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A crowd of gentlemen were sitting in the real estate office of a reputable dealer talking about green goods. The conversation stretched to considerable length, and many incidents of the past in this green goods business were told, but finally the party broke up, leaving only the proprietor of the office and one other gentleman in the room. Both men knew each other well, and each knew the other to be a business man of good standing and some property. The proprietor of the office seemed very much interested in the subject of green goods and showed a desire by several remarks to be made to learn something about the "stuff" and wished the gentleman who was remaining to tell him something more of the operations of his workers. So the gentleman, without saying a word, rose and opened the door, looked around very cautiously as though he was going to disclose some great secret to his friend in confidence, and seating himself near the proprietor of the office he took out a long wallet from his inside pocket and brought forth a bunch of ten new \$1 bills.

"This is money which has never been spent," he remarked. He told his friend to examine the bills.

The friend tore off the band of paper which was around them, and after he had examined them their owner handed him an older \$1 bill, which he took from his vest pocket, and asked his friend to compare the new bills with the old one. After he had done this the owner of the money said:

"Now, then, George, which is the good money?"

"Well, I should say it is all good money."

Then the owner put all the money back in his pocket except one of the new bills. Holding it before him and looking at it admiringly, he listened to hear if any one was near the office door and then said:

"Now, George, the price of these bills varies a little, but I can buy them for 50 and 51 cents apiece," and his friend opened his eyes in amazement, "and if you want any I will buy them for you."

His friend said nothing, but took the bill in his hand and examined it the second time. "Well, I never did any of this kind of business in my life," said this man, "and he was assured it was good enough to pass anywhere in the world without question.

After a little more talk about the bill and after a considerable evident struggle with his conscience as to whether he should depart from the legitimate method of getting "good money" and embark with his friend in purchasing of some of the money which the simple man in his hand represented he concluded that he would like to try a little of it, and he admitted as much to his friend. And when he was asked how much he would like to buy of these figures he said that to start with he thought not more than \$5 worth for the first time. When he had taken the purchase money out and was about to hand it to his friend to make the purchase for him, his friend said:

"No, George, I see you are willing to buy the goods, and that is all I want to know. I heard you say during the conversation this morning that you didn't believe a reputable business man would have anything to do with green goods, no matter how genuine it looked. Now, I said I could buy these dollars for 50 and 51 cents, not 50 or 51 cents, and you can go up to the treasury change window, where I got these, and buy all you want at that price, and the government will make 1 cent on every dollar you buy," and he went out of the office door, leaving his friend to enjoy the joke on himself alone.—Washington Post.

A Boy's Effort to Explain Things.

"Mamma, do you like to kiss Mrs. Jewhillaker?"

"No, dear."

"Do you think Mrs. Jewhillaker likes to kiss you?"

"I don't think she does."

"Then why do you and she always kiss when you meet?"

"I don't know, dear."

"Don't you think Mrs. Jewhillaker would rather you didn't kiss her?"

"I have no doubt of it."

"Wouldn't you rather Mrs. Jewhillaker didn't kiss you?"

"Oh, very much."

"Then that must be why."—Chicago Tribune.

Mirabeau's Trumpet Voice.

Mirabeau had a voice like a trumpet, and when he raised it in threat or denunciation the effect was awe inspiring. The impression he created was greatly heightened by his manner, his personal appearance being exceedingly imposing. He had a way of lifting his head and shaking it to give emphasis to his periods that made the beholders involuntarily draw back with fear.

The ritualistic use of candles in churches was forbidden in England in 1548.

ONLY A BRIEF PAIN.

In a Fatal Case of Burning the Suffering Is Not Great.

A little girl 4 or 5 years old in the farm district of Illinois had her clothes set on fire while standing near the cook stove, which was out of doors near the kitchen. The mother had gone for a bucket of water a few rods away. The screams of her child hastened the mother's steps, and the burning clothes were at once extinguished.

I was immediately called to visit the unfortunate. Thinking she must be in terrible suffering, all reasonable haste was made. Nearing the house, I listened to hear the cries of the child, but heard nothing.

To my great surprise on arriving at the bedside of the patient she was found lying quietly in bed without the least sign of physical suffering.

The burned surfaces had been covered over with wheat flour. But it is doubtful if this has or had any effect whatever. The pulse was beating 120 a minute. This indicated a profound shock upon vitality. The accident occurred about 5 o'clock in a windy October afternoon, and the poor child died at 11 o'clock that night and gave no more evidence of pain.

Here was an instructive case. The length of time of actual suffering of the child, as stated by the mother—that it ceased crying as soon as the flames were extinguished—could not have been over one or two minutes, say, three minutes at most.

The girl's hands, arms, face, breast and other places were burned and blistered so the outside of the skin peeled off. Her death followed six hours after the accident. Hence the absorbing question of interest is how long did the agony of burning last, not how long she lasted after the pain ceased.

Now, why did not the child make an outcry of pain after the flames were extinguished? There is but one reason. It is this: The extensive burning destroyed a great deal of surface or skin integument. From this there followed a profound shock to vitality which overpowered the sensorium. Then all sensation was benumbed. She died in this shock of paralyzed sensation.

The brain is the great center of nerve sensation. The skin is the great surface of sensitive nerve expansion.

Therefore it is my conviction that when the great skin surface of nerve expansion had been destroyed the resulting shock overpowered the brain sensorium and obliterated further sense of feeling; that if she had continued to burn in the flames for a time longer she would have suffered no more pain. The disabled skin surface and the disabled brain sensorium were now functionless and well nigh dead.

Hence it is an immense relief to believe and know that those unfortunate in flames, whether by accident or at the stake, suffered less and not as long a time as we had supposed. Their agony of pain, bad as it must be, continued but one or two minutes. Of course a slow fire would extend the time and prolong the agony.—A Physician in Progressive Thinker.

Bishop Thorold's View of Children.

Bishop Thorold holds that it is a dangerous thing, even when right is on your side, to challenge a personal controversy with children. The chances are the child wins, as he clearly did on one occasion.

On an ocean steamer a few years ago an English clergyman was in close conversation with a lady, when a small boy of 6 years old lounged up and coolly joined in. The incautious divine, thinking it well to administer a reproof to the child who had become an awful nuisance to everybody, looked as grave as he could and observed, "My young friend, when I was your age, little boys did not join the conversation of their elders until they were invited." The reply was instant and would have been more crushing but for the fact that the supposed aged one was well under 60 and did not look his years. But it was straight, and gave much joy. "I guess that was 70 or 80 years ago, you bet." Probably that good man never runs on a child's spear now.

Are we very far wrong in supposing that "that good man," as well as the "humbler person" and "the church dignitary" of the other stories quoted, is none else than a certain well known bishop himself?—Westminster Gazette.


Try It.

At a social gathering the other evening the question arose as to the number of different ways in which this line from Gray's "Elegy" can be constructed:

"The plowman homeward plods his weary way."

Many guesses were hazarded as to the number, but a gentleman who professed to have worked it out, and who was the proposer of the problem, gave an answer which is so startling that I hesitate to repeat it. Let some of my "type friends" figure on the matter a bit for their own satisfaction.—New York World.

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Clean and Healthy. Brown & Manzanares, wholesale grocers, East Las Vegas, N. M., Sept. 14, 1895.—Morris, Little & Son, Brooklyn, N. Y.—This is to certify that I had 15,000 head of sheep twice dipped with your "Little's Powder sheep Dip." The flocks were very bad with scab before dipping, having been neglected for a long time, but as near as I can see now your medicine has cured them, and now clean and healthy. Very truly, E. A. Manzanares.

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SONORA, TEXAS. June 6, 1896.

In this issue will be seen a letter from A. J. Baker State Land Commissioner showing how he has conducted his office. If the state had more officers like Baker there would be better satisfaction.

The sheriff of El Paso county arrested Willis Pafford of Del Rio in El Paso Wednesday on information from the sheriff of Val Verde county, charging him with assault with intent to murder Louis Kieffer. Deputy Sheriff W. C. Jones expects to go after the prisoner to-day.—Del Rio Record.

At the meeting of the Dea-Ora lodge of A. F. and A. Masons of Sonora held in their lodge rooms in Sonora on May 30th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

S. H. Steger, W. M.; E. G. Colton, S. W.; Max Mayer, J. W.; E. G. Jones, Treas.; R. C. Dawson, Sec.; S. G. Taylor, S. D.; D. H. Burroughs, J. D.; James Malcomb, Tyler.

Stock News.

R. S. Campbell bought from J. M. G. Baugh 525 head of muttons at \$1.60 and 5 a head.

R. H. Wyatt sold to R. S. Campbell 200 head of muttons at \$1.60 and 2 a head.

A. V. Lamar sold to G. W. Whitehead & Sons 600 head of sheep, stockers, at \$1.30 a head.

O. T. Word bought from R. K. James 200 head of sheep, stockers, at \$1.25 a head.

G. W. Whitehead & Sons sold 500 head of muttons to R. S. Campbell at \$1.60 and \$2 per head.

R. S. Campbell bought from L. Runge of Menard county, 675 muttons at \$2.17 a head this week.

R. S. Campbell bought from H. H. Sheard 860 head of muttons at \$1.75 a head this week.

John McKee of Crockett county sold 1000 head of muttons this week to R. S. Campbell at \$1.95 a head.

M. B. Atkinson closed out his sheep this week to G. W. Whitehead & Sons, 500 head of stock sheep at \$1.35.

O. T. Word of Sonora, bought from G. D. Hines of North Concho 600 head of sheep, stockers at \$1.50 a head.

P. H. James sold this week to O. T. Word 220 head of yearling wethers at prices satisfactory to James.

Nat Saunders was in Sonora Thursday. He is on the road to San Angelo with 800 head of 90 pounds muttons.

The wool commission men at San Angelo have sold this season 1,250,000 pounds of wool at an average price of 5 3-4 cents a pound.

The mutton market at Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City for the first three days this week was better than it has been at any time this season.

L. N. Halbert this week sold to O. T. Word 800 head of sheep, dry ewes and yearling wethers, at \$1.25 a head. Word receives the sheep now and turns the fall clip of wool over to Halbert.

From San Angelo Enterprise.

Akry & Bird sold to Allen Richardson 1150 sheep at \$1.55.

Mark Fary sold to G. S. Long 1200 muttons at \$1.55.

J. W. Turner sold to Hector McKenzie 560 ewes and wethers at \$2. Louis Runge sold to Campbell & Richardson 670 muttons at \$2.17.

Sales of wool amounting to about one and a half million pounds were made five days ago to Hallin & Prestridge, J. A. Caldwell and Hill & Palmer for eastern houses, at prices ranging from 5 1-2 to 6 1-2 cents per pound. Since then the market has gone down from one-half to one cent a pound. There still remains in San Angelo between 1500 to 2000 bags which will be marketed as soon as an opportunity offers itself and the price warrants the trade.—San Angelo Enterprise.

From the Chicago Drovers Journal:

The machine as a means of shearing sheep has been tested quite thoroughly on some of the big Western ranches, and while it does fairly well it has not reached that state perfection which would justify it being described as a complete success. Progress in the line of invention is rapid, and it is reasonable to expect that within a few years at least the occupation of the professional sheep shearer will be gone, just as other occupations have disappeared because of the advancement of mechanical science.

Although it is generally conceded that the total supply of sheep in the country is much smaller than it was a few years ago on account of the heavy marketing during the past three years, it will be noticed that receipts so far this year have been unusually heavy. One reason for this is the change in the price of wool, which has caused a much larger percentage of sheep to come to market for mutton purposes. Formerly thousands were raised for the wool alone, but now flockmasters are paying more attention to the mutton side of the question, and for a few years it has hardly been profitable from both sources of revenue. While there are less sheep now than three years ago the number is still comparatively large, and the general belief among sheep men is that the industry is gradually on the increase. More farmers are giving attention to the sheep and this means an increased number for the market and, after all, this is what counts. No matter how many there are in the United States it is the number slaughtered that regulates the prices. Sheep are prolific and quickly prepared for market, and with more raisers in the business and a growing demand for mutton it is quite reasonable to expect the trade to grow at least to a reasonable limit.—Chicago Drovers Journal.

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S. E. Lerd of San Angelo, a teacher by profession, is in Sonora on business connected with the next session of the Sonora public school.

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A Card from Baker.

Austin, Tex., May 20.—To the San Antonio Express: Will you say through your paper for me that, owing to the constant demands upon my time here in performing the duties of this office entrusted to me by the people I cannot visit nor write letters in the interest of my re-nomination to this office. That I shall trust to the activity and efforts of my friends and a just discriminating public judgment for endorsement of my humble efforts to serve the people honestly and fearlessly.

I have leased since Aug. 1 last to May 1, this year, 4,484,187 acres against 1,197,168 acres from Aug. 1, 1893 to May 1, 1894, under my predecessor. I have sold in the same period of time 772,182 acres of land, against 150,539 acres in the period from Aug. 1, 1893, to May 1, 1894.

I have written 17-12 as many letters in my first year as were written during the year 1894. The work in the patent room and in the draughting department shows an equal increase of business.

Nevertheless, I have reduced the force to forty-two men, against fifty-eight on the roll for the last year of the former term. I have saved for the people in one year about \$10,000 in expenditures in this department, and will have saved during my present term largely over \$30,000 and if I shall be honored with re-election I expect to make the decrease in expenditures of this department to a sum between \$60,000 and \$70,000 for the four years, being a sum of money amounting to enough to run this department for a whole year and leave a balance of perhaps \$15,000. Besides, I have received hundreds of letters assuring me that the efficiency of the work here and the promptness of its discharge is as good, if not better, than at any time in the history of the department. Respectfully submitted.

ANDREW J. BAKER.

The Blair electric belt company of Sherman, Texas, were represented in Sonora this week by a troupe of comedians, musicians, and singers. They furnish an excellent entertainment and advertise their belts at the same time. J. B. Blair, the manager and lecturer is a gentlemanly fellow and a good talker. Claude Besant in his negro character work is of course the star and the equal if not superior to many burnt cork artists of the stage. The editor of the Devil's River News is grateful to him for bringing him into notice in some of his "local bits." Nat Brown is a musician of more than ordinary ability and his music attracts many who do not like funny business. Jack Hoffman is a young man of some ability and will doubtless improve with age, if he lives long enough. Altogether these entertainments are superior to anything that has struck Sonora to date. They are likely to be here all next week. They go from here to Ozona.

A cowboy named Coleman and his employer, Israel King were arrested in Juarez, Mexico five weeks ago while transacting some business connected with cattle stealing. Coleman and King were unable to obtain a preliminary trial, but two weeks ago King obtained his liberty by putting up a \$7,000 cash bond and is now dying at San Marcial, N.M., from pneumonia contracted in the Juarez prison. Five cowboys from Kings county tried to liberate Coleman on Sunday May 31st, by throwing rope over the jail wall for Coleman to take hold of. The rope was then tied to the punnell of the saddle but the horse was from a livery stable at El Paso and could not be managed. The soldiers opened fire and Coleman let go the rope. The man who was riding the horse was shot in the head and the horse also badly wounded. The other cowboys drove the soldiers back and made their escape to Deming, N.M.

All are Pleased.

June, Tex., Val Verde county, June 29, 1895.—Morris, Little & Son, Brooklyn, N.Y.—Dear Sirs:—Your favor at hand. In reply will say that your chemical dipping powder is all you claim it to be. I dipped my sheep one time only, and there were several cases of scab, and on examination a few days ago found every case entirely cured. I am well pleased and expect to use your dip and nothing else. I have not heard any complaint yet from others that used it. I think everyone is well pleased with it. Wishing good success, I am, yours truly, B. F. McDonald.

Announcements.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce the following candidates for the office specified:

Tax Assessor:

A. J. Swearingen as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the ensuing November election.

M. B. Atkinson as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Steve Murphy as a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county at the election on November 3rd, 1896.

For County Judge.

J. O. Rountree as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Sheriff and Tax-Collector:

J. P. McConnell as a candidate for re-election to the office of sheriff and Tax-Collector of Sutton county at the election in November.

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A Sure Cure.

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\$5.00 Reward.

Lost about April 8th from Frank Larges ranch, one sorrel white face pony, 15 hands high, white spots on each side, branded IL on hip. Will pay \$5 reward for his return to
S. J. PALMER,
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For Killing Worms.

Albert, Tex., July 12, 1895.—Morris, Little & Son, Brooklyn, N.Y.—Dear Sirs:—Now in regard to the sheep dip I got from you I have used altogether in killing worms with same, and consider it the best and cheapest I ever used, and cannot say too much in praise of it. Yours truly, C. A. Luckenbach.

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Sonora, Texas.

Parties wanting bread, cakes, pies, etc., should call at Owens' bakery, Exchange restaurant.

Wanted—An Idea
Who can think of some simple thing to make? I will pay \$100 for the best idea that will make a good thing. Send to J. B. Hill, Proprietor, Devil's River News, Sonora, Texas. Prize offered for the best idea that will make a good thing. Send to J. B. Hill, Proprietor, Devil's River News, Sonora, Texas. Prize offered for the best idea that will make a good thing. Send to J. B. Hill, Proprietor, Devil's River News, Sonora, Texas.

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At 11 a.m., on Saturday June 6, 1896, I will sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the lot 16 x 100 feet and stone and frame building thereon, known as the Sutton County Bank property; also an iron safe, reserving the right to reject any or all bids.
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Clothing Dep't	Boys Clothing	Dry Goods	Mens Shirts	Mens Hats	Ladies Shoes	Ladies Goods
450 Mens All Wool Cassimere Sack Suits, are worth and sold anywhere else for \$7 50, during this sale \$4 65.	500 Boys Knee Pants-Suits, well made, good lining, sold before at \$1 50, during this sale 90c a suit.	5c Figured Challie, 2 1-2c 7c Figured Lawn, 4 1-2c 10c Shaded Crepon, 5c 16 2-3c La Belle Crepon, 10c 12 1-2c Figured Dimity, 6 3-4c 10c Pique, 7 1-2c 10c Percale, 5c 12 1 2c Plaid Lawn, linen col. 7 1 2 15c Duck, 8 1-3c 15c Figured Sateen, 10c 36 inch Bleached Domestic, 3 7-8c 5c White Lawn, 3c 10c India Lawn, 6c 7c Nainsook, 4 1-2c Heavy See Island Brown Domestic, 4c 6 1 4c Apron Gingham, 3 1 2c 10c Dress Gingham, 5c	17 dozen Mens Laundered Percal Shirts, worth 75c during sale 40c. 20 dozen Mens Laundered Percal Shirts, collars and cuffs attached, warranted to fit and fast colors, worth \$1, during sale 65c. 50 dozen Mens Balbrigan Under Shirts, full size pearl buttons, sold before 75c, during this sale only 25c. 100 dozen Unbleached Drill drawers, worth 50c, during this sale only 25c.	Mens Black and White wool Hats sold before at \$1, during this sale only 50c. Mens Black or White Cassimere Hats (Accorn Brand) wide brim, low crown, sold before at \$3 to \$4, to close out only \$1 25. Mens Genuine Stetson Hats in black or white, former price \$5 00, during sale only \$3 90. Boys Hats in all colors, worth 75c, during sale 35c.	Ladies Pink and Blue Sandals, worth \$1 50, during sale 75c. Ladies Plain Opera Slippers, regular price \$1, during sale 50c Ladies Black Dangoia Oxfords, square pat. tip, 1 50 quality, only 90c during sale. Ladies Tan Slippers and Oxford all sizes, from \$1 a pair up. Our Shoe Department is the Largest in West Texas. We give money back in every case where it is wanted.	Our Hosiery and Ladies Furnishing Department is strictly up to date and our prices are lower than any other concern's in Texas, for the same quality. Ladies Tan Colored Cotton Hose from 15c up. We have a fine selection of French Pattern Hats which we are selling at half price: Gild Edge Shoe Dressing at 15c a bottle.

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Democratic Convention.

I hereby call a convention of the Democrats of Sutton county to meet in the Court House at Sonora on Monday 8th of June 1896, to elect delegates to the various State Conventions. JOHN MCNICOLL, Chairman Democratic County Executive Committee of Sutton county.

Glassware, Hagerstein's, San Angelo. Born to Mr. and Mrs. S.G. Taylor on Thursday June 4th, a boy.

Well supplies, Hagerstein, San Angelo. Mrs. J. W. Mayfield and Miss Lodena Reader, left on a visit to friends in Bosque county Monday.

Aermotors, Hagerstein's San Angelo. Miss Daisy Traweck of Lampasas arrived in Sonora Thursday and is the guest of her grand mother Mrs. M. A. Traweck.

Tiware, Hagerstein's, San Angelo. Mrs. Joseph Lee, mother to Mesdames J.W. and J. A. Hagerlund and G. Haber, returned from a visit to Austin Wednesday.

Hacks, at Hagerstein's, San Angelo. G. D. Felton of San Angelo who has been shipping muttons to Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago this season was in Sonora this week.

Oils, C. & G. Hagerstein, San Angelo. Buggies at Hagerstein's, San Angelo.

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Fourth of July Meeting.

At a meeting of the citizens of Sonora held at the court house Thursday night for the purpose of making arrangements for the celebration of the Fourth of July. J. W. Hagerlund was called to the chair and Max Mayer elected secretary. The following committees were elected: S.H. Stokes general manager of barbecue. Committee on finance: G. S. Allison, E.S. Briant, J. W. Hagerlund, Max Mayer and G. H. McDonald.

Committee on arrangements, on grounds, seats, etc: R.C. Dawson, W. A. Stewart, J. M. Bell.

Committee on barbecue, bread, etc: C. F. Adams J. O. Rountree, J. W. Keene, C. G. Lovelace, W. F. Decker.

Committee on public speaking: J. W. Hagerlund, T.D. Newell and Steve Murphy.

The meeting gave the committee on arrangements the power to sell privileges for stands on the barbecue grounds at \$5.00 for each stand.

J. P. McConnell was elected marshal of the day.

Max Mayer was elected general treasurer.

The citizens meeting elected the following gentlemen to arrange and conduct a grand ball at the courthouse on July 3rd. G. B. Black, Felix Vander Stucken and E. R. Silliman.

The citizens meeting decided that the Sonora Jockey club should conduct the races and elected T. B. Birtrong, G. S. Allison, J. P. McConnell and G. W. Morris a committee on finance for the races.

The citizens meeting adjourned to meet at the court house and report progress on Tuesday night June 9th.

Cutlery, at Hagerstein's, San Angelo.

Nath Davis foreman of J. B. Stribbling's ranch in the North-eastern part of Sutton county was in Sonora this week.

Wire, C & G Hagerstein, San Angelo.

Miss Delia Hail, formerly of San Angelo was in Sonora this week on a visit to her friend Miss Florence Felton before leaving for her new home at Aransas Pass.

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Wm. I. Babb the well-known stockman was in town this week.

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H. S. Hudspeth of Ozona was in Sonora Saturday.

Pipe and Cylinders at Chris & Geo. Hagerstein's, San Angelo.

Judge Doty the life insurance man from Brady was in Sonora this week doing the country.

Well Supplies, B. L. Wilson, San Angelo.

Mrs. J. L. Burroughs and Mrs. W. F. Decker left on a weeks visit to Knickerbocker Monday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cusenbary left for Ballinger Monday where Mrs. Cusenbary's mother is seriously ill.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Weymillar and Miss Reynolds of Uvalde were in Sonora last week to assist Lon Reynolds.

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

H. Spruce, Oscar Rountree, Sam Cox and Geo Cox left with 65 head of horses for Louisiana Monday. They will be gone about one month.

Try Brown's Indian Maid chewing tobacco, it will more than please you. Hagerlund Bros have it. 46.

Dr. H. G. Colson will leave on Tuesday with his family on a month's visit to his old home in Louisville, Ky. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS hopes they will have a pleasant trip.

All beers are the same price in Sonora therefore buy the best. Call for Lemp's beer and if it is pale and sparkling you will know you are getting the best goods for the money. 93

Do You Wash?

I can sell you the best steam pump washing machine ever invented. A trial will convince you. Agents wanted. A. J. SAVELL.

Dr. Colson says he will make arrangements while in Kentucky, with McKinley's managers for a part of the campaign fund to be used in the Sonora country next fall.

Cheap as Dirt.

The James Gillespie residence on Oak street is for sale. Price \$350. Apply at this office or to JAS. GILLESPIE, Ozona.

Bill Carr the Sherwood livery man was in Sonora last week. Mr. Carr says Sherwood will have a race meet on June 20, 22 and 23. A matched race for \$500 will be run on the 20th and good purses are offered for the other races.

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Hedden—Robson.

Married at San Angelo on May 28th, August Hedden to Miss A. M. Robson, Rev. C. T. Storey of the Presbyterian church officiating. Mr. Hedden is one of the prominent and successful sheepmen of the Sonora country and highly respected by all who know him. Miss Robson is a beautiful and accomplished lady and visited in this country about a year ago. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS wishes Mr. and Mrs. Hedden all the happiness they deserve.

Dr. J. B. Taylor the large ranch and cattle owner of this county was riding in his favorite Wednesday when the horse he was riding fell. Dr. Taylor's left arm was broken and he was badly shook up generally. Dr. H.G. Jones was sent for and attended Dr. Taylor at his ranch. The horse's neck was broken by the fall. Dr. Taylor has important business in San Antonio next week and although seriously injured sent to town for a hack to take him to San Angelo from which place he will take the train for San Antonio.

Ben Novel the cattleman was in Sonora this week from the ranch. He was out near Bond's east well on Monday last where he was caught in a small sized tornado. Ben got down off his horse and hid himself under his saddle to keep from blowing away. A heavy rain fell immediately after the wind storm, but did not extend very far.

A two weeks protracted meeting will be held by the Baptists in Sonora beginning on the 5th Sunday in August. Rev. H. Q. Kendall the pastor writes that he has secured the Rev. J. A. Reynolds of Killeen to assist him with the meeting.

WANTED

A special agent to solicit insurance for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, in Crockett or Sutton county.

An energetic man can secure a splendid contract by applying to C. E. WAY, District Manager, 98 3 Kerrville, Texas.

R. C. McMahan returned from San Angelo this week where he bought supplies for a beer saloon. Mr. McMahan will open up his saloon in Santa Rosa de Sonora, as soon as his building is completed. He will put in a pool table and otherwise conduct a first-class resort.

C.C. Yaws and Dud Toms cattlemen from near McKavett, were in Sonora this week. Mr. Yaws wants the man who borrowed his cart wheel to return same.

A light shower of rain fell in Sonora on Monday evening. East and south of Sonora it was much heavier and did some good.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Worden were in Sonora this week from their ranch in Edwards county.

Geo. Bond, San Angelo, Texas, agent for Lemp's and Anheuser beer. They are the best beers on the Texas market. 93tf.

Sam Gorman the Frank's Defeat cattleman was in Sonora Thursday.

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

J.S. Cash the dentist left for his home in Mason Friday. The koutar is well satisfied with his trip to Sonora and will come again.

Fort Worth Beer is handled by Geo. S. Allison. 35

A most enjoyable dance was participated in by about 30 couples at the court house last night.

Jack Perse and Tom Dolan the cattlemen from the North Concho were in Sonora this week on their way to Edwards county.

John Allison and Ira Word Sonora's soldier boys returned from Waco last night. The rest of the boys will kindly take a back seat.

Hagerlund Bros. are prepared to make liberal cash advances on your fall wools. See them before making arrangements elsewhere. 78

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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 mucr in love with a pretty and sprightly girl, and all the more so if she has some means of her own. The real fact of the case very likely is simply that the girl arouses him, and he pictures 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 those wedded lovers? She is probably absorbed in her children, and her household cares, and her husband is of very secondary importance to her. Why is this? She has simply bored and then alienated her husband's love by her demonstrative affection, which in unmarried 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 pulled 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.—Home Notes.

The Poets and Thunder.

Byron, in the third canto of "Childe Harold," describes a thunderstorm in Switzerland which occurred at midnight on June 15, 1816. He notices the awful 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 jealous Alps, who call to her aloud!

The description is too 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 heroic and far delight of a thunderstorm is here described in verse almost as vivid as its lightnings. 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 furrowed 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 manufactories 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 stragot way. A Mr. Mulligan dreamed that he saw a canoe at the bottom of the lake. The lake was dragged and the canoe found.

Mothers

Anxiously watch declining health of their daughters. So many are cut off by consumption in early years that there is real cause for anxiety. In the early stages of the disease, beyond the reach of medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla will restore the quality and quantity of the blood and thus give good health. Read the following letter:

"It is but just to write about my daughter Cora, aged 19. She was completely run down, declining, had that tired feeling, and friends said she would not live over three months. She had a bad

Cough

and nothing seemed to do her any good. I happened to read about Hood's Sarsaparilla and had her give it a trial. From the very first dose she began to get better. After taking a few bottles she was completely cured and her health has been the best ever since." Mrs. Addie Peck, 12 Railroad Place, Amsterdam, N. Y.

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Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Is purely vegetable, free from mercury, and is the most reliable and beneficial use of Hood's Pills.

An Engineering Feat.

The subaqueous portion of the great Blackwall tunnel under the Thames, at London, has been achieved under circumstances that called for the best of modern engineering skill. The portion under the river is 1,221 feet, reached on the north and south banks by approaches 2,470 and 2,480 feet long, having grades of 1 in 84.4 and 1 in 35.2 respectively. The portion under the river is circular, 27 feet in diameter, and lined throughout with cast iron plates from 1 1/2 to 2 inches thick, the total weight of this lining in the tunnel and approaches being about 20,000 tons. The excavation was accomplished by means of a shield 19 1/2 feet long, 27 feet 8 inches in external diameter and weighing 250 tons. It was composed of an outer skin of four rings of steel plate five-eighths of an inch thick and an inner skin extending about half the length of the other, the interior space being divided by two transverse vertical airtight diaphragms, through which the material excavated from the face of the shield was passed in shoots. As the earth was dug away to form the tunnel, compressed air being forced into the leading to keep the water back in the earth, the shield was driven ahead by 28 hydraulic rams. Under cover of the rear of this shield the cast iron lining was put in place, and cement grout was afterward forced around the exterior of the lining.—New York Sun.

The African Woman.

Just above the streets of Cairo comes the Balmoney village, and here one finds the African woman in her most horrible state—almost nude, entirely like an ape. Her feet are bare and illustrate completely that odd fermentation of the negro heel, which in extending so far back seems to have taken all the calf of the ankle. Her legs look like ebony drumsticks; even her lips are black, but to redeem the widespread, sensuous mouth there are two rows of dazzling ivory. Their eyes, too, are soft and appealing—kind, yearning eyes that shine on their fellows and seem asking for help in darkness. These women have a dance peculiar to themselves, the motion being made entirely with hands and arms. They move neither their heads nor trunks, and some of their motions make one think of a negro laborer scattering corn in the field. As for garments, these consist mainly of a brown sack about the loins and a string of beads, to which modern feminine progress has added occasionally a gauze shirt as a mark of distinction.—Maude Andrews in Atlanta Constitution.

A Witty Retort.

A brother of Bishop Clark was one of the wittiest men alive. It runs in the family. He once went to see one of his parishioners, a lady with a prodigious family, which had been recently increased. As he rose to leave the lady stopped him with, "But you haven't seen my last baby."

"No," he replied, "and I never expect to." Then he fled.—London Tit-Bits.

We must define flattery and praise. They are distinct. Trajan was encouraged to virtue by the panegyric of Pliny. Tiberius became obstinate in vice from the flattery of the senators.—Louis XVI.

The violet snail, very common in Europe and in some parts of this country, has the curious property of being able to inflate its body with air and thus become a true air raft.

A dish of water placed in a hot oven where pies, cakes or puddings are being baked will prevent them from scorching.

In Sumatra there grows a flower of a scent so vile as to be comparable to nothing but rotten carrion

A PAIR OF TIN TROUSERS.

That Is What a Sailor Had Who Was Caught Smuggling Rum.

"You would be surprised at the amount of smuggling that is done by the crews of sailing vessels," said one of the customs inspectors over on the Brooklyn docks. "Many rich cargoes come in here from India, South America and the West Indies, and the temptation to smuggle is too strong for the average sailor to resist. There is something fascinating about smuggling, which is the only way I can account for the fact that many an otherwise honest man doesn't scruple to defraud the government whenever he gets the chance. Among sailors this feeling is almost universal. Indeed they seem to think that their calling gives them the privilege of bringing in a few things on every trip, and they are apt to make it very uncomfortable for the officer who attempts to enforce the law. The articles they smuggle consist mostly of liquors, cigars, fine silks and such delicacies as preserved ginger, curacao, etc."

"But let me tell you how I discovered one of the most ingenious schemes for smuggling that were ever devised. I was in the habit of visiting a little old-fashioned saloon, and one day the proprietor asked me if I would sample some of his rum. It was fine old Demerara. I began to wonder where he got it, for he didn't keep it in stock all the time. Then I noticed that he got in a fresh supply every time a certain ship arrived."

"I thought I saw a good chance for a seizure and kept a close watch on the saloon the next time the vessel came in. I hung around the place all night, but not a sign of smuggling could I see. There was no doubt, though, that it had taken place, for the next day the saloon keeper was treating all hands to rum. The only suspicious thing I saw was that one of the sailors made frequent trips from the ship to the saloon. I was morally certain that he was doing the smuggling, but how he did it was a mystery, for I never saw him carrying anything."

"One day when he was returning to the ship I drew him into conversation. He had been sampling some of his own rum and began skylarking. At last he made a kick at me and I playfully bit him on the leg with my walking cane. There was a sharp metallic sound as the blow fell. The man's face whitened, and he sobred up in a moment. It was all plain enough to me then, and I knew that the wide trousers the man wore meant more than a mere peculiarity of dress."

"There was no logical evidence against the man, as no rum was found in the ship, but I made him show me the contrivance. It was practically a pair of hollow tin trousers, of the most ingenious design, by which he could carry gallons of liquor with entire fear of detection. He never attempted to work the scheme again, and some time afterward he told me that he had sold the contrivance for a good sum to a smuggler who plied his calling on the Canadian border line."—New York World.

On a Pillion.

The double saddle which enabled the lady to accompany her lord on horseback was in common use in New England during colonial times and even later. It was especially associated with the churchgoing usage of those days. The custom was brought here from England. It is said that even within "living memory" the pillion has been in common use in parts of Devonshire about Dartmoor.

There is a story told of a country parson of that region which goes to show that the same churchgoing associations were connected with the use of the pillion in the old country as in the new. The good parson found occasion to explain the parable of the marriage supper. He knew how readily his parishioners would respond to an invitation to such a feast, and he knew in what manner they would come. He was forgetful of the distance in time and in space between that supper and his service, and he censured severely the man in the parable who offered as an excuse for his not coming to the supper that he had married a wife, and therefore could not come.

"A frivolous excuse this, my friends, a frivolous excuse indeed. Why, he might have brought her behind him on a pillion!"—Youth's Companion.

Best Pines Like Bonbons.

Our North American Indians eat the seeds of many plants, parching them, then grinding them and making them into gruel. Their fondness for the seeds of some pines is well known, these "pinions" being to them what sugar plums are to us.

Competent Witness.

"Say, kid, wuz dey a fight over yere? Kid sez dey wuz."

"Wuz one, but it's over now." "Djon see it?" "See it? I'm de kid wot got lick ed!"—Chicago Record.

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THE MOUNTAINEER'S STORY.

Low Joe's Wife Saved Him From Capture by the Union Soldiers.

"Yo' see, the trail used to run straight ahead to the branch," said the mountaineer to me as we halted where it turned to the right and wound up the hillside. "What yo' see in front of yo' is all fill, brung down thar by an avalanche a good many years ago."

"Was any one killed?" I asked.

"Siz down and I'll tell yo' about it. Down thar whar yo' saw the chimney standin used to be Joe Peters' cabin. Joe wasn't union when the war broke out, same as the rest of us, but 'listed into the rebel army. Why he deserted I never did git at the truth, but one day he walked out of camp and cum home to his wife. She and then, fur two or three y'ard they sent soldiers up yere to captur him, but he allus got warned and slipped into the woods. In the winter of 1864 he was took powerful sick, and thar wasn't a doctor within ten miles and no neighbors to help his wife. One arternoon she got word that 20 soldiers war cumin up arter Joe. He was too sick to be moved. She couldn't fight 'em single handed, and it looked as if they would git him fur shore. He'd made 'em so much trouble that they'd shorley have killed him in his bed."

"Well, did she get him into the cellar?"

"Don't reckon the cabin had a cellar, sah. No, that wouldn't hev done any good, as they was purty shure to burn the cabin. She was a mighty brave woman, she was, and when she knowed the soldiers war marchin up this road she thought of the high bank which run along over thar, and the big rock on top of it about midway, and she cum out yere and did two hours of powerful hard work. Then she went back, made Joe as easy as possible, and cum back yere with his rifle. It was dark when them soldiers got along. They was all bunchd up in a heap and marchin softly, when Joe's wife bore down on the lever she had under the big rock and sent it rollin. It started way up thar by that dead tree, and it brung down trees, bushes, rocks, logs and dirt to lead 1,000 ears."

"And it caught the soldiers?"

"Caught 'em fur and squar," sah. "I cum with sich a rush that thar was 'e. cum back or goin ahead. Thar was a ravin to the left of the trail. It swept 'em into that and then filled in on 'em, and they ar' thar today under 30 feet of stuff."

"And Joe's wife?" I queried.

"Waal, she told me all about it arter the wah. She said thar was jess one yell—one long, wild scream from them 20 men as they heard the avalanche sweepin down—and then all was still. Joe heard that scream as he lay on his bed and knowed what it meant. He got well arter awhile and then they went off to North Kooling, and somehow the empty cabin got on fire and was burned down. Rich had down thar, and it can babogant powerful cheap, but no one wants it. Folks who cum along yere at night see a woman pryin at a rock up yan—feel the airt shak—hear a shriek from them 20 men, and they hearts don't stop jumpin till they've bin homo an hour. I've helped bury many a dead man, but I don't want no land around yere—not as a gift!"—Detroit Free Press.

The Deacon Undone.

There was once a deacon on Cape Cod who heard early one morning that there had been a wreck on the beach near his house. He hurried down with a couple of pillowcases; filled one with sugar, hid it under the bank and went on to look for more groceries. While he was gone a neighbor came along on the same errand, caught sight of the pillowcases, emptied 'em into his own bag and refilled 'em with sand. By and by the deacon returned empty handed, and over on of his pillowcase without notice the change. In fact, he filled his sugar bowl and tried to sweeten his coffee before he found out how badly he had been treated. Then he was so indignant that he confessed afterward, "I was almost wicked enough to wish there might never be another wreck on this here coast again."

A Queer Situation.

Applicant—No; I didn't git no fixed wages whero I was last. I worked on aimo.

Business Man—Wero you discharged?

"Yes, sir. I expected to be thero for years, but they discharged me in three years for bein good."

"That's strange. Whero did you work?"

"In the penitentiary."—Philadelphia Record.

A Refutation.

"There doesn't seem to be a great deal of moray in stories," remarked the young man with literary aspirations.

"That's whero you are palpably mistaken," replied the architect. "Just go out and take a look at that seven story building I have been putting up."—Washington Star.

HEARD IN THE PROOFROOM.

How Poetry, Prose and Advertisements Sound Via the Copyholder.

If one of our modern graduate elocutionists could hear a copyholder reading aloud in the proofroom of a daily newspaper, it would be very apt to drive the elocutionist to drink. For the benefit of those who have never heard this class of reading an imitation thereof in type may be of passing interest.

In the first place, be it understood, a copyholder is a proofreader's assistant, and it is his (or her) business to read aloud the copy, including punctuation, spelling of names, etc., so that the proofreader may have a correct understanding of just what the copy is without bothering to look and see for himself.

This is about the way it sounds when the copyholder starts in: "The G-r-a-m-m-a Machine—three up—E type—period. In the diagram before you A D—two small caps—is a ring of soft iron—comma—with its ends connected so as to form a continuous circuit—period. This ring can be made to rotate on its axis between the poles N S—two small caps—of an electro-magnet—comma—pounded—period. How the magnetism of the electro-magnet—comma—pounded—is established will be explained by-and-by—compounded—no o on by—colon—for the present I simply assume that N—small cap—and S—small cap—are two magnetic poles—comma—north and south respectively—period—parry—no dash."

Perhaps the next bit of copy is a news item, and we hear: "Accident in Newark—H 1. About 6 o'clock this morning as William—abbreviated—Clarke—with an e—was crossing E-v-a-n-a st—comma—near the corner of Clover—comma—he was struck by trolley-car—compounded—No. 42—figures—comma—and thrown to the ground on one side, just in time to fall under the wheels of a passing wagon—period. He was picked up unconscious and conveyed to G-r-o-s-v-e-n-o-r hospital—comma—where his injuries were pronounced dangerous—period—more to come."

Possibly a little poetic gem may be the next thing on the proof, and this is how it sounds: "Miss P-e-g-g-y-pos-s Bonnet—three up—K type. Poetry—begins flush. The century was six years old—comma—one em—Miss Peggy—two up—just sixteen—spelled, of course—comma—dash—flush—not yet a woman—comma—nor a child—comma—one em—but that sweet age between—comma—flush—which borrows charms from either side—comma—dash—one em—the dimpled smile of four—spelled again—comma—flush—with gentle mien and glance serene—one em—of twenty-one—hyphened—or more—searce—stanza."

Next an advertisement appears, and as this is more important than poetry or news the copy reader's pace slackens very perceptibly, and we catch: "Two inches—daily—top of column—third page—send five proofs—four blank lines—avoid consumption—38—1 line—picia old style lower next—begins flush—don't wait until the hacking cough—all caps—has weakened the system and strained the Lungs—one up—period—take—L-r-c-k—S-m-i-t-h-pos-s E-m-u-l-s-i-o-n—two lines 27—upper and lower—centered—no—point—goes on in picia old style—flush—the cream—one up—of Cod liver—cod up—hyphened—Oil—up—and Hypophosphates—up—comma—to supply the nourishment your system craves—period—no address—that's funny—better show it to the boss and see if it goes."

And thus the copyholder hurries along, dissecting his material at a rate only a printer can properly appreciate.—American Bookmaker.

Versatility Required of a Teacher.

That the old conditions of village life in New England, in which the meeting house was an intimate of public life and had an real connection with certain official things, still prevail in some places in Massachusetts is indicated by a recent occurrence. A young gentleman who had been recommended through a teachers' agency for the place of master of a public high school was in correspondence with the school committee of the town, and among the questions asked as to his qualifications was this: "Are you able to sing in the church choir?" The young gentleman can sing; he obtained the position, and every Sunday his voice is heard in the village choir. Moreover, he teaches the high school well. The people of the village say that their high school master always has sung in the choir, and they see no reason why he shouldn't be expected to sing.—Boston Transcript.

The Worst Said.

"A married man is always telling what his lady says."

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