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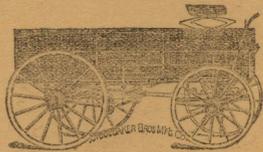
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The Shepherds Bulletin thinks it has discovered the cause of the unsettled and lower condition of the wool market. It has concluded that an increased demand for cotton goods. It is not unreasonable to presume, too, that because of the high price of wool last January many of the unscrupulous mill men are injecting considerable cotton into their "all wool" product, and therefore will not require so much wool.

The shearing season in Texas is over and sheepmen are getting ready to move their flocks to market. For the past three years there have been comparatively few sheep marketed from Texas, due partly to the fact that the supply was short and that sheep were in poor condition to ship. This spring Texas sheep are in better shape than they have been for many years and as prices are relatively high flockmasters have concluded that it is a good time to reduce their surplus. Many, however, are inclined to hold all their breeding stock, believing that there is more money just now in raising sheep for wool than for mutton purpose. Indications are that a good many Texas sheep will come to the Chicago market in June.—Drovers Journal.

Doctor: "How is your brother, Miss Cynthia?"

Aunt Cynthia: "He's worse this morning, doctor—a lot worse."

Doctor: "Did you give him that medicine as I directed—a teaspoonful every hour?"

Aunt Cynthia: "No, doctor; I just gave him the whole bottle at once. He wanted to hurry up and get well, so's to go to the pantomime to-night."

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"Why, Frankie," said his mother, "what are you reading in that book about bringing up children?"

"I'm just looking to see whether I'm being properly brought up."

Headmaster (addressing the class): "How simple and yet how sublime is the beautiful and detailed description which Pliny the younger gives us of the house in which he lived!"

Smart Pupil (cried): "Most likely he wanted to see it!"

Patient (mournful): "My health is in a very low state, doctor."

Doctor (cheerful): "Never mind about that, son. As long as your pulse—beg pardon, pulse—isn't in a low state."

Mr. Thompson: "Our neighbour Borax was shot at by a burglar and the bullet lodged in his purse."

Mrs. Thompson: "What of it?"

Mr. Thompson: "Nothing; only I was thinking his wife must be very economical. A bullet would go right through mine."

Caller: "Is your father at home?"

Little Daughter: "What is your name, please?"

Caller: "Just tell him it is his old friend Bill."

Little Daughter: "Then I guess he ain't at home. I heard him tell mamma if any bill came he wasn't at home."

Mrs. Strongmind: "And for what are you incarcerated here, my poor man?"

The Prisoner: "I married a new woman."

Mrs. Strongmind (stonished): "Impossible! You couldn't be put in jail for that."

The Prisoner: "But I was, I married a new woman, and the old woman I already had put me in here for bigamy."

The following has been attributed to many and various sources. A clergyman was preaching upon the "Parable of the Prodigal Son," and when it came to killing the fattened calf, he endeavoured to heighten the interest by the following gloss:—

"Not A Calf—The Calf; the old familiar calf which had been in the family for years and years."

A Company of ladies and gentlemen were loud in their praise of the conduct of a policeman who had stopped a runaway horse.

"That's nothing to boast of," said a listener. "I have stopped more than ten cab horses in my time without moving from the spot."

"Really! How did you manage it?"

"Nothing easier. A cab horse bolts; I go and stand on the edge of the pavements and call out, 'By the horn!' when it at once drops in to a crawl."

There are several large abattoirs in the United States where horses are slaughtered for food, but it is affirmed in all these establishments that the entire product goes to European countries. The agriculture department has an inspector at each of these places, who sees that no horses suffering from any disease are killed. Only sound and healthy animals are slaughtered, and when the meat is packed for shipment each box and barrel is labeled "horseflesh," so that the purchasers will know exactly what they are buying. "So far as we know," says Dr. Wiley, of Chicago, "no sale of horse flesh for home consumption is carried on in this country, and we are not making these experiments for the purpose of encouraging its consumption. There has always been more or less suspicion as to the origin of certain prepared meats which American dealers import from abroad every year, and it is to make our inspectors thoroughly familiar with the appearance and taste of the slaughtered equine that these experiments are carried on."—Texas Stock Farm Journal.

### Uses of Bad Eggs.

In this utilitarian age nearly all farm products have a market value. Even bad eggs have, according to the Kansas City Journal, come to have a distinctive use outside of theatrical circles. Concerning eggs of this kind the paper quotes a Kansas City commission merchant as saying: They are used for various purposes. They are never thrown away when a person is prepared to take care of them. You see that woman going along the street? Take notice of that calico dress she wears. You wouldn't suppose it, employed by the Government's inspectors, from The Times, strong are spoiled eggs all over the country, spoiled eggs can be had for the gathering up. People are glad to get rid of them. Here where there is cold storage and where they can be handled, they are worth from 3 to 5 cents a dozen.

"We used to throw away all our spoiled eggs, but since Armour has put in the cold storage, they are sold to him. It's just like fluffing it, you know, to get money for them. I have kept them in hot weather until you couldn't stand it, but that doesn't make any difference to the cold storage man. He puts them right in and freezes them—that takes away all the odor, and they can be kept for an indefinite period and shipped whenever and wherever desired.

The produce merchant pointed to a big two-horse wagon loaded with 100 cases of eggs weighing 5500 pounds. "I have just sold 100 cases," he said, "for 10 cents a case. Armour bought them. He will put them in the cold storage, first sorting them into four grades. The best grade will send to New York and sell for 25 cents a dozen, and the other grades down to 15 or 12 1/2 cents. The few bad ones that develop he can sell to the calico manufacturers. Of course, he doesn't need to sell any of the eggs at once. If the people don't want to pay his price for them today they will some other day. He is sure to make his profit."

The man who can get no credit has the satisfaction of boasting that he does not owe anything.

"How do you pronounce the last syllable of that word 'but-terine'?" asked the customer.

"The last syllable is silent," stily replied the tradesman.

Tom (gloomily): "I tell you, Charlie, this is a hard, hard world."

Charlie (interestedly): "So you have brought a bicycle too, have you?"

Mrs. Talkerly: "So you are going to marry Colonel Landly, my dear. And I hear you love the ground he walks on."

Miss Sharpleigh: "You; it belongs to him."

The entire railway world will probably profit by recent experiments made in connections with the smoke in tunnels. The scene of the experiments was a long tunnel not far from Genoa, through which some 200 trains pass a day, leaving an immense amount of smoke. Two methods were tried. First compressed air was used. Large cylinders of steel were filled with air and compressed to 750 pounds to the square of the locomotive. In passing through the tunnel the air was allowed to escape. The pure air blew back the smoke and purified the atmosphere. The second method was with compressed oxygen. This was allowed to escape through the cylinders into the fires of the engine, causing complete combustion, and preventing the formation of dangerous gases as well as making the air purer by the addition of the oxygen. The compressed air method is to be adopted, as it is cheaper and almost as good as the oxygen.

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Seized by Germany.

London, May 15.—Lieut. Deele who is conducting a Cape to Cairo expedition fitted out by the London Daily Telegraph, sends by wire and steamer from Uvira north of Lake Tanganyika, the following:

"The situation here is critical. The Germans have forcibly seized all the Congo Free State territory up to Ruzizi river, occupying 300 square miles of Congo territory 10,000 soldiers, fifteen officers and cannon.

"The Belgian officer withdrew from his station under threat of instant attack. The Germans burned the station. Their officers acted on instructions from Berlin."

London, May 14.—"The war is practically over, says the Daily Chronicle's Kronsstad correspondent, and, in less definite terms this is the view to be gathered from all the correspondents. They picture the Boers as utterly demoralized and disheartened rapid advance and by this facile turning of the carefully prepared positions of the Boers. There was practically no fighting and there are no further details to give respecting the occupation of Kronsstad. The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: The Union Jack was hoisted in the market place by Mrs. Loshkhan, the Amer can wife of a Scotchman. Most of the horses of the Boers are in a wretched condition, but President Kruger declares he will continue the war. It appears that the Boers at Kronsstad had been reinforced by 3000 men from Natal last Friday and that altogether 10,000 with 20 guns trekked from Kronsstad on the afternoon of last night.

J. C. Swift of Rannels, came near happening to a serious accident last Monday. He was harnessing up a team when they became frightened, and getting him tangled up in the harness dug him about fifty yards, breaking a rib and bruising him up considerably.—Bullinger Ledger.

City of Mexico, May 13.—The hacienda de Jalapa de Rosales has been sold to Col. E. S. Moss and Boston associates for \$1,000,000. A quarter of a million dollars will be expended on the property in building a factory for the manufacture of a new substitute for India rubber. The estate has ample water power and is situated in the State of Mexico, an hour's ride from the city.

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Duration of the War.

New York, May 13.—Spencer Wilkinson of London, in an article of "How Long Will the Boer War Last?" which will appear in the forthcoming edition of Leslie's Weekly, says: "In the summer of 1861 there were probably few men in or out of the United States who foresaw that the war of the secession would last for four years; if any held that opinion he gained little credence for it at the time. In June, 1866, only eight who had special opportunities of knowing the condition of the Prussian army foresaw that the Austrian empire would be suing for peace within six weeks of the outbreak of the then pending hostilities. The duration of a war depends partly upon the relative resources of the two belligerents and the energy and determination which each of them throws into it. The last named is probably the most important factor.

"I have from the beginning expressed the belief the Boers would make a desperate fight. According to their views the cause for which they are in arms, is that of independence, and for the cause every community will fight harder and longer than for any other.

"England is fighting for the unity of her empire and for the moral existence of the British nation. It is a cause which appeals less directly to the intelligence of the masses than that of independence and the disproportion between the resources of the British empire and those of the Boer Republic is so great that neither the British government, nor able constituencies, by whose tone it is accustomed to guide itself, are able to realize the importance of extreme to bring the war speedily to a close.

"I hardly expect the resistance of the Boer armies in the field to be prolonged for much more than three months, but I should not be surprised if the effective occupation of the whole country required a further six months of effort.

"There are now under command of Lord Roberts altogether 190,000 men and even if the most liberal

of all sorts, for invalids, for garrisons left on the communications and for troops stationed in the districts lately disaffected there is still abundant material for Lord Roberts to attack the Boers with a force out numbering their whole army. It is little more than a month's march from Bloemfontein to Pretoria. The Boers, by the various expedients open to them, of rear guard actions and of raids on the communications, may prolong this time by a couple of months. But in the process, even should they escape crushing defeat their army would be used up. After that there is nothing left but guerrilla warfare, or the attempt at a wholesale 'trek' to the North. "This appears to me to be the normal forecast, but I have no personal knowledge either of the country or the people and there are many unknown elements which conceal various possibilities. The whole of South Africa is inhabited by Kaffir tribes, who far outnumber all the white soldiers. If the Kaffirs were all join in the fight on one side or the other, no one can foresee what would happen. A second set of possibilities lies in the general course of the world's affairs. The longer the duration of war the greater the scope for the occurrence of unexpected events in some other quarter of the globe which might modify the whole situation."

A Woman's Awful Peril.

"There is only one chance to save your life and that is through an operation" were the startling words heard by Mrs. I. B. Hunt of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor after he had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed and she constantly grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters, which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney remedy. Cures Dyspepsia, Loss of Appetite, Try it. Only 50 cts. Guaranteed. For sale by E. S. Briant druggist.

Miss Annie Ker, who has been teacher in the Kerrville schools for the past year, and who has been visiting Mrs. T. D. Newell, of Sonora, for some time, arrived in San Angelo Monday evening to interview the school board.—San Angelo Enterprise.

Truth is Now Coming On.

London, May 5.—(N. Y. Sun cable.)—It would be difficult to say what subject most widely engaged public attention in Great Britain and Europe at the present moment. A week hence perhaps it will be the war in South Africa, but to day this is not the case, altho Gen. Lord Roberts is well started on what historian will probably describe as his great march to Pretoria. Two things have greatly intensified the unpopularity of the war in this country during the last few days. One is the increasing enlightenment of the public mind in regard to the American attitude toward the war, and the other is disgust and indignation over the Government explanation of the publication of the Spion Kop despatches.

Some of the more honest correspondents and newspapers are just making known as gently as possible the truth about the American public opinion. In addition to this there is a growing volume of independent personal testimony as to the strength of the pro-Boer sympathy among almost all classes in the United States. It is impossible to ignore, for instance, Max O'Reils frank statement that his audiences through America on his recent lecture tour were almost unanimous in their sympathy with the little republics struggling to preserve their independence. The fact that American opinion is not unanimously or even preponderantly on the side of England in the present war is causing more heart searching in this country than Englishmen have indulged in for a long time.

As long as Britons were able to say, as they thought they could do with truth until recently, that the whole Anglo-Saxon world approved their ante-bellum policy in South Africa, their consciences were satisfied. The sudden realization that England may stand absolutely alone as regards moral support in her quarrel with the Boers is making England think. This process of introspection is extremely dangerous for the present Government. Let it not be understood that a strong

war is springing up. There are other considerations vital to the future of the British Empire which make imperative complete military success in South Africa. The sentiment which is increasing daily is a great national determination to bring to judgement before the bar of public opinion every man responsible for putting the country in its present position.

This resolution has been strengthened the Government's lamentable confessions in connection with the publication of the Spion Kop despatches. Nothing but contempt has been aroused by the attempt of Lord Lansdowne to shift the responsibility and worse still, to procure from Gen. Buller a fake despatch to humbug the public. Not in many years has any Ministerial act around such exasperated indignation, which has been increased instead of diminished by yesterday's debate in the House of Commons. It is impossible to use stronger language of condemnation than that employed by the Government's own supporters, from The Times down. The Ministerial case was, in truth, so hopeless that the strongest members of the Cabinet, Premier Salisbury in the House of Lords, and Colonial Secretary Chamberlain in the House of Commons, refused to speak in its defence, and a vote to censure the Government in the House of Commons was averted only by a direct passionate appeal by Mr. Balfour to party loyalty and discipline.

A question of immediate interest is whether Lord Lansdowne will be able to retain the post of Secretary of State for War after the revelations of his incompetency. For some reason, which can only be suspected at present, he was desperately anxious to publish the despatches, but in a most cowardly fashion he tried to cast the responsibility upon the generals. He failed, and therein lies the only consolation Englishmen are able to derive from the miserable business. The country has learned that Gen. Lord Roberts and Gen. Buller are strong men who cannot be bounced about by politicians, and who have the courage to defy even the Minister of War, and the Government behind him, rather than join political tricksters in a conspiracy to deceive the people.

By all the rules of the political game Lord Lansdowne ought now

to resign. Despite the fact that he has held most exalted offices, he is a man of mediocre ability, who, in any other country, would never have risen above the crowd. Since he has been at the head of the War Office he has been the slave of a gang of bureaucrats and prominent officials, who, as in most of the other State departments really rule the country. There are good reasons for suspecting that this gang in order to serve base, personal ends, drove Lord Lansdowne into the course which he so unappetingly followed. The truth may come out before the war in South Africa is over.

One interesting effect of these revelations is the complete rehabilitation of Gen. Buller in the estimation of his countrymen. Nothing could appeal more strongly to the British heart than his recent refusal of the Government's offer of a pension which would have protected his own reputation.

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Dr. G. W. Sessm and wife, of Sonora, were here several days this week.

Dr. W. H. Ash, of Barksdale, sold for cash to Mr. Roney 163 eastern steers at \$14.

Dr. W. H. Ash has recently purchased about 250 head of steers of different parties at \$14.

Mr. Little has recently purchased in the Barksdale neighborhood about 100 head of steers at \$14.

J. N. Whitworth and Kate Winn sold 400 muttons at \$3 this week. Their clip this spring amounted to about 16,000 pounds the first consignment of which Mr. Lee Wilmath took to Kerrville.

Mr. Eli Jones, of Barksdale, son of the proprietor of the Rausch Hotel, J. P. Jones, had the misfortune to lose his house and all the household goods last Saturday evening by burning. They were gone to Rock Springs to attend court and no one was with the house. The fire occurred just before dark.—Rock Springs Daily.

Probably the fact is not generally known that Texas was at one time and for many years called the "New Philippines." The first settlement in what is now Texas was made by French emigrants in 1685. During the next 25 years there was an intermittent struggle between the French and Spanish for supremacy, resulting in favor of the latter, and in 1814 the name of the New Philippines was given to the country. This was its official name in Spanish records for many years and until the name of Texas, from a tribe of Indians, gradually came in vogue. Indianapolis Journal.

The geographical position of the Nome region is the Southern face of the peninsular projection of Alaska, which separates Kotzebue sound on the north from Bering Sea on the south, and terminates westward in Cape Prince of Wales the extent of the North American continent. In a direct line of navigation it lies about 2500 miles northwest of Seattle and 170 miles southeast of Siberia. The nearest settlement of consequence to it prior to 1866 was St. Michael, 100 miles to the southeast, the starting point of the steamers for the Yuko river. The Nome district has settled centers about the lower course of the Snake river, an exceedingly tortuous stream in its tundra course, which discharges into the sea at a position thirteen miles west of Cape Nome proper.—Popular Science Monthly.

Berlin, May 13.—The occupation of Kronsstad by Lord Roberts without resistance has caused the greatest surprise here. The military expert of the Lokal Anzeiger finds an explanation in the fact that many of the Boers have deserted. He says: "Lord Roberts' advance was splendidly executed. It is worthy to be placed beside the Kander expedition. The situation is now changed so greatly in favor of the British that the fight of the Transvaal Boers is settled."

Jeffries is Champion.

New York, May 11.—James J. Jeffries is still the champion heavy weight of the world, but by virtue of his hitting powers and not because of his skill in the art of boxing; from the first round to the twenty-third Corbett had the better of the mill if he could only have put enough steam into his blows to accomplish that which Jeffries did with one blow when he got the opportunity. That opportunity was a long time in coming, and there were many among the thousands who crowded the arena who thought that it would never come, for the former champion seemed to have things his own way, despite the fact that he was many times forced to the ropes by his bulky antagonist Jeffries wore his man down and then put the quietus to him. Corbett left the ring without a visible scratch; Jeffries went out with his face all scarred and seamed.

The articles called for twenty-five rounds to a decision, straight Queensberry rules.

The purse the men battled for was 60 per cent of gross receipts, or about \$45,000 if, as estimated, the receipts amount to \$75,000. The winner's share 75 per cent of \$45,000, is about \$33,650. The loser's share, 25 per cent, about \$11,250.

Tortured A Witness.

Intense suffering was endured by witness T. L. Martin, of Dixie, Ky., before he gave this evidence: "I coughed every night until my throat was nearly raw; then tried Dr. King's New Discovery which gave instant relief. I have used it in my family for four years and recommend it as the greatest remedy for Coughs, Colds and all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. It will stop the worst cough, and not only prevents but absolutely cures Consumption. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at E. S. Briant Drug Store.

There were but 5,300,000 people in America when this century opened. France had five times as many people; Germany, and even Austria, had four times America's population; Italy had three times as many, and so had Great Britain. Even Spain had double our number of people, and little Portugal was most our rival in numbers. We have more people now than any European nation except Russia, which alone leads us. We have as many people as live in all Great Britain and France combined. We have one-half more people than Germany. We have, practically, 75,000,000 people in the United States, and 10,000,000 more in our new possession. Ladies' Home Journal.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that parties cutting and hauling cedar or wood out of my pasture, or driving or grazing any kind of stock through my pasture will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. R. T. BAKER.

Lost or Stolen

From Locklin & Moss ranch about Oct, one sorrel horse white spot in face, hind foot white, brand (cross V), also one sorrel horse white spot in face, black mane and tail, branded W H on left hip and other brands on left shoulder. Reasonable reward will be paid for information leading to their recovery. W. L. LOCKLIN, at the Locklin & Moss ranch.

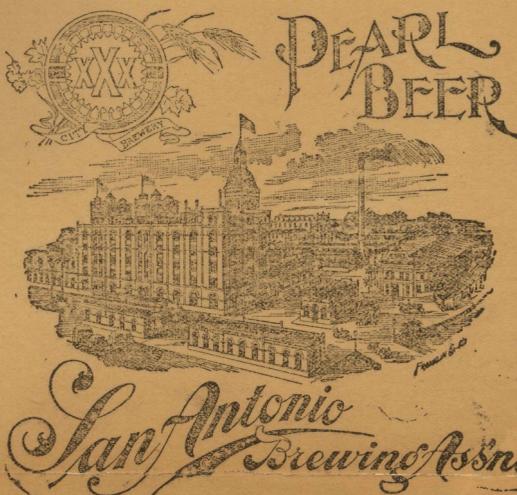
Final Statement of Estate.

THE STATE OF TEXAS } SUTTON COUNTY. } TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF GUS A. BATTLE, DECEASED: You are hereby notified that P. HURST, executor of the Last Will and Testament of the Estate of Gus A. Battle, late of said county, deceased, has presented his final account of said estate to the Court for settlement thereof. Which is now on file in my office and that you are required to be and appear at the next regular term of the County Court of said county to be commenced for Civil purposes at the Court house thereof in Sonora on the Third Monday in May and then and there contest the same if you wish so to do.

Witness:—J. B. HILL, Clerk of the County Court of said county, and the seal of said court hereon impressed, this 27th day of April, A. D. 1900. J. B. HILL, Clerk of the County Court, Sutton Co., Texas.

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On last Wednesday night May 9, Sheriff T. G. Robertson led Miss Roena Walker, of Belton, Texas, to the hymenial altar in that city and then in the presence of a large concourse of friends, and the minister of god, the two were united hand and heart, for aye.

Mr. Robertson—well, everybody knows Dock so we wont say anything about him, only that this is the best dead of his life. But Miss Walker was one of Bell county's charming young ladies, and a prize worth that long and zealous effort of Dock's which was so happily crowned with success.

The Enterprise joins the community in congratulating our sheriff and extending best wishes and a kind welcome to the newly made husband and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Robertson will be in on the San Angelo stage to-night or to-morrow night.

Asa Robertson has moved from Sutton county to the LeMin ranch, with 217 head of pretty cattle.

Wm. Evans will go up in the McKavitt country next week to receive steer yearlings bought from different parties there.—Menardville Enterprise.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all persons trading with my son Robert Ogle, that he is a minor, and that all his property is now in my possession as his natural guardian, and I will not recognize any sales, or other trades made by him with any person. L. A. OGLE, Sonora Tex. April 23.

Carrizo Springs Mineral Water for sale at the Bank Saloon.

Wanted to Pasture.

I have good range for 2,000 head of sheep; will take them at reasonable rates; plenty of water, two good wells.

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The property in West Sonora known as the Birtrong place, is for sale or trade for cattle. Apply to Mike O'Meara. Sonora, Texas, Jan 6.

For Sale or Rent.

Good dwelling house of 7 rooms halls, and galleries, about one acre of as good ground as can be found in Sonora. Will rent this property cheap, to a good tenant; or will sell cheap, for cash, will trade for cattle or sheep.

Apply to Dock Simmons, or CARUTHERS & ALLISON, Sonora, Texas.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all parties cutting or hauling wood from land controlled by the undersigned will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Particular attention will be given to the lands in the neighborhood of the O. H. Wood ranches and the Buckley divide.

C. T. Turney, Sonora, Texas, Dec. 15th, 1898.

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

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Sonora, Texas, May 19, 1900.

Resolutions of Condolence.

At a meeting of the local camp of the Woodmen of the World held last Saturday night the following resolution passed on the death of Sovereign H. G. Colson.

Whereas the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has seen fit in His providence to call from our midst Sovereign H. G. Colson, who was a charter member of Devil's River Camp No 179 Woodmen of the World; and whereas in the death of Sovereign Colson, the Woodman of the World loses one of its most valuable and ablest members who acted as Camp Physician, since the organization of the local camp.

Be it resolved that local camp No 179, regret sincerely the loss of Sovereign Colson who was not only a most consistent Woodman, but a man of sterling worth, ever ready to help those who needed assistance, and we submit graciously to the ruling of Providence who we believe doeth all things well.

Be it also resolved that Local Camp No 179 expresses their sincere sympathy with the bereaved wife and relatives of the deceased Sovereign, who was a fond and devoted husband and father and trusts that they may receive such support that may be obtained only from Him who took away their loved one.

Also resolved that these resolutions be spread on the records of the Local Camp and published in the Sonora San and Devil's River News, also that a copy be sent to the wife and relatives of deceased Sovereign.

Dr. T. J. Dodson, S. H. Stokes, R. C. Dawson.

Committee on resolutions.

John Bryden was in Sonora Thursday to have his eye doctored

12 1/2, 15, 20 and 25 cent Figured Lawns, DIMITIES and Organdies for 10, 12 1/2 and 15 cents at Hagerlund Brothers & Co's.

A. C. Fambrough has put in electric bells in the Bank Saloon this week.

J. J. Harris and E. W. Bennett of San Saba and W. H. Fountain of Lampasas, were in Sonora Wednesday on their way home from a prospecting trip to the Pecos country.

Wil Whitehead of the large ranch, cattle and sheep firm of G. W. Whiteheads Sons, was in Sonora this week attending to business. Mr. Whitehead has about regained his usual health.

When you go to San Angelo call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you O. K.

E. F. Tillman and J. C. Glenn two prominent stockmen of Brownwood were in Sonora Wednesday on a prospecting trip. They are both very pleasant gentlemen and made many friends while in Sonora.

E. S. BRIANT,

PROPRIETOR OF THE

SONORA DRUG STORE,

SOLICITS YOUR TRADE

NEW STOCK OF DRUGS AND DRUGGISTS SUNDRIES, STORE IN ALLISON BUILDING.

PRESCRIPTIONS CAREFULLY COMPOUNDED BY OTIS MITCHELL.

I KNOW YOUR WANTS AND WANT YOUR TRADE.

Geo Moss the barber of Juno was in Sonora for a few days this week on a pleasure trip.

T. Courtney who has been with John Reiley's sheep in Edwards county was in Sonora several days this week.

12 1/2, 15, 20 and 25 cent Figured Lawns, DIMITIES and Organdies for 10, 12 1/2 and 15 cents at Hagerlund Bros. & Co's.

R. C. Waters one of the proprietors of the San Angelo Enterprise was in Sonora several days this week rustling business.

Jim Alford, Ernest Brown and Art Hamrick moved their cattle from the Keton ranch to Jud Swearingens ranch Saturday there were about 450 head.

Shoes that Wear— The Star at Hagerlund Bros. & Co's.

Rob Lee and A. Purcell came in on Saturday from the Territory where they were with a bunch of cattle for F. Mayer & Son's they left on Sunday for the T half circle ranch.

Dock Simmons the well known stockman was in Sonora Friday, Dock had just returned from a business trip to San Angelo and says Fred had a fine time up there with that other Irishman.

M. B. Atkinson returned from a visit to Mason county this week and was accompanied by his niece Miss Maggie, daughter of Rev. J. B. Atkinson, of Mason county, who will visit her relatives here for a few weeks.

Mrs. N. A. Holin left for San Angelo this week on a visit to relatives.

R. T. Baker the Bee Hollow cattleman was in Sonora this week trading.

County attorney, W. A. Anderson and M. H. Gillian the cattleman, made a business trip to San Angelo this week.

WANTED:—Position as teacher, companion or house keeper, country preferred. Address A. A. M., Ft. McKavitt, Texas.

Bob Dawson sold a Hynes back to Green Justice and a Hynes buggy to Dr. Dodson this week.

G. D. Chesser the Val Verde county sheepman was in Sonora Saturday.

Jas. Gillespie the popular saloon man of Ozona, was in Sonora Thursday on a little business.

F. C. Baker the sheep owner, bringing H. H. Sheards sheep down on Dry Devil's River was in Sonora Wednesday.

C. M. Deere is still up to date on every thing in his line, both on price, and quality of goods, try him.

Mart Tankersly the well known stockman of Edwards county was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies Mart says things are all right down his way.

Comptroller Daws has approved the application of W. L. Aldwell and others, for authority to organize the First National bank of Sonora with a capital of \$50,000

Ed Hill of Barksdale, Henry Wells of Vance, and G. H. Rogers of Frio, passed through Sonora Monday on their way to Arizona.

J. W. Green the popular representative of the New York Life Insurance company, who resides in Brownwood, is in Sonora soliciting business.

Hot Chili for ten cents a dish at Kirkland's Restaurant.

The board of school trustees of the Sonora Incorporated school district met at the court house, Thursday morning and decided to select the present faculty for the next term: J. H. Bradley principal, Miss Mattie Brown, Miss Mona Rountree and Mrs. J. L. Burrough. The faculty could not receive a higher compliment than that shown by the board in re-electing them and it is also a strong indication that their

have been satisfactory to the parents and patrons. While the faculty has done good work his year they will, by a thorough knowledge of their pupils, be able to accomplish more next session. E. F. Vander Stucken was elected president of the board and Dr. T. J. Dodson secretary. The board appointed a committee of three. Judge J. O. Rountree, E. C. Saunders and Prof. J. H. Bradley to obtain amount of the taxable values of the Incorporated District. The board is in favor of building a new school house and when they obtain the information as to taxable values it is expected that some decisive action will be taken.

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The proceedings of the commissioners court will be published next week.

Dates and other good things at John McCleary's.

Dave Chesser is attending the summer normal at Leakey in Edwards county.

When in Eldorado put up at Am Savell's feed and wagon yard. Corn, oats and hay for sale. 72

We will publish a letter from our special war correspondent in the Philippines next week.

Fine Chili at Kirkland's Restaurant for 10 cents. Try some.

Wm. Sultmeier Jr. was in from the ranch Wednesday for supplies and wind mill fixing.

W. L. Locklin was in Sonora Tuesday on his way to Sherwood on a visit to his family.

Get the daily market report at R. S. Caruthers & Co's.

Mr. John McCleary left for San Angelo Monday on a business trip.

If you want to buy stock, ranch or town property, see Caruthers & Allison's list for sale at a bargain.

J. D. Todd a lawyer of San Angelo was in Sonora Wednesday on professional business.

12 1/2, 15, 20 and 25 cent Figured Lawns, DIMITIES and Organdies for 10, 12 1/2, and 15 cents at Hagerlund Bros. & Co's.

Dr. Henry Taylor of Juno was in Sonora several days this week on a visit to his brother Dr. A. L. Taylor.

Those who attend the dance at the Swift & Adams ranch last Friday report having had a fine time.

The celebrated STAR SHOES at Hagerlund Bros. & Co's.

John McKee and Leo Huggins the stockmen were in from the Rountree & Tayloe ranch for supplies Wednesday.

Jim Rucker who has been running Sam Oglesby sheep in Fields pasture, started Saturday with about 1280 matton for San Angelo.

Sam Stokes, commissioner of Precinct No 2, was in Sonora for a few days this week attending commissioners court.

Kirkland's Chili is very fine, 10 cents a dish at the Restaurant.

Will Wyatt was in from Devil's River Wednesday for supplies and says their new well is getting along all right.

Chili, Chili for ten cents a dish at Kirkland's Restaurant.

If you suffer from dyspepsia or catarrh of the stomach try a jug of Carrizo Springs Mineral Water. For sale at the Bank Saloon.

Max Vander Stucken and sister Miss Sophia, left on a visit to their old home in Menard Saturday, Max returned to Sonora Wednesday and Miss Sophia will remain for some time.

Sol Mayer partner and manager of the stock firm of F. Mayer & Son's was in Sonora Monday from their T. half circle ranch and left on Tuesday to visit their Middle Valley ranch. Sol says things are coming smoth.

STAR SHOES— All Kinds, Styles and Sizes at Hagerlund Bros. & Co's.

Kirkland's Restaurant will pay 30 cents for large frying chickens or good fat hens.

Walter White the new windmill man arrived in Sonora Wednesday and is so busy that he hasent time to say what will you have or to write an ad.

Wedding Blossoms the best 10c cigar in town at J. Lewenthal's.

Senator Clark, in a dramatic speech, resigns his seat in the United States senate. Has been reappointed by the lieutenant governor, who is acting as governor.

Mrs. Max Mayer is visiting, her sister Mrs. John Young in Ozona.

Jim Cauthorn the sheepman was in Sonora Thursday.

Cunningham & Frost the photographers left for Ozona Wednesday.

Geo. Haniton the sheepman was in from D. C. Ker's ranch Sunday for supplies.

Walter White informed the News that the election at Sherwood went for the court house.

Empty barrels and kegs for sale at C. M. Deere's.

Geo. Trainer commissioner of precinct No 3, was in Sonora this week attending commissioners court.

A. A. Williamson commissioner of precinct No 4, was in Sonora this week attending commissioners court.

Judge J. O. Rountree and S. G. Tayloe left for their ranch, Wednesday to see how things look out there.

Fine Chili for ten cents a plate at Kirkland's Restaurant.

Ira Word and Jack Deezoo came in on Friday back from delivering O. T. Word & Son's cattle to the Territory.

Bruno Schott the contractor of Kerrville, was in Sonora Friday on his way to Sherwood to bid on the Court house. Mr. Schott returned Thursday.

John W. Hagerlund senior member of the mercantile firm of Hagerlund Bros & Co., made a business trip to San Angelo, this week.

Diamond patent, the best flour to be had at C. M. Deere's

Wm. Babb the well-driller finished a well for R. J. Owens at Owensville, last week obtaining a good well on the hill at a depth of 162 feet.

Walter Harper of San Antonio was in Sonora this week. He is out here looking after his bunch of cattle at John T. Brown's ranch. Mr. Harper offers these cattle for sale.

The plans and specifications for the First National bank of Sonora, were received by Vice President Vander Stucken this week from architect Ruffin of San Angelo. The design is very neat, complete and convenient and the structure will add much to the appearance of the town.

A Fast Bicycle Rider.

Will often receive painful cuts, sprains or bruises from accidents, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, will kill the pain and heal the injury. It's the cyclist's friend. Cures Chafing, Chapped Hands, Sore Lips, Burns, Ulcers and Piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Try it. Sold by E. S. Briant druggist.

Mrs. R. W. Callahan, Mrs. Maggie Clark and Miss Lucile Adams returned last week from their prospecting trip to Sander-son. Mrs. Clark and Miss Adams purchased property in Sander-son and will immediately build a hotel there.

Miss Anna Ker, daughter of D. C. Ker of Edwards county arrived from San Angelo, Wednesday. Miss Ker has been selected as one of the teachers by the school trustees at San Angelo and will teach there next session. Miss Ker will also assist in conducting the summer Normal at Leakey.

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To know that our trade has been constantly increasing since we began business last June.

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ALWAYS THE BEST QUALITY

Our assortment of mens furnishing goods, mens and ladies shoes, spring dress goods and trimmings is still intact.

Our stock of groceries is always complete.

E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. F. Collins of San Angelo, arrived in Sonora Friday, on a visit to his ranch in Sutton county.

\* \* \* \* \* "Star Shoes are Better" at Hagerlund Bros. & Co's.

Lost on road from Sonora to Barksdale ranch Monday, a new black bat size 6 7/8. Finder will please return same to S. G. Stokes or to this office.

If you want cheap groceries for cash go to.

JOHN MCCLEARY.

Died at John Boyd's ranch 4 miles below town, on Tuesday May 15 1900, James Daniel Babb the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Babb. The News sympathises with the parents and friends.

Fine Chili ten cents a dish at Kirkland's Restaurant.

Leslie McMullan the young sheepman from down the draw was in in Sonora several days this week wanting to get a wind mill man. Leslie was lucky in getting our new wind-mill man Walter White.

Kirkland's Restaurant will pay 30 cents for large frying chickens or good fat hens.

Board of Equalization.

Commissioners court of Sutton county will meet at court house in Sonora Texas on the second Monday in June, being the 11th day, and sit as a Board of Equalization. Texas payers interested will hereby take notice.

J. B. Hill Clerk County Court, of Sutton county, Tex.

For Sale.

Hereford bulls for sale or trade Apply to Geo. B. Black, Sonora, Texas.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received up till May 20, for the new bank building for further particulars.

Address, E. F. Vander Stucken, Sonora, Texas.

Ira L. Wheat has announced for Sheriff of Edwards county.

Judge J. J. Ellis has announced for county judge of Edwards county.

Wedding Blossoms Buds the best 5c cigar in town at J. Lewenthal's.

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A RAZORBACK HUNT.

ROUNDING UP THE HOGS IS LIVELY AND EXCITING WORK.

The Experience of One Rancher Who, Instead of Doing His Butchering Out in the Hills, Attempted to Drive His Hogs to Market.

While it is generally accounted that the sheep and Angora goat furnish most of the revenues to the rancher in the broken and wooded country south of the Staked plains and west of the Colorado river, it is nevertheless a fact that the razorback hog contributes a full share.

With this sort of feed, which is always abundant, the expense of care and feeding is removed, the animals simply remaining at large over the country, so that the only outlay required is that of the first cost of a few hogs for a start.

In order to get the benefit of the increase in his stock, however, it is necessary for the rancher to get his mark on the pigs.

Compared with one of these "hog hunts" a cattle "round up" is a quiet and commonplace affair. On the morning appointed the dogs are turned loose and started out on a hog trail, and the men ride after them just as on a wolf chase.

When Corwin came to the stand, he made a great show of embarrassment. He stammered and began slowly: "Well, gentlemen, you have heard what my friend Mr. Brough has to say about my carriage. I plead guilty to the charge, and I have only two things to say in my defense."

While the work of "marking" is more like sport than labor it is not less exciting than that of getting the hogs ready for market, for as it is impossible to drive them any distance—even to the corral at the ranch—it is necessary simply to butcher them out in the hills.

So along in the early part of the winter, after the new mast has fallen and the hogs are as fat as they will get, the ranchers lead their wagons with salt, grub, kettles and lard cans, take their dogs and Winchester and strike out for the hills.

At noon on the fourth day the line was within half a mile of the Guadalupe river, the men were half a mile apart and every dog worn out. Then Ben decided that he would like to know how many hogs he had, as after passing the Guadalupe it would be impossible to see them in the open again.

The Dangerous End. An Ass once enveloped himself in a Lion's skin, hoping that he would thereby escape annoyance from the Rest of the Brute Creation.

The Widow's Advantage. Grimos—The chances are in favor of a widow marrying again against a single woman getting a husband.

Burns—That is because a widow is content to regard men as pretty much all alike, while a single woman who has been trying to find one who is different from all others.

The hearty looking man who thumps his chest and says he's sound as a dollar, does not take into consideration the catarrh which bothers him occasionally.



Oh! everybody has more or less catarrh. That's nothing. But he is mistaken. What begins in catarrh may end in consumption. It is a foul disease at its best and a fatal disease at its worst when it involves the lung tissues.

For twelve years I was a sufferer from catarrh and was treated by one of the best physicians in the State of North Carolina, who said the trouble was incurable.

Nassau's Big Tree. In Nassau, the capital city of the Bahamas Islands, they say "the tree in the public square" is not the tree.

The Rooster Was Game. A Rockland young man is the owner of a smart rooster and has long entertained a suspicion that the bird might have inherited gamy characteristics from some long forgotten ancestor.

Fairly Good Time. Ecated around a Topoka railroad lunch counter the other day were four old Santa Fe engineers. They were telling of fast runs. Three of them had told their stories.

A Safe Disk. She—Are you superstitious? He—No; I think not. But why do you ask?

Nature's Drama. A careful survey of the underground water courses in the carboniferous limestone district of Yorkshire, England, has revealed the fact that there exists in that country an extensive system of subterranean streams, many of which issue miles away from the points called "springs."

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His Point of View. She—A married couple should pull together like a team of horses.

The Eekimo's Liver. Does every one know in what notable physical particulars the Eskimos who live in the far north differ from us temperate zone people?

A UNIQUE CEREMONY.

Gloucester's Annual General For Her Lost Fishermen. With each returning February there is held in Gloucester, Mass., a customary solemn in motive, impressive in form and absolutely unique in origin and character.

Everybody who lives in Gloucester is interested in the fishing industry, and so it falls out that the city's life is about equally made up of intervals of joy and sorrow.

All the residents show a concern in the sailors who are lost and in the welfare of their families. Even the citizens of fortune in Gloucester, who suffer no personal bereavement, have been brought closely into touch with the poor fishing families through religious and social agencies.

It is queer what risks some men will take to get a letter from a woman they love. "It is an official of the general delivery department of the post-office."

Another instance was where not long ago the authorities were looking for a man accused of committing some big crime and had no clue at all to where he was. So every postoffice in the country was sent word to look for a letter for that man.

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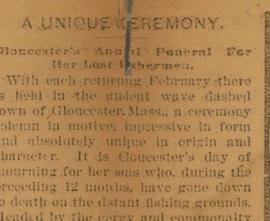
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It is true that in Ireland, with the spread of general knowledge and improved medical aid, "cures" and superstitious notions are on the wane, but still "the mistress" is much preferred to the doctor, and the advice of a "lucky woman" is of much higher value than that of an M. D.

After due inquiry into her symptoms she was given a packet of arrowroot, with minute directions how to prepare it. As she scarcely seemed to take them, a happy thought struck the lady.

The blazer the gun the shorter its life. Those monsters, the 110 ton guns, cannot be reckoned upon to fire more than 80 full charge rounds without becoming quiescent.

Now a 110 ton gun, though it can fire only 30 full charges, can fire 130 three-quarter charges and 320 half charges.

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HE LOVED TO FIGHT.

A LITTLE MAN WHO WOULD RATHER SHOOT THAN EAT. Olds Didn't Figure With Jack Watson When He Concluded to Go into a Recess, and His Nerve Once Saved an Innocent Man.

"The gamest man and the best fighter that I ever knew—and I've known quite a number in my day—was little Jack Watson of California," remarked Senator William M. Stewart of Nevada one day in Washington when he was in a story telling mood to a party of interested listeners.

"Watson had been a member of Jack Hayes' famous company, and though he didn't weigh over 120 pounds and he height measured but 5 feet 6 inches, he would fight at the drop of a hat the biggest man that ever breathed. I don't know what state gave him birth, but he was a native of the south, and all the pioneers of Texas knew him well."

"The little chap didn't provoke difficulties, but I verily believe he enjoyed fighting for its own sake, and odds didn't figure with him once he concluded to go into a melee. His long hair was shooting, and a deadlier shot never discovered a revolver."

"I shall never forget the first time that Jack Watson and I met, for the circumstance was of the sort that burns itself upon a man's memory. I was riding into a mining camp in Nevada county and stopped at a watering trough to let my beast drink. About the same time a stranger of very diminutive stature rode up, and while our animals refreshed themselves we engaged in some casual conversation."

"Before we exchanged half a dozen sentences our attention was attracted by a great noise and looking around, we saw at least 200 men coming our way with a prisoner. The prisoner was a remarkably fine looking man, but his captors had stripped him to the waist, and the evident intention was to hog him."

"I have leased all the land from Sawyer's fence west to my ranch 18 miles from Sonora of the North Llano and I hereby give notice that any one trespassing on said lands for the purpose of wood hauling or the raising or working of cattle, horses, sheep or hogs will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law."

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FRITZ KESSLER, Boot and Shoe Maker. REPAIRING A SPECIALTY. June, Texas. \$50.00 REWARD.

The above amount will be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any party trespassing on our ranch 65 miles northeast of Sonora, for cutting timber, wood hauling, working cattle, or landing hogs etc., without permission.

Notice to Trespassers. We hereby give notice to wood haulers and persons who are leaving our fences down by going over same with wagons, that any persons caught hauling wood from our pastures will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

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