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Fresh Water Springs in Micoacan.

Several fresh water fountains are known to exist in the gulf of Mexico, where vessels have frequently filled their casks with ice cold sweet water that comes up like a geyser in the midst of the salt water. The fresh water springs, as the sailors call them, have been known in the gulf for 200 or 300 years. They were discovered by early voyagers and were the salvation of many a mariner whose supply of fresh water ran short while he was becalmed in the doldrums. Some of the fresh water springs are marked upon the charts, but there is so little need of them nowadays by the steamers on the gulf and the sailing fleet is so small that no attention is paid to them, and they have passed out of the knowledge of the younger skipper.—Chicago Record.

Considerate.

Young Writer (to editor of newly established journal)—If you find this little story available for your columns, I don't ask any pay for it beyond a life subscription to your paper.

Editor—But, great goodness, young man, you may live for 50 years!

Young Writer—Oh, I don't mean during my life; during the life of your paper, you know!—London Tit Bits.

The Anniversary.

"Harry, yesterday was our wedding anniversary, and you never said a word about it."

"Well, my dear, I felt it in my bones that it was some sort of a big day, but I couldn't remember what it was."—Indianapolis Journal.

When a fellow has money to burn, the mother of marriageable daughters is ready to supply him with a match.—Philadelphia Record.

Every boy in Germany from the crown prince to the meanest subject is obliged to learn some useful trade.

A Singular Allment.

One of the leading alienists of Chicago, with a practice of 30 years behind him, had an experience not long ago that was entirely new to him.

It was near his hour for starting to his lecture class in a West Side school. Three women were in the waiting room. Two of them were willing to make an appointment for the next day. The third one, a stranger, would hear to no delay, and the doctor's assistant showed her in.

"I had my hat in my hand," said the doctor, "and she had been told that I was in a hurry. She came across the room in a most leisurely fashion, however, taking three times as much time as the ordinary person would. She was chewing an unusual wad of gum—a whole package. I should say—and she was chewing it with desperate vigor."

"She sat down slowly, and I asked her a question. She looked straight at me and went on chewing. I spoke again and again, but she sat looking at me and chewing in as much silence as was possible under the circumstances. Finally I said to her:—

"Madam, will you kindly stop chewing long enough to answer my questions?"

"Then she burst out sobbing."

"That's just what I'm here for—I can't stop—I've got to chew—and I've been chewing just this way for more than two years!"—Chicago Tribune.

Wheeler's Bravery.

Wheeler's charge at the battle of Shiloh was said by General Grant to be one of the most splendid exhibitions of human bravery he had ever witnessed, and a feat which roused admiration among both armies was when the intrepid little general accomplished the destruction of Rosecrans' provision train after the battle of Chickamauga.

On Dec. 30, 1863, General Wheeler attempted and successfully carried out one of the most daring, perilous and important duties ever assigned a cavalry commander. He crossed the Tennessee river in the face of a division of cavalry under General George Crook, drove back and wasted the troops that guarded the Federal trains of 600 mules and 1,000 wagons and captured the whole, with 1,500 prisoners.

While he was thus engaged Rosecrans' cavalry, 8,000 strong, swept down upon the Georgians. The latter charged and repulsed the northerners, capturing the forts at McMinnville, Tenn., with 600 prisoners and great stores; capturing the forts and destroying the bridges near Murfreesboro, and then, as full of light as at the beginning of the engagement, they turned and put to rout General Hooker and

the Eleventh and Twelfth corps that came riding down at the moment to reinforce the Yankees.—Chicago Journal.

The History of a Book.

Following is the story of the first edition of Fitzgerald's celebrated translation of "Omar Khayyam." The book was issued anonymously and found no buyers. Accordingly the author went to Bernard Quaritch's shop, dropped a heavy parcel of 200 copies of the "Rubaiyat" and said, "Quaritch, I make you a present of these books."

The famous bookseller offered them first at half a crown, then at a shilling and, again descending, at sixpence, but no buyers came. In despair, he returned the book to a penny and put copies into a box outside his door, with a ticket, "All these at one penny each." At that price the pamphlet moved, in a few weeks the lot was sold, and in this way one of the finest gems of English literature was dispersed among a not overabundant public.

The legend has it that Dante Gabriel Rossetti, Swinburne and Burton were among those who discovered the "hidden treasure in the penny box." Years passed, and the once despised volume rose in the market, and in 1895 Quaritch bought in for £21 a copy which 40 years before he had sold for a penny.

Bedlam.

The word "bedlam" is a corruption of the word "Bethlehem" and originated as a synonym for chaos at the time when the house of Bethlehem, occupied by a sisterhood of London, became an insane asylum. The treatment of the insane in the early part of the sixteenth century was not well understood, and, according to the theories then prevalent, it was necessary to frighten the patient out of his lunacy. All sorts of awful expedients were resorted to, among them "surprise floors," which slipped from under the feet; "surprise baths" and drowings at the periods of most severe illness; hence the name "bedlam," the result of incorrect spelling, possibly, came easily to stand for awful things.

Poor Mr. McElroy.

Mrs. McElroy—Where is Mr. McElroy?

Junior Partner—Gone out to get a new ribbon for the typewriter.

Mrs. McElroy—Gladly at the blond girl at the little side desk—He has, has he? Well, Mr. McElroy will just buy some ribbons and other things for his wife and daughters. That person is all stuffed up with ribbons now.—Denver News.

How about Christmas? It's coming.

Stories of John Sherman.

To his aid in his political life John Sherman brought a nature instinctively methodical and an unflinching probity. He saw to it that the public moneys were not squandered or used for dishonest purposes. A claim for \$1,000,000 was once brought to him for his signature. It had been regularly allowed, but it was illegal, and he refused to sign.

"It has been allowed," insisted the claimant's attorney, "and you must sign it."

"I will not," repeated Mr. Sherman, and he did not. He would have resigned, he afterward confided to a friend, had it been required of him sooner that even seem to sanction a fraud. Neither would he permit irregularities. The chief of a bureau one day came to him for an order to pay for some machinery.

"Has it been advertised?" asked the secretary.

"No," said the chief, "but there are only two places where it can be made, and we are accustomed to get their bids and contract with the lowest."

"But," said the secretary, "the law says it must be advertised."

"At least this may pass, for it is made, and we need it."

"I cannot help that. The law says it must be advertised, and advertised it must be." And advertised it was at a very large saving to the government.—Saturday Evening Post.

Vanishing of the Bride.

While there is no hard and fast definition of a married woman may be thought to have ceased to be a bride when, of the 16 hooks in the clothes-press, she has sealed down the number devoted to her husband's wardrobe from eight to two.—Detroit Journal.

Having several pairs of shoes and changing them daily or regularly at longer intervals will enable the wearer quite frequently to avoid corns even after they show signs of formation.

Early Use of Pigeons.

Pigeons were employed in early Egyptian days, navigators taking them to their galleys and liberating them when they arrived at their destination in order to announce their safe arrival to their friends or employers. The Romans utilized them in communicating with each other in wartime.

Sure Enough Tale.

In one of the private schools here in town there is a small boy who is always cheerfully miles behind everybody else. He is not a dull boy, but learning does not appeal to him as being a thing especially to be desired. Recently the teacher told the class in composition that on the next day she would expect each of them to be able to write a short anecdote. She explained with great care the meaning of the word anecdote, and next day when she called the class up to write all but the laggard went at once to work.

"Why don't you write an anecdote, Rob?" asked the teacher.

"I forgot what an anecdote is," said Rob, undisturbed.

"I explained to you yesterday, Rob, and you ought to remember," said the teacher, a bit out of patience. "An anecdote is a tale. Now write."

Rob bent over his slate and, with much twisting of brow and writhing of lip ground out his task. When the slates were collected, his was at the very top of the heap. The teacher picked it up, and this is what she read: "Yesterday we had soup made from the anecdote of an ox."—Youth's Companion.

The Shoe and the Woman.

Heroupan I ventured to reason with the woman.

"Your conventional immunities," I urged, "are not compatible with the new responsibilities which you seek to assume. That is where the shoe pinches."

The woman gave me a withering look.

"Pinches?" she exclaimed most scornfully. "It's a mile too big! I could wear two sizes smaller!"

Oh, what a futile thing mere logic seemed now!—Detroit Journal.

A Clincher.

Old Lover—I know I am old enough to be your grandfather, but, my darling, I have an immense fortune to bestow upon you.

Young Heart—I hesitate to answer.

Old Lover—Do not keep me in suspense. I have heart disease, and under excitement I am likely to die at any moment.

Young Heart—Then I will be yours.

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The Census of 1900 Shows.

That there are in round numbers 5,800,000 separate farms in the United States and Territories and about 600,000 manufacturing institutions, an increase in ten years of 150,000 plants. The increase of manufacturing in the west and south has been remarkable.

That the center of population is in Indiana west of Columbus. In 1800 it was 23 miles east of Baltimore and has shifted almost due west at the rate of 40 to 60 miles each decade except from 1850 to 1860, when it moved west by north 81 miles.

That but a trifle less than one-fourth of the population of the whole country dwell in 159 cities, having 25,000 inhabitants or over.

That Rhode Island, the smallest of the states, leads in density of population. "Little Rhody" supports 395 persons to the square mile.

That New York is the largest city with a population of 3,500,000. Greater than all of Texas.

That Chicago is the second city with 1,700,000 and Philadelphia third with 1,300,000. St. Louis, Boston and Baltimore comes next.

That state of New York, with its 7,268,000 inhabitants, which means a gain of more than 1,270,000 in a decade, retains and seems likely long to keep its name of the Empire Commonwealth. Its population is not only larger than was that of the whole Union in 1810, but it is larger than was that of England at the time of the Revolutionary war. It is considerably larger than that of the Belgium, and it is larger than that of the kingdoms of Denmark and the Netherlands put together, so far as their European inhabitants are concerned. Even Pennsylvania, which now has 6,311,355 inhabitants, is larger than Belgium, and Illinois, with its 4,821,550, outnumbers the Netherlands.

Ohio, with 4,157,545, holds the fourth place in our list of states, as it did ten years ago, and the fifth place still belongs to Missouri with 3,107,117, but Texas, with already has 3,048,828, will, if the present rate of progress be maintained, have outstripped Missouri in 1910 and will have passed Ohio a decade later. Massachusetts, which held the sixth place in 1890, now has 2,805,346, a gain of more than 563,000 in ten years, but it has nevertheless been outstripped by Texas and sinks into the seventh place. The eighth place belongs to Indiana, which has 2,516,463, and the ninth place to Michigan, which has 2,419,782, but Michigan is gaining faster and will have overtaken Indiana before 1910. Iowa occupies the tenth place, with 1,251,829, but Georgia, with 2,216,239, is not far behind, and her population is increasing at a slightly greater rate.

That the population of Texas is 3,048,710, an increase in ten years of 813,187.

The census return gives Sutton county a population of 1,727, Tom Green 5,804; Schleicher 515; Edwards 3,168. Crockett 1,591; Val-Verde 5,263; Kimble 2,503; Menard 2,011. The census also show Dallas is the largest county in the State with 82,726; Bexar 99,422; Harris 73,786; Grayson 43,661; McLennon 59,772; Tarrant 52,379; Baubin 51,793; Collin 50,357. These are the only counties in the state with more than 50,000 population.

The census will not show the population of Sonora but according

to the returns Sonora's population is approximately 950.

The census of 1900 places the United States in the second rank among the world's great powers. In 1890 this country stood eighth and at the bottom of the list in population. The powers are now grouped as follows:

Russia.....	139,896,638
United States.....	76,295,220
Germany.....	53,000,000
Austria-Hungary.....	42,660,906
Great Britain.....	40,559,354
France.....	38,517,373
Italy.....	31,000,000
Spain.....	18,250,000

Out at Sonora.

The Haymaker man met Mr. M. H. Gilliam today and had quite an interesting talk with him. Mr. Gilliam is a former Templeite who move to Sonora, Sutton county, two years ago to engage in ranching in which he has been very successful. He expects to be here until Christmas disposing of some horses and looking after farming interests.

He owns 3000 acres of fine stock land at his new home. He says all the Templeites in his section are doing well. Arch Anderson has been re-elected county attorney and Dr. A. L. Taylor is enjoying a lucrative practice. Geo. E. Wilcox, Jr., is conducting a successful saloon business. Geo. Stephenson is ranching on an extensive scale. Prof. T. C. Cahill has resigned as school superintendent and is also ranching. It will be remembered that Prof. Cahill married Miss Della Gilliam. We are glad to hear that fortune is favoring them all and hope it will continue.—Temple Haymaker.

Miss Jane Justice, died at the ranch of her brother H. G. Justice 16 miles west of Sonora on Friday November 30th, 1900 in the 52nd year of her age. Deceased was a woman of loving and retiring disposition and had made her home with her brother, the late Frank Justice up to the time of his death in January last. Deceased has been a terrible sufferer for the past two weeks from blood poisoning which started from an insignificant scratch on her finger. All that medical aid and careful attention could do was done without avail. The interment was had in the family lot in the Sonora cemetery Friday afternoon and was well attended. Rev. A. R. Watson of the Baptist church officiating. Deceased leaves three brothers to mourn her loss and to whom the News extends sympathy.

John Rose was in Sonora last week from the old Richard Potter ranch in Val Verde county.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Holland on Thanksgiving entertained a few friends at dinner.

Highest market price paid for hides and pelts at E. F. Vander Stucken Co's.

Rev. A. R. Watson of the Baptist church will hold services in Sonora Sunday and Sunday night.

C. A. Markwood and Tom Taylor returned from a prospecting trip down the river Saturday.

E. F. Vander Stucken Co., will pay the highest market price for hides and pelts.

Miss Lila Wilson left for her home in Abbot, after spending several months with her sister Mrs. Ira Word.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cox were in Sonora Saturday shopping. This was Mrs. Cox's first visit to Sonora in many months.

R. B. and A. J. Vaden and G. W. McCoy of Palo Pinto, were in Sonora several days on a visit to friends and prospecting.

Ben McDonald the well known stockman from the Beaver Lake country, was in Sonora last week attending to some business. Dr. and Mrs. Stark of San Antonio, who are spending the winter on Mr. McDonald's ranch accompanied him.

A Keen Clear Brain.

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cents box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by E. S. Briant Druggist.

Mrs. L. Nelson and sons Lion Mellwaine and J. E. Nelson left for their old home in Virginia, last Saturday on a visit. Lunn and Pat will take in the live stock box in Chicago.

Henry Wells with his mother and daughter returned last week from a prospecting trip to Arizona. Mr. Wells did not like the country and will remain at their old home near Vance, Edwards county.

Miles Turner and Sam Dickey of Gatesville and Cal Turner of Sipe Springs, passed through Sonora last week on their way to the Pecos creek hunt. Mr. Turner has been making these trips annually for the past ten years and enjoys the vacation. He is engaged in the mercantile business in Gatesville.

Paid Dear For His Leg.

B. D. Blanton of Thackerville, Tex. in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by E. S. Briant Druggist.

Rev. A. R. Watson of the Baptist Church returned from Ozona Monday, where he has been conducting a very successful two weeks meeting. Rev. Watson informs us that the new Baptist Church building is about completed and will be finished in less than a month.

A three hundred yards dash sweepstake race was run on the track at Sonora Thanksgiving day. The entries were Mat K-ton blue, John H-dins sorrel filley and Brown Parry entered by Lon Reynolds. It was a pretty race from start to finish and they came through in the order named with the blue 4 feet in front of sorrel and the brown three feet behind the sorrel. The Blue and Brown are matched for another dash next Wednesday.

W. C. Mayer the well known stockman of Val Verde county, accompanied by his charming and accomplished daughter Myrtle Dell, were in Sonora Wednesday on their way to San Angelo on a visit.

The hop last Friday night given at the court house in honor of Miss Anna Mathews, of Indiana niece of R. A. Williamson the Crockett county stockman, was well attended and very enjoyable. Sonora many society leaders were out in full force.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles, as well as women and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Idaville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at E. S. Briant's Drug Store. Every bottle guaranteed.

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J. LEWENTHAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hamilton and son who have been visiting Mrs. Hamiltons mother Mrs. F. M. Wyatt at Eldorado, were in Sonora Friday on their way home to the D. C. Ker ranch.

Wm Sultemeyer the stockman was in from his ranch Tuesday for supplies and says the stock down his way are doing fine. Mr. Sultemeyer wants to sell his house in West Sonora.

Moore's Pills are a guaranteed cure for all forms of Malaria, Ague, Chills and Fever, Swamy Fever, Malarial Fever, Bilious Fever, Jaundice, Biliuresness, fetid breath and a tired, listless feeling. They cure Rheumatism and the lassitude following blood poisoning produced from malarial poisoning. No Quinine. No Arsenic, Acids or Iron. Do not ruin stomach or teeth. Entirely tasteless. Price, 50c per box. Dr. C. C. Moore Co., No. 310 North Main Street, St. Louis, Mo. or at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

Era Word, Jake Whitten, Bob and Ralph Horton, Chas. Sharp, Sid Chapman and Amos Word were down near Del Rio, last week receiving 650 2 and 3 years old steers. O. T. Word & Son recently bought from Greenwood.

Ship out your fat cows. There is money in it and your range conditions will be improved.

Of course Sonora will celebrate the holidays. But how? Its time we were getting at it.

Fine pasturage for 400 steers, 30 miles south of Sonora.

R. A. Williamson, Juno, Tex.

Also have 700 muttms for sale.

Don't forget your coupons at Hagerlund Bros. & Co. and J. Lewenthal's.

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A Lesson in Seamanship.

Captain Hans Miron who lost his life at his post of duty on the burning Sate at Hoboken, was fond of telling of his early introduction to the stern realities of his chosen career. He had but just come on board the schooner where as cabin boy he was to serve his apprenticeship to the sea and was still staring about him with childish interest and inquisitiveness when the skipper approached and ordered him to assist in washing down the deck.

He put down his bundle and started awkwardly to do so, when a second order, accompanied by emphatic expletives, was given him to take off his shoes and stockings. He was perfectly willing to oblige, but at home he had not been permitted to wet his feet.

"No," he answered innocently, with an engaging smile, "I should not mind, but my mother does not allow it."

The skipper was a rough old sea dog who did not appreciate obedience unless it was rendered to himself, and his reply was a stunning blow that dazed the boy across the deck. "But after that," Captain Miron would say, with a great laugh and not a shadow of resentment, "I knew who was captain of that schooner, and it was not my mother."

Four Kings and a Joker.

At the time of Colonel Cody's advent into the capital of Germany the old Emperor William was entertaining there three kings of smaller Germanic powers. The royal gentlemen were very much interested in the Buffalo Bill exhibition, and Colonel Cody was the recipient of many favors from the emperor himself. One feature of the performance was the exhibition of the antiquated Deadwood coach containing passengers who are attacked by Indians and finally rescued by cowboys.

The kaiser asked to be allowed to ride in this vehicle with his royal guests and to participate in this interesting experience. The request was of course granted, and when the coach was furiously assailed by howling Indians its inmates were as usual saved by gallant cowboys.

After it was over and as the royal party were descending from the coach the emperor remarked:

"Colonel Cody, I do not suppose this is the first time that you have ever held four kings."

"No, your majesty," returned the quick witted scout, "but this is the first time I ever held four kings and a royal joker at the same time!"—San Francisco Evening Post.

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The Providential Happened.

Ozona, Tex., Nov. 26, 1900.—Mr. Editor and Neighbor: My notice from San Antonio, you must have printed, for as I tried a few hours in your town the other day quite a number chided me for not getting there to preach on time. You remember I said unless something "mighty providential happened." Well it rained just before we were to start and any body who has ever been in San Antonio and will say I had a good excuse. You come out on the 2nd and 3rd Sunday's in December and see if I don't be on hand? Knowing that church privileges are not very thick in the country I would be glad if our ranchmen and out of town people generally would not forget these meetings when they come to town. It would be a good time then to come to see your kindfolks in town and stay over with us to meeting. If you don't believe I know how to preach come and see for I will tell you right now I don't know whether I can or not, sometimes I think I can, but most times I think I would make a better cow puncher than I would a preacher. But if you will come along, pray for me and help me punch the devil maybe we can run him out of every thing except the name of your river and town paper. If you want to know anything more about me and the meetings I refer you to Bro. Watson, Bro. Cahill, Bro. Roberson and mother Sharp over on the hill.

Your Big Friend,
Nath Thompson.

GUILD MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Episcopal Guild will be held at the residence of Mrs. E. C. Saunders on Dec. 4th at 4 o'clock p.m.

YOUR COUPONS PLEASE.

The ladies of the Baptist church want all who have not promised their coupons to others to save the coupons for them in order to try and get the organ for the Baptist church. Those wishing to assist the ladies may hand their coupons to Mrs. A. R. Watson Mrs. W. A. Anderson or Mrs. J. L. Davis.

Perry McConnell returned from a business trip to Ozona Saturday. J. J. Rice the contractor is at Mat Karnes this week putting an addition to Matts house.

Don Cooper the stockman and hide and animal inspector is very busy this week, gathering bulls to ship to Angelo.

Dr. J. W. Warran of Snyder, Seary county, passed through Sonora Saturday with his family on the way to Uvalde.

Bob Peacock the well known and popular stockman from down the draw was in Sonora Saturday to see the boys.

When you go to San Angelo call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you O. K. 72-1f

Joe Parker the well known and well to do stockman who ranches about six miles west of Sonora was in town several days this week for supplies and reports that he bought the Leman place in west Sonora for \$800 and will reside there for the future. Joe made a good trade.

Graham flour in stock at C. M. Deere's.

Hop Wood was in from Union City Monday for supplies.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turney were in from the ranch Tuesday, shopping.

Miss Ada Kirnes of Granbury, is on a visit to her brother Mat Karnes the well-known stockman.

Mrs. Arthur Smart and son left on a visit to her mother at Groesbeck, Monday.

J. C. Barksdale, C. T. Turney and Uacle Billie Forbes left for Coleman Tuesday to look at some fine bulls.

Geo. Berry returned from Lampasas, Monday where he went with a bunch of horses. Geo says he made a little more than expenses.

W. A. Williamson the well known lawyer and Dr. M. A. Burt the dentist of Junction returned from a business trip to Fort Stockton Monday and left for their home Tuesday.

Buy your corn, oats and bran from C. M. Deere.

Born on Tuesday Nov. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitehead a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Birtrong were in from the ranch Tuesday shopping.

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

Sam McKee the stockman was in after a load of supplies Tuesday and remained all night.

Bring in your coupons to Hagerlund Bros. & Co., of J. Lewenthal after Dec. 1st so that they can be counted.

W. L. Locklin the sheepman of Union City was in Sonora Tuesday for supplies, Fred Day's the blacksmith of Sherwood accompanied him.

Frank Wyatt the steam well driller came in from the Whitehead ranch Tuesday to get some of his machine repaired, John Hurst his driller was with him.

My stock is new and complete Prices right. C. M. Deere.

Turk Brown of Gatesville was in Sonora several days this week on a visit to his cousin Tom Birtrong.

For family use in numberless ways Ballard's Snow Lintment is a useful and valuable remedy. Price, 25 and 50 cents at J. Lewenthals drug store.

Keys Fawcett the handsome young stockman from the Dolan Springs ranch on Devil's River, was in Sonora Wednesday on a business trip.

G. R. R. Berry brought to Sonora from Calvert, Texas, Fleetfoot a standard bred Hamiltonian that suits the horse man better than any he has seen in the country.

Praise the bride that carries you over either a flood or cough. Ballard's Horehound Syrup has brought so many over throat and lung troubles, such praises are sung everywhere. Price, 25 and 50 cents, at J. Lewenthals drug store.

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E. JACKSON,
JOHN HEFLIN.
Sonora, Nov. 24th, 1900.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranches and lands owned or controlled by the undersigned in Schleicher and Sutton counties, for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
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Died on the night of Tuesday November 27, 1900, Luther Wilson Morris, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Morris aged four years and 29 days. The funeral took place to the Sonora cemetery Wednesday evening and was attended by a very large number of friends. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. A. R. Watson. The News extends its sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Morris in their affliction.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hagerlund entertained Miss Barry at cards Wednesday night. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Huber, Misses Barry, Mona and Monte Rountree, Sophie Vander Stucken, Dona Allison, Alyce Brick, Maggie Word, Myrtle Dell Myers. Messrs. D. H. Burroughs, Alec and Frank McGonagill, Dudley Yaws, Claud Sites, Otis Mitchell, and Max Vander Stucken. Ladies prize was won by Miss Maggie Word. Gentleman's prize Frank McGonagill. Booby prize Alec McGonagill. Dainty refreshments were served as only Mrs. Hagerlund can serve them.

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It was a thrilling escape that Charles Dayis of Bowerston, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of Consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cure have for 25 years, proved it's power to cure all throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at E. S. Briants drug store.

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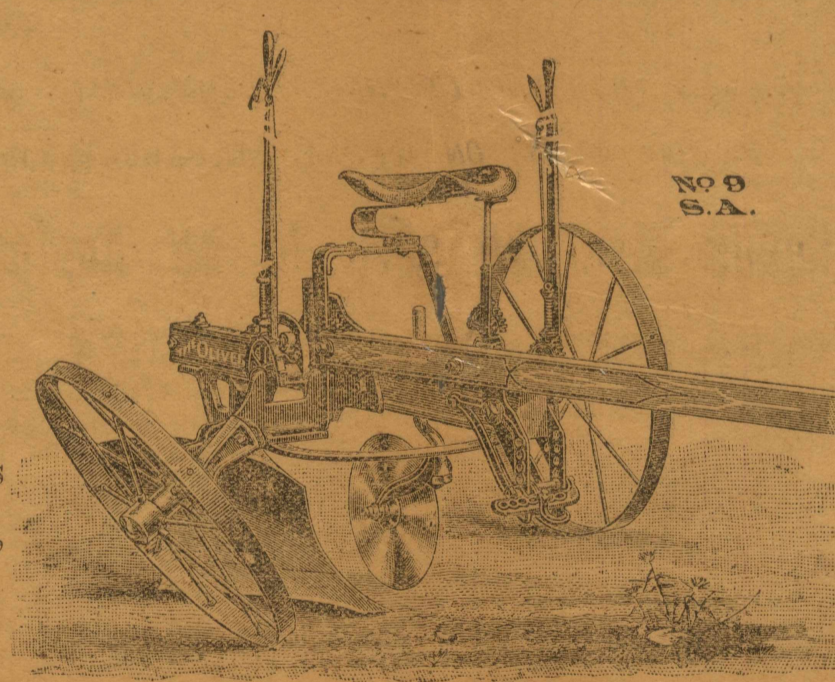
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Attend the Christmas celebration meeting at the court house Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

E. S. Briant, the druggist has leased the new Fred Koenig building and will occupy it as soon as completed.

D. C. Broyles editor and proprietor of the Rocksprings Rustler was in Sonora Thursday attending to some business.

Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment has been thoroughly tested for many years, and is a positive cure for this most distressing and embarrassing of troubles. Price, 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents, at J. Lewenthals drug store.

Medicated Salt Rock at Hagerlund Bros & Co.

Sam Tayloe the lawyer returned from a professional trip to Ozona Thursday.

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C. C. & R. Neely the sheepmen from Schleicher county, were in Sonora Thursday, they are on their way to Devil's River.

The Commissioners court was in session yesterday approved the bonds of the newly and re-elected officers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Aldwell entertained a few friends a 6 o'clock dinner on Thanksgiving day.

Worms take refuge in the small intestine, where they can easily multiply. White's Cream Vermifuge will destroy these parasites. The verdict of the people tells plainly how well it has succeeded. Price, 25 cents, at J. Lewenthals.

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How a Dog Stopped a Dogfight.

On one of the most pleasant side streets of Cleveland live two dogs—a large, dignified bound and a sleek, small fox terrier.

He seemed to consider the state of things, then gave a sigh of patient dignity and began to walk around the combatants, keeping a critical eye on the struggle and evidently acting the part of umpire.

During the next hour he licked, scolded and fondled the repentant terrier. And now the two are more devoted than ever, though the little dog seems more meek and decidedly more obedient than of yore.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Faithful Dog. Many hundred years ago there lived at Athens a dog whose faithfulness has caused him to be mentioned in history, and in the Grecian city his story is often repeated.

By daybreak the poor animal had become very weary, but still he kept the robber in sight. The latter tried to feed him, and as he made friends with the passersby he took it from them instead. Whenever the thief stopped to rest the dog remained near him, and soon a report went through the country of the animal's strange behavior.

An Expelled M. P.'s Prayer.

During the first half of the eighteenth century one of the members for a southern constituency was expelled from the house of commons for forgery and indeed endured the purgatory of standing in the pillory for a day.

"O Lord, thou knowest that I have nine houses in the city of London and that I have lately purchased an estate in fee simple in the county of Essex. I beseech thee to preserve the two counties of Middlesex and Essex from fire and earthquake, and as I have a mortgage in Herefordshire I beg of thee to have an eye of compassion also on that county, and for the rest of the counties thou mayest deal with them as thou art pleased. Give a prosperous voyage to the Mermaid, because I have not insured her, and enable the bank to meet their bills."—St. James Gazette.

Young Women

The entry into womanhood is a critical time for a girl. Little mental disorders started at that time soon grow into fatal complications. That female troubles are killing graveyards proves this. Wine of Cardui establishes a painless and natural menstrual flow. When once this important function is started right, a healthy life will usually follow. Many women, young and old, owe their lives to Wine of Cardui. This is nothing like it to give women freedom from pain and to fit young women for every duty of life. \$1.00 bottles at druggists.

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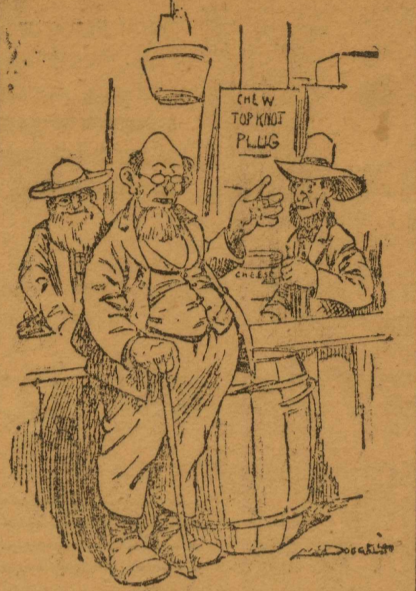
A PATRIOTIC SCHEME

THE TOWN WAS IN FAVOR OF FLYING THE FLAG PERPETUALLY.

Pop Perkins, Postmaster of Jericho, Tells How Discussion Marred the Discussion of the Proposition and How the Project Ended.

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It was Enos Hopkins who got the idea that Jericho should prove her patriotism to the world at large by displaying the American flag for seven days a week. He got the idea one Sunday mornin' as he lay in bed, and he hugged it to his soul and chuckled over it for a week before he said anything to a livin' soul. Everybody knew by his actions that something was up, but they couldn't figure out exactly what it was. At length, when Saturday night came, and there was the usual crowd at the postoffice, he shot off his gun. He had his speech all prepared. He told how the American flag was first flung to the breeze—how men cheered for liberty as they saw it—how it had given freedom to a continent and brought happiness to millions. Men had fought cheerin' for that flag, and men had died bleedin' it. He wanted it hoisted in Jericho at sunrise every day in the year, and he wanted children to cry for it and men and women to venerate it. Monday was wash day in Jericho, and front yards and back yards made a beautiful showin' of sheets and shirts and



A PORTER'S MISTAKE.

The Story of a Lady's Prizes and an Actor's Prize.

As the porter passed through the car she called him aside. There was a whisper and a gleam of silver. "Now, remember they are in the yellow satchel."

"The porter reached the platform in time to meet a lady in a long gown. "Not a step!" he thundered in tones that almost lifted the porter's cap. "What have you done with my whiskers, boy?"

"Your whiskers, sah?" "Yes, my false beard. The passengers say you opened my satchel with a skeleton key. Where are those whiskers?"

"Laws," muttered the porter, "Ah, went in de wrong satchel!" "Just then a lady passed toward the dining car.

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The Star Chamber.

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said he was glad his dog had bit the car off that hog and that he'd like to serve Joel the same way. Deacon Spooner rattled on the stovepipe with his cane until he quieted the racket, and then he said: "Fellow patriots, but have no public spirit among us!" "We have!" yelled the crowd. "Then let us exhibit it. Behn my cooper shop is the highest buildin' in town and bein' the American flag has got to flip-flap in the breeze to be seen and venerated. I unselfishly offer to put up a pole and take charge of the flag."

"So do I!" shout every man in the crowd. Then Squar Joslin made a speech. He told how a million men had died for that flag; how its stars and bars had made tyrants tremble; how a young nation had worshipped it and made all the world respect it. He wound up after ten minutes by offering to float it from his boss barn, but only hisses and groans followed. There was signs that three or four patriots would soon be punching each other's head when Lish Billings strolled in in that careless way of his. Deacon Spooner pounded and rattled till he got order and then said: "I want to hear from Lish Billings on this matter. Maybe he can suggest something. Lish, what place in Jericho would you say the American flag ought to float from?"

"How many stars are there on the American flag?" "Nobody could tell." "Well, how many stripes?" "Nobody could tell." "You won't let any one see you?" "No, ma'am." "The major is sitting in that car." "He won't see me, ma'am." "Well, here is the key." The porter took the key and passed through to the next car.

"Guess dis am it," he said, slipping the thin key in the lock of a yellow satchel. He put his hand in the satchel and pulled out a bunch of hair. Then he unlocked the satchel. "Heah's yo' frizzes, ma'am?" "Don't speak so loud." "Anything else, ma'am?" "That's all, I believe. I just have a minute to put these on before dinner."

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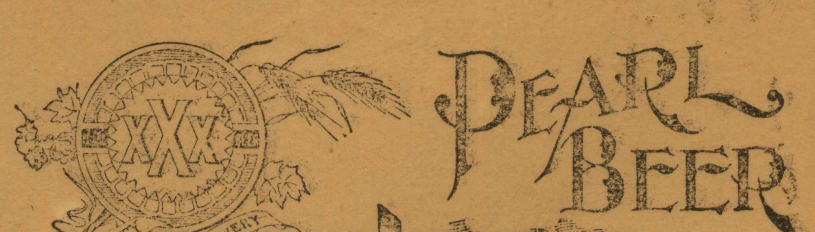
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