.  
Pickett, "you should have been with  
me the other day. I was in the range  
south of town looking after some min  
ing property recently acquired in that  
region. I was camped about eighteen  
miles from the city, and near me was a  
peculiar mountain known to the old  
timers there as the Black Range. It  
is the form of a horseshoe, with the  
heels pointing south, and consequently  
the rocks within the arch are open to  
the rays of the sun on every day of the  
year.

"Not only that, but the men who  
know the place say that these rocks  
draw heat from beneath and are warm  
at all times, no matter how cold it is  
about them. However that may be, it  
is a fact that the Black Range is one,  
and so warm that snow always melts  
and runs off, no matter how great the  
fall.

"This you will readily see would  
make it a splendid resort for rattle  
snakes, and they do congregate there  
in great numbers. The afternoon I  
was there it cleared off, and the sun  
shone so bright that my guide advised  
a visit to the Black Range in order to  
see the greatest curiosity of its kind in  
the west. It is needless to say we were  
not disappointed. When we stood upon  
the summit of one head of the horse  
shoe and looked down into that little  
nook it presented a sight such as once  
seen is never forgotten.

"The sunshine had been just warm  
enough to arouse them from their tor  
por, and in every direction could be  
seen snakes sluggishly basking in the  
first hot rays of the season. It was for  
all the world like a prairie dog town,  
save that there were snakes for dogs  
and the twinkling activity of those lit  
tle animals was wanting.

"In a few moments I was armed  
with a twig that would have created  
consternation at a Dornbrook fair,  
and was wreaking vengeance for all  
my family upon the torpid monsters be  
fore me. In almost every instance  
they had not crawled far from their  
holes under the rocks, and a great  
many took the alarm, escaping before  
I could secure an opportunity at their  
shining backs.

"Thus it was that I only bagged a  
few hundred, and was obliged to con  
tent myself with that. I dare not give  
the exact number, as you might think  
it stretched, but it was a pretty fair  
haul. Considering the season,  
the great mistake made was in not  
taking a shotgun, which our camp  
could have been truly fruitful."

Butte Three-Mountain.

#### Climate and Veracity.

It never occurs to us to expect verac  
ity in Egypt nor in any part of Africa.  
We should never think of saying that  
an inhabitant of Malta was untruthful.  
We should simply say that he was a  
Maltese. The name Levantine carries  
with it the same idea. The Levantine,  
the African, the Oriental habit of indi  
rection is sometimes explained by the  
amiability of the people, their desire to  
say that which will be agreeable.  
Whereas the Englishman prides him  
self on his blunt honesty and on speak  
ing the truth, especially if it is disagree  
able.

But plant the Englishman, or any  
man whose moral fiber is hardened by  
a frigid climate, in Egypt, and how  
long will he continue to speak the  
truth? How is it about the northern  
travelers in Africa, who never agree  
with each other about anything, and  
habitually accuse each other of misrep  
resentation? Is this due to climate or  
to the contagion of a bad moral exam  
ple in an atmosphere of duplicity? —  
Charles Dudley Warner in Harper's.

#### A Restraint Consideration.

A precocious young member of the  
Loyal Temperance legion, of Kingfield,  
had learned some profane words, and  
on his joining the society,  
strove to impress upon his mind the ne  
cessity of keeping his pledge, which in  
cluded one against profanity. He was  
very desirous of changing his killed  
skirts for waists and trousers, and she  
finally told him that when he had let  
off all swearing and slang words the  
society would be reformed.

One day he was building a block  
house in her presence. He would get  
it nearly completed, when it would top  
ple over. After several unsuccessful  
attempts, he jumped up, clasped his  
hands together and excitedly exclaimed,  
"If it wasn't for pants, I'd swear." —  
Farmington (Me.) Chronicle.

#### How the African Eats.

At eating, the African negro, having  
always first washed his hands and  
rinsed his mouth, sits upon the ground,  
holds the larger pieces between his  
teeth, while he cuts off a bite with his  
knife, but does not use both hands to  
hold food, except in gnawing. Thus,  
with the usual diet, he uses his right  
arm over his knees, and reaching into  
the pot molds the thick mess into lumps  
about the size of a walnut, which he  
throws into his mouth with a jerk,  
without scattering any of the food. To  
take out vegetables or soup he presses  
a hollow into the lump and dips with  
it. Politeness is shown to the host or  
housewife after eating by snacking  
loudly enough to be heard. — Paul  
Reichard in Popular Science Monthly.

#### Lacking the Motive Power.

"I wonder why the card doesn't start!"  
exclaimed an impatient passenger.  
"There are not enough people on  
board yet to make the cargo," replied  
another who understood the situation.  
—New York Truth.

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