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LOVE AND MARRIAGE.

Some Reasons Why There Are Not More Happy Unions.

That matrimony is a happier state than celibacy when it means a union of hearts as well as of fortunes there is little doubt; but, though many people marry for love, or something they mistake for it, very few of these unions lead to lasting happiness. Why is this?

The great reason seems to me to be that in most lives the ruling passion is self, and upon this rock everything which comes in contact with it is shattered sooner or later. A man will often fancy himself very much in love with a pretty and sprightly girl, and all the more so if she has some means of her own. Now, the real fact of the case very likely is simply that a girl amuses him, and he proposes a little home with her as his mistress as a pleasant change from bachelor "digging." In fact, what he calls love is only another name for pure, unadulterated selfishness. He thinks of himself and not of her, and when he discovers, as he soon will after marriage, that she has rights, claims and wishes to be satisfied as well as himself, he will probably at first feel very much surprised, and then aggrieved and indignant.

Perhaps the girl may be in her way as selfish as the man and have married for the sake of position, wealth, independence from parental control, or some equally unsatisfactory reason. If this be the case, as soon as the little veneer of mutual attractions and sympathy which they called love has worn off, then both man and woman will find the marriage bond irksome and will look back wistfully to their old days of freedom.

In a case like this certainly we cannot say love has been destroyed by marriage, for, though both young people may have fancied they loved, it was a mere delusion, which time and better acquaintance must inevitably have dispelled without the help of matrimony.

Look at a higher and a happier marriage, one in which both parties start with a true affection for the other and a capacity for greater love, and also with a firm purpose of making the other happy. A few years pass, and how does one find these wedded lovers? She is probably absorbed in her children and her household cares, and her husband is of very scanty importance to her. Why is this? She has simply bored and then alienated her husband's love by her demonstrative affection, which, in the best days was kept in check by maidenly coyness and modesty. For a short time it pleased him to feel he was her all in all, and that outside him she had no separate life and interests, but then her very devotion palled on him, and he at last, as it were, became quite surfeited with the sweets for which he had never obtained an appetite by fasting.

For marriage to be happy love must be cherished, and it must be restrained, encouraged, carefully nurtured and guarded, or it will take wings and fly away forever.—Homo Notes.

The Fees and Thunder.

Byron, in the third canto of "Child Harold," describes a thunderstorm in Switzerland which occurred at midnight June 13, 1816. He notices the stillness which precedes it:

All heaven and earth are still, though not in sleep.
But breathless, until
From peak to peak, the rattling crags among,
Leaps the live thunder! Not from one lone cloud,
But every mountain now hath found a tongue,
And Jura answers, through her misty shroud,
Back to the joyous Alps, who call to her aloud!

The description is so long to quote, and, indeed, too well known, but Sir Walter Scott's criticism on it may not be so well known. He says: "This is one of the most beautiful passages of the poem. The 'ferce and far delight of a thunderstorm' is here described in terse almost as vivid as its lightning. The live thunder 'leaping among the rattling crags,' the voice of mountains, as if shouting to each other, the plashing of the big rain, the gleaming of the wide lake, lighted like a phosphoric sea, present a picture of sublime terror, yet of enjoyment, often attempted, but never so well, certainly never better, brought out in poetry."—Notes and Queries.

Asbestos.

As asbestos comes from the mine it is of a greenish hue, and the edges are fringed with loose fibers. The more nearly white asbestos is the better its grade. The length of fiber is also of great importance, the longest being the most valuable. From the mines the asbestos is taken to the manufacturing in the United States.

In a Dream.

In Lough Erie, near Carrick-on-Shannon, Ireland, an ancient black oak canoe, without nail or rivet, was lately discovered in a strange way. A Mr. Mulligan dreamed that he saw a canoe at the bottom of the lake. The canoe was dragged and the canoe found.

FROM THE MUSTY PAST.

A Peep at the Interesting Old Records of an English Parish.

The village church at Shoreside, England, writes a correspondent of the Boston Herald, was built soon after the Norman conquest. There are records to show for the statement. But the purely parochial books do not date back so far. In the rectory is an ancient chest filled with musty documents, among which are three long, narrow, flexible books, two written on sheepskin and the other on paper. The rector, in an hour of confidence, bids me overlook these volumes at my leisure. The invitation accounts for the present printing.

I know a neighboring parish where the clerk wrote a certain memorable day:

"God be praised! Here endeth the Rump parliament!"

But in Shoreside there were no such ecstasies on the part of the parish officer. He confined himself strictly to business, having first set down on a flyleaf a brief account of the origin of parish registers—which, it appears, were introduced in Henry VIII's time, another Cromwell, Thomas, having had, as the history books tell us, a finger in the ecclesiastical pie. Thus writes the parish clerk:

"It was first ordered in 1538 by Ld. Cromwell when he was vicar general that Register Books should be in every parish."

One of the volumes in the rectory chest is inscribed:

"A Register Book for the Parish of Shoreside of all and every person buried in ye parish or precincts thereof according to an Act of Parliament made [the year of the reign is indecipherable] Carol 2d, entitled An Act for Burying in Woolen."

They were rare protectionists and subsidizers in those days. The deceased subjects of Charles II were by law compelled to be "buried in woolen," because the woolen industry needed stimulating.

The paper book provides more diversion. It contains the accounts of the churchwardens for 105 years. It is a young thing in volumes—a mere juvenile—compared with the Tudor-Stuart-Cromwellian sheepskin, for it harks back no further than 1720, the year of the South sea bubble. What first interests me is to find in these accounts the same names family and Christian, that appeared for 200 years before in the earlier book, and that are extant in the village annals, many of them connected with the same plots of ground and the same bricks and mortar that their ancestors tilled or lived behind when great Elizabeth was queen.

"Ah!" says the rector, "if you wish to find instances of the survival of typical old English family names look for them among the common people rather than among the aristocracy."

But there is more than the survival of names here in Shoreside. By the parish books I can trace 300 years of blacksmithing, of inkeeping, of carpentering and various forms of purveying in the families whose representatives now follow these livelihoods. These are points of heritage wholly strange to American experience. As for the traumas in the churchwardens' book, I find but few changes in 175 years.

Rules of the Road.

It is the long established custom in this country that vehicles meeting on any street or highway shall turn to the right. Some suppose that this is only the unwritten law of the road, but as a matter of fact it is on the statute books. A special section defines that carriages, wagons, carts, sleighs, sleds, bicycles, tricycles and all other vehicles are included. A person driving is properly required to have the left wheels of his vehicle at the right of the center of the street. In a word, the statute is an authoritative adoption of Uncle David Gray's motto of "Fair play and half the road."

While bicycles are included as enjoying this privilege and horsemen are required to extend to them the same courtesy they would another vehicle drawn by horses the same restriction is put upon wheelmen and wheelwomen. They, too, must turn to the right, and if they fail to do so and a collision occurs they have no one but themselves to hold legally accountable. A good natured observance of the law on the part of all concerned will result in absolute safety and freedom from accident.—Utica Press.

A Remarkable Man.

In the delivery department of a Sixth avenue dry goods store is a man with a remarkable memory. He has charge of all the goods which are returned by the drivers because of mistakes in addresses. He never forgets a name or address and often corrects mistakes in the records of the department. He knows the character and appearance of every block in the city and can describe any house upon hearing its number. He ascribes his remarkable knowledge of the city to the fact that he passed many years in driving a delivery wagon.—New York Sun.

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Congress is discussing silver and pensions.

The Pawnee Indians are ghost dancing.

The Cubans are still outside of Havana, marching and counter marching.

England wants France and Russia to cooperate with her and Germany wants them also.

Brann's Iconoclast, published at Waco, is anything but an idle destroyer.

The greatest activity in years is now occupying the naval and military departments of England.

Owing to the fact that France and Russia didn't come quick the Emperor of Germany says he didn't mean it.

The German authorities in confiscating the American race mare Bethel, have added a fine animal to their stable.

Three hundred stockmen are in convention in San Antonio. They are unanimous in the hopeful view they take of the future of the cattle industry.

There seems to be a great many statesmen in all parts of the world who are Irish; at least, you must not always take them for what they say but for what they mean.

Several Americans were arrested with the British force under Jameson in the Transvaal. Secretary Olney has asked the British authorities to look after American subjects in South Africa.

Senator Hill of New York seems to be the only democrat ready for any emergency. He meets all comers so skillfully that he provokes admiration even from his political enemies.

The English statesman making the most capital out of England's difficulties is Joseph Chamberland secretary for the Colonies. Chamberland has changed his political coat three times and is married to an American.

Henry Clews, the financier, struck the bullseye when he said that the Government revenue should be increased so as to furnish a surplus instead of, as now, leaving a deficit. That's the wote business in a nutshell. With plenty of revenue the gold reserve will take care of itself.

Mr. Butler, populist of North Carolina, said in the Senate on Tuesday: "I pledge six people's party votes in this chamber to any party that will stop the further issue of gold bonds, and six votes will give that majority to either side. In fact, either party can have a majority in this body when it desires to pass any law in the interest of the American people."

A new phase of the financial question was presented by Mr. Mills in the Senate on Tuesday, in the form of a resolution giving several declarations of policy, substantially as follows:

1. Against the retirement of outstanding legal tender notes.

2. Favoring the coinage of the silver bullion in the treasury.

3. The issuance of emergency legal tender notes in case of a deficiency.

4. Against interest bearing bonds.

5. Establishing a policy of the United States in paying obligations in both gold and silver.

6. Repudiating the theory that a public debate is a public blessing.

7. Urging the rapid extinguishment of the National debt and the maintenance of the sinking fund therefor.

Mr. Mills' resolution went to the table until tomorrow, when he may make some remarks upon it.

Lawrence on the Wool Bill.

Judge Lawrence of the National Wool Growers association says: The bill reported by the committee and passed by the House prescribes as duties on merino wools 60 per cent of the rates of the McKinley act of 1892, or 6 cents per pound unwashed, and on class three wools, the ad valorem rate of that act 32 per cent on the only wools that will be imported under the bill if it becomes a law. To those who do not understand the operation of the act of 1890 the new bill apparently gives the specific rate mentioned. The McKinley act gave a duty of 11 cents per pound on unwashed merino, 22 cents per pound on washed and 33 cents on scoured. Most people supposed this gave protective benefit to the wool growers of these rates, and certainly Congress intended, and the wool growers so expected. But it is shown in the memorial, page 49, that the "protective benefit" was in practice on merino similar to that grown in Ohio only 9 cents on unwashed and 13 1-2 on scoured, in competition with the Australian merino. This was the result of two causes, first, that fatal "skirting clause" which added all of 2 cents to the value of each skirted pound, and saved most of the expense of "sorting," shown to be nearly one-tenth of the pay-roll in some factories. Memorial, page 47. The second cause was the light shrinkage in scouring of Australian merino.

Thus the nominal duty of 11 cents on unwashed was in practice only equal to 6 cents in favor of Ohio washed, and not more than 4 or 5 cents on much of the wools of Texas and Western States. The nominal duty of 6 cents in the new bill will only give a protective benefit of 3.6 cents on Ohio washed merino, and from 2 to 2.5 cents on much of the Texas and far West State wools. This is no protection at all. Inadequate protection is no better than free wool. Evidently the committee of Ways and Means for want of time and mature consideration did not understand this or their bill would have been so framed as to give some measure of protection.

He also goes on to show that the protective benefit of the new bill on unwashed merino is less than 2 cents per pound. And the China wools which can be imported for a little more than 5 cents per pound, would supplant the use of 40,000,000 pounds of unwashed merino, by reason of their light shrinkage.

If the bill becomes a law, wool growers can never get adequate wool duties. It is an outrageous wrong to wool growers. Enough of Eastern wool manufacturers to defeat us will repeat the cry "give the tariff a rest" while they prosper and our wool industry will be in ruins.

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Wool Market.

Boston—A good deal of such Texas fall wool as is to be found here at date is somewhat defective; any that is free will bring 10c, if a choice lot were offered, it might command 11c. Sales of twelve months' spring wool have been made at 35 to 36c clean. Eight months' wool is selling upon the same scoured basis as fine medium territory, 33 to 34c.

New York—Dealers have found little difficulty in obtaining advances of one and two cents on choice pulled wools, Texas and territories. Any large buying has been discouraged by dealers who hold considerable consignments of territories and Texas wools. Owners prefer to hold their wools on the bare possibility of the passage of the Emergency and Deficiency bill, and the fact that the larger part of the domestic wool in market is controlled by few persons, who are all imbued with the desire to obtain extreme prices, makes this part of the market very narrow.

Pulled wools would sell more freely, but for the fact that supplies are small. The sales of the last three weeks have been large and have almost entirely cleaned up the choicer lines of supers. Pullers are refusing to part with stocks except at extreme prices. Owing to the unwillingness of dealers to part with stock at present prices, the sales of domestic wools are restricted, and those recorded contain many lots of low grade and defective wools. One sale of spring Texas reached the maximum asking price of 13 1/2c, and the market is on a basis of 36 cents clean or fine, long stapled spring wool. A considerable lot of Kerrville wool has recently been received here, and more is expected from the same center, and also from San Angelo. There is said to be a heavy accumulation of fall wool in Texas; there is very little call for such stock here.—American Wool Reporter.

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Great Britain now owns 6212 cannons, France 8210 and Germany 5920.

The largest Krupp guns have a range of seventeen miles and fire two shots a minute.

Switzerland has a population of less than 3,000,000 and a standing army of 130,000.

During our great civil war 61,362 men on the Union side were killed outright in battle.

In time of war France reckons on putting out 370 men to every 1000 of her population.

It cost the government at Washington \$345,543,880 to clothe the Federal army from 1861 to 1865.

The queen of England can declare war without consulting her ministers, if she wills so to do.

At the present time all Europe is a well-armed camp, and has been for more than a quarter of a century.

The "five nations of Europe" own 2310 war ships, mounting 82,209 guns, all ready for "immediate service."

During the war the Union troops captured 476,169 Confederates and the Confederates captured 212,608 Unionists.

The most expensive army of the world is that of Germany, which costs from \$86,000,000 to \$105,000,000 per year.

France boasts of a navy of 408 ships of 290,000 tons and 612,000 horse-power, and eighty others in process of construction.

During our civil war the Union ordnance department served out 7892 cannons, 4,022,000 rifles and 12,207 tons of powder.

Since the Mannheim gun came into use the ratio is four killed to one wounded—just the opposite to what it formerly was.

The Forum gives figures to prove that the vaunted "armed peace" of Europe costs the people more than \$1,000,000,000 per year.

Britain brags that the guns now used by her army will send a bullet through four ranks of men at a distance of 450 yards.

The German war fleet is made up of but 83 vessels, but it is the most modern and best equipped probably the ocean in Europe.

At the battle of Austerlitz 170,000 men were engaged. At Waterloo 145,000 men fought and of that number 50,000 were killed or wounded.

During the memorable siege of Sebastopol the batteries of the allied armies threw upward of 40,000 tons of shot and shell into the city.

The great gun factory at Washington—one of the largest in the world, employing 1500 men—turns out guns valued at \$50,000 apiece.

In 1857 General Sherman predicted that "the most terrible war ever known will take place in this country before he end of the century."

The Italian navy is composed of 275 war vessels of 329,000 tons, and 500,000 horse-power, including some of the best battle ships in the world.

When Germany warred against France in 1870-71, she put 1,003,000 troops in the field. In the same war the French employed 710,000 men.

The Russian fleet comprises 173 war vessels, exclusive of the Black sea squadron. These vessels show an average displacement of 1400 tons.

At Gettysburg, the American Waterloo, 140,000 men fought, of which number 28,198 Federals and 37,000 Confederates were killed, wounded or captured.

One of the expense items of the late war, as shown by the books of the war department, is the \$97,031 which it cost to capture Jefferson Davis.

The statement issued by the treasury department on January 1, 1890, gave figures showing that the total cost of the war of 1861-65 was exactly \$6,189,929,900.

President Lincoln made fourteen different calls for troops, asking for an aggregate of 2,842,784 men. Of the above number he succeeded in obtaining 2,690,401 men.

Every State in the Union furnished some Federal troops during the war, Louisiana 8224; Texas 1965; Mississippi 545; Florida 1290; and even Alabama furnished 2576.

If the armies of Europe should march at an eight-mile gait, five abreast, fifteen inches apart, it would require nine and one-half days for them to pass a given point.

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My prices can not be beaten and if you want advances on your spring wool clip I can accommodate you.

Give me a trial order and see how white I will treat you.

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Carries the finest line of Wines, Liquors and Cigars in the West.

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Guarantee First Class Work Promptly Executed.

Call and See Us at Wyatt's old Shop.

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Mail, Express and Passenger Line,

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Single trip \$5. Round trip \$8.

Stage leaves Sonora and San Angelo every day, Sundays excepted, at 7 o'clock a. m. The trip being made in one day.

All business entrusted to our care will receive personal attention.

Comfortable Hacks. Low rates on Express parcels.

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LIVERY and FEED STABLE,

Hay, Oats and Corn always on hand.

Blacksmith and Wheel Wright Shop in Connection.

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General Agents for the sale of Or Trading in Live Stock And Ranch Property. SONORA, SUTTON CO. TEX.

WOOL GROWERS

Needing advances on the Spring Clip of 1896, will consult their interest by placing their business with us. We propose making a specialty of Devils River Wools.

Any business intrusted to us will have our best care and attention.

Advances Liberal. Correspondence solicited.

Chas. W. Hobbs,

San Angelo, Texas,

THE SAN ANGELO NATIONAL BANK,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

M. L. MERTZ, President. A. A. DeBERRY, Cashier.
M. B. PULLIAM, Vice-President.

Cash Capital - \$100,000.
Surplus Fund - \$25,000.

Transact a General Banking Business.

Don't forget the \$500 horse race on Jan. 22nd at Sonora.

A. W. Pride is building an addition to his home this week. Ask for Brown & Co's tobacco and take no other.

The Wyatt hotel is beginning to look like something. The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo.

G. P. Hill the sheepman from the Main Draw of Devil's River, was in Sonora Monday, trading.

Fort Worth Beer is handled by Morris & Allison.

John Black, boss for McKenzies flocks in Taylor's pasture, was in Sonora Monday for supplies.

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

J. A. Schwalbe the Crockett county sheepman was in Sonora Tuesday for supplies.

If you want something real good to chew get Paul Brown's natural leaf at Hagerlund Bros.

D. R. Holland and J. T. Nicks bought W. A. Glasscock's and Irve Ellis' ranch three miles above town.

Do you drink beer? If you do call for "Premium Pale" it's the best.

If you want to see a 500 yards race between horses of the same class for \$500 come to Sonora on Jan. 22nd.

While visiting Ozona stop at the Ozona Hotel, best accommodation in town. Drummers sample room in connection.

W. A. Holland the sheepman from eight miles east of Sonora on the McKavett road, was in Sonora Monday trading.

Read the ads in the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS and save a year's subscription on every bill of goods you buy.

James Shaffer was in Sonora Monday. Jim says his sheep are holding their own. He has moved them from the plains to below G. P. Hills ranch.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS will be sent for one year as a wedding present to the first Sonora young lady who marries after January 1st, 1896.

DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS,

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

Advertising Medium of the Stockman's Paradise.

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MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor.

SONORA, TEXAS. - January 18, 1896

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Country calls promptly Answered. Office at Residence.

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DR. H. G. COLSON,

Physician, Surgeon and Obstetrician.

Office at Cusenbary & Briant's drug store. Residence at the Geo. Dinagan place. All calls promptly answered. Sonora, Texas.

A briar pipe and a pound best tobacco for 35c. See adv. of Duke's Mixture.

O. C. Roberts the sheepman was in Sonora Monday.

A. R. Cauthorn and son were in from the ranch Thursday, for supplies.

John W. Hagerlund left for San Angelo, San Antonio and Kerrville, Thursday on business.

J. B. Hudspeth the Edwards county sheepman, was in Sonora this week for supplies.

Ira Word and John Allison left for Waco last week, to attend the Baylor college.

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

James Hughes of the sheep firm of Hughes & Duff, was in Sonora Tuesday.

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

Dr. H. G. Colson bought from G. W. Morris, the residence now occupied by B. M. Halbert on Poplar street for \$45.

Sonora keeps up with the times. You can get a pair of shoes on your spring wool from Mayer Bros. & Co.

Frank Caruthers who shot the Mexican herder last week, had his examining trial at Rock Springs and was released without bond.

Judge W. P. Doty of Brady, McCulloch county, was in Sonora this week representing the Covenant Mutual life insurance company, of Illinois.

Our cat goods are going rapidly. Prices is what makes them go. Get our prices and satisfy your selves that you can buy them for less money than ever before offered in Sonora.

Mayer Bros. & Co.

The trial of C. S. Woodward for the killing of Beauchamp near Sherwood, resulted in a hung jury at San Angelo last week. The imputation that one of the jurors was interested is denied by the Enterprise by interviews with the jurors.

Dress Making.

Mrs. Etta A. King, an experienced dress maker, solicits the patronage of the ladies of the Sonora Country. Residence, Main Street, Sonora.

Some of our ranchmen can sympathise with the nations now engaged in territorial disputes. They have such cases at home every day.

If you need any cash advances on your spring wool come and see us. We are ready to make liberal advances and give you choice of markets.

Mayer Bros. & Co.

Five thousand pounds of Texas fall wool sold in New York last week at 9 1-2 to 10 1-2 cents and 5000 pounds of 12 months wool at 12 1-2 to 13 cents.

Dan Berry the sheepman from the McKavett country, was in Sonora Monday for supplies. Mr. Berry has leased the Fields pasture for a month and has three flocks of mutton in there.

R. B. Sanderson of Glasscock county, recently sold all his three year old steers at \$27 50.—Chas. McFarland of Weatherford bought from W. C. Jones through John Lovelady 200 steers 3's and up at \$20 with ten per cent cut back.—See Angelo Enterprise.

Do They or Do They Not?

Ed. DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS.

Do the Devil's River sheepmen endorse the action of Messrs. Shepard, Cruch and Tweedy in demanding that Mexican ewes be admitted free of duty for two years. If not let them give Hon. George H. Noonan notice of it or they may find out that they stand committed to a tariff on wool and free importation of sheep, with wool on.

Respectfully yours,
C. C. BURBANK
Fort McKavett, Jan. 10, 1896.

You cannot be too careful about prairie fires this winter.

A three year old male gentle to ride and a good worker for sale. Apply at this office.

Hugh Robson of the sheep firm of Robson Brothers, of Buffalo Draw to the North Llano, was in Sonora Friday.

Subscriptions taken at this office for one year, \$2 paper or magazine published in the United States at regular rates.

Geo. Hill of McKavett was in Sonora last week. George wants to move back to Sonora but can not find a vacant house.

Hagerlund Bros. are prepared to make liberal cash advances on your spring wools. See them before making arrangements elsewhere.

John Sheen the well-known stockman of Menard county was in Sonora this week prospecting with a view to moving his family to Sonora.

Cook, Bernheimer & Co's famous NIAGARA whiskey is sold in Sonora at the Mat S. saloon. Levy, Rosenberg & Co., of Galveston, sole agents for TEXAS.

Geo Traweck and J. J. Bean left with the well drilling outfit Sunday for the north eastern portion of Sutton county, where they will drill a well for J. B. Tribbling.

Sonora does more business than any town west of Temple on the San Angelo branch of the Santa Fe railway with the exception of Brownwood and San Angelo.

G. B. Duke the blacksmith will shoe horses for \$1 and \$1.25 a set, for one as long as he can buy shoes as cheap as at present. He wants to give his customers the benefit.

J. C. Landon the San Angelo feeder has bought the old Nimitz hotel property in the city. Jims many friends in the Sonora country would like to see him build a hotel on the corner.

Avoid Pneumonia, diphtheria and typhoid fever, by keeping the blood pure, the appetite good and the bodily health vigorous by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills have won high praise for their prompt and efficient yet easy action.

Geo. S. Allison, proprietor of the Ranch Saloon, is agent in Sonora for Old Philadelphia Club whiskey, made by Rosekam, Gerstley & Co. This whiskey is very fine. Houghton & Robinson of Austin, state agents.

Jack Locklie of Brady and his 11-year-old son came in Thursday with Warner's race horse Ben. Mr. Locklie has had ten in training since shortly after January 1st and has him in splendid condition and ready to make the race of his life on Wednesday next.

The Cox boys, with Prince Albert and Trainer Hood, are expected in Sonora today. Prince has improved wonderfully in the last two weeks and George Cox, who will ride Prince on the 22nd, has been in the sweat-box since the last race and will ride at 120 pounds.

Charles F. Adams one of the best informed stockmen in West Texas, who made the first shipment of Devil's River muttons to Chicago in '87 or '88, returned from a trip through Dry Devil's river and the sonora country this week. Mr. Adams says he never at this time of the year sheep in better flesh. He is confident that 50 per cent of the muttons are in shipping condition. Mr. Adams attributes this condition of affairs to the fine range of last summer and fall and the absence of seab.

With the prospects for an early spring so encouraging, the muttons from the Sonora country should be better and fatter than for the past three years.

Sheep and mutton are a good price, wool is looking up and the stockman's trade is a struggle. If you want to reach the trade the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is the medium to use.

The New Year Bring: NEW BARGAINS.

Having completed our inventory this week we find too many winter goods still on hand and have decided to continue our

SLAUGHTERING PRICES

on the entire stock of

Gents Furnishing Goods, CLOTHING, DRESS GOODS

And Trimmings

in order to make room for

SPRING GOODS.

If you need anything in this line don't fail to look at our stock and see the bargains offered.

Also ready to make you Liberal CASH ADVANCES on your Spring Wools. We want your business. Call and see us.

Mayer Bros. & Co.

GENERAL MERCHANTS

SONORA, - TEXAS.

Proof of Pudding is TRYING IT.

- If you want your wool sold.
- If you want highest market price.
- If you want to stop interest.
- If you want to save commission.
- If you want to save money.
- If you want your wool sold on its merit.
- If you want advances in cash.
- If you want advances in supplies.

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March Bros.

"THE STAYERS."

The Largest Shippers and the Cheapest all round house in Dry Goods, Groceries, Sulphur, Grain, Etc., in the Concho Country. 600 to 608 Beauregard Avenue.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

More trade is coming to Sonora every day. Prices and printers ink do the work.

W. A. Glasscock recently purchased J.T. Nicks' ranch in Schellcher county.

Subscriptions taken at this office for Brann's Iconoclast. Published monthly at Waco, Texas, at \$1 a year.

Do you appreciate honesty in the manufacture of clothing? Buy a pair of the BUCKSKIN BREECHES. They are made to please the man who wears them, and are superior in all respects to other makes, while they cost no more. If not as represented, you get another pair free.

Hagerlund Bros. have Buckskin Jeans in all sizes.

Robert Duncan the Val Verde county sheepman, was in Sonora from his ranch in the Beaver Lake country Saturday, buying supplies.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is read by more people than any local newspaper in West Texas, with one and possibly two exceptions.

Keyes Fawcett the Val Verde county cattleman was in Sonora Saturday for supplies for his ranch on Dolan.

Sonora is the trading center for a very large scope of country. The trade of this territory is valuable. It is reached by the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS.

Texas Breech.

Ah, ha! the wind is in the south. The wind we love (that's) Come, lads, and bring ye lassies too, We'll pluck the rose and plait blue, The wind is in the S.—West!!!

Oh, ho! the wind is in the west. 'Tis changeable at best: Come all, let's wander in the fields, And seek the joys that nature yields; The wind is in the W.—East!!!

Ha, ha! the wind is in the east. Come, quick, let's hurry forth; Again it surely will not change; Before it does, abroad we range; The wind is in the E.—Gee-whiskins!—North!!! —Boston Post.

At a meeting of the directors of the Concho national bank held in San Angelo on Jan. 11th, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: Geo. E. Webb, president; Wm. S. Key vice-president, Chas. H. Powell cashier. Geo. E. Webb the president is well-known as one of the most successful all conservative bankers in the state, and in the capacity of cashier has brought the Concho into the rank of West Texas national banks. Mr. Kelly has for years been vice-president and is the well-known lumber dealer. C. H. Pell the new cashier has been with the Concho for six or seven years and for the past few years filled the position of assistant cashier with credit to himself at the bank. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS wishes the new management the success they deserve.

NERVOUS troubles are due to impoverished blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier and NERVE TONIC.

J. L. Davis bought Mat Karnes interest in the Brooks & Karnes ranch eight miles north of Sonora.

The Dallas or Galveston Weekly News and the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS will be sent to your address one year for only \$2.00

Try Bown's Indian Maid chewing tobacco, it will more than please you. Hagerlund Bros have it.

Elwin Trimble and Jess Hill are holding down the chairs in the old stand barber shop. Don't forget the boys when you want a clean shave or a smooth hair cut.

