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HELEN KELLER.

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Helen Keller is a household name both in America and foreign lands. She is blind as well as deaf. That the walls of silence and darkness which shut her from the world have been broken down, that her soul has been set free and the seal of silence taken from her lips, seems miraculous to those who know not how it was done. The limits of this article will permit only the briefest outline of her story.

Rendered both deaf and blind at 19 months by severe illness, she passed the first seven years of her life in silence, darkness and ignorance. Her mother, and the devoted and exquisite soul imprisoned in that mute and darkened body? A bright, patient, loving woman came, and the miracle began.

There was only one possible avenue of approach to the beleaguered soul. The sense of touch remained, and to that the teacher, Miss Annie M. Sullivan, addressed her efforts. Through finger spelling the child at length obtained the idea of language, and with this key other doors could be unlocked. Having naturally a fine mind, she learned rapidly when once started and developed a phenomenal memory.

While Helen received information only through spelling and in limited amount, she never forgot. To tell her something was like writing it in a book. When you wished the fact again months or even years afterward, you had only to ask for it. But later, as she began to read books, to meet more people and to receive impressions through more channels and in larger numbers, her memory ceased to be so absolutely reliable.

Until she was 11 years of age her only means of communication was by finger spelling. Then, at her own urgent request, she was given lessons in speech by Miss Fuller, principal of the Horace Mann school. The rapidity with which she acquired the ability to speak was unprecedented. She soon abandoned finger spelling as a means of expression and has ever since used speech alone.

But others still had to communicate with her by their fingers. She then expressed a strong wish to learn to read the lips by touching them with her fingers. For the purpose of attempting this difficult task, and to get special training in speech, she came to the Wright-Humason school in New York city. During the two years that she remained there she succeeded in acquiring the power of understanding people when they spoke to her, and at the same time pursued regular courses of study in arithmetic, history, physical geography, French and German. She has read much of the best literature and is very intelligent on the topics of the day. Her own speech is now excellent, and she has entered a girls' school in Cambridge, Mass., where she is taking a course preparatory for Radcliffe college.

When being spoken to, she places her index finger lightly upon the lips, while the other fingers rest upon the cheek, the middle one touching the nose. Her thumb is upon the larynx. This position gives her the greatest possible information concerning the elements of which speech is composed.—John Dutton Wright a Century.

Why He Did Not Start.

A lazy man is seldom so very lazy as not to be able to invent some excuse for his inactivity. Harper's Round Table tells a story in point. Patrick was the captain of a schooner that plied between New York and Havrestraw on the Hudson. One day his schooner was loaded with bricks, ready to start for New York, but Patrick gave no sign of any intention to get under way. Instead of that, he sat on deck smoking a pipe.

The owner of the brickyard, who was also the owner of the schooner, and who had reasons for wishing the bricks landed in New York at the earliest possible moment, came hurrying on board and demanded of the captain why he did not set sail. "Shure, you honor," said Patrick, "there's no wind."

"No wind! Why, what's the matter with you? There's Lawson's schooner under sail, going down the river now."

"Yes, I've been watchin' her, but it's no use my gettin' under way. She's got the wind now, and faith, there isn't enough of it for two."

Air Used by a Human Being.

Dr. Radcliffe Hall makes the following interesting calculation on the amount of air a human being of the average size and proportions will consume in the space of one minute when in repose, and also when in the different degrees of activity. When at rest, we consume 500 cubic inches of air per minute; if we walk at the rate of one mile an hour, we use 800; two miles, 1,000; three miles an hour, 1,600; four miles an hour, 2,300. If we start out and run six miles in an hour, we will consume 3,000 cubic inches of air during every minute of that time.—St. Louis Republic.

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It is a mistaken idea that the muttons in the Sonora country are lighter this year than formerly. Many muttons were brought here from other parts of the state and from New Mexico. The natives, age considered, are heavier by 15 pounds than last year owing to the fine range and weather of the past two seasons.

One of the funniest inventions of this inventive age is a machine invented by a farmer out in Madison county, Kentucky, for catching flies off the backs of cattle. This fly-catcher is described as a sort of pen or passageway, through which the animal must walk to secure relief from flies. A few feet from the entrance is a cupola or dome, made of glass in the roof of the passage way, and this, on the fly-trap principle, catches the flies and it is done in this way: The animal walks through the machine and just as it passes under the dome, a set of brushes sweeps off the flies which are caught in the dome trap. The inventor has found that the animals soon learn the value of the machine, for when the flies begin to

pester them they immediately walk through the machine. And that is the funny part of it.

The colossal steamship Pennsylvania, of the Hamburg-American Line, arrived in New York harbor on her maiden trip last week. She is the largest cargo carrier in the world. She is also a passenger ship but is distinguished chiefly for her carrying capacity, which is 13,500 tons dead weight and 19,000 tons measurement. She was built in Belfast by Harland & Wolff. She has two sets of quadruple expansion engines, which work independently of each other, and will drive her at an average speed of about 14 knots an hour. Comfort rather than speed was the chief consideration in her construction. She is 585 feet long, 62 feet beam and 42 feet deep. She can carry 200 passengers in her first cabin, 150 in the second cabin and 1,000 in her steerage. Her forward upper deck looks like an ordinary steamship's, while aft on the same deck she looks as if she had a two-story house placed on it.

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SONORA, TEXAS. - March 20, 1897.

Sonora Does Not Want It.

Sonora is working for a road to the Texas Pacific via Robert Lee, Coke county. What's the matter with bringing it right on by Sonora to Del Rio? A splendid stock country would be developed by such a line.—Del Rio Record.

Sonora is probably the only town in Texas that does not want a railroad. Sonora is perfectly content to have the railways remain where they are and San Angelo has taken the precaution to have it stipulated in the contract that San Angelo shall be the Southern terminus of the Colorado Valley Road for five years.

The Mississippi river is on a buster.

Thomas B. Reed of Main received the nomination of the Republican caucus for speaker of the 55 Congress by acclamation.

The McCulloch County Enterprise, J. Felder Myers, Editor, reached the Devil's River News office this week. The Enterprise is a new paper and looks healthy.

The Del Rio Record is an excellent local paper published by W. C. Easterling. Editor Easterling has the generous support of Louis Lindheim & Co., one of the most liberal advertisers in Texas.

There were 7257 Jews enlisted in the United States army during the Civil war and among its higher commanders were nine Generals and eighteen Colonels who were Jews.

The Colonel in the San Antonio Express says: "What with the gathering of long horns, and the short horns, the 'tin horns' found a juicy harvest for themselves." But says nothing of the number of horns the stockmen took over the bars.

Joseph W. Bailey of Texas received the nomination of the Democratic caucus of the representatives of the lower house of congress for speaker. The vote on the first ballot stood Bailey 56; McMillen 30; Bland 22. The nomination was made unanimous.

The 55th Congress is in session and President McKinley has sent congress his first message in which the immediate passage of a tariff bill to provide revenue and furnish protection to American producers and American interests is very strongly urged.

It is probable that the present administration will have the nerve to put a war-ship in the remotest port that harbors an American citizen deprived of liberty and a fair trial. Such a foreign policy is the only one respected. Spain evidently recognizes the probability of such a policy and there is a marked change in their utterances in Havana.

Fitzsimmons Champion.

The great finish fight which has been talked of for the past two years came off at Carson City, Nevada, on March 17th, between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. The sun shone brightly and the veriscope recorded the movements of the contestants throughout the fight. Corbett won the choice of corners and took the south west corner with the sun to his back.

Corbett entered the ring weighing a little over 185 pounds. He was dressed in short white trunks and white shoes. Fitzsimmons entered the ring weighing a little more than 165 pounds. Just the weight at which his old trainer White said Fitz could fight for his life with any man in the world, no matter who he might be. Fitz wore green silk tights and black shoes.

Julian, Hickey, Stelzner and Roeber were in Fitz's corner and Louis Houseman of Chicago his time keeper.

White, Delaney, McVey and Donaldson were in Corbett's corner with Jimmy Colville of Boston time keeper.

Corbett was irritable and nervous while Fitz was cool and showed no sign of nervousness.

About 5000 people witnessed the fight, Corbett had been the favorite with the betters, but after Muldoon had expressed his opinion of Fitz the odds were not so great. In fact there was not as much money bet as had been expected.

The following from Harry Bennett, proprietor of the Legal Tender saloon and restaurant, San Angelo, was received in Sonora Thursday night:

Sonora, March 17, '97
Editor Devil's River News.

I received the bulletins to-day. It was a good fight lasting fifteen rounds, it was a fight from start to finish. Corbett got first blood. Fitzsimmons knocked Jim out with a blow over the heart in the fifteenth round. Respectfully,
H. A. Bennett.

Considerable money had been put up in Sonora during the past month on Corbett but the fight did not seem to cause any excitement until the time for the arrival of the news of the fight and Fitz people took all the odds offered but did not care to bet even money. Rumors were current on the streets at different times during the day as to how the fight had gone but nothing authentic was received until the arrival of the mail from San Angelo. I told you so may be heard at all points to-day.

In a recent lecture in London the telegraphic expert of the post-office declared that the future of telegraphy will be radically affected by a new invention for telegraphing without wires. The device utilizes the well known fact that a wave of electricity may be sent through the air. How far it may be transmitted is the point in doubt. It is hoped by the British post office that these electric waves can be used to communicate with light houses and coast islands.

This information will not stop the work of putting up poles and wire to connect Sonora with San Angelo.

Duty on Wools.

Washington, D. C., March 11.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee devoted to-day to the consideration of the wool schedule of the tariff bill and although considerable progress was made, one or two more days will be required to finish it.

Foremost in importance of the work done to-day was the practical re-adoption of the McKinley rates on wool. Raw wool of class one which includes merino down clothing wools and others of that quality, are made dutiable at 11 cents a pound, wools of class two, which includes Leicester, Cotswold and Lincolnshire, at 12 cents a pound and the washed wools of these classes at 22 and 24 cents, and scouring at 33 and 36 cents a pound.

McKinley rate of 32 per cent ad valorem on wools of the third class or carpet wools is retained.

The classifications of wools was somewhat changed by releasing a few varieties formerly classed as carpet wools to the clothing wool classes. Among them were China lamb's wool, Egyptian and Morocco.

The American Wool Growers' Association had asked for a 12 cent duty on wools of class one, but the committee has not approved their request.

Thomas B. Reed's prediction that the tariff bill will pass the House in two weeks after it is reported to that body will probably prove to be correct. His forecasts of the action of his branch generally hit the mark. The Senate finance committee will probably have the bill early in April, and may report it by the 15th or 20th of the month. It is hazardous to predict what will happen afterward but there is no chance that the bill will go through that body in five or six weeks. There is a reasonable presumption that it will get into the President's hands before the middle of June, making a fair allowance for the sluggish movement of the Senate and the delay in the conference committee. Then the industries will quickly adjust themselves to the new conditions, the revenue shortage will end, and a business rally which will promptly pull the country out of its slough of despond will take place.

Wedding Belts.

BLACK MARTIN.

At 8:30 o'clock on Wednesday evening, March 10th, the nuptials of Mr. Geo. Black, of Sonora, and Miss Zoe Martin were solemnized, at St. Peter's church.

The attendants were, Miss Bettie Rees, maid of honor, and Mr. J. Banks, a handsome business man of Sonora, as best man; Miss Agnes Black, of Fort McKavett and Mr. Edwin S. Martin of our city.

The bride was beautifully dressed in white silk, entrain, with veil and orange blossoms. She looked quizzily entering on the arm of her handsome father, who gave her away at the altar.

A number of invitations had been issued, and many of their friends had gathered to witness the ceremony.

The church was tastefully decorated with evergreens and flowers, and the music furnished by the choir made the beautiful Episcopal ceremony impressive. Mr. Black is a very prosperous cattleman of Sonora where he has lived for a number of years, and has a host of friends. Miss Martin is one of our most beautiful belles. Her brunette loveliness is of the rarest type. Her friends are numerous and had a special cause for devotion to their "Zoe." Scarce eighteen summers have blossomed for her, yet those who know her pronounce her a womanly woman, who will ever prove to her husband his good angel.

After the ceremony the bridal party and a number of their friends and relatives, made their way to the pretty home of the bride's parents, where they partook of an elegant supper. They received a number of beautiful presents. We could not get an entire list, therefore we did not print it.

To the groom the Paper extends congratulations, to the bride a wish for a long and happy life.

On Thursday morning they left for their new home in Sonora.—Kerrville Paper.

SCROFULA in its worst form yields to the blood cleansing power of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Thousands of cases have been perfectly CURED.

Stock News.

James McLymont of Del Rio, bought from Roy Bean of Langtry, 220 head of muttons at \$2 a head.

Dobbins Brothers of Edwards county sold 150 muttons to Kelley & Norris of Comstock at \$2 a head.

Wm. Schuppach of Val Verde county sold 1000 muttons out of 1700 to A. L. Confor for \$2.50 a head.

Dave Ogle the cattleman was in Sonora Monday. He sold 25 head of yearling steers to G. W. Whitehead & Sons at \$10 a head.

O. T. Wort returned from San Antonio Saturday where he bought four thoroughbred Durham bulls from F. & M. Hill of McKinney at \$100 a head.

Hill & Rabey of Edwards county sold to J. J. Finn of Brackett, 600 head of sock cattle delivered Sept. 1st, at \$11 a head for everything.

R. S. Franks of the firm of Taylor & Franks of Val Verde county, returned Monday and reports having sold 150 head of cows and yearling heifers at \$15 for cows and \$9 for the heifers. Messrs Franks & Taylor have 500 head of yearling steers for sale.

For Sale or Trade.

Two pedigreed stallions. For further particulars, apply to, Jones & Black, 38th Sonora, Texas.

For Sale or Trade.

One sorrel stallion, will be three years old in May, out of San Angelo, his dam is Grey Eagle and Morgan. Can be seen at Wyatt & Blanks stable. For further particulars see, 38th Hagerlund Bros. & Co.

Geo. Mapes this week bought 33 head of cows from B. F. Wheeler for \$14 per head.—Concho Herald.

J. F. Lemons recently sold 30 head of ones and twos to R. H. Lovry of Camp San Saba at \$10 and \$15 per head.—McCulloch Enterprise.

D. C. Denney bought Frank Gobles' stock of cattle at \$10 all round. Ed Glynn sold his entire stock of cattle to F. W. Herbst at \$11.75 all round. M. C. Tompkins sold his ones and twos to Mrs. Jane McCrehan of the Pecos at \$11 for ones and \$14 for twos. Ben Bendele contracted to sell 100 head of yearlings and twos at \$10.50 for yearlings and \$15.50 for twos, to J. M. Shannon of Ozona.—Del Rio Record.

From San Angelo Standard.

McMullan Bros. sold to McMullan & Myers 3000 sheep at \$2.25.

James Turner bought from J. W. Berry 500 stock sheep wool on at \$1.50.

William Childress sold 500 one and two-year-old steers on last Monday to Bird & Metz for money and a profit.

E. R. Long whose ranch lies south of Garden City, sold 3,500 head of mixed sheep muttons, ewes and lambs to Price Henry at \$2.47 1-2 cents per head.—San Angelo Standard.

A Confederate 5c canceled postage stamp sold recently in New York for \$576.

Jo Thiele the mutton buyer was in Sonora Thursday. He is moving 4000 muttons to San Angelo for shipment.

S. W. Stephenson has finished painting S. J. Palmer's residence this week. "A most beautiful job."

The two cases of murder with which Barney Gibbs of Pecos county is charged were transferred to El Paso county on a change of venue.

Married at the residence of the bride's mother Mrs. Victoria Miers, on Wednesday March 17th, Theodore Savell to Miss Alma Miers, Rev. D. W. Matthews officiating. The bridesmaid was Miss Annie Caruthers and the groomsmen John Hurst. The wedding was a quiet one only a few friends being present. The happy couple left immediately after the wedding for San Angelo. The groom is a young man of good habits and one of the owners of the Sonora-San Angelo Mail and Express line. The bride is a beautiful and vivacious daughter of Sonora with a host of friends and admirers. The Devil's River News wishes Mr. and Mrs. Savell much happiness. They will make their home in Sonora.

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Will Benefit Sonora's Trade.

J. K. Peirce returned last Saturday from the northern part of the county. He has been running a line from mile post 58 to the northern line of the county. This shortens the distance to Sonora by 25 miles, making the distance from Del Rio to Sonora about 90 miles, and it should be of much benefit to our trade.—Del Rio Record.

We have observed that Miss Ione Key was married in San Angelo last Wednesday evening to Mr. Fred Kessler. Miss Ione is one of Del Rio's little girls. Isn't it strange when we think of it. Sol Mayer, the handsome Junior partner of the firm of Mayer Bros. & Co., Sonora, was here last Sunday visiting friends and relatives and incidentally attending to business. Keyes Fawcett passed through the city from Juno Monday morning enroute to San Antonio to attend the Stockmen's Convention.—Del Rio Record.

Tom Holmesly and Bob Holland came down from San Angelo Wednesday. Tom is going to move the rest of his muttons to San Angelo for shearing.

J. M. Babb is still busy at the ranch but will come in town once a week and attend to any repairs of watches, clocks or jewelry left for him at Hagerlund Bros. store. Mr. Babb expects to be at the bench permanently in a short time.

Sam Duncan and Ed. Corbett came in from the Corbett ranch Sunday. While oiling a windmill Sunday morning Mr. Corbett was so unfortunate as to have his right hand caught in the mill and badly crushed. Fortunately none of the bones were broken and Dr. Colson dressed the hand and Ed is doing as well as possible. He is a guest at the Wyatt hotel.

H. F. Kauffmann the gentlemanly representative of the San Antonio Brewing Association of San Antonio, brews of the well-known and popular X X X Pearl Beer, was in Sonora this week and sold a car of this famous beer to Sonora's trade. The X X X Pearl Beer has many friends in Sonora who will be glad to learn that the City Brewery has entered the Sonora market.

The Devil's River News was the happy recipient of a beautifully engraved announcement card inscribed as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Martin announce the marriage of their daughter, Zora to George B. Black, Wednesday, March tenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, Kerrville, Texas. At home after May first, Sonora, Texas.

Mrs. O. T. Word assisted by her charming daughter Miss Maggie, gave an apron party last Friday night to the following young people: Misses Banks, Tom, Godfrey, Sadie Douglas, Ker, Philips, Felton, Palmer, Wilson, St. Kos, Mills and Messrs. Harwell, Mayfield, Press Covington, Witcher, R. E. Coyington, Baugh, Burroughs, Vander Etucken, Newell, Boggs, Alexander and Drake. James Witcher was awarded the prize for hemming the apron of Miss Douglas. Dominoes and dancing was also a feature of the evening to say nothing of the delicious refreshments served at 12 o'clock. The party was given in honor of Misses Banks and Tom who intend leaving for their respective homes shortly.

Wanted—An Idea

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas: they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEBSTER & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1.00 price-offer and list of two hundred inventions wanted. The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo. 38th

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NASAL CATARRH

can positively be cured, notwithstanding the disgusting timidity with which some physicians express their inability to treat this insidious and health sapping disease. Nasal Catarrh is the most insidious in this climate of all diseases, beginning in the nose and extending to the throat, middle ear, superior maxillary, base of skull, frontal sinuses, and eventually to the lungs, or the health becoming impaired so that the unfortunate readily succumb to the influence of other diseases.

SKIN DISEASES.

Among the most certain to end in death is cancer. Not any case getting well if left alone, it gradually grows worse by destroying all tissues in its road of destruction until the system becomes impressed by the poisonous influence of this loathsome disease. A miserable death is to gradually die with cancer and recognize the fact of the fateful ending. Dr. Moseley cures cancer without the knife if patient suffering applies for treatment before the case becomes incurable and the vital forces have not been destroyed beyond recovery. He has many cancers to show to those who wish to see, and are offered as an evidence of his skill.

ECZEMA

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Consultation and examination is free to those who have an intention of engaging treatment.

Doctors Who Advertise.

Dr. Moseley by some is criticized because he advertises. It is not common for physicians to advertise who are already well-known for such it is not necessary. But for one who is not known in a community it enables the people to readily become acquainted with the physicians ability, advantages and past experience. If the doctor had no ability it would be poor judgment for him to make known that he proposes to do things he could not do, under such circumstances he would be a quack, other wise to advertise the truth and his professional ability is as legitimate as any other profession.

Wait Not.

Oh, give not flowers to the clay,
One rose while there is breath
Will help the soul more on its way
Than twenty after death.

Wait not until the spirits fled,
To praise its many deeds,
These words through life were
better said
To heal the heart that bleeds.

Wait not until lips are sealed
To press them with a kiss;
Alas! that balm which might have
healed
Seems then to be amiss.

Wait not, but make the living day
Of loved ones clear and bright;
Kind words and deeds strew o'er
their way
The flowers of delight.
—American Jewess.

Beautiful Things.

Beautiful faces are those that wear—
It matters little if dark or fair—
Whole-souled honesty printed there.

Beautiful eyes are those that show,
Like crystal panes where heart fires
glow,
Beautiful thoughts that burn below.

Beautiful lips are those whose words
Leap from the heart like songs of birds,
Yet whose utterance produce of birds.

Beautiful hands are those that do
Work that is earnest brave and true,
Moment by moment the long day
through.

Beautiful feet are those that go
On kindly ministries to and fro—
Down lowlies ways, if God wills it so.

Beautiful shoulders are those that bear
Ceaseless burdens of homely care
With patient grace and daily prayer.

Beautiful lives are those that bless—
Silent rivers of happiness
Whose hidden fountains but few men
guess.—Latties Living Age.

Simple Method of Tanning Skins.

The Denver Field and Farm gives the following directions for tanning skins: Dissolve one-half pound alum, one pound saltpeter, five pounds common salt and two ounces corrosive sublimate in two gallons of water. Put it in a large stone jar or a small tub, and cover it so no animal can drink it, for the corrosive sublimate is poison. If there is much flesh on the hides lay them on a board, flesh side up and rub them with a brick or dull knife until it is removed. After all the ingredients are dissolved, put the skins into the liquid and allow them to remain two or three weeks. Of course large skins require more liquid as they must be covered all the time.

When they are taken out rub and work them until they are dry, and they will be soft and pliable. A calf hide with long black hair makes a very handsome laprobe. The hides of cats, rats, squirrels and rabbits are nice for trimmings or for making caps muffs or capes. Sheep or goat skins make beautiful rugs tanned in this way. As white rugs are so easily soiled most people prefer to dye them. Dissolve one or more packages of diamond dye, for wool, by tying loosely in cheesecloth and soaking in water all night. Then put in a large dishpan and add boiling water. When it is boiled two or three minutes, let two persons standing on opposite sides of the stove pass the pelt back and forth in the dye with the wool side down. It will be more convenient to hold if a strong twine string is fastened to each corner of the pelt.

Do not allow the dye to cover the skin. When the wool is in the desired shade, rinse and dry. The center may be cut out of one pelt, and the border of another, and where it is necessary to piece it, sew the seams from the back and over loosely so it will be flat. The center may be olive green with a border of garnet, or pink may be used for the center with a golden brown border. In fact they may be made of any color that will harmonize with the room in which they are used. They should be lined with some heavy material. Rugs may also be made of other kinds of skins, such as wolf, fox, dog skins, etc., left their natural color.

Liver Ills

Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work

Hood's Pills

easily and thoroughly. Best after dinner pills. 25 cents. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The Devil's River News represents the largest wool growing, cattle and sheep raising districts in Texas. Do you want to do business with the producers? Advertising at low rates.

OUR NEW SPRING STOCK

Is arriving daily and we can show you the most complete and best assorted stock of—

Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Notions, Clothing and Gents Furnishing Goods

That we have ever had in Sonora.

Our New York Buyer is a wide-awake man with a life time experience and this fact will be evident to you if you will call and inspect our elegant assortment of Spring Wash Fabrics of the latest styles and patterns.

Have also just received and opened up our Spring line of Hamilton & Brown Shoes, Dongolas, Oxblood Tans for Ladies, Men and Children,—50 different styles to select from.

Next week we will display our Ladies Trimmed Hats, Sailors, etc also a beautiful line of Ladies and Misses ready made silk and percale shirt waists

Our stock of Groceries is fresh and by far the Largest and Best assorted stock in this Territory and we are ready to meet any competition.

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GENERAL MERCHANTS

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Solicit Your WOOL.

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Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries and Grain, and the Cheapest all round House in West Texas.

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The economical wearing of pants means wearing the best. The best jeans pants are the BUCKSKIN BEECHES. They are made of good jeans sewed with the best thread, and the know-how make the fit and looks, and the low price. There is a guarantee with each pair—look in the pockets.

Hagerlund Bros. have Buckskin Jeans in all sizes. 27

Sheriff Howard of Longview and a reliable citizen of that place was in Junction City last week where he identified Jim Jones, alias Underwood who was shot by the sheriff's posse in the B. B. Allen pasture several weeks ago. Jones, alias Underwood is wanted at Longview for bank robbery at that place on May 23rd, 1895. The identification was complete.

There's not a true born Irishman where ever he may be but loves the little shamrock that sparkles on the grass.

Buy your lumber, shingles, doors, windows, fencing and building hardware from the well-known and reliable firm of Wm. Cameron & Co., of San Angelo. This firm is ably represented by Wm. Kelly, who is one of the company and always treats his customers properly. They are doing business at the old stand at new time prices. 25

Dr. Wm. Daugherty of Dallas, was in Sonora this week and gave a free exhibition of his mind reading powers on the street Tuesday afternoon. He also gave an entertainment at the court house that evening and satisfied the most incredulous that he possessed this great power.

Dr. Moseley has moved his office to the Bank building where he will be pleased to have his customers call.

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SONORA, TEXAS, - March 20, 1897.

Sam Merck was in from his Frank's Defeat ranch Monday. Just received a car load of sulphur at Mayer Bros. & Co.

R. H. Martin the cattleman was in Sonora Monday.

Get your wool sacks and twine at Mayer Bros. & Co.

J. M. G. Baugh the sheepman was in Sonora Monday for supplies.

A beautiful line of wash linens at 16 yds. for \$1. at Mayer Bros. & Co.

G. T. Sharp the sheepman was in Sonora this week. Glass says his sheep are all o'k.

C. F. Adams and John Erskine left on a tour through the lower regions Monday.

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

Sam Rainey and family of the Nueces were in Sonora Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Rainey are highly pleased with Sonora and may possibly reside here in the future.

R. H. Lockhart Killed.

About 11 o'clock p. m. on March 12th Pony Lockhart came to Sonora and reported to Deputy Sheriff Caruthers that he had just been informed that a Mexican had been shot and his (Lockhart's) brother's flock of sheep found loose on the range and his brother Bob missing and he thought it probable his brother had been killed. Deputy Caruthers and Justice of the Peace W. A. Stewart left at once for the Guest ranch where the trouble was supposed to have occurred and when about five miles below town they met a wagon in which were two Mexicans. They soon found out that the wounded Mexican was one of them and having heard the Mexican's story of the difficulty brought him to town and placed him in jail.

The Mexican stated that a dispute had arose between himself and an American about the range and that the American shot at him four or five times and that the fourth shot had struck him in the left thigh. That he (the Mexican) had shot at the American three times and was satisfied he had killed the American. He told the officers where the difficulty had occurred and on their arriving at the Guest ranch the next morning found the body of R. H. Lockhart shot in the right side of the back and through the head the ball entering near the hair on the right side of the forehead. The officers think the head shot was made while Lockhart was on the ground as the bullet ranged through the head and into the ground. The bullet was looked for but could not be found. The bullet that struck Lockhart in the back ranged down. The officers were at first favorably impressed with the Mexican's story but after viewing the body of Lockhart thought he had been murdered. The Mexican whose name is Jose Silas is about 30 years of age and had been herding sheep for T. P. Gillespie for about two months, before which he had worked for Thomas Meas. Lockhart was from McCulloch county and about 22 years of age and began herding for R. Goode in December. The difficulty occurred between the two camps Friday morning and the Mexican did not get in to Gillespie's camp until after 3 o'clock. Lockhart's body was buried at Sonora Saturday night.

The killing of young Lockhart is still a mystery and the examining trial will be held next Monday. Christo Mendez a herder working for Dock Word has been arrested as an accomplice and is in jail.

A shooting scrape took place Saturday afternoon between Pony Lockhart and a wagon load of Mexicans. Lockhart's brother's body was being brought to town in a wagon and when about two miles below town the wagon load of Mexicans who were going out to work for A. R. Cauthorn met the wagon and purposely or accidentally struck the wagon in which the corpse was. No difficulty occurred then but when about 200 yards further down the road Lockhart who was coming up on horseback met them. Lockhart says the Mexicans laughed and jeered at him and one of them pointed a gun at him when he shot at them but only wounded one as his horse would not keep still. He came to town and reported to the officers. Caruthers and Taliaferro went out after them and met the Mexicans coming in about a mile below town. Lockhart could not identify which of the Mexicans had pointed the gun at him and so the Mexicans were put in jail. A trial of enquiry was held before Justice Stewart Monday and Lockhart placed under \$200 bond to await the action of the grand jury and the Mexican who owned the gun Ramon Carillo placed under \$150 bond to await the action of the grand jury.

Mrs. W. H. Cusenbary gave a very enjoyable party to her friends Thursday night. Cards, dominoes and refreshments being the entertainment. The following were present: Misses Wilson, Stokes, Blanks, Tom, Ker, Philips Palmer, Word, O. and L. Causey, Covington, Felton and Messrs Newell, Vander Sucken, Mayfield, Covington, Burroughs, Boggs, Alexander, McDonald, Yaws, Berkeley, Simpson, Tayloe, Briant and Baugh.

John Monroe the Val Verde county sheepman was in Sonora Thursday.

Dock Waters representing the San Angelo Press was in Sonora this week soliciting business.

John Smith the Frank's Defeat country ranchman was in Sonora Thursday.

There are four cases of scarlet fever in Uvalde but the physicians expect to keep it from spreading.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gillespie of Ozona, are in Sonora this week visiting Mrs. Gillespie's parents.

Miss Blanch Stephenson returned from Fort Worth Tuesday where she has been attending college.

H. P. Cooper returned from San Antonio this week. Although one of the bullionaires he did not get in the bullion.

You are intelligent but possibly you are so busy with other things that you have not had time to have your premises cleaned.

The lambing season so far in the Sonora country has been most satisfactory. The lambs will bring many sheepmen out of the hole.

A very enjoyable hop, complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Smith was given at the court house Monday night. Everybody danced in honor of the bride.

If you have any pride for your home town put up your hogs. Summer will soon be here and the fleas also if you dont put up your hogs.

Sam McKee the Frank's Defeat country cattleman was in town for supplies Wednesday. Mr. McKee reports 150 yearling steers on the ranch for sale.

Alex J. Hamer and Miss Annie C. Braley were married at Junction City on March 10th, Rev. A. L. James of the Baptist church officiating.

Mark Cowser and Miss Mintie Raynor were married at the Episcopal church in Junction City on March 10th, Rev. A. Rooney of Sonora officiating.

B. F. Berkley of Middlesborough, Ky., arrived in Sonora Wednesday. Mr. Berkley is a friend of Dr. H. G. Colson and is in the Sonora country for his health.

Bishop J. S. Johnson of San Antonio in charge of the Western mission of the Episcopal Church in Texas, arrived in Sonora Monday and preached to a good sized congregation at the church Tuesday night.

Geo. B. Black and bride arrived in Sonora last Saturday. an account of the wedding is given elsewhere. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS extends a hearty welcome to Mrs. Black and hopes her life will be a happy one.

Miss Phillips entertained a few of her friends at Mrs. Huffman's Wednesday night. The following were present: Miss Philips and Felix Vander Stucken, Miss K-r and T. D. Newell, Miss Felton and D. H. Burroughs and Mr. and Mrs. Mayer.

Deputy Sheriff Caruthers arrested Bob Hines who has been working on R. F. Halbert's ranch on a capias from Mills county where Hines is charged by indictment with disturbing public worship. Hines gave bond and left Wednesday for Goldthwait.

A. R. Cauthorn came in for his six Mexicans Tuesday. Mr. Cauthorn says the increase of his flocks has been the only profit he has had out of the sheep business for the past few years. That increase will be good money to him now.

Sonora has for years been fortunate in having the services of competent and successful physicians living in the town and through their successful treatment the community has escaped many diseases that afflict other inland towns. Do not, however, impose on the benefits received thus far by neglecting your premises or the laws of nature. "Cleanliness is next to Godliness" and we might add necessary to health also. The warm days will soon be with us and the ounce of preventative should be used at once. We are fortunate in living in a naturally healthy climate but this blessing must not be abused. Every house holder should have their premises thoroughly cleaned, all rubbish and refuse should be burned. Hog wallows purified with lime and filled in, and whatever refuse is carted away from town should be burned and care should be taken not to dump rubbish on the south of the town. There are many other evils that might be mentioned in this connection but knowing that we are living in an enlightened age, among intelligent people we consider a hint to the wise sufficient.

JACKSON & RICHARDSON,

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Our charges for handling wool are only 2 1-2 per cent., which covers everything including insurance, storage and drayage.

Wool sacks and twine to our customers, at cost to us. List your Cattle, Sheep and Horses with them and they will be Sure to bring you a buyer. Or if you want to buy write them. They cheerfully answer all Correspondence.

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Report of the Condition

OF

The San Angelo National Bank,

AT SAN ANGELO,

In the State of Texas, at the close of business, March 9th, 1897.

ASSETS.
Loans and discounts..... \$218,357.50
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J. M. HAGELSTEIN,
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BORN UNLUCKY.

What He Has Suffered and What He
Thinks He Has to Fear.
"Were you in the war?" inquired
the young hero worshiper of a secret
society guard in this city as the
scared and gray haired veteran of a
long life painfully hobbled across
the floor of the anteroom.

"No," he sighed, "but I couldn't
have been more injured if I had
been," said he, rubbing one of his
legs tenderly as he spoke.

"What was the trouble?" persisted
the young man sympathizingly.
"Trouble! It's been nothing but
trouble since I came on earth," sadly
replied the afflicted one. "I was
born unlucky. I am a living picture
of bad luck, and the more I think
of it the more I feel it."

"I am convinced that I must have had
a pirate for one of my ancestors and
that I am visited with all his sins."

"Is it possible?" commented the
young man.

"Yes, my bad luck began when I
was born," for my mother died then.
When I was but 2 weeks old, the
house took fire and I was nearly
suffocated and cremated. Before I
was 3 years old a servant dropped me
to the sidewalk, and I had brain
fever as a result; I fell down stairs
and broke my collar bone, and I
got lost and was found by a police-
man half perished in an ash heap."

The victim of misfortune sighed
deeply over these incidents in his
career and rubbed his paralyzed
hand. Continuing, he said:

"I was but 4 years old when a
playmate cut off the ends of three
of my fingers with an ax, and two
years later I had measles, whooping
cough, chicken pox and scarlet
fever. When I was 8, I fell from a
cherry tree and broke a leg, and as
soon as that got well I was knocked
down and trampled over by a run-
away horse. That kept me in bed a
long time, and my nose has been
crooked ever since."

"When I was 10 years old, I kicked
the only boy in school who got licked
and kicked by bigger boys every
day, and a year later I was the only
one in the town who had cholera.

When I was 15, I went to a circus,
and the tent blew down. I was the
only person who was stepped upon
or hurt, and the entire audience
walked over me. It was three
months before I recovered from that
affair, and six months later I fell
through the ice while skating and
was pulled out half drowned. A
year later, while rabbit shooting a
friend shot me in the hip, and I
have never fully recovered from it.
The next summer lightning struck
a tree I was standing beneath, and I
was picked up for dead. When I was
25, I again fell through the ice, and
the wetting gave me pneumonia and
left my lungs weak. Soon after I
got well I caught cold, which nearly
resulted in consumption. The fol-
lowing year rheumatism attacked me,
and at times I cannot use my
left arm and leg, and my ast mis-
fortune was to receive a paralytic
stroke, which has rendered my right
side from the top of my head to my
foot absolutely useless, as you have
observed when I hobble about."

"I suppose," he said, with a world
of pathos in his sad eyes, "that
some day I'll sit on a barrel of
dynamite which will explode, and then
my troubles will be ended."—Wash-
ington Post.

Coke and Cole.
Senator Coke of Texas was once
pitted in some kind of race against
a man named Cole, who was an elo-
quent speaker and was getting rather
the better of him. The Coke party
gave a big barbecue, but their best
speaker could not go on hand. The
committee discovered that no talent
was available except a rough and
tumble fellow who had been a coal
miner in West Virginia. He con-
sented, when called on, and the
committee was in fear and trem-
bling, wondering what he would do.
But they didn't fear and tremble
long. "Fellow citizens," said the
speaker, "I am here today to talk to
you about Coke and Cole. You know
me, and you know I know what I'm
talking about and I want to ask
you if you know the difference be-
tween Coke and Cole. But it ain't
necessary; every man of you knows
that the difference between them is
the gas that is in the Cole."—San
Francisco Argonaut.

India Dialects.
India has hundreds of dialects,
which may all be classed under
three great heads, the Sanscrit,
Pracrit and Magadhi. The Sanscrit
is the fundamental language and
that of the Vedas; the Pracrit, the
vernacular language in many dia-
lects, and the Magadhi or Misra is
that of Ceylon and the islands.

Loss and Gain.
It is not such a terrible thing to
lose your reputation. Some men
would be lucky if they could do it.—
Aitchison Globe.

Nervous
People find just the help they so much
need, in Hood's Sarsaparilla. It fur-
nishes the desired strength by puri-
fying, vitalizing and enriching the
blood, and thus builds up the nerves,
tones the stomach and regulates the
whole system. Read this:
"I want to praise Hood's Sarsaparilla.
My health ran down, and I had the grip.
After that, my heart and nervous system
were badly affected, so that I could not do
my own work. Our physician gave me
some help, but did not cure. I decided
to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. Soon I could
do all my own housework. I have taken

Cured
Hood's Pills with Hood's Sarsaparilla,
and they have done me much good. I
was not without them. I have taken 13
bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and through
the blessing of God, it has cured me.
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mer, and I am thankful to say I am
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A POSTER TRAGEDY.
A purple moment of bright blue bliss
Was mine, oh, green haired maid,
When from your lips a yellow kiss
I sipped in the dark red shade.
The cruel moon hung on a tree,
We sat by a vertical brook,
You were laughing in olive pink glee
And reading the edge of a book.

And I was singing a lavender song,
Speckled and mingled with blue,
But I stopped for a moment, perhaps not too
long,
And kissed you, I took perhaps two.

By the red hills topped with golden snow,
By the trees tearing holes in the sky,
I swore the red world I would overthrow
For your love, or the dawn and die.

But away from my vow I was rudely
snatched,
And thrust far, far from you,
The color I wore with the landscape matched,
And that world, alas! never do.

And now among the blue hills I stand
On a sea of brown and red,
I sit on the edge of an olive green boat
And hold my pea green hand.
—London Figure.

The Prison Labor Question.
In England a question that agita-
tors is discussed—that of prison
labor. Sir Edmund Du Kane pre-
sents one phase of the subject in
The Contemporary Review.

The fact has evidently never been
considered by those who assume
that industrial work can be intro-
duced as the general practice in
prisons on the supposition appar-
ently that the moral effect is the only
point to be considered. It is only a
small residue who can be profitably
employed.

To find employment even for this
limited number is not without diffi-
culties, the principal of which is to
find customers for the work they
can do. Evidently the prison depart-
ment itself has wants which prison
labor can supply, and accordingly,
since the prisons have been united
into one department, a great develop-
ment of this work has taken place,
such as was not possible when each
prison was an isolated unit. Tailor-
ing, shoemaking, tin working, weav-
ing, knitting and many other like
trades are now carried on in certain
local prisons for the supply of the
whole number. A very large amount
of building work, involving carpen-
tering, bricklaying and iron work,
has been carried on in local prisons,
and this, with the baking, cooking,
washing, etc., absorbs a large num-
ber of the available prisoners. But
there is still a large residue for
whose work outside consumers must
be found, and this residue will be
larger if the gross number of prison-
ers should again increase.

The Bull and the Government Papers.
Here is a comical adventure that
some members of an English ord-
nance survey met with while tour-
ing in the south of Scotland. In the
prosecution of their calling they en-
tered a field belonging to a crusty
old farmer. Seeing the strangers
looking about in a way he could not
understand, the farmer approached.

"What are ye loitering in the
field for?"
"Oh, we have a right to go any-
where," returned one of the com-
pany. "We are surveying, and here
are our government papers."

"Paper here or paper there," re-
turned the farmer, "oot ye gang out
o' my field."
"No, we shan't," returned the
man, "and you are rendering your-
self liable to prosecution for inter-
rupting us."

The farmer said no more, but
went over to his shed, which opened
into the field, and let out a vicious
bull. The bull no sooner saw the
redcoats than he went for them in
full career. The surveyors snatched
up their theodolite and flew for their
lives, while the old farmer, in great
glee, yelled after them:

"What are ye running for? Can
ye no show the bull yer government
papers?"—Harper's Round Table.

English Wild Cattle.
The British islands have a race of
wild cattle. Three herds are known
to exist—one in the chase of Chil-
lingham castle, the property of the
Earl of Tankerville, in Northumber-
land; one in that of the Duke of
Hamilton, at Hamilton castle, in
Scotland, and one at Drenlanrig, in
Dumfriesshire.

WHY HOUDON WAITED.
The Story Is Told in the Sculptor's Statue
of Washington.

One of the most valuable and in-
teresting collections of colonial relics
in existence is in the state library
at Richmond.

The greatest treasure in the col-
lection is the marble statue of Wash-
ington, by Houdon. It possesses the
merit of being the only effigy that
remains of Washington that was
actually taken from life. The statue
conveys a very distinct idea of
Washington, different in many re-
spects, however, from the familiar
portraits which for the most part
are copies of the same original. In
1784, five years before the adoption
of the federal constitution, the gen-
eral assembly of Virginia ordered
this statue.

When the statue was provided for,
Thomas Jefferson happened to be in
Paris, and he engaged Houdon as
the sculptor, because, as he after-
ward said, "He is, without a rival-
ship, the first statuary of his age, as
the proof of which he received or-
ders from every country for things
intended to be capital." Houdon re-
ceived 1,000 English guineas, a trifle
over \$5,000. Besides, the expense
of the journey from France to Vir-
ginia was paid, and his life was in-
sured during his absence.

France at the cost of the general
assembly. Houdon left Paris in
August, 1785. In October he reached
Mount Vernon. He was treated with
great consideration by Washington
until the formality of his first meet-
ing wore away.

Houdon made known no desire to
go to work at the statue, and it is
believed that Washington's hospi-
tality grew a trifle cold before the
sculptor really set about the work
for which he had come over the sea.

One morning while the family, of
which Houdon had become tempo-
rarily a member, was seated at
breakfast, a message was brought
to Washington, informing him that a
pair of carriage horses had been
brought for his inspection, he hav-
ing made known his desire to pur-
chase a team. Washington left the
table presently and went outside.
Houdon followed. After a moment's
close inspection Washington asked
the price of the animals.

"One thousand dollars," was the
reply.

"One thousand dollars!" said
Washington, in amazement.

"Ah, I've him! I've him!"
broke in Houdon gleefully. He hur-
ried away and began work on the
statue industriously, and so it is
supposed that the expression pre-
served on the statue at Richmond is
the one that appeared on the face of
Washington when he learned of
what he considered an exorbitant
price for the span of horses. With
the knowledge of this little incident
in seeing the statue, it is not hard
to believe that Houdon "had him"

in truth, and kept him, for there is
an expression of surprise on the face
and the lips are compressed. It
seems that Houdon, after he got the
inspiration he had been waiting for,
pursued the work faithfully, gain-
ing Washington's interest and good
will by his perseverance and indus-
try.—Harper's Weekly.

Great Girl.
"Greatest girl at our boarding
house you ever saw," declared
quickly, with a giggle. "Never says
what you expect her to say, and
you'd be disappointed if she did,
after hearing her."

"Dry goods clerk sits opposite
her, and asked the other day if she
really thought there were bargains
in the matrimonial lottery. 'Of
course there are,' she answered
with a laugh. 'I myself have been
marked down from 38 to 25.'"

"Old bachelor that sits next to
her at the table spilled his ice cream
in her lap. She never screamed nor
ran away, but bravely took him by
the hand and congratulated him on
the coolness of the entire proceed-
ing."

"Dude boarder had the nerve to
propose to her, and she took half an
hour explaining to him how it was
all she could possibly do to support
her mother and herself. When she
thought of taking on any more ob-
ligations, she would certainly have
another talk with him. The chump
went around telling it, proud as a
turkey gobbler."

"Real estate fiend wanted to sell
her a lot for twice what it was
worth. She closed the deal by offer-
ing to take half his commission and
give him a quit claim to the lot. He
still scratches his head and looks at
her from the corners of his eyes."

"Think of laying my own fortune
at her feet. Haven't the slightest
idea that she will accept, and for
that very reason am inclined to
think that she will."—Detroit Free
Press.

Human Nature.
The Next Door Neighbor—Just
finished painting your fence, eh?
Why don't you put a sign on it to
warn people?

The Householder—Sh! If I did,
every passerby would want to see it
the sign spoke the truth. It'll have
a chance to dry now.—Pearson's
Weekly.

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SIBERIAN TCHUKTCHI.
A Warlike Tribe Who Snap Their Fingers
at the Czar's Tax Officials.

I find that the passage of Bering
strait over the ice is impossible.
The strait, 40 miles wide at the
narrowest part, is never complete-
ly frozen over, and any one attempt-
ing a crossing would inevitably per-
ish in the continually moving pack.
This being the main object of my
voyage, I have abandoned the over-
land journey to Europe, but land-
ed here five weeks ago and have
since lived alone with people almost
as wild and unknown as the remote
races of central Africa.

This place may fitly be described
as "the end of the end" of the world.
One thousand miles north of Kam-
chatka and within a day's journey
of the polar sea, Omzawidjik stands
on a narrow shingle reef fully ex-
posed in summer to the huge break-
ers of Bering sea, but protected in
winter by precipitous mountains
from the furious gales and snow-
storms of arctic Siberia. One won-
ders how human beings can exist in
this gloomy region, devoid of fuel
and the latest necessities of life.
For eight months of the year the
place is ice locked, but even during
the brief summer a sail so rarely
comes to the bay that I saw the
vessel that had brought me dis-
appear with some misgivings as to
when I should see another.

The Siberian shores of Bering
strait are peopled by a fierce, warlike
tribe known as the Tchuktchi, who
number about 5,000, and who, never
having been thoroughly conquered
by the Russians, refuse to pay taxes
of any kind. Other Siberian na-
tives bring in a yearly tribute of
furs and ivory, but the Tchuktchi,
secure in his mountain fastnesses, a
month's journey north of the north-
eastern Russian settlement, snaps
his fingers at the czar's officials.
Nor do the latter, for obvious rea-
sons, often pay him a visit.

I landed at Omzawidjik, a village
of about 200 souls, early in Septem-
ber, but the snowy landscape and
intense cold were more suggestive
of midwinter than early autumn. A
crowd of natives on the beach seized
my things, placed them on a dog
sled and led me to a hut set apart
for my use. The Tchuktchi dwell-
ing is of walrus hide stretched tightly
over a whale rib framework. The
perpetual darkness inside is dimly
lit by a saucer of seal oil, which
diffuses a disgusting odor and serves
as lamp and cooking stove. I then
discussed a meal of cooked seal
meat, with a few morsels of raw
walrus flesh—not unpalatable—as a
hors d'œuvre, closely watched the
while by a score of natives, who
crowded the tiny tent to suffoca-
tion. The Tchuktchi are noted
throughout Siberia as being the
filthiest race in creation, and I can
honestly endorse the statement. I
cannot describe even a few of the
repulsive phases of their daily life.
They are, however, of finer phys-
ique than the Alaskan Eskimo,
while their women are in some
cases distinctly prepossessing. All
are clad throughout the year in
reindeer skins, the women being
distinguished by a kind of bloomer
costume trimmed with wolverine.
Strings of gaudy beads adorn both
sexes.

My presence at first aroused sus-
picion, but by joining the men in
walrus hunting expeditions, visit-
ing the women in their huts and
learning a smattering of the lan-
guage I have gradually gained in-
formation concerning the region
and customs of this strange tribe
hitherto unknown even to the Rus-
sians.—Pall Mall Gazette.

A Novel Clock.
A French gardener recently hit
upon a novel idea in the way of
clocks. He drew a large circle of
about ten yards in diameter on a
lawn and divided it like the dial of
a clock into the 12 hours. The cir-
cle was laid out with plants of or-
namental leaves in different shades
of color, while the figures denoting
the hour were formed of white,
light blue and bright yellow flow-
ers, which showed up plainly upon
the dark groundwork. In the cen-
ter of the circle a hole was made in
the ground to inclose a clockwork
movement of large dimensions
worked by a reservoir of water
maintained at a constant level. Two
large hands covered with pretty
flowers were set in motion by the
central mechanism, and at the hours
and half hours the cars were charmed
by the sound of chimes.—New
York Times.

Poor Polley.
"Fine piece of work," said the
visitor.
"S-sh!" said the proprietor.
"What's the matter?" inquired
the visitor. "I was simply compli-
menting the work."
"That's the trouble. The work-
man was in hearing, and he'll be
after more money."—Chicago Post.

Meaning of "Comet."
The word "comet" is derived
from the Greek, meaning hair; and
has reference to the tail resembling
flowing hair.—Philadelphia Record.

The Anemone.
The anemone is named from two
Greek words signifying "the wind
flower," an allusion to the habit of
this plant of living in an exposed
situation. According to one clas-
sical legend, the flower originally
sprang from the blood of Prometheus;
according to another, it sprang from
the tears of Venus at the death of
one of her many lovers.

The Species Who Good Company.
"Yes, in," said the dealer in cap-
tive birds and animals, "you want a
parrot for company? I have the bird
here, are you bird? You are mar-
ried, are you not?"
His fair customer bowed.
"And your husband is away? I
thought so. And you want the par-
rot to keep you from feeling lone-
some? Yes? This is the very bird."
"Is it a fluent talker?" asked the
prospective purchaser.
"The dealer hesitated.
"Well, no'm," he said at last.
"You wouldn't hardly call him a
fluent talker—no, not that. But for
what you want he's the best I have."
"What can the bird say?"
"That's what makes him the right
one, ma'am. He ain't got but one
remark, to tell the truth, but he's
been brought up for just what you
want. Every morning he makes a
sound like a bureau drawer opening
and says, crosslike:
"Where the deuce have you hid-
den my clean collars this time?"—
Chicago Tribune.

Enlightened by a Sole.
She—Do you think the foot is in-
dicative of the man?
He—Yes; that's the way I found
out what sort of a man Clara's fa-
ther was.—Yenkers Statesman.

The house of Bourbon furnished
kings to France, Spain and Naples
and sovereign dukes to Parma. At
one time it was said that the hum-
blest member of this royal family
was more influential than a prince
of any other.

The china aster is set down in floral
dictionaries as indicative of re-
membrance. It is said that the same
significance is attached to it by the
Chinese.

The mosquito's eggs are, it is
said, hatched in from four to seven
days, according to the warmth of
the weather.

The Prussian crown is very plain,
the royal house of Prussia having
been celebrated for its economy.

A legal bushel of dried apples is,
according to locality, from 22 to 28
pounds.

There are 1,867 miles between the
City of Mexico and the city of Wash-
ington.

Bees Faster Than Pigeons.
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bees are swifter in flight than pige-
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