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IN BOHEMIA.

I happened, when she came to town,
From somewhere called "Peory,"
To knock that leering fellow down,
But—that's another story.
She's just as sweet as she is shy,
And many times more clever
Than "leading ladies" who sweep by
With airs of high endeavor.
I help her knit her red gold hair
Beneath her simple bonnet,
More glorious crown, I swear,
Than one with jewels on it.
And when I take her out to dine—
Although it's not with charity—
She smiles upon me all divine—
Composite Marlowe Terry.
I watch her from a gallery nook,
Her role is not complex. If
Cassius, according to the book,
In "Enter L and exit."
I'm always waiting at the door,
A cab when it is muggy,
For when at last the play is o'er,
She's mine—not "understudy."
—Dorothea Lummis in Kate Field's Washing-
ton.

Garfield as a Book Reviewer.

Concerning Garfield's inordinate
love for books a new story is told
here. When he first came to Wash-
ington, his salary was not sufficient
to support his family and to gratify
his taste for literature, and it was
his large expenditure for new books,
in fact, which kept him poor and
added to his difficulties. In those
days Garfield devoured every new
book that came from the press, and
his mania in this direction led to an
arrangement between himself and
the proprietors of the bookstore here.
At the time publishers were in the
habit of sending two copies of all
new works to dealers for the purpose
of securing reviews in the newspa-
pers, and this firm asked Garfield if
he would not like to have the new
books turned over to him for review.
"I never saw a happier man than
Garfield was when this proposal was
made to him," says the book dealer.
"He fairly hugged me for joy. Ev-
ery night thereafter for three years
he would stop at the store on his
way from the house and take home
with him an armful of new books.
Then he would sit up nearly all
night, reading these and writing out
notices for the newspapers, bringing
us the copy the next morning. I can
turn to the files of the old newspa-
pers and show you columns of book
notices written by Mr. Garfield."
—Cor. Chicago Times-Herald.

Absentminded.

There is an Illinois congressman
who is a trifle absentminded. His
friends tell a story about him which
exasperates him so that he has
threatened to kill the very next per-
son who repeats it. That only proves
that it is true, you know. However,
this is the story: The congressman
was walking along a Chicago street
one day with a friend when he was
stopped by a beggar.
The congressman—you know how
tender hearted congressmen are—
went down into his pocket. He looked
at the beggar sympathetically as he
handed him a half dollar.
"How long have you been dumb?"
he asked.
"Twenty years," said the beggar.
"Dear me, dear me!" murmured
the congressman as he walked on.
"Isn't that dreadful? Dumb 20
years!"
And then the point dawned on
him.—Washington Post.
"Robin Adair."
"Robin Adair" was by Lady Caro-
line Keppel, the daughter of the
Earl of Albemarle. Robin was a real
character, a young Irish doctor who
had been forced by a scandalous
adventure to leave Ireland and seek
his fortune in England. Chance
threw a rich patient in his way, and
at her house he met Lady Caroline,
and the result was a case of love at
first sight on both sides. Her parents
objected and sent her away, and
during her absence she produced the
song. The story ended happily, the
parents relented, and the twain were
married.

Goethe.

Goethe was pronounced "the hand-
somest man of Europe." He was a
little over 6 feet in height, but so
well proportioned that he did not
seem tall. His features were of the
Roman type, his hair rather light
than dark, his whole appearance
commanding. Even to extreme old
age he retained a large share of the
personal good looks that earlier in
life had made him so attractive.
Spurgeon had a tremendous voice,
but seldom raised it above an ordi-
nary conversational tone. This, how-
ever, was sufficient to fill the vast
building in which his audiences were
gathered.
Austria is a western rendering of
Austria, "the eastern kingdom."
It was thus called to distinguish it
from the western empire founded by
Charlemagne.
Victor Hugo's face is described by
those who knew him as far more
kindly than his pictures would seem
to indicate.
From the thirteenth to the seven-
teenth century a blue coat in Eng-
land was the sign of a servant.
"His honor is at stake," said the
waiter when the county court judge
was at dinner.

WHAT ENGLISH DOCTORS EARN.

A list which shows that positions at \$500
a year are eagerly sought.
Dr. George F. Shady recently
wrote an article about the earnings
of physicians and surgeons in this
city which excited some discussion
in England because of the figures
quoted. It appeared from those criti-
cisms that English doctors in the
best practice do not, with a few nota-
ble exceptions, earn anything like
such large sums as their New York
brethren, while the difficulties in
the way of establishing a practice
are much greater in England than
they are here.

A flood of light is thrown upon
this subject by a list of "vacancies"
published in a recent number of the
London Lancet, which shows that
after the years of study and the large
sums of money devoted to acquiring
a medical education the practitioner
may reach middle life before being
able to support himself from his pro-
fession, and is often glad to accept
positions where the pay is smaller
than that of domestic servants.

These were some of the items in
the list of "vacancies":
Cancer Hospital (free), Fulham
road, S. W.—House surgeon for six
months. Salary at the rate of £50 per
annum, with board and residence.
Central London Ophthalmic Hos-
pital, 238 A Gray's Inn road, W. C.
—House surgeon. Rooms, meals and
light provided.
Guest Hospital, Dudley.—Resident
medical officer. Salary commencing
at £100 per annum, increasing by £10
a year to £130 if services are satisfac-
tory, with board, residence and wash-
ing.

Hospital for Diseases of the
Throat, Golden Square, London, W.
—Registrar and pathologist for six
months. An honorarium at the rate
of 25 guineas a year.

Northeastern Hospital For Chil-
dren, Hackney Road, Shoreditch, N. E.
—Junior house physician for six
months. Board and lodging, includ-
ing washing, provided.

Parish of Ronsay and Egilsbay,
Orkney.—Resident medical officer.
Salary £51 per annum.

Royal South London Dispensary.
—Surgeon in ordinary to visit pa-
tients at their own homes in the
Waterloo district. Honorarium £20
per annum.

Salford Royal Hospital.—House
surgeon. Salary £100 per annum,
with board and residence.

Wirral Children's Hospital, Wood-
church road, Birkenhead.—Resi-
dent house surgeon (lady or gentle-
man). Salary £50 per annum, with
board, lodging on the premises and
washing.

Only thoroughly qualified physi-
cians or surgeons could secure the
positions here described, and each of
them would find many competitors
eager to do the work, even at these
unremunerative rates. A first class
medical education cannot be received
in Great Britain save at a great out-
lay of money. After graduation the
young practitioner must serve a long
term in a sort of apprenticeship, not
only without pay, but secured by the
deposit of a heavy premium.

From the foregoing, but we
seen that well as one-third
do not hesitate to RANTEED.

surgeon or then get your and
light" for so as to get without a
cent of p. amably he must
board. The highest salary
being to this list is but
per year, and that only after
years' services.

The same number of this English
medical journal contains many ad-
vertisements of physicians who offer
to sell out their practice before re-
fusing some of whom ask the purchase
price of several years as the purchase
price. One man in London makes a
specialty of buying and selling the
established practice of physicians.—
New York World.

A Little Dry, But—

The Rev. Mr. Pashington was not
feeling as well as usual, the church
was cold, and some of the big boys
near the door undertook to enliven
matters by coughing in chorus and
throwing in now and then a start-
ling imitation of a sneeze. The
preacher stood it patiently a few
minutes, and then paused in his dis-
course long enough to say: "If I
hear any more of that noise back
there, young men, I'll walk you out
of this building, one by one, or all
in a bunch. I ain't very particular
which. I've had dealings with fel-
lows of your stripe dozens of times,
and I know how to manage 'em.
Now, you quiet down mighty quick
or there'll be trouble." A deathlike
stillness pervaded the church. He
waited a moment to let it take effect.
"I know I'm a little dry this morn-
ing, brethren," he said, "but I'm not
so dry that anybody can rattle me.
The text says in the third place"—
etc.—Chicago Tribune.

An Automatic Buoy.

At the yachting exhibition in Lon-
don there was shown a "combined
ship's buoy." It is carried on deck,
and when the ship sinks it floats and
records at once the hour and minute
of the disaster. It then automatically
fires rockets, burns blue lights
shows a lamp and rings a bell.

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SONORA, TEXAS, June 1, 1895.

To Whom It May Concern.

Applicants for appointment to the Sam Houston Normal Institute will appear for examination before the county board of examiners on the 15th day of June, each in his own county; said board will receive full instructions in the premises, through the county judge. R. A. SMITH, Rep., 95th Leg., District.

France is now kicking against American lard.

The rains of last week did great damage in Uvalde and Kerr counties.

San Angelo has sold 3,000,000 pounds of wool this season at an average price of 7 cents a pound.

When you get returns from your wool call in and let us know who sold it and the price obtained. There is money in it for you.

Oscar Wilde and Alfred Taylor the national English prisoners, have been sentenced to two years at hard labor.

The Fifth National bank of San Antonio, has gone into voluntary liquidation. Arrangements have been made with the Alamo national bank to pay all deposits in full.

Kerrville, Texas May 25.—John A. Morris the celebrated millionaire of Louisiana lottery fame, died at his ranch in Gillespie county at 5 p.m., today, aged 51. The cause of his death was apoplexy.

Little Fay, baby daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Dodson, died at eight o'clock Saturday evening, at the residence of her grandmother Mrs. Mathilda Day.—Davilla Tribune.

The Philadelphia Record reports wool unchanged and quiet, which is a matter of unusual comment, because it is a strong contrast with the activity of the manufacturing trade. But it is evident that mills had fairly supplied themselves with wool to bridge over the period between clips. Eastern and western operators are apart on prices.

The Fort Worth Stock Journal says: "Think of it! In 1892 Texas had more than 7,000,000 cattle; now it would require a close count to muster over 3,000,000."

The man who owns cattle of enterprise that would do credit to the dog's name, sits a glass at the bar in our own good town of New York, and the humor of the situation so overcame me that I laughed then and there. To the man with the cigar I explained, to his evident disgust, how I had been already taken in, and went away after remarking that I should have got a better cigar for the money I paid. During my stay in Rotterdam I was tackled several times by these rogues in and hugely enjoyed telling them of the manner in which I bought my cigars.—I always find owners from there to be large parts of the state. We wish him success.—The Sonora people met this afternoon and decided on a national bank. One hundred and thirty shares were subscribed on the spot. A committee of four were appointed to finish the matter. This, with the telegraph line to Angelo, will give Sonora what she has long wanted.—Rock Springs Rustler.

The famous Blocker case was disposed of in the federal court in San Antonio this week, the jury in the case returning a verdict for the claimant, Mr. Vaughan, to whom Mr. Blocker sold, on Thursday last. The case was for the recovery of 1100 head of cattle, seized by the revenue employees of this district as smuggled from Mexico while the property of Blocker and Shaw, of this county, a few years ago. The cattle had been sold to Mr. Vaughan by Messrs. Blocker and Shaw before the seizure, and consequently, the suit for the recovery of the property was instituted by the former. The decision of the suit against the government, which has had custody of the cattle from the time of the seizure, returns the cattle to the owner, and virtually disposes of the cases against Messrs. Blocker and Shaw for the alleged smuggling of the stock from Mexico, which was claimed by the government.—Eagle Pass Guide.

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Stock News.

If you want steer or she cattle come to Sonora.

Jackson & Richardson of San Angelo sold H. Knausenberger's wool clip at 7 1-4 cents a pound.

C. C. West of Schleicher county sold 100 head of cows and calves to H. N. Irving of Irion county at \$15.

Dock Simmons was in Sonora Saturday and reports having sold his wool through C. W. Hobbs of San Angelo at 7 1-4 cents a pound.

H. Knausenberger sold 700 muttons to D. B. Cusenbary of Sonora at \$200 for wethers and \$1.75 for ewes.

Halbert Bros. and Halbert & Sellers wool was sold in San Angelo by March Bros. at 6 1-2 cents per pound.

Wm. Bevans of Menardville bought from G. H. McDonald of Sutton county, his yearling steers at \$10.50 a head.

R. J. Ownes and A. J. Sykes of Sutton county sold 100 head of steers, 3s and 4s at \$20 a head to J. M. Piper of San Angelo.

Sam Martin of Sutton county sold to Wm. Bevans of Menard 30 head of 3 year old steers at \$17 a head.

Louis Welge sold a clip of wool this week for 9 1 2 cents a pound.—Kerrville Paper.

J. J. Ford sold 3000 sheep to J. R. Hamilton at Kerrville last week \$2 for the top \$1.75 and \$1.50 for balance.—Rock Springs Rustler.

John O'Meara sold last week, 125 head of stock cattle at \$20 per head. Good price, that.—Carrizo Springs Javeline.

F. W. Richardson sold 120 head of mixed horses last week at \$5.50 per head.—E. Holekamp bought 50 head of steers last week 1s and 2s at \$10 and \$13.—John L. Jones bought 350 head of cattle Monday on a basis of 10 and \$13 for 1s and 2s, cows and bulls \$0 for good cattle.—Kimble Citizen.

From the Del Rio Record. Dodd & Ashby of Langtry sold 1350 ewes and mutton mixed, to A. J. Knelin of Kansas City at \$1.75.

John Charleton Clarkson sold 500 ewes to James McLymont at \$2.25, delivery May 28th. These were a fine grade.

John Almond of Comstock sold 2500 mixed sheep, ewes and mutton, to James McLymont at an average of \$2.00, delivery June 20th.

Major Gildea bought 1,000 head of sheep of Ed Ross and will ship from Del Rio to market. The rate is private, but the price was \$2.00. Mr. Ross had some good sheep.—Del Rio Record.

From the San Angelo Standard: R. A. Williamson and B. L. McMullan sold their clips at 6 3 4c per pound.

Jackson & Richardson sold Cooper & Rae's wool clip at 7 cents. J. I. Huffman bought 800 mutton this week from D. K. McMullan of Devil's River, for \$2.12 1-2.

Jackson & Richardson sold Bob Winlow's spring clip at 7 cents per pound, last week.

Joe Thiele left yesterday for Midland to receive 1300 muttons he bought from Simon Poll, on Howard, at \$2.25 per head.

Ed Crosson got \$2.10 for 600 and \$2 for 400 muttons that he sold last week to Ben Cusenbary and not \$2 all round as reported.

H. H. Carmichael writes Phil Perner that down in the lower counties, such as Kerr, Gillespie, Bandera, etc., cows are held at \$15 a head, and cows and calves at \$20. Where will the rise stop?

H. McKenzie bought 2000 head of muttons this week from Pete McKinley and Bill Wark at private terms. These muttons were in fine shape and brought good figures, somewhere around \$2.50 a head.

Phil Perner sold this week 90,000 pounds of wool to Leon Halfin agent for Dwight, Skinner & Co., of Boston, at 7 cents per pound. Mr. Perner says there are about 100 bags yet to arrive to complete his receipts for this spring.

The quarter of a million pounds of wool purchased here last week by J. Villegas, of Laredo, and shipped to Mexico, cost him in the neighborhood of 8 cents, the freight is about 1 1-2 cents, and the duty 8 cents Mexican money or 4 cents American. That makes the wool cost the manufacturer in Mexico, 13 1-2 American money or 27 cents Mexican coin.—San Angelo Standard.

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J. D. Russell from the lower edge of Sutton county, was in Sonora Thursday trading.

Al Haley the cattleman was in town this week.

Secretary of State Gresham died at his home in Washington on May 28 h.

Wm. Babb and family left this week for Menard county.

To Readers and Friends: of the Devil's River News You will help this paper by patronizing those who advertise in its columns. Give advertising patrons of this paper preference when placing your orders.

General Directory.

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

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C. W. Hobbs of San Angelo sold G. Huber's wool at 7 cents per pound.

J. L. Davis bought the Wm. Babb stock of cattle at \$10 a head 15 calves counted. Jim Babb has gone on a visit to Menard county.

J. O. Rountree, salesman for A. A. DeBerry met with a painful accident this week, by a molasses barrel crushing his left hand.

J. Roberts for a number of years E. Holekamp of Junction City was in Sonora Thursday on business for his firm.

The Rock Springs Rustler in speaking of Dr. P. C. Richardson the dentist of San Antonio, says: He is a good workman and we can recommend him to the people of Sonora and Ozona.

There will be a meeting at the court house Tuesday night to make arrangements for the celebration of the Fourth of July. Every body should attend.

DENTIST.

Dr. P. C. Richardson, practitioner in San Antonio with Dr. O. B. Love, and a graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, arrived in Sonora this week and will remain one week longer. His office is at the Decker Hotel.

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Dont forget to make the Maud S Saloon your headquarters. T. B. BIRTRONG, Pro.

The greatest length of the United States from east to west is on the parallel of 45 degrees north latitude, that is to say, from Eastport, Me., on the Atlantic coast, to a point on the Pacific, exactly fifty-two and one half miles due west of Salem, Ore. On the above parallel it is exactly 2,768 miles long. Its greatest width, from north to south, is on the 97th degree of longitude, which extends through the United States in an almost direct line from Pembina, N. D. to Point Isabel, Tex. The greatest width is 1611 1-2 miles.

It is astonishing what an amount of satisfaction and comfort is derived from wearing pants that fit neatly, look well and are the best made. If you wish to experience this satisfaction try a pair of the BUCKSKIN BREECHES. They are warranted in every respect. Hagerlund Bros. have Buckskin Jeans in all sizes.

June 1, 1895

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A.A. DeBerry,

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IF YOU WANT TO BUY OR SELL
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Smoke "Our Favorite" for 5c. 21 Cusenbary & Briant.

R. J. Owens the cattleman from Copperas was in Sonora Monday.

When calling for Beer be sure and call for Fort Worth. 35

D. R. Holland the cattleman was in Sonora Monday.

The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo. 38 if

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Relley were in Sonora Monday trading.

Your cigar dealer will give you a briar pipe free. See adv't of Duke's Mixture. 18.

Wm. Mollenhauer of the sheep firm of Mollenhauer & Hedden, was in Sonora Monday.

Sam Merck the cattleman from the Franks Defeat country was in Sonora Monday for supplies.

A. J. Buck a photographer from Edwards county, arrived in Sonora this week.

Born in Sonora on Tuesday May 28, to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Harris, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McDonald of the Lost Lake country were in Sonora Tuesday trading.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Williamson after a short visit to friends in San Angelo passed through Sonora Monday on their way to the ranch.

Wm. Bevans the well known and popular cattleman of Menardville, was in Sonora a few days this week.

Miss Willie Jones of Robert Lee, Coke county, arrived Saturday on a visit to her sister Mrs. Frank Gibbons.

Go to SAM RUNKLES' Moss Rose saloon, under Hotel San Angelo, for fine imported Brandy, imported Claret, California Orange wine, fine liquors and cigars. 17-1f

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Green of Edwards county, were in Sonora this week trading. They were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Jones.

J. M. Cusenbary has opened a fruit, confectionery and ice cream parlor next to the post office. See card in this issue. 35

MONTHLY HOP.

To the People of the Devil's River Country:

You are respectfully invited to attend a hop at the Court House in Sonora on Friday night, June 14th. This will be the regular monthly hop for June and a good attendance is expected.

The post master general has granted the petition asking for a mail route from Sonora to Junction City twice a week. Bids will be received up to June the 8th for the carrying of said mail. Particulars may be obtained at the post office.

New dress goods and trimmings to arrive this week at Hagerlund's.

Those who favor organizing a debating society are requested to meet at the court house Saturday night June 1st, at 8 o'clock p.m. Messrs. S. D. Foote, W. W. Rasor and others will address the meeting.

Some nice patterns in oil cloth just received at Hagerlund's.

The following gentlemen from Llano were in Sonora this week: A. J. Ballard, Wm. Lawrence, W. O. Culbertson, J. H. Knowles, and Mason Cole. They are out on a hunting and fishing trip.

Mrs. J. C. Whately and son Levada, arrived in Sonora from Brackett this week, returning with their daughter and sister Miss Hattie who has been teaching music in Sonora the past year.

Saratoga Flakes, Wafers and other fancy crackers fresh from factory at Hagerlund's. 42

Representative R. A. Smith has introduced a most just way of distributing the patronage of his office. See notice to applicants to Sam Houston State Normal.

G. B. Duke, the blacksmith will shoe horses for \$1 a set, as long as he can buy shoes as cheap as at present. He wants to give his customers the benefit.

Fort Worth Beer is handled by Morris & Allison. 35

March Bros.,

WOOL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

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Dry Goods, Groceries, Grain, etc.
We are prepared to advance money and supplies on consignments.
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WE are prepared to fill your orders for steel or wood wheel mills, and the two above named are made by the same concern and are at the head of their class, namely the family of wind mills.

GALVANIZED TANKS and TROUGHS are among the main features of our business, IN FACT any thing pertaining to water supplies or machinery of all kinds. Please call and see us or write for prices. Yours truly,
J. L. CARLISLE,
San Angelo, Texas.

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Steam Well Driller,

SONORA, TEXAS.

Will contract to drill anywhere in West Texas and guarantees satisfactory work, Fast Time and Flatshot Holes.

"Our Favorite" is the best cigar. 21 Cusenbary & Briant.

The fourth of July is near at hand and Sonora will of course celebrate.

We have given Morris & Allison the agency for Quaker City Monogram Whiskey, the best on earth. JAKE DAVIS & Co., 31-4f, Galveston, Texas.

Ben Robertson and John Hall were in town Thursday from down the draw and tell remarkable stories of the high water. Nothing definite has been heard from Prosser's, Baker's or further down the river.

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.

George Trainer from the Fort Terrett ranch was in Sonora this week.

A Million Friends.
A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at W. H. Cusenbary & Co., Drug store. Large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

WHEN PRICE has ceased to be the ONLY OBJECT when buying a piano
Then Remember that the BOARDMAN AND GRAY piano has an unblemished record of fifty-eight years standing as a high-class, honestly made piano.
We firmly believe it to be the best piano that is made to-day. Their claim is quality; our aim is a long-lived business. Remember us when you are in need of anything in the music line.
GEO. ALLEN,
Music Dealer, SAN ANGELO, TEX.

CLEARING SALE!

Our senior member, Mr. Schwartz, bought last week from the Eastern Manufacturers, such large quantities of Clothing and Gents Furnishing that we have no room to display them therefore we make the following

CUT ON OUR CLOTHING:

CHOICE OF ANY SUIT ON OUR
First Counter for \$7 45
Second Counter for \$9 65
Third Counter for \$12 50
This includes our finest Clothing
Sold formerly at 15, 16 50 and \$18 00

We could make a \$4 and \$5 sale if we wanted to, but we had rather make the prices as above for suits worth one-third more. REMEMBER every suit is GUARANTEED. You can buy them and make comparisons and then get your money back if you want it. Come early so as to get your correct fit.

L. SCHWARTZ & CO.,

THE CASH LEADERS, - SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Get Ready for Your Picture.

Ragsdale the photographer of San Angelo will be here in a short time. He is coming himself and will be prepared to do as good work as at his home gallery. Business engagements at home will prevent his making a long stay. Please get ready now.

A school trustee is to be elected to day.

Dick Hall of Killeen, is in the Sonora country visiting his brother John Hall.

A very enjoyable dance was given at the G. P. Hill ranch last Friday night.

For a pleasant smile, a good smoke and genial company, make Zenker & Maier's your head quarters while in San Angelo.

Mr. Lon Buck the photographer will remain in Sonora for about two weeks. Call and see him at Frank Gibbons residence on Main street next to this office.

LOW PRICES.

I have reduced the price of my goods in order to do a cash business and make it to your interest to trade in Sonora, and as I have closed my books I would like all who are indebted to me to come forward and settle same in cash or note.

Yours for business,
T. B. BIRNONG,
Proprietor Maud S. Saloon.

Four Big Successes.

Having the needed merit to more than make good all the advertising claimed for them, the following four remedies have reached a phenomenal sale. Dr. King's New Discovery, for consumption, Coughs and Colds, each bottle guaranteed—Electric Bitters, the great remedy for Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, and Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are a perfect pill. All these remedies are guaranteed to do just what is claimed for them, and the dealer whose name is attached therewith will be glad to tell you more of them, sold at W. H. Cusenbary & Co's. Drug Store.

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Entered at the Postoffice at Sonora, as second-class matter.

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SONORA, TEXAS. - JUNE 1, 1895.

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PHYSICIAN, OBSTETRICIAN & SURGEON.
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Country calls promptly Answered.
Office at Residence.
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Sonora, Texas.

Smoke "Our Favorite," 21 Cusenbary & Briant.

Sonora invites you to be present on July 4th. Don't make arrangements to go elsewhere.

Mrs. Lee and Mrs. James A. Hagerlund and daughter, intend leaving on a visit to Lampasas Saturday.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.
The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Pever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. H. Cusenbary & Co.

Those owing the late firm of Mayer & Hagerlund are respectfully requested to settle same as soon as possible with Hagerlund Bros. or Mayer Bros. & Co., either of whom are authorized to receipt for same. 39

F. Mayer,
John W. Hagerlund,
Sonora, Texas, May 4th, 1895.

If you want stock in the Sonora national bank you had better make application at once.

G. B. DUKE,
General Blacksmith,
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Give me a Trial. All work Guaranteed.
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EVERYTHING FIRST-CLASS. GIVE US A CALL.
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FOR
Staple or Fancy Groceries,
Fruits, Vegetables, Candies, Etc.
Prices bring the Trade. I have the Right Prices and
Want your Trade.

S. D. FOOTE. S. G. TAYLOR.

Foote & Tayloe

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

SONORA, TEXAS.
Will practice in all the State Courts.

There is a chance for one of Sonora county's boy or girl to take a course at the Sam Houston Normal Institute. Read notice from R. A. Smith in this issue.

Mrs. Evans, who owns the popular eating house at Christoval on the Sonora and San Angelo road, is in Sonora the guest of her daughter Mrs. J. A. Ogden.

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DUTCH CIGAR SHARPERS.
 A Queer Sort of Keping In That Is Practiced In Rotterdam.

"Americans are apt to think that they belong to the only enterprising nation in the world," said a New Yorker lately returned from Europe, "but I had a little experience in Holland recently which showed me that business is business all the world over. I was walking through one of the principal squares of Rotterdam smoking a cigar when I was approached by a well dressed, middle aged man who had an unlighted cigar in his hand. He stopped me and in good English asked me for a light. I gave him the light and was about passing on when he said: 'I see that you are smoking a Dutch cigar. Would you mind telling me where you bought it and what you paid for it?' Though somewhat surprised at the request, I told him I had bought it in a large shop in Hoog straat, and that I had paid 10 cents (about 3 cents American money) for it. The reason I asked, he said, 'is that they do not deal honestly with foreigners here. You should have got a better cigar for that money. If you wish, I can show you the place where I get my cigars, and where you can get twice as good a cigar for the same price as the one you are smoking.' As I had intended to lay in a supply of cigars for a few days at least, and as I had nothing else to do, I agreed to go with him.

"He led the way through quaint and crooked streets and over many canals to a tiny tobago shop in a narrow out of the way street. We entered the shop, and my new found friend had a brief conversation in Dutch with the woman behind the counter, which resulted in the production of a box of cigars from a shelf near by. Taking my cigar gently out of my hand, my mentor sniffed at it, and then with a sudden gesture of disgust threw it out of doors. He then took a cigar from the box and offered it to me to try, saying that it would not cost me anything. While I was smoking this in a tentative way he had another conversation in Dutch with the shopkeeper, and then having apparently arrived at some compromise he told me with a glad light in his eyes that she had agreed to let me have the whole box of 50 for 4 guilders (about \$1.60) and second very much pleased when I told him I did not care for so many, as I had to pass the English custom house in a day or two. I finally bought half the box and departed.

"That afternoon I was standing in front of the statue of Erasmus smoking one of my newly acquired cigars when I was approached by a respectable looking man who had an unlighted cigar in his hand, and who politely asked me for a light. When he got his light, he asked me where I had bought my cigar and what I had paid for it. It dawned upon me then that in this country of the slow Dutch I had run up against a form of enterprise that would do credit to Baxter street in our own good town of New York, and the humor of the situation so overcame me that I laughed then and there. To the man with the cigar I explained, to his evident disgust, how I had been already taken in, and I went away after remarking that I should have got a better cigar for the money I paid. During my stay in Rotterdam I was tackled several times by these rogues in and humely enjoyed telling them of the manner in which I bought my cigars. They always made a point of letting me light their cigars first. They all seemed to have a poor opinion of the cigars I had bought."—New York Sun.

Ogleby's Sensations In Drowning.
 Ex-Governor Richard J. Ogleby, but for a stroke of good fortune, would not have lived to command a newspaper tribute as a distinguished man. "When I was a boy," he said to a friend some time ago, "I got bathing with some friends, and got beyond my depth, and was unable to swim. I had heard that when a person in the water goes down the third time he drowns. I counted distinctly the number of times I sank, and when I started down the third time I said to myself, 'Here goes the third and last time; now I am dead.' Every event of my life passed before me with vivid distinctness, but without creating any peculiar feeling. I saw them go by as if they were swift moving panorama. I was dead. I knew that I was dead, and a sweeter death one cannot die. My consciousness suddenly departed, and I died without a struggle or pain. I was rescued immediately after touching bottom the third time, and after my friends had worked over me nearly an hour life was restored."—Kate Field's Washington.

A SALT.
 "Is it true, George," sighed the beautiful girl as she gazed at the man who had just proposed, "is it true that you can put the buttons into your linen cuffs without losing your temper?"
 "It is," said George fondly.
 "Well, then," said the proud girl abruptly, "take care. I am yours."—Lester K. Brown.

Patronize Our Advertisers.
 "OLD BILLY HELL."

How a Backwoods Preacher Brought Two Teamsters to Their Knees.
 At one time Old Billy lived alone in a log house where the woods were dense and where the road, overlapped far above by the tops of the trees, was just wide enough for one wagon. It is related that one night in winter the old man was sitting by his fire when he heard furious oaths in the road. He had lived there long enough to know the cause. Two teamsters had met in the narrow part of the road, and each one had refused to get down, turn his horses and back his wagon far enough into the briars for the other to pass. The preacher got up, humming a tune, lighted his lantern and went out to the place where the two men were swearing at each other.
 "Cease the blowing of your iniquitous spray," Old Billy commanded, waving his lantern.
 "Who are you?" one of the teamsters shouted.
 "I am a soldier of the cross."
 "That so? What brigade?"
 "The brigade of Galilee."
 "Well, you go to headquarters and tell your commander that you have got a load of bit out of your territory."
 "Hah, it is evident that you don't respect my commander. But perhaps you respect me."
 "Who are you?"
 "I am known as Old Billy Hell."
 "That so? Parson, I take it all back. Say, podner," he added, speaking to the other teamster, "we both better back our wagons and then draw straws by the light of the lantern to see who shall pull out first."
 The other man was willing enough to adjust the difficulty, and graciously declared that he would back his horses and let the other man pass, and when this had been done Old Billy remarked: "You have very nicely smoothed over the offense which you gave each other, but what about the offense you have given my commander? Get down there in the road and pray or I'll whale the life out of both of you."
 "Ain't that asking a loogie bit too much?"
 "Get down or I will smother you off that wagon!"
 The man popped his whip at his horses, and the next moment Old Billy's hand was in his collar. He jerked him to the ground, dragged him until he was in reach of the other teamster, seized him, bumped their heads together, put his foot on them, on first one and then the other, and twisted them as though he would wring off their heads.
 "Feel like praying now?"
 "Believe I do," one of them answered.
 "I never was so keen to pray in my life," the other one spoke up.
 "Well, come into the house."
 He prayed with them, broiled meat and fed them and sent them on their way.—"Boston Fight as Well as Pray," Boston Herald.

Language of the Dog's Tail.
 "Organic Evolution," by Professor Elnor frankly admits that it is unable to offer an explanation for the curious fact that the dogs of Constantinople, and Turkey in general, carry their tails in an erect posture, while the jackal and wolf (reckoned as the dog's ancestral relatives) hang their tails behind. Dr. Joseph L. Huxley suggests to enlighten the professor and suggests that the reason is to be sought in the fact that as the dog becomes domesticated it uses the tail as an organ of expression—wagging it when pleased or dropping it between the legs when disgusted, frightened or displeased. Dr. Hancock also says that wolves and jackals carry the tail hanging down because in that position it is less conspicuous and better eludes detection. As the dog gradually became domesticated, the tail by degrees assumed an upright position, this result being brought about by the evolution of the creature's mind.
 After years of fondling and petting on the part of their masters and of the dog's growing ideas of his own importance (and seeing no cause for "slinking" about in perpetual fear), the appendage became the organ of expression. It may be added that the cessation of natural selection in the domestic dog would give the tail greater freedom of motion without the animal having a fear that a spasm of erect "wagging" might betray its whereabouts to some stealthy hunter, and the ages of artificial existences have made the dog's tail express every feeling of which he is subject.—St. Louis Republic.

Justice To Come.
 Lord Cockburn, though a successful defender of prisoners, failed on one occasion to get an acquittal for a murderer. "The culprit," Mr. Croak James tells us in his "Curiosities of Law and Lawyers," "after the sentence fixing his execution for the 20th day of the month had not been removed from the dock when his counsel passed him and was then seized by the gown. The prisoner said, 'I have not got justice, Mr. Cockburn,' to which the counsel gravely replied, 'Perhaps not, but you'll get it on the 20th.'"
If You Want to Sell FINE STOCK, Horses, Jacks or Bulls.
 An advertisement in the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS.

"Yes, the Die Is Cast."
 "Yes, the Die Is Cast," has a romantic history. It was written by Colonel Paul Pestel of the Russian army, who, with others, conspired against the Russian government in 1826. The plot was discovered, he was arrested, imprisoned, tried and on July 11, 1826, was hanged. During the interval between his trial and execution he composed the words and music of this song and with a bit of iron scratched them on the wall of his cell, where the stone was found some years after his death.

DROWNING SUPERSTITIONS.
 Different Modes of Recovering Bodies From Their Watery Graves.
 The people of every country on the globe have their peculiar superstitions and fancies in regard to saving or attempting to save drowning persons, and also concerning the recovery of the bodies of those who have met death in that manner. In all parts of Europe, but most especially in England, Spain and Italy, it is the prevalent belief that the person who attempts to save one that is drowning is either a madman or a fool, because, so they say, the person so saved is sure to wreck the happiness of his rescuer as soon after as opportunity affords. This superstition has been traced back to the dark ages and is believed to have been inherited from prehistoric times. The first explorers among the Indians of the west, especially the Sioux, as well as in Australia, Alaska and Greenland, found traces of the same curious notions existing. In Russia the same superstition prevails, as any one may prove who will read Barry's book entitled "Ivan at Home."

As noted above, the superstitious people of all countries also have their different modes of recovering the bodies of those who have been drowned. Sir James Alexander, in a work on the Indians of Canada, says: "The Indians imagine that in the case of a drowned body its place may be discovered by floating a chip of cedar wood, which will stop and turn round over the exact spot. An instance occurred within my own knowledge, in the case of Mr. Lavery of Kingston Mills, who was drowned near Cedar island, nor could his body be recovered until this experiment was resorted to."
 The Mandan Indians use two different articles for this purpose—buffalo "chips" or some article of clothing belonging to the deceased. The half civilized tribes of the southwest nearly all use little wickerwork baskets called by a name signifying "wet pans," the idea in these last mentioned cases being that neither the buffalo "chips," garment nor basket will become sufficiently water soaked to sink until it arrives at the spot exactly over the body of the drowned.

In all European countries and in the United States the favorite talliesman appears to be a loaf of bread. In England the loaf is weighted with quicksilver, and in France it is started on its journey in quest of the dead with a lighted taper affixed to the top crust. Objects used for this purpose differ widely in the different countries or even in widely separated communities. In Japan they use a bundle of straw, in Java a live sheep, in South Africa the dried tail of a bullock and in Australia a snake's skin.—St. Louis Republic.

Historic Trophies.
 Arranged in a semicircle around the flagstaff at the Waterfront are 76 pieces of ordnance captured at different times by the United States from the British during the Revolutionary war. Strange as it may seem, no record of their capture has been kept by the government. Many of these trophies are of peculiar construction and would compare very unfavorably with the field guns made in the arsenals gunshops at the present time. Through exposure to the elements many of the guns have become bright green in color. Eight of them are known to have been captured at Saratoga in 1777. There is one 24 pounder howitzer with these marks on the chase: "Surrendered by the convention of Saratoga, Oct. 17, 1777. A. Schatch Facit, 1748." This gun is embellished with two crowns and the monogram "G. R."
 There is a 12 pounder with marks on the chase similar to the gun described. On the breech are the words, "Honi soit qui mal y pense." "Dien et mon droit." It has dragon handles and is embellished with crowns, rappellion and roses of Great Britain. The third cannon is a 12 pounder made in 1760. There is a 12 pounder with the inscription: "The Right Honorable Lord George Sackville, Lt. General, and the rest of the principal officers of Her Majesty's ordinance. Surrendered by the convention of Saratoga, October 17, 1777." Its date of manufacture is 1759. Another 12 pounder was made in 1760. An 8 inch howitzer bears the date of 1758. An 8 inch mortar is among the trophies, it having been made in 1758. A 24 pounder Coehorn mortar is another of the collection.—Troy Press.

Instant Success of "Hiawatha."
 In his next long poem Longfellow attempted another new meter, borrowed from a Finnish poet. He was always interested in the American Indian, and one of his earliest poems was "The Burial of the Minnesink," as one of his latest was "The Revenge of Iktin-in-the-face." He now decided that the mythical legends of the red man could be woven into a poem of which an Indian should be the central figure. The simple rhythm was exactly suited to the simple story. "Hiawatha" was published in 1855, and its instant success surpassed that of "Evangeline," which was its only rival of the longer poems of American authors upon a peculiarly American subject. The easy verses sang themselves into the memory of all who read the poem, and the descriptions of nature delighted all who had kept their eyes open as they walked through our American woods and fields.—Professor Brandt Matthews in St. Nicholas.

BURNS.
 Burns liked "Tam O'Shanter" as well as anything he ever wrote, and yet this immitable poem was composed in order that Alloway Kirk might not be left out of a collection of Scottish ruins that an antiquarian was making. In general the poet spoke rather contemptuously of his own writings.

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THE BACHELOR.
 Treatment He Received In Ancient Times at the Law's Hand.
 As matters stand at present, the bachelor—as a householder at any rate—contributes nothing to the rates and taxes of his country, whereas the married man has to pay both for his own privileges and for those of the single man. This, to say the least, is hardly fair. Why, then, not revert to an ancient usage, and subject the bachelor to pecuniary penalties for his self appointed immunity from the cares of life?
 When a proposal was made not long ago to tax the bachelors of France as they were taxed in the days of the first republic, the fact was recalled that republics generally have been hard upon the celibates. The wise Plato condemned the single men to a fine, and in Sparta they were driven at stated times to the temple of Hercules by the women, who there drilled and castigated them in true military style.
 The ancient Romans, too, were severe to their bachelors, who were made to pay heavy fines and worse than that, for, after the siege of Veii, Camillus is reported to have compelled them to marry the widows of the soldiers who had fallen in the war.

Again, in the time of Augustus, the married men, all other things being equal, were preferred to the single men for the public offices. Then the Roman who had three children was exempted from personal taxes, and the bachelors not only had to pay them, but were prevented from inheriting the property of any one not a Roman citizen.
 Coming to more recent times, we have several instances of a like kind recorded for us by a recent writer on the subject. In the French settlement of Canada, for example, women were sent over after the men, and the single men, that they might be forced to marry, were subjected to heavy taxation and restrictions on their trade and movements generally.
 Those who married were dealt with, on the other hand, in a generous spirit. Not only were they provided with a good wife and a comfortable home, but they were rewarded according to the number of their offspring. The father of ten children, for instance, was pensioned for life at the rate of 300 livres a year. If he had 12 children, he had 100 livres a year more, and the amount ran up to 1,200 livres a year when 15 children blessed the union.
 About the close of the seventeenth century the local authorities of Eastham, in Massachusetts, voted that every unmarried man in the township should kill six blackbirds or three crows yearly as long as he remained single, producing the scalps in proof, and as a penalty for not obeying the order he was forbidden to marry until he had made up all arrears!

The requirements here were almost nominal, but it was somewhat different in Maryland, where, half a century later, the colonial assembly imposed a tax of 5 shillings yearly upon all bachelors over 30—as well as upon widowers without children—who were possessed of \$300.
 At home we were not quite so severe when William III chose to single out the bachelors for special attention. In those days any unmarried man who remained single 25 had to pay a shilling fine yearly, and the amount was increased with rank or title. A duke was supposed to be a special offender in not taking a wife, and had to pay for his whim to the extent of £12 10s per annum. It is thus evident that the fact was recognized that the prosperity of a country depends upon its married citizens.—English Exchange.

Shaving Set to Music.
 The latest thing in barber shops is a musical box which the boss of the establishment regulates to suit the times. On Monday, for instance, he keeps the machine up to light opera airs just fast enough to keep his assistants shaving customers at a nice, steady gait. Tuesday being a quiet day in the barber business, "Home, Sweet Home" and "You'll Remember Me" are good enough. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the barber confines the musical box to popular selections of a rather lively nature. On Saturdays he puts the reels and gigs on top, and every barber in the house is on the run.—Philadelphia Call.

Too Sudden.
 Clergyman (showing a lady visitor round the church)—Now, madam, you have seen the organ, the font and the nave. I should next like to conduct you to the altar.
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 Church Review.

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SPIDER CRABS.
 Queer Long Legged Creatures That Are Found In the Ocean's Depths.
 Mighty little about spider crabs was known until quite recently. When a few years ago the first attempts were made at dredging for living forms in the depths of the sea, the scoop nets brought up many crustaceans which astonished the naturalists. Commonly they were covered with spines, and many of them seemed to be almost wholly composed of legs. One species, to which the name Ferox lithodes, or ferocious spider crab, was given, is the most formidably armed animal in existence, being so extremely prickly that it is a difficult business to handle over a dead specimen.
 Every small boy who has had a chance to go wading in the shallows of bays and estuaries near the sea shore is familiar with the plain, everyday spider crab. Take that creature, magnify him largely, furnish him with spines some inches in length, and you will have a typical sea spider of the depths. You cannot help admiring his arms, each two feet or more perhaps in length and provided with a claw that is to all intents and purposes a hand. From his hiding place beneath a rock or in a crevice the animal is able to reach far out and grab whatever prey comes near. The arms look somewhat like the arms of a human skeleton, and they are so made that a bend from the joint at the elbow brings the claw exactly to the mouth.
 The biggest of the known deep sea spiders is found in Bering sea and elsewhere in the north Pacific. It weighs about 12 pounds when full grown. The natives of the Aleutian islands eat it, and so do the fur seals. The latter feed extensively on crabs, though most particularly on a species called the "horse crab," which has a soft shell and is not a spider crab.
 Another very large species of the sea crab, having a stretch of about three feet, has been caught at a depth of nearly a mile and a half off Cape Cod on the continental slope. The slope of the continent as it descends quite precipitously to the floor of the ocean—its edge is not marked by the shore line, but is far out in the sea—is bathed along a narrow strip by a warm current. On this strip animal life flourishes abundantly, and from it have been dredged many new species of crabs as well as queer fishes and other creatures. One odd point about the big spider crab just mentioned is that when an infant it is covered with spines far longer and more formidable than those which adorn the adult.
 A kind of spider crab found in Japanese waters is so prickly that it is called the "rose bush crab." It weighs three or four pounds when full size. More appropriately it might be named the "chestnut bur," to which it bears a very close resemblance. A sea spider that belongs in the neighborhood of Alaska spends its life in floating about on seaweeds. The casual observer would mistake the animal itself for a piece of seaweed. Another kind folds itself up in a compact shape, so as to imitate a rock, having no spines. The deception is helped by barnacles, which grow upon the creature. But the queerest of spider crabs is the "cryptolithodes," which bears on its back a shield that wholly conceals it. The shield looks like the shell of a mollusk.
 This protective contrivance reminds one of the device alleged to be adopted sometimes by lion hunters in Africa. The hunter is provided with an enormous convex shield of rawhide. He throws his spear at the lion, and when the latter attempts to spring upon him, he cranches close to the ground, covering himself with the shield. The lion cannot get at him, because the shield is slippery and resists his claws. When the hunter gets a chance, he jumps up and throws another spear, collapsing at once beneath the shield. This is continued until the lion falls dead or goes away. One is at liberty to believe this story or not, as he chooses.—Washington Star.

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