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#### THE BIMEBY TIME.

When the bimby time comes round this way,  
When the bimby time comes round,  
There'll be less work an' lots more pay,  
There'll be less hours an' lots more pay,  
An' common men will buy more say,  
When the bimby time comes round.

When the bimby time comes round—  
Oh, I long to hear the sound—  
So I'm sittin' an' a-singin'  
An' a-singin' an' a-singin'  
Till the bimby time comes round.

When the bimby time comes round,  
When the bimby time comes round,  
We'll live free trade an' tariff, too,  
Hard times won't trouble me or you,  
An' I'm singin' 'till the whole week through,  
When the bimby time comes round.

When the bimby time comes round—  
Oh, I long to hear the sound—  
So I'm sittin' an' a-singin'  
An' a-singin' an' a-singin'  
Till the bimby time comes round.  
Boston Courier.

#### A Planet Without an Atmosphere.

I believe that it is generally admitted that all of the planets, strictly so called, as well as the sun, possess atmospheres, the moon of our earth being the only one of the celestial hosts without such an ethereal envelope. Our atmosphere is composed of 77 parts by weight of nitrogen and 21 of oxygen, the other 2 per cent being made up of a mixture of carbonic acid, aqueous vapor and ammonia, the latter in very minute quantities. How our earth came to have an atmosphere, when or at what period in the history of the terrestrial sphere it originated, no man can even venture an opinion. The thought appertains when the headline was tacked to this "note" was not concerning the origin of the atmosphere of the planet earth and its constituent parts, but of the moon's strange lack of such a necessity, providing always that there are living men and women on the lunar plains and mountains, with lungs constructed similar to ours. It is believed (the belief being based upon mere conjecture of course) that our attendant satellite once had an atmosphere, as well as lakes and rivers and oceans, but that all have long since been absorbed by the thousands of square miles of volcanic scoriae and lavas with which its surface is all but covered.—St. Louis Republic.

#### Caterpillars.

It is a peculiar idea people have that if they wrap a tree with cotton it will prevent the caterpillars, the most destructive pest we have on trees, from climbing up into the branches and feeding on the leaves. The theory is a very well if the facts were so. The caterpillars, as people say, it would be a good way of keeping them from the leaves. But unfortunately caterpillars do not climb trees. They get there without such endeavor. The butterfly deposits eggs upon the leaves, where in course of time the caterpillar is hatched out. He is born on the leaves, and no amount of cotton tied around the trunk of a tree will get him off them. The only way to rid trees of caterpillars is to spray them with paris green or some poison.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

#### Butterflies and Typewriters.

One of the novel features of a recent military tournament in England was the use of the typewriter on the battlefield for the purpose of recording messages from signallers. It is stated that the typewriter operator was also an expert cyclist, and had his Remington mounted on the handles of his machine. Riding in and out among the horses and gun carriages, which he did without the slightest mishap, whenever he came to a standstill he instantly braced up the cycle by a handy contrivance and pounded away at the typewriter while in the saddle. The message when completed was sent to the commanding officer at the rear by means of a trained dog.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

#### Moths and Butterflies.

Some moths look very much like butterflies, but there are two ways in which you can always tell the one from the other. Each have little slender feelers growing from the head, but the butterfly's feelers, or "antennae," as they are called, have knobs on the ends. The antennae of the moth sometimes have tiny feathers on them and sometimes little spires, but they are never knobbed. Then, too, in alighting the butterfly always holds her wings erect, while the moth's droop or are nearly flat.—Child Garden.

The total expenditure of the British government in connection with the colonies, excluding India, is 22,000,000 a year, mainly for military and naval defense.

The most easily digested meats are cold mutton, mutton chops, venison, tenderloins, steaks, brook, lamb chops, roast beef, rabbit and chicken.

Portland, Me. is the winter port for all Canada, which sends out and receives over \$50,000,000 worth of goods every winter.

Many ancient records have been preserved on bricks, tiles, tablets of various substances and on oyster and other shells.

One bushel, by weight, of sound shelled corn makes 34 gallons of "proof spirits," or exactly 3 7/2 gallons.

It is said that those who eat too much meat are apt to have ringing in the ears.

#### PLANTATION COURTSHIP.

The Art as Practiced According to Uncle Gilbert's Method.

Among the slaves there were regular forms of courtship, and almost every large plantation had an experienced old slave who instructed young galleons in the way in which they should go in the delicate matter of winning the girls of their choice. "Uncle Gilbert" was the shoemaker on a plantation where there were a hundred slaves. He was very learned in the art of courtship, and it was to his shop the slave lads went for instruction. I never had the hope of being one of the old man's pupils, being too young when I saw him to make inquiry about the courtship business, but I tracked many young men to Uncle Gilbert's shop in the interest of general gossip.

The American slave's courtship words and forms are the result of his attempt at imitating the gushing elegant manners and speech of his master. Uncle Gilbert's rule of courtship was that a "young man must" see an "rove a gal befo' offerin her his love." If a gal gives a man a good answer he is all right in mind. If she can look him square in de face when she talks to him, den she kin be trusted, an ef her patches is on straight an her close clean, den she is gwine ter keep de house straight an yer britches mended. Such er woman is wuth havin'.

Here is a sample of a courtship conversation:

He—My dear kin miss, has yer any objections to me drawin my cher to yer side, an revolvin the wheel of my conversation aroun the axle of yer understandin'?

She—I has no objection to a gentleman addressin me in a proper manner, kin sir.

He—My dear miss, de world is a howlin wilderness full of devourin animals, an you has got to walk through hit. Has you made up yer min to walk through hit by yerself or wid some bold wahyer?

She—Yer terrigation, kin sir, shall be answered in a ladylike manner, ef you will prove to me dat it is not for or form an er fashion dat you puts de question.

He—Dear miss, I would not so impose on a lady like you as to ask her a question for a form an a fashion. B'neve me, kin miss, dat I has a pertickler object in innagin yer in conversation dis afternoon.

She—You are a gentleman to talk wid wise words an flatterin looks, an at de same time he may have a deceivin heart. May I ask yer, kin gentleman, ef you has de full right to address a lady in a pertickler manner?

He—I has, kin miss. I has seen many sweet ladies, but I has never up to dis day an time lef de highway to dis gentleman to foller dese beam lights. But now, kin miss, as I look in yer dark eyes an sees yer homes' face an hears yer kind voice, I must confess, dear lady, dat I would be joyous to come to yer beck an call in any time of danger.

She—Den, kin sir, I will reply in answer to your terrigation in de fus place, since I think you is a homes' gentleman, dat I feels dat a lady needs de protection of a bol wahyer in dis world, where dere's many wil animals an plenty of danger.

He—Den, kin, honored miss, will you condescend to encourage me to hope dat I might, some glorious day in de future, walk by yer side as a pertecter?

She—Kin sir, ef you thinks you is a bol wahyer I will condescend to let you pass under my observation from dis day on, an ef you proves wuthy of a confidin ladies' trust, some lady might be glad to accept yer protection—an dat lady might be me.

This brings us to the point where the two agree to become lovers, and as love's language is not reducible to writing and repetition we leave them.—Journal of American Folklore.

#### Gerry's Pens.

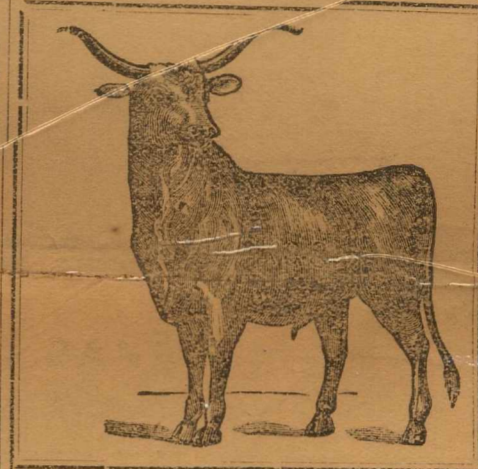
"Who on earth wants to use a big pen like that?" said a gentleman in a Broadway stationery store the other day, pointing to a handsome gold bound stylographic pen in a showcase, whose length was such as to attract attention.

"That?" responded the clerk. "Oh, that pen was made to order for a special customer, ex-Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry. Mr. Gerry has all his pens made this size, and when he sends an order in he usually turn out half a dozen, as it costs us no more to make six of an extra size than it does to make one. We seldom have a call for them, though, so they stay in the showcase for six months or so, and then they go to the commodore. He must wear his pens out quickly, though, or else he gives them away, for a pen like that ought to last for three or four years."—New York Advertiser.

#### A Delicate Mechanical Feat.

E. A. Williams, a watchmaker of Broadway, New York city, recently accomplished a remarkable mechanical feat—that of drilling a hole through the entire length of a common pin from head to point, the opening being just large enough to admit of the passage of a fine hair. Mr. Williams is the great mechanic who two years ago cut a sewing needle in two lengthwise and then drilled holes and fastened it together so nicely that the split could not be seen with the naked eye.—St. Louis Republic.

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SONORA, TEXAS, - October 6, 1894.

Hon. A. W. Houston democratic nominee for congress, will speak at San Angelo Oct. 11; Sherwood Oct. 12th; Robert Lee Oct. 13th. What's the reason he don't come to Sonora?

At the suggestion of Dr. J. B. Taylor, and other prominent citizens who are interested in the wool industry of Texas, a letter has been written to R. F. Halbert, president of the Texas Wool Growers association asking him to call a meeting of the association at San Angelo on Saturday, Nov. 10th. Steps will be taken at this meeting looking to the passage of an effective scab law; also a law relating to the destruction of predatory animals.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 1.—The census office has issued a bulletin showing the land ownership and debt in Texas. The bulletin shows that in Texas 50 6 of the people own the farms cultivated by them, and of these 94 per cent own free of incumbrance. The debt on farms is \$6,494,633, or 41 per cent of their value, with interest at 8.33 per cent. Of the homes, 34 per cent own the houses they live in and 95 per cent of these own free from incumbrance. The debt of homes is \$2,958,882, with interest at 9 42 per cent.

There is no kind of wood or coal that will make a fire that will last as long or leave such a small proportion of ashes as the quiet tree wood. It has all the advantage of coal, but does not clink nor scatter any black dust. Instead of gas it yields, while burning, a slight, spicy and pleasant aroma, with the minimum quantity of smoke and soot. Besides the bark is valuable for tanning, and the production of tannic acid will some day be a profitable industry. Wherever the growing tree is bruised it gives out a gum which contains all the properties of gum arabic, and it can be distinguished from the genuine African production only by its darker color. The fruit is leguminous, consisting of seeds the size of small coffee beans inclosed (eight or ten of them) in a pod that has a sweetish taste. It is eagerly eaten by horses, cattle and sheep and has fattening qualities equal to corn.—Laredo News.

The announcement rates published will be the same the week before the election as they are now.

All those that announce will not be charged for having their names printed on general ticket. Candidates not announcing will be charged one half the announcement fee to have their names appear on tickets.

When you sell your wool don't forget to tell the DEVIL RIVER NEWS.

## Honor Roll of Sonora School.

- 1st Grade:  
James Alexander,  
Ruby Davis,  
Christian Hemphill,  
Eve Mills,  
Bell Dunagan,  
Tom L. Thomason.
- 2nd Grade:  
Eddie Winkler,  
Callie Word,  
Myrtle Huffman,  
Willie Winkler,  
Abbie Luckey,  
Myrtle Alexander,  
Myrtle Davis.
- 3rd Grade:  
Philip Baker,  
Wade Marshall,  
Walter Wyatt,  
Emmet Bell,  
R. ger Halbert,  
Edward Mayfield,  
Katie Turner,  
Florence Duke,  
Willie Lovelace,  
Evelyn Charlant.
- 4th Grade:  
Minnie Palmer,  
Ira Ogden,  
Louella Word,  
Minnie Bean,  
Coria Lovelace.
- 5th Grade:  
Hollie Davis,  
Amanda Duke,  
Maggie B. Word,  
Beulah Bruton.
- High 5th Grade:  
Ollie Williams,  
Berta Taylor.
- 6th Grade:  
Annie Adams,  
Willie Allison,  
Earl Duke.
- 7th Grade:  
Ora Coker,  
Mona Bountree.
- To date 170 pupils have been enrolled. Average daily attendance has been 143.
- The work done by the pupils this month has been very satisfactory. Claude Stevenson.

That was a funny little political incident that occurred in town this week, and furnished no little amusement to the boys. Marcus Alexander, a prominent member of the Noonan club, was giving a rock-ribbed Democrat a great guff as to how the Sonora vote would go, and insisted that a certain Sonora merchant, then in the city, would vote for Noonan. The Democrat bet him the liquid that he was off his journey. The bet was made and it was agreed to leave it for the decision to the aforesaid merchant. Accordingly, Marcus, accompanied by the crowd, approached the owner of the disputed vote and politely asked him how he stood on the congressional question. The merchant looked the gang in the eye and intimated that it wasn't anybody's business but his own, but if it was any satisfaction to them he wouldn't mind saying that "he would just as soon vote for a yellow dog as Judge Noonan." Amid the shouts and gurgles that followed, Alex. realized that to expect an old ex-convict to vote the republican ticket was straining the probability a little too much.—San Angelo Standard.

## A Bargain,

A well improved home of 1280 acres, under good fence, for cash or exchange for good stock cattle. J. L. NOGUESS, 5 St. Menardville, Texas.

## Stock News.

M. W. Risinger of Coryell county sold 835 head of sheep to Coleman Whitfield of Sonora.

Geo. S. Allison sold 200 head of hogs to Cooper & Bowen at 3 cents a pound.

A. J. Swearingen sold 50 head of hogs to Cooper & Bowen at 3 cents a pound.

Pulliam & Mayer bought 100 head of fat cows from W. P. Hoover of Crockett county, at \$10 a head.

F. Mayer & Sons, of Sonora, bought 300 head of 3 and 4 year old steers from R. W. Barton at p. t.

Max and Sol Mayer the cattle men were in Sonora Friday. F. Mayer & Sons have 1300 head of fat cows on hand.

Mollenhauer & Hedden bought 800 head of one and two year old cows at \$1.17 a head from F. Mayer & Sons.

David and Tom Adams of Bee Hollow sold 200 head of hogs to Cooper & Bowen at 3 cents per pound.

Thompson Bros. of Runnels county were in Sonora Thursday. They bought 200 head of stock cattle from G. Baker at \$7 a head.

C. T. Turney sold 300 head of steers to F. Mayer & Sons at 7 50, 10 50, 13 50 and \$16 for 1's, 2's, 3's, 4's and up respectively.

F. Mayer & Sons bought 800 head of sheep with wool on from Mayer & Hagerlund at \$1 25 and 300 shorn sheep from G. P. Hill at \$1 a head.

D. Toms of McKavett was in Sonora Thursday. He bought 500 head of cows and calves from Holekamp & Hodges of Kimble county at \$11.

Bird & Mertz of San Angelo, bought 541 head of 3 and 4 year old steers from Wilkins Bros. of Val Verde county, at \$15 and \$17 a head.

Allen & Williams of Colorado City, bought 1000 head of fat cows from Westbrook & Shannon of Crockett county at \$12 a head. These cows are to be delivered at Sweetwater across the quarantine line.

G. H. Garland of Paint Rock county, bought 2200 steers 4's and up from \$15 50 to \$20 a head; 1000 from Westbrook & Shannon, 1000 from John C. Perry, 200 from W. P. Hoover. These steers will be taken to Dublin and fattened.

Judge T. S. Brockenbrow sold a bunch of 400 head of fine young sheep this week to a Mexican party. We understand the price paid was \$2.25 per head.—Alpine Avalanche.

Capt. John T. Lytle and W. H. Jennings have just purchased from Messrs. Patterson and Lyles of the Uvalde country, 2000 cows and 3 and 4-year-old steers, at \$7.25 for cows, \$12.50 for 3's and \$15.00 for 4's.—Fort Worth Stock Journal.

Joe Moss sold about 65 head of cattle this week to Massie Bros at \$5.50 a head. The cattle are already in Massie's pasture.—B. P. Nolan sold his entire stock of cattle which will aggregate about 500 head to Fayette Tankersly of Frion county at \$8.00 a head counting calves and everything.—Ozona Courier.

From the San Angelo Standard: K. M. Mays sold all of his cattle about 500 head, delivered Dec. 1, to Charlie Collins at \$11 per head.

Seaton Keith made a shipment of stock to Kansas City on the 18th and realized \$2.17 1/2 for cows and \$2.40 for heifers.

John I. Huffman bought 450 shorn stock sheep from Jerre Robinson at \$1 per head.

Nub Pulliam purchased 240 head of stock cattle with a few steers mixed in the bunch, this week from J. M. Piper at \$7.75 per head.

W. C. Jones, of South Concho, sold 2000 stock sheep to J. I. Huffman, with wool on, at \$1.25 per head.

On Wednesday G. W. Shield sold to H. K. Rea, the popular Fort Worth & Rio Grande R. R. agent at Brownwood, 250 steers, 3 year old and up for \$20 per head.

Mr. J. A. DeBerry, the Sonora merchant, was in town this week. He delivered 900 cattle to Ralph Harris of Coke county, and sold and delivered 400 steers yearlings to Anson & Vernon, of Kickapoo. We understand Mr. DeBerry received \$3 00 per head for the year-

## Foster's Weather.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 29.—My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from the 25 to 29 and 30 to Oct. 5. The next will reach the Pacific coast about Oct. the 6th, cross the Western mountains by close of the 7, the great central valleys from 8 to 10 and the Eastern states about the 11th.

The warm wave will cross the Western mountains about Oct. 6, the great central valleys about the 8th, and the Eastern states about the 10th.

The cool waves will cross the western mountains about Oct. 9, the great central valleys about the 11 and the Eastern States about the 13th.

New moon occurs Sept. 29, full moon Oct. 14, and Mars, in the early eastern evening sky, outshines all his neighbors and will aid in giving us a warm, dry October in the Northern States. He will again visit our autumn skies the 11th.

Verand, Oct. 4 1894.

## Ed. DeBier's River News.

On Monday night the Hon. S. J. Chapman the representative nominee of the Peoples Party, for the Texas Legislature, spoke to a large audience. Mr. Chapman was introduced to the audience by Mr. C. C. Lamb county chairman.

The speaker was listened to with barked respect by all. There seems to be three things that was regimed by a good many. First that there was no one to reply to him; second, that he did not talk one hour longer, and third that his appointment was not better advertised in the county. All wished he had expressed himself more fully on the river question. But the speech was all right considering the rough and rocky road he had to travel.

Our school is progressing very nicely, all the scholars are well pleased with their teacher, and the new seats have made a great change in the appearance of the school house.

Verand organized a union Sunday school, Mr. Benson superintendent, Mr. Lamb secretary, Mrs. Minnie E. Toole teacher class 3, Mrs. A. B. Prior teacher class 2, Mr. Benson teacher class 1; and although it looks very much like there will be a good school on last Sunday.

Hon. S. J. Chapman started for Ozona, but on account of the mud and water he could not cross the plains, so that the loss to Ozona was a gain to us as he had the pleasure of lengthening on the issues of the day, to the satisfaction of all present, a goodly number.

We hear that Mr. and Mrs. Tom Taylor lost their little baby by death, and we sincerely sympathize with the sorrowing parents. Mrs. A. B. Prior is on a visit to Paint Rock.

Mr. C. C. West has returned with his bunch of cattle that he gathered near Barnett, after being absent three weeks.

CITIZEN.

## Children Who Suffer

From scrofulous, skin or scalp diseases, ought to be given Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, for purifying the blood. For children who are puny, pale or weak, the "Discovery" is a tonic which builds up both flesh and strength. What is said of it for children applies equally to adults. As an appetizing, restorative tonic, it sets at work all the processes of digestion, and nutrition, rouses every organ to natural action and brings back health and strength. In recovering from "chills," or in convalescence from pneumonia, fevers, and other wasting diseases, it speedily and surely invigorates and builds-up the whole system.

For all diseases caused by a torpid liver or impure blood, as Dyspepsia and Biliousness, if it doesn't cure in every case, the money is returned.

London wool sales have proved disappointing to those who predicted or anticipated heavy purchases for the American market and the rapid advance in prices. On this side quotations are off 1c, fleeces particularly being weak. There is a better trade in territories and Australasia. Bradstreet's Report of Sept. 29.

**Bucklen's Arnica Salve.**  
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Unable to Work.

I spent a good portion of my earnings for doctors' bills and other medicine which did me good only for a little time. My employer urged me to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I bought one bottle and began its use about the first of April, at that time weighing only 130 pounds. I thought my usual weight was 160 pounds. After using the bottle I felt that I was better, so I purchased another and began its use about the first of June. Now and since commencing to take Hood's Sarsaparilla I have lost only one slight attack of dyspepsia.

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## A Chicago Hold-Up.

"No, I'm not going to hold up my hands?" exclaimed the obstinate citizen whom a West Side footpad surprised at a late hour in a lonely part of the city one night last week. "I recognized the fact that you've got the drop on me and I'll have to cough up, but I'm going to hand over the dough myself."

"Be quick about it, then," said the footpad, sternly.

"I'll be as quick as I can," rejoined the other, "but this is business."

Producing his pocketbook he opened it and began to inspect the contents.

"What are you doing?" demanded the fellow at the other end of the gun.

"I'm counting the cost of this transaction. Just keep your shirt on a minute, will you? Ten, 15, 20, 25, 40, 43. I don't care much for the money," he continued, feeling in his vest pocket and adding in the palm of his hand or two to the sum in the purse. "I do for maintaining my system of finance intact."

"Forty-eight, 49."

"What the Sam Hill is your system of finance?"

"I keep a strict account of all the money I spend," replied obstinate citizen, feeling in his trousers pockets and extracting another coin.

"and I always know to a cent how much I ought to have on hand. Fifty-four. That's all I've got about me. Fifty-four cents, and you can take it and go to town—hold on! Wait till I enter it in this pass book. Fifty-four cents for—for charity. For charity 54 cents? You need the money, I take it? Or, rather you take it?"

"Don't get gay, my friend," said the footpad, grabbing the pocket book.

"I won't. And don't you get drunk with joy and make a spectacle of yourself. The 54 cents won't justify it. In the meantime, if you think I got any other property of a portable nature about me you are at liberty to search me. No? Well, then I'll move on. I've got to enter this in my expense book when I get home, and explain it to my wife besides, and altogether I'm 54 cents in cash and half an hour of valuable time worse off for having met you—damn your picture! Good-night!"—Chicago Tribune.

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that W. A. Stewart, a Justice of the Peace in and for Precinct No. 1, Sutton County, Texas, did on the 20th day of Sept., A. D., 1894, file for record in my office an appraisal, estray affidavit and bond. Wherein it appears that W. A. Holland has taken up on his ranch ten miles east of Sonora, in Sutton county, Texas, one stray bay mare about (10) ten years of age, ten hands high, brand on left shoulder.

Witness my hand and seal, at office in Sonora, Texas, this 20th day of Sept., A. D. 1894. W. B. SILLIMAN, County Clerk, Sutton Co. Tex. [SEAL] By E. R. Silliman, Deputy.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is the stockman's friend. Subscriptions...

## Boston Wool Market.

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter in its last weekly review of the Boston wool market says:

"The market at date continues steady. The London sales did not show the advance expected by some, yet considering the selections offered the trade was not greatly surprised. Since the opening a little more strength has developed especially on crossbred wools. Advices (today 25.1) confirm the advance of about 5 per cent on a hapenny a pound above prices at the close of the August sales.

"The undertone of our market is fairly strong; finer staple territory adapted to worsted purposes continues to be in request.

"There has been more looking round for fleeces, especially for medium and coarse grades, than for a month previously; in fact fleeces generally since the 18th have been more of a feature than anything else, and a considerable quantity of them in the aggregate have been sold. There has been a perceptible falling off in the amount of foreign wool sold this week.

"The sales of the week amount to 1,882,500 pounds domestic, and 525,000 foreign, making a total of 3,457,500 pounds, against a total of 4,426,750 for the previous week, and a total of 2,587,050 for the corresponding week last year. The sales since Jan. 1, 1894, amount to 108,948 835 pounds, against 88,319,450 pounds a year ago.

## Curing Sorghum For Hay.

Sorghum cane is cured for hay at the Texas station as follows: After mowing the sorghum lies on the ground long enough to dry out at the end of the blades. If the crop is thick, it is turned over to expose the bottom portion to the sun. Usually one full day's sun is required to dry it sufficiently to allow it to be put into the "cock."

These hay cocks may be five feet high and four in diameter, of the shape of an old fashioned beehive. All the hay that is put up in this manner should be well settled as it is laid on the pile. After having constructed it the proper height rake the loose sorghum away from the sides, leaving a neat pile of hay that will turn white in case it should rain. Allow it to remain in this shape for two or three days for fermentation to take place, which is evidenced by the "heating" and the deposit of dew upon the interior parts of the cock.

"After thoroughly warm and before the hay loses its natural color open the cocks and expose the hay to four or six hours' sun, according to the weight of the crop per acre and the size of stalks; then the hay is ready to haul to the barn or be placed in stacks, where it may safely be expected to remain without moulding. If the hay is allowed to remain in the cocks too long, the fermentation proceeds too far, and the hay sours and rots in the field. It will remain longer in the cocks without damage the less of water or sap it contains when put up. They may be baled if given six to ten hours' sun from the cock, depending on the size of stalks.

## Chicago, September 28, 1894

## EDITOR DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Receipts of cattle of all kinds for the week, 80,000 head, divided as follows: Natives 39,000, western rangers 32,000, Texas 9,000. With the heavy receipts Monday all grades of cattle took a downward turn, and the feeling has been slow and dull the entire week and prices at the close show a decline of 25 to 40 cents per hundred pounds on all native, western rangers and Texas steers, while cows and heifers close 10 to 15 lower than last week. Canning stock is in good demand and cows and steers that sell below \$2.75 meet with ready sale for canning purposes. There's a better demand feeders by \$3.10 to \$3.15 as high as feeders want to pay for the best western feeders. We see no reason why the market should go any lower than present prices. While we still expect to see a train of western cattle sell at 5 cents per pound before the season is over, there has been some good cattle here this week that sold at \$4.60 to \$4.80. Either drove, with a little sorting, would have brought 5 cents but no doubt the owners realized as much or more than they would if the tops had brought 5 cents, which is often the case. We are in hopes to report better prices next week.

Yours respectfully,  
KEENAN & SONS

John Eskin and John Penny of Menard county were in Sonora Monday.

Mayer & Hagerlund bought E. W. Wall's stock of cattle at private terms.

Mrs. Max Mayer returned from a visit to her parents at Ozona Thursday.

W. D. Sanderson bought of A. F. Clarkson 5300 sheep, over half wethers at \$1.47 1/2.—San Angelo Enterprise.

Geo. P. Lanier of Sutton county was here attending court this week. He says his county is in good fix for range now.

Mrs. McDonald of Juno has a pumpkin vine with one hundred pumpkins on it, some of which are of immense size.

Mrs. Potter of Dry Devil's River just above Bradford Springs recently caught two large snakes in a steel trap and killed them both with rocks.

consequent upon the cattle remains are causing much sickness in this county. Few families have altogether escaped the fever, resulting from malarial, and the result in some homes there is even a "vacant chair." Del Rio has never before known so much sickness.—Del Rio Record.

## For Sale or Lease.

We have lands in Sutton and Edwards counties, for lease at two cents per acre per annum, and for sale at seventy-five cents. Easy terms.

TAYLOR & SILLIMAN,  
5 St. Sonora, Texas.

## WANTED.

The wool growers of Sutton and adjoining counties to come and examine our stock of Rams now in Sonora and get our prices before purchasing elsewhere. All in first class condition and acclimated.

24 T. T. Thomason & Bro.

## NOTICE.

Owing to the existing hard times the undersigned will until further notice shoe horses at \$1 around. All other work in proportion.

F. M. WYATT,  
54 St. Blacksmith.

Parties wishing to buy any berry, ornamental grasses, etc., from the Lone Star Nursery, can secure catalogues, order blanks and cards at Mayer & Hagerlund, 300,000 trees located at Hyde Park, Austin. Order early and get the best. All orders should be sent in not later than the middle of October, as November is the best time to replant trees. 2-10.

## J. P. SWEENEY,

Boot and Shoe Maker,  
ALL WORK GUARANTEED TO  
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We solicit your consignment of wool, promising special attention and best market prices. We are prepared to advance money and supplies on consignments. Our charges for cash advances is ten per cent interest.  
Our charges for selling wool is one-quarter of a cent a pound, which covers all charges, including insurance, storage and drayage.  
Yours truly, MARCH BROTHERS, San Angelo, Texas.

### DeBerry & March,

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"THE BUCKSKIN BREECHERS" we mean—the best Jeans Pants on earth.

Mayer & Hagerlund sell the celebrated Buckskin Jeans Pants 50¢.

John Ryburn the half circle six cattle man, was in Sonora Wednesday. He want's steers.

Misener & Lanier the well drillers have finished a well for Frank Justice on the West Nueces. They secured abundance of water at a depth of 193 feet.

DR. H. G. COLSON  
Physician, Surgeon and Obstetrician.  
Office at DeBerry & March's drug store. Residence at the Geo. Dunagan place. All calls promptly answered.  
Sonora, Texas.

Go to SAM HUNKLES' Moss Hose saloon, under Hotel San Angelo, for fine Imported Brandies, Imported Claret, California Orange wine, fine liquors and cigars. 17-1f

Mrs. Ramsey of Shackelford county and Mrs. Sprout of Concho county, sisters to Mrs. J. A. Ogden returned to their homes last week after a short visit.

New goods at low prices will arrive next week at J. A. Ogden's on Ogden street.

Bob Turney was in town Friday.

Babe Barksdale returned from a work on Kickapoo in Edwards county this week.

Drink Lemps' extra pale it takes the lead. Geo. Bond, agent, San Angelo, Texas.

The candidates are out in full force.

Dr. H. Guernsey Jones,  
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Positively in Advance.

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County offices..... 10.00.  
Precinct offices (precinct No. 1)..... 5.00.  
County Commissioners..... 1.00.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS authorized to announce:

**For District Attorney.**  
Eugene Cartledge, for the office of District Attorney of the 1st, Judicial district at the November election.  
D. D. Wallace as a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the 1st Judicial district at the ensuing election.

**For District & County Clerk.**  
W. B. Stillman as a candidate for reelection to the office of District and County Clerk of Sutton County.

**For County Judge.**  
S. H. Stokes as a candidate for reelection to the office of County Clerk of Sutton County at the November election.

**For County Treasurer.**  
W. H. Go as a candidate for reelection to the office of Treasurer of Sutton County at the November election.

**For Assessor.**  
A. J. Swearingen, as a candidate for the office of Assessor of Sutton county at the November election.

**For Sheriff and Tax Collector.**  
J. L. Davis as a candidate for reelection to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the November election.

**Justice of the Peace and Commissioner.**  
W. A. Stewart as a candidate for reelection to the office of Justice of the Peace and Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, at the November election.

**Your musical goods.** If you get them from me they will be right. 99. GEO. ALLEN, San Angelo.

Budwiser and premium pale can't be beat. For sale by first class saloons. Geo. Bond, agent, San Angelo, Texas.

W. A. Glascock and W. J. Fields left for Kerrys county Friday to attend court.

Dr. E. B. Bidwell and J. C. Kirk of Gatesville, were in Sonora this morning.

Mark Tellerford returned from a trip to Kerrville Thursday. He was on the road 21 days. This indicates how much rain has fallen.

### Attention Sheepmen

We are better prepared to handle your wool than ever and will be pleased to receive your consignments.

Bear in mind that we have obtained fully from 1 to 2 cts. more per lb. for the wool than it sold for in other markets.

If you consult your own interest you will ship your wool to Kerrville.

Liberal advances made against sheep and wool  
Charles Schreiner.

To the People of Sutton County.

Important official business in the interests of the county and safe compels me to attend the United States court at El Paso on Oct. 1st, and there is no telling how long I may be absent. Having been very busy with official work since I have been in office and particularly for the past six months I have not had time to electioneer with the people and take this means of asking the support of all citizens and the public generally who approve of my work while sheriff of Sutton county. Thanking the people for their hearty co-operation in the past and asking for a continuance of the same if re-elected. I remain,  
Yours respectfully,  
J. L. DAVIS,  
Sheriff and Tax Collector

The success which Hood's Sarsaparilla has had in freeing old and young from afflictions caused by impure blood is really remarkable. Hood's Sarsaparilla is a building up-medicine.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, and do not purge, pain or grip. Sold by all druggists.

Berry Baker was in town Thursday from the range. He left for Karnes county Friday to attend court.

Peter Jager, San Angelo, manufacturer and dealer in marble works solicits your trade. 22-1f

Fred König the sheepman was in town Thursday for supplies.

Call on Zenker & Maters at the Favorite Saloon, when in San Angelo, take a glass of their cool beer and you will conclude to call every time you chance the way. 23-1f

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Runtree were in Sonora Saturday.

G. P. Hill the sheepman was in Sonora this week.

The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo. 28-1f

Mr. and Mrs. Bebe Barksdale were in Sonora Tuesday.

Geo. P. Lanier well known as one of the best all round machinists in West Texas, was in Sonora this week with his friends.

### Don't Tobacco Spit or Smoke Your Life Away

is the truthful, startling title of a little book that tells all about No-to-bac, the wonderful, harmless guaranteed tobacco habit cure. The cost is trifling and the man who wants to quit and can't runs no physical or financial risk in using "No-to-bac." Sold by all druggists. Book at drug stores or by mail free. Address the Sterling Remedy Company, Indiana Mineral Springs, Ind.

A most enjoyable dance and supper was given at the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Overstreet, 25 miles below Sonora, Wednesday night. The dancing, cards and games occupied the attention of those present from dark to day. The supper was simply immense and every one had a splendid time. The always-in-for-a-good-time B. B. Martin was master of ceremonies and James Martin of Sonora furnished the music. The following were present: Mrs. Overstreet, Misses Bertha Overstreet, Agnes Hill, Ollie Byrd, Sydney Overstreet, Nettie Hill, Josie Byrd; Messrs. R. H. Martin, Ed Looney, C. McTagert, G. P. Hill, P. H. Cooper, W. Warner, Henry Cusenbary, P. Hurst, W. R. Carruthers, Leonard Marshall, Giles, Ben and Joe Hill, James Martin and Mike Murphy.

**A Household Treasure.**  
D. W. Fuller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found it a very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if he could buy it for nothing. G. A. Dykeman, Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy that he has used in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at W. H. Cusenbary & Co's drug store. Regular size 50c, and \$1.00.

E. R. Misener the well driller was in Sonora for a few days this week.

John Potter, Henry Wej n, Asa Robertson and Mrs. Bradford left for San Angelo Wednesday, en wool business.

**Specimen Cases.**  
S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism. His stomach was disordered. His liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large Peyer sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by W. H. Cusenbary & Co's Drug store.

Married at the ranch of Wm Thurman, at Kickapoo Springs, Edwards county, on Sunday Sept. 30th, Albert Chapman to Miss Mattie Thurman, Judge J. J. Ellis officiating. The Devil's River News wishes Mr. and Mrs. Chapman much happiness.

D. Berry & March are now opening up the largest, cheapest and best selected stock of dry goods, notions, ladies and childrens shoes, hosiery and gents furnishing goods ever displayed in Sonora. 4

C. F. Adams returned from a business trip to San Angelo Tuesday.

Be sure and get Lemps' extra pale, Budwiser or premium pale when you call for beer.

Maj. A. A. D-Berry returned from San Angelo Saturday.

Al. Halev, Louis Barksdale, E. I. Fride, Rodge -Hemphill, James Massey, Will Haley, Jack Drago, Lis Moss, and Louis Macfield returned from San Angelo this week.

W. A. Holland left for Mason last Saturday to attend court as a witness.

### WOOL GROWERS!

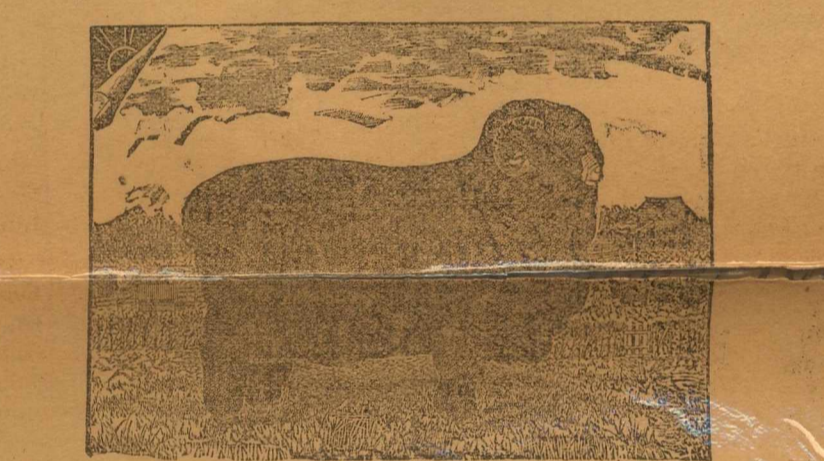
Our commission charges on WOOL for the coming fall clip will be as follows: 2 1-2 per cent and 25 cents per bag storage, also insurance.

If wool should bring 10 cents per pound there will be no charges for storage. Yours respectfully,

Schwartz & Raas,  
Wool Commission, San Angelo, Tex.

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These sheep are 1, 2 and 3 years old and will shear from 15 to 28 pounds. Prices and terms to suit the times. Parties purchasing now may leave rams at our ranch until wanted.

### BUCKS FOR SALE.

500 thoroughbred Merino Bucks for sale. Call at the old Patterson & Williams Ranch, 12 miles west of San Angelo, or address J. I. HUFFMAN, San Angelo, Texas.

A new project for the sanitation of the sewers in the City of Mexico at a cost of about \$25,000 calls for the building of some twenty-five wind mills in different parts of the city to rotate paddle wheels in the sewers and quicken the current to one meter per second.

The phonograph is gradually finding its way to industrial application. In the office of the Pull Mail Magazine articles are spoken into the cylinder, which is then sent to the printer, where it is set in a duplicate machine in which it winds off its message at the pace set by the compositor who works by ear. The proof reader uses the phonograph in the same way, and thus does away with the need of a copyholder.

The most pleasant resort in Sonora is the Mandin saloon. See our advertisement in this paper.

### WOODFORD (1881) WHISKEY

is the finest article that has ever sailed over the San Angelo bars. No headache guaranteed. For sale only at the Corner Saloon. San Angelo.

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SONORA, TEXAS, - October 6, 1894

TRIED TO DINE IN BROOKLYN.

It Was No Go, and He Altered His Map of the United States.  
"I accepted a dinner invitation in Brooklyn the other night, or rather the outskirts of Brooklyn," said a well-known lawyer at the Psi U. club. "Yes, I accepted the invitation," he added.  
"Might have done worse," said Alibodded Saman Wetmore.  
"I don't know," said the lawyer thoughtfully. "My nerves are still unstrung. I dined and left home at 5 o'clock. Now, that isn't a nice hour to appear in evening dress. When I crossed the bridge, I found myself in a maze of cars.

and rode and rode until the conductor shouted: "All out. This is the end of the line."  
"He was a decent sort of a fellow and interested in my case. He consulted with two other passengers and told me that six blocks down I would find a car that would take me where I wanted to go, or near. I ran those six blocks and they were long ones. Then I caught my car, and after telling the conductor where I wanted to go I rode and rode until he, too, shouted: "All out. End of the line. Just travel down this street three blocks and turn to the right. That's your game."  
"I did travel as he directed and at last found the number. I pulled the bell. My host came to the door. He was surprised to see me.  
"What! Is that you?" he said.  
"Well, well, I'm sorry. The fact is, old man, we gave you up, and we have just finished dinner. Of course we should be glad to have you come in, but it's only fair to tell you that it is now 8 o'clock, and the last car for the bridge leaves at 8:10. It's really too bad, and—"  
"But I didn't try to listen. I went back over the route that I came, got home at 11 o'clock and went to bed without my dinner. The next morning I got up early and took down my map of the United States and out Brooklyn out of it."—New York Sun.

**The Domical Letters.**  
The Romans used the first eight letters of the alphabet, A to H, to mark the consecutive days of their recurring nundinal period. The early Christians adopted the same plan for marking the days of the week, dropping the last letter (H) as unnecessary. In the church calendar A has always stood for the 1st of January, G for the second, etc., on down to G for the 7th, and then the cycle began again with A, which would make it return on the 15th, the 22d and so on. Each day of the year has thus its edicular letter, and the letter which falls on the first Sunday is the "Domical letter" of the year. Feb. 28 has always the letter C, and March 1, the letter D. Feb. 29, or "leap day," has no letter provided for it, and this makes a change in the Sunday letter after February, so that in leap years there are two Domical letters. As the common year contains 52 weeks and one day, the Domical letter changes from year to year, always going backward one place for a common year and two places for leap years. This mode of representing the days of the week has been uninterruptedly employed in the calendar of the church throughout the Christian world since the earliest dates in our era.—St. Louis Republic.

**Aluminum Watches.**  
A fad of the Parisian swells is the aluminum timepiece. They are very light in weight—but a trifle more than the works. The cases are in a dull black color—very effective. Some are open faced, some are open in a small three-quarter inch disk in the center, with small gilt hands on the black face of the watch, but they are in all sorts of inlaid decoration in colorings, but the best of it is they are very reasonable in price.  
It is the custom at the gay capital for the lady to carry this timepiece in the right hand trousers pocket along with the keys, coin, matchbox and other paraphernalia of the masculine pocket. It is, however, the wont of the owners to push the hand down in the pocket with great show of devil may care and bring forth the watch, of which the material is unscrutable, from among the other articles, glance at the time and carelessly replace it with an air of certainty in its infallibility.—Clothing and Furnisher.

**Why They Parted.**  
After living together for 37 years Avery Bristow of Boston and his wife have parted. He went to sleep on the lounge one day, and while he snored Mrs. Bristow applied acid to a wart on the front of his neck. In a few days it disappeared. When it is known that Avery used that wart for a collar button for 20 years, his anger and chagrin may be accounted for. It is impossible to cause another wart to grow in its place.—New York Mail and Express.

**His Last Chance.**  
"Did you ever notice," said Mrs. N. Peck, "that about half the pictures in the photographers' windows are of bridal couples? I wonder why they always rush off to a photographer as soon as the knot is tied?"  
"I guess the husband is responsible for it," said Mr. Peck. "He realizes that it is about his last chance to ever look pleasant."—Cincinnati Tribune.

**MANY HISTORIC TREES.**  
Those That Grace the Avenues of the National Capital.  
Among the 75,000 trees which the Capital City of the nation is so proud of and which go so far toward making it the beautiful place it is, are a number of historic trees planted either by famous personages or to commemorate special events. The oldest and the one which always attracts the attention of those tourists who chance to know about it is the magnificent elm in the capitol park, opposite the senate entrance.  
It is about 100 feet high and is covered with a fine growth of ivy. This tree and another of the same variety, but now dead, were planted a century ago by the first president, and the one now standing is called the "Washington elm." Occupying relatively the same position in the park, but facing the house entrance, is the "Cameron elm," not because the distinguished Pennsylvanian planted it, but because he pleaded so eloquently for its life when threatened. In the spring of 1892 President Harrison set out two fig trees in the ground south of the executive mansion, and both are doing well, though one has out-tripped the other by two feet.  
A fine sycamore or plane tree, which stands not far from the Lincoln monument in the park of the same name on Capitol hill, is known as the "Thaddeus Stevens tree." The great Pennsylvanian planted it in the stormy days of 1862 in the Botanical gardens, but so often were the grounds overflowed by a quiet appearing little stream rejoicing in the classic name of Tiber that the tree did not flourish, and in 1870 it was removed to its present location, where it has reached an altitude of nearly 100 feet. The largest and most famous collection of trees, and not behind any in beauty, is the historic grove in the Botanical gardens, under the care of Mr. William R. Smith, the superintendent. Mr. Smith has been in charge since the administration of Fillmore, a period so long as to permit him to see the growth of his plants from childhood to adolescence, if not maturity.  
Philadelphia is represented by two splendid cypresses, brought over from the Quaker City by Edwin Forrest, the great tragedian, and John W. Forney, the journalist. Not far from these stands the Albert Pike tree, a cypress, planted by General Pike when occupying the highest position in the Masonic order. A great oak, set out in 1862 by John C. Crittenden of Kentucky, is a superb specimen of the family of trees to which it belongs. There are the Morrill trees, planted respectively by the senators from Maine and Vermont; the Hoar and Vance trees; the Holman tree, set out by the Indiana member more than a quarter of a century ago; the Bayard tree, an oak planted by Mr. Bayard when secretary of state, and most curious of all, the little six foot high Chinese oak, resembling in the triple name of Confucius Dana-Cummings. The acorn from which it came was picked up on the grave of the great philosopher, sent by a friend to Mr. Charles A. Dana, and raised by his gardener at his place on Long Island, and planted by Representative Amos J. Cummings.—Philadelphia Ledger.

**TAME CODFISH.**  
A Place in the Irish Channel Where They Come to Be Fed.  
At Logan, near the mill of Galloghly, there is a most interesting tidal fishpond. A rent in the cliffs facing the Irish channel admits the salt water through a narrow fissure protected by a grating into a circular rock basin some 30 feet in diameter and 20 feet deep. The cliffs rise high all round. Stone steps descend on one side to a ledge levelled into a footpath at the water's edge. No sooner does the visitor's footfall resound on the stairs than the green water, hitherto motionless and apparently lifeless, becomes peopled with large brown fish rising from the depths, gliding and dashing about in a great state of excitement. These are cod, hake and saithe, which, caught on lines in the sea, have been transferred to this pond to be fattened for the table. They are fed daily by the keeper, and experience has taught them to connect the sound of footsteps with their mealtime.  
Formerly a clapper used to be rung to summon them, but this was no more than a trick of the stage. The footfall on the stone is quite enough to waken them to activity. Most of the cod, being deep water fish, become totally blind in captivity from excess of light, but they become so tame and accustomed to their keeper as not only to feed out of his hand, but some of them allow themselves to be lifted out of the water. One may witness the strange sight of a huge cod, more than an ell long, dangled on the knee like a baby, his mouth stuffed with mussels and limpets, after which he is returned to the water with a mighty splash. On the table these fish, thus tended and fed, prove much better than fish brought straight from the open sea.  
The other instance concerned the hearing of fresh water fish and was not less suggestive to the angler. I was sitting painting by the side of a large loch one still day in October. The shallow water at the margin was full of small fry of some sort, probably young perch. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon a shooting party made their appearance on a hillside distant about three-quarters of a mile. Their shots were infrequent. I could see the flash and smoke and several seconds later the sound of the discharge came through the quiet air. At each report the fry in the shallows darted off into the deep water, then drew gradually back toward the edge, to be startled again to flight by the next shot. This occurred seven or eight times in the course of half an hour, and there could be no doubt whatever that, whether they fish heard the reports as clearly as I did or less clearly, they heard them so distinctly as to be alarmed.—National Magazine.

**Wonderful Strength.**  
In the sixteenth century there lived a remarkably strong man, a major, named Barsabas. One day he took up an anvil weighing 500 pounds and hid it under his cloak. He could crush between his fingers the limbs of big animals. One day, seeing a crowd looking at an enormous dancing bear, he offered to wrestle with the animal. The major threw the bear down several times, and judging it unworthy of further struggles slew the animal with his fist and carried it away on his shoulders amid the cheers of the crowd.  
Another day, seeing several officers of his regiment surrounded by an angry crowd, he ran to them, knocking people down right and left as a child does with a pack of cards. The crowd, exasperated, turned round on him, but seizing two of his assailants, one with each hand, he used them as clubs on the crowd, who, astonished at his extraordinary display of strength, quickly drew back. Once he squeezed to pulp the hand of a man who wanted to fight him.  
Barsabas' sister was also remarkable for her strength. Some burglars entered a convent where she was. She threw one out of the window and killed two others with a pillar she tore down and used as a club.—Bow Bells.

**The White Ash Tree.**  
Our native white ash is a hardy tree which grows rapidly to noble proportions. Its upright habit of growth and clean, abundant foliage favor it for street planting where no great breadth of shade is desired. It has a very cheerful look all through the season of foliage, although its aspect when leafless is rather stiff and formal. In moist localities the white ash is a notably fine tree. For the dwellers upon a street who wish lines of trees a little off from the commoner sorts, the white ash will serve them well. It should be mentioned that the ash, grouped or lined with other trees, presents a most incongruous appearance. These trees should stand by themselves or have entire lines on both sides of a street or avenue.—Providence Journal.

**Bygones.**  
A professor in a scientific school was questioning a student on some matters which had been gone over at the beginning of the term.  
"I say, professor," said the student, "do you think that's hardly fair?"  
"What do you mean?" asked the professor.  
"Why, don't you think we ought to do as Shakespeare says and let bygones be bygones?"—Youth's Companion.

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A Confederate Sentinel Puts a Prisoner on Guard While He Goes Courting.  
"A funny war incident occurred down there," said Mr. John W. Woodruff, pointing downward from the Forsyth street bridge to the track running between the bridge and the National hotel.  
"When Forrest captured Colonel Straight's raiders at Rome, they were brought to Atlanta in box cars and were switched off on that track. As Forrest's men had to return to Rome, a detail from Major Leyden's artillery, then in camp here, was sent down to guard the prisoners. I was a member of the company, and the facts of the case are fresh in my recollection yet. The doors on one side of the cars remained locked, and the doors on the other side were open. In front of each of these doors one of Leyden's men stood on guard."  
"Everything went along smoothly until the relief came around after dark. The officer in charge of the relief squad found to his astonishment that one of the cars was guarded by a Yankee with a musket."  
"Hello! What does this mean?" asked the officer.  
"Oh, it's all right," replied the Yankee. "The young man on duty here wanted to go to the dance, and he promised me his rationals. I would take his place for him."  
"You took Mr. Yankee's musket from him and made him enter the car and stationed one of our men at the door. The fellow had told the truth, as we found out when the absent guard returned. The youngster was fresh and knew nothing about soldiering. He saw no harm in slipping off to see his girl, and, as luck would have it, he had picked out a prisoner who was a man of his word."  
"Our comrade would have been severely punished if his case had been reported, but the boys enjoyed the joke so much that they kept it from Major Leyden until it was safe to let it be known."  
"Wouldn't that Yankee and a jolly friend, the Confederate, have a jolly time if they could meet at some reunion of the blue and the gray? If they are both living, they ought to get together."—Atlanta Constitution.

**Indecent Whist Play.**  
One of the best whist players in Rochester sends to us the hands played by him and his friends at a recent sitting. North dealt and turned the king of spades, as the hands were as follows:  
East—Spades, 5 and 4; diamonds, A, K, Q, and 3; hearts, 10 and 9; clubs, 7, 6, 5, and 4.  
West—Spades, A, K, Q, diamonds, 7 and 2; hearts, 8, 7, 4 and 3; clubs, 8, 6, 5, and 2.  
North—Spades, K, Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 and 5; diamonds, Q, 10 and 8; hearts, Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, and A.  
The score was six apiece, and as North arranged his cards he felt sure of winning the game. He had seven trumps—and they were not "mostly small," and he had a chance of trumps in both clubs and diamonds. But, as a matter of fact, he failed to get even the odd, owing to the skillful play of his opponents.  
East took four tricks in succession by leading the king of diamonds, king of hearts, ace of clubs and ace of diamonds. Then he led a small diamond, which his partner trumped, and the partner being alive to the situation, led back a small club, which East trumped, returning another diamond upon which West put his ace of trumps, while North was obliged to throw away a trump then, the odd having been scored against him and the same game. North, in much disgust, flung down his six good trumps, with sundry remarks not for publication.—Rochester Post-Express.

**Sherman's Humor.**  
It was a common thing for General Sherman to stop his horse and speak words of encouragement or praise to some subordinate officer or private soldier struggling at the roadside. He had his humorous side with them too. When the army reached Goldsboro, half the men were in rags. One lay a division was ordered to march past him in review. The men were weary, legged and ragged, some of the almost listless.  
"Ory look at the poor fellows with their bare legs," said an officer at the general's side sympathizingly.  
"Splendid legs," cried the general, with a wink in his eye, "splendid legs. Would you both of mine for any one of them?"—McClure's Magazine.

**A Case of Point.**  
Of Sergeant Arwin, who had not a clear notion of speech, it is related that he had been arrested as a "Prisoner at the bar, if there was a clearer case than this," a man robbing his master, thus it is that case." At another time, he said, "Prisoner at the bar, you have been found guilty on several indictments, and it is in my power to submit you to transportation for a period very considerably beyond the term of your natural life, but the court, in its mercy, will not go so far as to attach to you a life term, and the sentence is that you be transported for two periods of seven years each."—London Globe.

**Useless.**  
George—Amelia, dear, do you believe that love is blind?  
Amelia—Yes, George, darling.  
George—Then, dear, I do not see any need of keeping the gas burning.—Harvard Lampoon.

**A Signed Retort.**  
Housewife (showing sample of milk to local dairy keeper)—Look here! I bought this milk from you. It's half water, and the rest is clark, and you sold it as "pure country milk."  
The "Milk Maker" (with dignity)—Madam, to the pure all things are pure.—London Answers.

**Modern Youth.**  
Father (visiting at college)—My son, these are better cigars than I can afford.  
Son—That's all right, father. Take all you want. This is on me.—Yale Record.

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NO JAY, AFTER ALL.  
A Town Officer Who Surprised the Sharpers in Their Game.  
Poker in small towns often rises to a pitch one would hardly expect. Such was the case in a little village in one of the New England states.  
Around a table in a country hotel sat three strangers who were just going through the town and had got up a friendly game by roping in the usual country party, who made the fourth of the party.  
After an hour's play they had fleeced their victim to the tune of probably \$40. The game was good natured and did not grow, so the game was continued.  
The blacks showed no mercy. They did not let him win even a few dollars to encourage him, but either booked his cards every trip or else whipsaw him until he was forced to drop.  
Forty dollars had swelled to \$50, and at the last pot the country jay was a loser.  
"Give you had enough?" asked the leader of the gang, rising with a smile and his winnings.  
The jay looked angry, and quietly drawing a revolver from his pocket, he said:  
"Gentlemen, I am one of the electmen of this town. You may consider yourselves under arrest."  
The gang, awestruck, was led to the lockup, where it stayed for the night.  
The following morning before the selectman were the three men. The constable had searched them. He placed the contents of their pockets on the table.  
"Gentlemen, you are charged with gambling and obtaining money by fraud. What have you to say?"  
It matters little what they said. The sentence interested them more—a fine of \$50 each or 30 days in the county jail.  
The fines were paid, and the money went to the selectman or the state. Next morning the jay bought a new set of chips.—Chicago Times.

**Sorry He Spoke.**  
It was on a crowded Sixth avenue street. The atmosphere was stifling, and the passengers resented the arrival of every newcomer as a personal affront. A baby about the middle of the car had been threatening to cry for several minutes and had not yet done so. A woman, a longed howl, fell by a series of nerve racking sobs. All the women looked sympathetic and the solutions were suggested. "Poor little woman," "Let me see," said another. "Cluck it out," said another, "growled a fat man with a wind!" who was fanning himself with a collar, with his hat. He said vigorously enough, but there was such a port of feminine indignation that he was glad to get out at the next stop. As the train stopped he fumbled his way onto the platform and puffing and red faced, while a child wailing rent the air, and a chorus of epithets such as "Brute!" and "Beast!" saluted the ears of the astonished people waiting on the platform. The fat man had a guilty, hunted look as he made his way to the street.—New York World.

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