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A RECORD SMASHER.

The Muncy-Hale Well, at Artesia Breaks They are of the "Whopper" Variety Peits Bounds and Proves itself a World-Beater.

Artesia has become famous for her huge artesian wells, and every once in a while a new one comes in that is just a little better than the last. The Cecill well, flowing six feet over nothing. To the knowing ones, above its six-inch casing, caused us to celebrate two years ago, because big well, pouring out its thousands nothing of the kind had ever been seen before. Then, one year ago, J. W. Turknett brought in one that spouted to ten feet. This was indeed phenominal and photographs of the gusher have gone to earth's remotest bounds. Thousands of prospectors tence from same. Every week, this have watched its mighty gyrations in awe and admiration. It has been supposed that its equal would never joice with the fortunate ones. The be found.

But there is nothing too good or two large to be expected of this favored vailey. It has nothing to beat | be. save its own record, but is forever trying to do that.

new well record this week.

About sixty days ago, Gessler Brothers finished drilling a well on the J. C. Hale tract of land, east of and S. A. Butler secured a five-footer town, which that gentleman had sold for him Wednesday, after only a few to L. N. Muncy, of Slidell, Texas. days drilling. It is one of the extra The well, when completed, flowed fine wells and will furnish all the sia farmers HAVE DONE, not what about five feet over an eight inch water Mr. Williams will need. casing. It has continued the pace ever since, until Monday of this eight miles north of town. The conweek, when it suddenly doubled its capacity and surged to a height of Dayton, with Andrew Long in charge eleven feet in the air-making it one of the drilling, and he probably esfoot better than the Turknett. The tablished a record for quick drilling ditches were quickly over-run and on a well of the depth. Mr. Brown the whole face of the earth there- has 320 acres of land and all the abouts flooded. It is a perfect won- water he can use. der and no mistake.

Mr. Hale says that the gate valve will be opened tomorrow (Sunday) 1 at 2 o'clock p. m. for the benefit of the Penasco, Dayton, exhibited all who desire to go and see it. Do not forget the hour. The well cannot be allowed to run long, as the old ditches will not carry the water.

Three New Automobiles.

An arrival in the city from Torrance informs the Morning Journal that three fine new automobiles have arrived to go into service on the Roswell-Torrance "smoke-wagon" route at once. The machines are heavy Buic motor cars shipped from Dayton, Ohio, and calculated to stand the wear and tear incident to the hard usage they will receive running between Torrance and the Pecos. Each machine is of 27-horse power. and can carry four passengers and a driver. They were sent by express from Dayton at a cost of \$695. This makes six big automobiles now owned by the Roswell-Torronce line, which needs the best of equipment to handle the new mail contract and to take care of the increasing passenger business .- Albuquerque Journal.

W. H. Merchant for Collector.

In its regular announcement column, the Advocate presents the name of Will Merchant as a candidate for tax collector and treasurer of to the wives and sweethearts of the Eddy county. subject to Democratic action. He will come before the people personally in a short while and give some good reasons why he should be elected to the position. Social Tea at the residence of Mrs. J Mr. Merchant is at present a deputy P. Dyer, Tuesday, Jan. 23rd, from 3 in the office and his experience will to 10 p. m. Everybody cordially inbe a benefit to the entire county if vited. A silver offering will be re-

TWO NEW WELLS THIS WEEK.

culiar to This Part of the Pecos Valley.

The Advocate will be pardoned for rejoicing when each new artesian well is born. To a stranger, the simple announcement that a ell has been bored seems like making a fuss it is a different matter entirely. A of gallons of water per minute, means, in fact, that a new farm is brought into existence-that 320 acres of hitherto worthless land will be made to blossom and bloom and several families will receive a compeis being done in the Artesia country, and the Advocate is ever ready to rematerial development of the valley has been the burden of our song for many months and will continue to

The men who have drawn capital prizes this week are E. M. Williams, Hence it is, we show up with a of Saulisbury, Mo., and Chas. S. Brown, of Roswell.

> Mr. Williams recently bought 240 acres of land one mile south of town,

> The Brown well is on Cottonwood troctors were Danner & Wood, of

Good for Dayton.

Our sprightly young neighbor on very progressive spirit this week when her citizens met and decided to place a missionary in the field to preach the virtues of that section. Mr. E. F. Cooper, one of their most enterprising citizens, has been delegated to go to the populous and wealthy counties of North Texas and tell about the Pecos Valley. The town at large pays his expenses and advertising bills. This stroke of enterprise will make the town famous in a splendid territory. Cooper is a Texan who knows all about the state and can easily show his old neighbors wherein they will be benefited, financially and otherwise, by invest ing in Pecos Valley lands.

Had a Time.

Walnut Lodge No. 26, W. O. W., had a time that was a time at its regular meeting Tuesday night. About two dozen "choppers" were present, and after installing new The affair was so enjoyable that the ply grand." boys decided to have another just like it-if not a little better. An entertainment committee was ap pointed to arrange for a banquet next Tuesday night complimentary members. If you are a Woodman you can't afford to miss it.

The W. H. M. Society will give

In Fairest Artesia



Alfalfa and Beef-A Combination Pecos Valley Crop that Never Fails to Pay.

A LICKIN' GOOD CROP.

its Ninety-six Dollars Per Acre Last Year.

Facts and figures are better than theories and prophesies anytime, although they oftimer prove hard medicine for the skeptic to swallow. It has been the Advocate's pleasure to state at various times what Artesomeone thought could be done. It has proven an effective way of knocking the knocker.

This week, we have some effective shot to scatter in the ranks of the unbelievers, who haven't the grit to try to do something.

Last spring J. A. Rawls planted 12 acres cf sod land (that cost him \$10 per acre) in cane. Messrs. Graham & Atterbury finished making the crop up into molasses a few days ago. Mr. Graham tells the Advocate that it made 160 gallons of syrup per acre and it sold for 60c per gallon, makng \$96.00 per acre. Nuff said.

Christian Endeavor.

Sunday, 6 p. m. Topic. Christ's Life. I. Lessons from his boyhood. Luke 2: 40-52.

Union meeting with Junior society. Special exercises by Junior society. Everybody invited.

The new drug firm of Fatheree & Robertson, is this week placing its fixtures in position and are about ready for business. Mr. Fatheree is a licensed pharmacist from Amarillo and Mr. Robertson is one of the pioneers of Artesia. We bespeak for them a good business.

I. F. Hawley and wife, of Winterset, Iowa, are guests of the Crandall's and Conn's for an indefinite time. Mr. Hawley is piano salesman for the Baldwin Mfg. Co., and officers, a feast of cakes, gelatines, is rated second to none as salesman. cream, et cetera was partaken of. He thinks the Pecos Valley is "sim-

> Frank M. Carnahan, of Aledo, Ohio, called on the Advocate yesterday. He has been a reader of the ly way. paper for some months and feels a keen interest in the Artesia country.

J. Maxwell, of Ohio, came in with the excursionists yesterday. This is the gentleman's third trip to Artesia, and he likes the country better every

Messrs. Will Hubener and Newton Yeiser, of Utica, Ky., health-seekere, arrived in Artesia yesterday.

DEATH COMES IN SNOW.

Herder Found Dead.

Santa Fe., N. M., Jan. 9 .- James Yates, living near White Oaks, Lincoln county, a half blind ranchman, perished in the snowstorm yesterday. His body was discovered in a snow drift two miles from his cabin. As a pillow he used his hat and scarf and his hands were folded on his breast in the attitude of prayer.

Charles Newton, a 13-year-old goat herder, perished in the snowstorm in the Sacramento Mountains.

Heavy losses are being sustained by sheep owners, because they made no preparations to feed the sheep during the present severe cold.

Miss Erma Totzek entertained yesterday afternoon with a high five party in honor of her sister, Mrs. E. E. McNatt, of Artesia. There were three tables, and the affair being an informal one, was highly enjoyable. The prize, a beautiful cut glass puff box, was won by Miss Bettie Ogle. The invited guests were Misses Campbell, Denning, Ogle, Smith, Ingham, Stevens, Bell, Lillian Mc-Cain, Cora McCain, Pendleton, Audrain, Davidson, Hinson. Refresh ments were served .- Roswell Record

Dr. Graham to Leave.

Columbus is about to lose a young couple whose going will be regretted throughout the community.

Dr. and Mrs. Dale Graham expect to leave next week for New Mexico to reside.

There being a tendency in Mrs. Graham's family toward consumption the Doctor feels that our winters are too severe for her to enjoy the nealth she would have in a milder climate, and with commendable self abnegation gives up a growing practice to start enew.

Such deeds need no especial commendation for to the parties who are noble enough to make them, they are not regarded as sacrifices. A strong and happy wife who is dear to a man, is a sufficient reward for anything he may give up in a world-

Dr. Graham stands upon his merit alone and we predict will have the same success professionally whereever he may locate that he has had in Columbus. - (Columbus, Kansas,) Enterprise.

Ewin Walling is having a lengthy extension put to the Star Stables on Third street, thus increasing its capacity.

WILL FIGHT THE TAX.

Well Owners of the Pecos Valley Will Carry their Case to the Supreme Court.

The meeting of owners of artesian wells was held Saturday in the court house, and was attended by about thirty members of the Association. The object of the meeting was to perfect plans for fighting the law made by the last legislature placing a license tax upon artesian wells.

M. Rhodes acted as chairman of the meeting, and Harold Hurd secre-

Resolutions were adopted pledging the members to stand by those who had not paid the tax and were being

On motion of Ed Seay an assessment of five dollars was decided upon for a fund to assist in carrying the cast to the supreme court if necessary. The motion was carried unanimously. There are 525 wells in the A Field of Cane Near Artesia that Made Half Blind Ranchman and Boy Goat district. Mr. Seay suggested that if there was any money over what it cost to carry the meeting to the supreme court it could be donated to a charitable institution. Messrs. Cameron and Freeman of Carlsbad were employed to defend the cases, and if successful they are to receive a fee of \$500, otherwise \$300. Mr. J. O. Cameron addressed the meeting and said that he did not think there was any doubt that the law could be defeated. John R. Hodges represented the Artesia well owners .- Roswell Record, Jan. 16th.

Methodist Church.

Sunday School at ten o'clock. It is important to have a full attendance at Sunday School. We are having very fine League services. Don't forget to attend the League. Preaching at 11 o'clock by the pastor. Subject, "Soul Saving." At 7 p. m., text, "What Communion has Light with Darkness." A cordial invitation to all.

J. H. Messer, Pastor.

It's Now Childress & Conner.

The firm of Smith & Lewis, doing a livery business on Second street, is succeeded by Childress & Conner. composed of Oscar Childress and Jim Conner. The new proprietors are too well known in Artesia to need an introduction. They are splendid fellows and hustlers and will do a good business.

League Program.

Sunday, Jan. 21, 6 p.m. Topic.-The spirit filled life. Eph.

Leader.-Rev. J. H. Messer.

The repeated promise of the Father. Luke 24, 49.-Miss Major. The personal presence of the Com-

forter. John I4, 16-17.-Mr. Gibson. Some questions by the Leader. Song.

At the Christian Church.

Services at the Christian Church as usual, both morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to the public. Strangers are welcome. E. H. Holmes, Minister.

J. D. Walker, tax collector and treasurer of Eddy county, has moved his family to San Antonio, Texas, and will go to stay as soon as his term of office expires. He is one of the old guard of Eddy county Democracy and has many friends.

Alderman G. P. Cleveland went to Roswell Wednesday.

There is a Seed House in the Pecos Valley.

Send for our 1906 Illustrated and Descriptive Catalogue of Field and Garden Seeds. Mention this Paper.

GAYLE TALBOT, PUBLISHER.

ARTESIA, - NEW MEXICO

There are enough shadows in the world without wearing one on your

Of course everybody knows why King Peter of Servia has reason to be thankful.

Chance rules all things. If the eagle were an edible fowl it would not be the national bird.

Funny, isn't it, how often a Wall street lamb has to be sheared before it can be called a sheep.

A man of the name of Adam has been elected mayor of Buffalo. Let him beware of plum trees.

Goeste Tamm is the new minister of agriculture in Sweden, and the whole Tamm family is rejoicing.

There's nothing half so swift in life as the awakening from Love's young dream.-New Orleans Picayune.

Among the first to find out that the price of silver had risen were the enterprising gentlemen who sell silver-

Doesn't it give you a new idea of the size of London to know that the London postoffice has about 29,000 employes?

And now all through the winter the man with the big game bug may light his pipe and lie upon or about his bearskin rug.

Andrew Carnegie is credited with having given away \$130,000,000, and there is no mortgage as yet on the castle of Skibo.

heard of Clyde Fitch. Clyde would like to know if the lady ever heard of Shakespeare. That Pennsylvania judge who

wouldn't have a woman thief's stock-

ing searched evidently was not posted

Mme. Bernhardt says she never

on fashions in purses. In accounting for the wave of prosperity do not overlook the great work of the American hen with her annual

The Atchison Globe says a woman can avoid wrinkles by having supreme faith in her husband. It retards the coming of hubby's wrinkles, also.

output of 20,000,000,000 eggs.

Once more old John L. arises to state that he will never take another drink. John knows that a man is never defeated until he surrenders.

Every time Prince Louis thinks of that New York dentist who charged him \$1,000 for filling four of his teeth he must feel inclined to grit them.

King George of Greece, it is said, buys his wife a new frock every day. Every husband would be willing to do that, if the nation would agree to pay for it.

Persons wishing to be born with silver spoons in their mouths had better hurry up. Owing to the rise in silver, spoons are going to be more expensive.

The Russo-Japanese war is reported to have damaged China to the extent of \$20,000,000, and poor old China isn't to have any share of the gate receipts either.

Sometimes one is almost tempted to wonder whether the world is really getting better or whether he is merely with the passage of years, getting accustomed to it .- Puck.

About 240,000,000 pairs of shoes are made annually in this country, and even that number is less than is needed to accomplish the amount of kicking that has to be done.

The sultan's harem costs him \$15,-000,000 a year, and it is understood that his wives' dressmakers' bills are not very large, either. The ladies must spend most of it on Turkish rugs.

Samuel Smith, M. P., has startled England by pronouncing the doom of the decollete gown. But others have railed against the decrees of fashion without realizing dividends on their

If a church is "shy" on girls, it may be justified in giving female parts to chorus boys; but if there are any pretty girls in the congregation, they ought to "get busy" when they are thus ignored.

Somebody wants to know how the custom of raising the hat to the ladies originated. Glad to oblige. The ladies invented it, so they would have less trouble getting a strangle hold on their husband's hair.

Immortality

There is a calm for those who weep, A rest for weary pilgrims found; They softly lie, and sweetly sleep Low in the ground.

There is calm for those who weep.

A rest for weary pilgrims found;
And while the smouldering ashes sleep

Low in the ground.

The soul of origin divine.

God's glorious image, freed from clay
In Heaven's eternal sphere shall shine
A star of day.

The sun is but a spark of fire,
A transient meteor in the sky;
The soul, immortal as its Sire,
Shall never die.



(Coryright, 1905, by Daily Story Pub. Co.)

faith in men. Probably the life she led as superintendent of a "woman's and children's hospital" in a great with a trembling hand from his vest city tended to cultivate an antipathy toward the stronger sex. She saw so much misery and wretchedness of which she deemed that sex the cause, women with blighted lives and little nameless, fatherless babies.

All the more astonishing was it, therefore, when Sister Ellice adopted a baby-Sister Ellice-who never paid to see that they made their proper ad- story before you say such hard vent into the world and were properly cared for.

It happened in this wise. There came to the hospital one day a forlorn looking young creature with the ugly word "forsaken" written all over her, from the pallor of her thin, pretty face to the faded stripes of her shawl and the rents of her shabby dress. She seemed to shrink away from the scrutiny of Sister Ellice's clear, gray eyes seen austerely through her goldrimmed glasses and looked relieved when one of the younger nurses took her in charge for a bath and a change of clothing.

Some days later the baby came, a tiny mite of a girl, but before any one realized what had happened the mother was dead.

What was to be done with it? Sister Ellice agreed to take charge of it for a night or two until a decision could be made.

The night or two expanded into a month or two and still the baby did not go, and finally it came to be an understood thing that the baby was not going at all. Of course it was quite unaccountable that the superintendent should have taken such a fancy to that stray bit of humanity, but it was a fact nevertheless.

No mother could have been more devoted; she hovered over it, tended it constantly, whispered all manner of nothings into its pink ears and gave it the name of Blossom.

Blossom was nearly a year old and was beginning to toddle about, to : great delight of Sister Ellice, who declared her to be the prettiest, sweetest and most forward child that ever lived, when a man came to the hospital and inquired for the superintendent.

"I came to inquire about a woman you had here about a year ago, name ! of Harriet Watson; I heard she died." His voice grew husky. "They told me



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here before and they said I must see you about the baby. You was out then."

The face under the nurse's cap grew as pale as death. Had this man come for Blossom, her baby? Why hadn't they told her so that she could hide the baby where he could never find it. "Who are you-her brother?" her

dry lips managed to fashion. "I'm her husband, ma'am." "Her husband! Why, we thought

she was not married." The man fumbled nervously with his hat.

"I know. They told me the other ter Ellice answered, with a coldness outsiders know anything.

Sister Ellice had not very much | day she didn't say nothin' about bein' married, but we was just the same. brought the certificate"-he drew it

> pocket-"to show you." "And now I suppose you want your baby-after deserting your wife and leaving a stigma attached to her name you come to take away the only being I ever loved-" Sister Ellice with all her vaunted nerve and courage was very close to tears.

"For Heaven's sake, don't talk any attention to babies in general save like that, ma'am, but hear my



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things of me. You see when Harriet and I was married we didn't help themselves out. have no great amount of money, but we managed to furnish up a little flat and was as happy as two birds in a nest until I lost my job, through there bein' a strike on the road-I was a switchman-and then things began to go wrong. I tramped the town over lookin' for work-any kind of work, I didn't care what, but I couldn't pick up enough to keep soul and body together. Piece by piece our furniture went for food and by an' by I couldn't stand it no longer and seein' an advertisement in the paper for men on a road out west an' transportation free, I went, tellin' Harriet I'd write her to come if I could make a livin'; if not I was comin' home. Harriet, little woman, God bless her," his voice faltered and he wiped his eyes with the back of his hand, "was very bright and cheerful and was goin' to take in washin' or work out as a servant until she heard from me. Well, my bad luck followed me-after a few months I was thrown out of work again. I wrote to Harriet, but didn't get no answer, so I guess she never got my letter. Then I got an odd job to do now and then earning barely enough to buy food and a place to sleep, and had about made up my mind to go home when I was taken with a bad case of rheumatism and was laid up in the hospital for months. I was near crazy with pain and sufferin' and not knowing whether Harriet was dead or alive when my luck changed an' I saw a piece in the paper advertisin' for one Thomas Watson, son of Joseph Watson, formerly of Pennsylvania. Well, it turned out that my uncle in Illinois had died and left me a very good farm.

"As soon as I was well enough I took possession of it and then I came to hunt up Harriet. You don't know the shock, ma'am, when they told me she was dead. To think of how she must have struggled and then when I two or three days ago when I was had my good fortune she couldn't share it with me." The man buried his face in his hands and the tears trickled through his fingers.

Sister Ellice watched him with seeming indifference. She had grown hard and bitter. Was he not going to take her baby from her? The man seemed to feel her lack of sympathy for him. He recovered himself presently and said with hesitation:

"Perhaps you don't blame me so much now-and-I don't want to put you to any inconvenience, but perhaps I might have a look at my baby-

"I will bring her down to you," Sis-

which belied the wild beating of her heart, and left the room. Blossom had just wakened out of a sleep and sat up in her crib in all the rosiness of her dimpled baby beauty. The woman took her in her strong arms and sat down in a chair. She kissed the soft baby hands, the dear curly head, the fat white neck, even the tiny well-worn shoes.

Then she rose calmly and austerely and took the child to its father.

How proud and happy he looked and how tenderly he held the child! Even in Sister Ellice's eyes he took on a certain dignity and importance, despite her antagonism toward his sex in general and himself in particular.

Presently Blossom looked up and reached her tiny hands to Sister Ellice.

"Mamma," she said again.

A dull red crept into the woman's face. "I taught her to say it," she said as if in explanation, "she had no other mother."

"God will bless you, ma'am, for your goodness to a motherless baby," the father replied fervently.

After Blossom went away with her father. Sister Ellice went about her tasks as usual, but her soul was sick within her with longing for her baby. One day she received a letter-it was a strange sort of letter, badly spelled and poorly written and began abrupt ly, thus:

"Maybe you will think me forware and even insultin', but God knows 1 don't mean to be. You was an angel to my baby and the poor little thing cries for you night and day and is white and thin. I'm a plain sort of man, but I have got a good comfortable home, and I could take care of you if you was willin' to be my wife. If you want to answer my letter, my

address is

"Thomas Watson, "Glendale, W. Va."

Sister Ellice's movements were always unexpected. Perhaps it was the "white and thin" that did it, or perhaps the feeling that sometimes came over her, that at best she was a lonely woman.

The under nurses were agog with excitement.

"What do you think?" said one "Sister Ellice is going to be married, and to a man she never saw but once in her life."

"THING" MEANS MANY OBJECTS.

When Used by a Woman in a Hardware Store-Air Pictures.

"If there were no such word as 'thing' in the bright lexicon of woman," said the salesman in the hardware shop, "woman could never buy hardware. Almost everything here is just a thing to the ladies.

"And they get provoked if you don't understand at once what they mean. They use a great many gestures to

other wanted 'a thing to hang over et of water. Yet so it is. the gas.'

"She held one hand like a drooping flower over the other. She got pretty angry, I can tell you, when we brought ty-two gallons of water or fill your her ceiling protectors. She wanted an

incandescent mantle. "Still another wanted some very fine sides of a picture she wanted to hang

up. She kept up such a lot of threadthe-needle gestures to show me how tiny eyed the things were that I got pretty dizzy. "Lamps give a great deal of trouble. It's easy to forget names of chimneys and hard to draw pictures of them in the air so that the drawing will sug-

gest to the clerk's mind just what kind of chimney is desired. These air pictures are a great aid for them. It's wonderful-a woman's air picture of the latest patent in potato cutters or ice cream freezers."

Arranmore. Oh. Arranmore, loved Arranmore.

How oft I dream of thee,
And of those days when by thy shore
I wandered young and free,
Full many a path I've trod since then
Through pleasure's flowery maze,
But ne'er could find the bliss again
I felt in those sweet days.

How blithe upon thy breezy cliffs,
At sunny morn I've stood,
With heart as bounding as the skiffs
That danced along the flood;
Or, when the western wave grew bright
With daylight's parting wing,
Have sought that Eden in its light
Which dreaming, posts sing. Which dreaming poets sing

That Eden where the immortal black
Dwell in a land serene,
Whose bowers beyond the shining wave
At sunset oft are seen.
Ah, dream too full of saddening truth!
Those mansions o'er the main
Are like the hopes I built in youth—
As sunny and as vain!
—Thomas Moore. That Eden where th' immortal brave

Amounts Received by Royalty.

The kaiser receives \$3,925,000 a year as king of Prussia, but nothing as emperor of Germany. Besides this he has an enormous private income, derived from mines, fisheries and estates, of which he owns more than any other man in Prussia. The king of Bavaria presses your clothes every day?" receives \$1,350,000 a year; the king of Saxony, \$875,000; the grand duke of Baden, \$400,000. The czar of Russia is paid \$6,750,000 for his private use, while each grand duke receives \$1,000,000 a year. In addition to these enormous salaries each of these has &

large income from royalties and per-

quisites of many kinds, of which few

KNEW THEY WERE NOT GHOSTS.

Words the Old Lady Overheard Settled That Matter.

"During the trials of the James gang in Independence, Mo., in 1881," said the Missouri man, "an old woman testified for the state that she saw the prisoner, one of the notorious James brothers, the night before the robbery and heard him talking about this robbery to her husband. When counsel for the defense took the witness for cross-examination he began as fol-

"'Now, Mrs. Blank, tell us again how it happened that you saw the prisoner that night.'

"'Well, he came to the house along airly in the evening, and asked me where was my old man. I said outdoors somewheres, and he went out to find him. After a while I reckoned I'd better go out and see if he found him. I heard voices in the cornpatch and went along and looked through the fence and saw 'em.'

"'Mrs. Blank, I want to know if you believe in ghosts-in spooks?'

"'I don't know as it's any of your business whether I do or not.'

"'You must answer the question.'

"'Well, then-I do.' "'They've been seen around your

house, haven't they?' "'Yes, sir, they hev; I've seen 'em

myself. . "'Ghosts have been seen walking

about outside by you and members of your family, haven't they?' "'Yes, sir, they hev.' "'Well, Mrs. Blank, I want to know

how can you swear it wasn't ghosts you saw in the cornfield that night. How do you know it wasn't ghosts?'

"'Cause they war a-cussin',' said the old woman."

Would Learn New Songs.

A Kansas City lawyer has in his office a small boy who is addicted to the whistling habit. The lawyer tries to stop the whistling, but he is only partially successful. The noise bothers him greatly, but as the lad is a good office boy his employer is loath to discharge him and gets along with him the best he can. Monday the boy

said to the lawyer: "Mr. Blank, kin I draw half a dollar? I want to go to the minstrel show."

"Any new songs being sung in the show?" asked the lawyer.

"Yep, some dandy ones." "I'll tell you what I'll do," said the lawyer, after a pause. "If you won't go to the minstrel show I'll let you draw half a dollar and make you a present of another half."

The boy accepted the offer and the lawyer is now priding himself on his success as a strategist.-Kansas City

Sell Water from Paris Fountains. One would not think that in such 'A woman in here yesterday wanted an up-to-date city as Paris it was still a 'thing to make a hole.' That's the possible to buy water; that is to say, nearest she could get to gimlet. An- to go out and pay so much for a buck-

In ten different streets in the city there are as many different fountains, where for a penny you can buy twenbucket for a centime, the tenth of a penny. There was a time when these fountains did a brisk business, for in wire to go through the things at the 1860 the income from them was £28,-000. In 1882 it had dwindled to £1,-600, and to-day the water sellers dis-

pose of about a bucket a month. The fact is that the guardians of the fountains have really nothing to do, and this nominal employment is given to ex-employes of the Paris water company, so that they may end their years, without fatigue, on a pension of £20 per annum and a modest lodging. -London Globe.

The Childless. think he's 'bout as tall as you,
With hair all gold and brown,
The kind one loves to muss and smooth
When no one is aroun'.

For though most boys, both big and small, Like petting with the rest, When nobody is looking, is The time they like it best.

And in his eyes, when very small,
A bit of sky fell in.
Which made him laugh so hard it left
A dimple in his chin. No matter what the weather is, If school time or in play, He's so brimful of mischief he Would cheer the dullest day.

As he comes whistling up the street, With sturdy, boyish air, Both hands deep in his pockets and His cap on anywhere,

A sudden quickstep in my heart Tells always who it is; For well I know no other lad Has tune as gay as his.

But when he passes out of sight
The quickstep passes, too;
And, oh! I'd give the world to have
A little lad like you.
—E. T. O. in Boston Transcript.

No More Baggy Trousers. It is a matter of wonderment to friends of one of the best-dressed young men of the city that his trousers

never bag at the knees. "How is it?" one asked. "Do you keep a valet who The well-dressed man smiled. "No, I keep no valet," he said. "But

I have all my trousers made with silk knee-caps." "Silk knee-caps? What are they?"

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The firm of Newton & Biles, putvevors of Pecos Valley real estate has been dissolved. Mr. Newton will engage in surveying and Mr. Biles is a gentleman of leisure.

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Dr. H. Dalle Graham, a well known physician of Columbus, Kansas, moved to Artesia last week to take up the practice of his profession. He comes highly recommended as physician and the Advocate has received letters from the Dr's, friends at home who give him credit for being everything that a good citizen should. We welcome Dr. Graham and his wife to the city.

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The real estate firm of Gage, Runyan & Baird has dissolved. Mr. Gage is "mine host" at the Hotel Artesia, Mr. Runyan is looking after his cattle interests and helping to run municipal affairs between times, Mr Baird is looking well after ARTESIA, the magistrate's job.

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W. C. McBride, who has proven himself an able manager on the Talbot-Lowry farm, will cut a big "swath" the coming year. He has taken charge of the Circle 320-acre tract, and thus will cultivate 640 acres in a body this year. He has employed a colony of Mexicans.

T. T. Kuykendall was last week appointed road overseer of this bailiwick, but he declines to serve. Here is a good fat plum for someone. If no Artesia man has time to look after the work, we will have to get a work guaranteed. Office in Clary Building Main Street. Phone No. 5. man up from Carlsbad.

C. J. Buck says he is not a sheepmost progressive citizens, has bought man or a cowman any longer-but a an interest in the hardware business straight-out Pecos Valley farmer. The big well he got last year turned the tide for him. He says he raised cabbages this year, on sod ground, that weighed 21 pounds each.

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Mrs. Marshall Enfield and daughter, Miss Grace, have arrived in Artesia to spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. James B. Enfield. They are from Clarinda, Iowa.

Wyatt Johnson was here from Roswell this week to supply the people with shade trees for spring planting.

Go to Clayton for town lots. He has most any kind you want, and in any size blocks. In acre property, he has 5, 10, 15, 20,30,40,60 or 80 blocks joining the town. So get you an ideal home before they get too high. These properties are bound to increase in value. It will be a pleasure for him to show you what he has.

COWS FOR SALE-40 Jersey cows and heifers for sale in bulk. Apply to G. P. Cleveland.

J. E. Swepston, the well known accountant has opened an office in the Bank of Artesia building, down stairs. He has secured the agency of some good fire insurance companies, is a notary public and typewriter.

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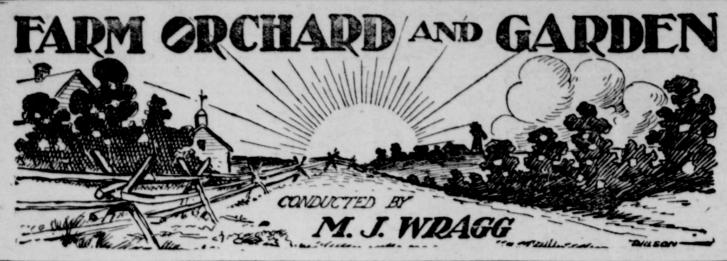
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[Mr. Wragg invites contributions of any new ideas that readers of this depart-ment may wish to present, and would be pleased to answer correspondents desirng information on subjects discussed. Address M. J. Wragg, Waukee or Des Moines, Iowa.]

One of our subscribers asks us to give the best method for packing trees and vines in a cellar, to insure the least injury or loss during winter.

This is a subject that has attracted the attention of horticulturists and nurserymen for many years, and it is along this line that much stock has been damaged from winter packing. For several years we packed our cellars using pure black earth or sand. Either of these have been satisfactory but there is a great drawback when you have any great quantity to pack owing to the great weight of either earth or sand, and having to be removed by shovel makes it quite expensive in packing large cellars. We have tried with good success wood fiber in the packing of trees, etc. The fiber above referred to is the sawdust from a shingle mill, and should be used fresh and not allowed to become heated by laying out in large piles during the summer. We use one-third Spagmum moss, and two-thirds shingle shavings, or wood fiber. This way of packing has this advantage, that there is no possible chance for it heating, and it retains moisture well. In unpacking our cellars we have found it 50 per cent easier to handle. To the above we wish to add that ventilation is one of the main requisites in packing trees away in cellars. Never pack trees in a cellar that is under a house used for a dwelling as it is next to impossible to keep the conditions right, as they will become too dry during our winters, and as a rule they do not have the proper ventilation. The best cellar for wintering stock is one built out of doors, using as a roof either a brick arch, or a lumber roof. In either event, ventilators should be built every eight feet, so as to insure perfect ventilation.

Where but few trees are to be packed away we believe the best way is to heel them in in open ground, as nature furnishes all the conditions and with a little mulch over the tops during our winter months is all that is necessary.

Two men will work horses side by side on the same farm. The horses may be about equal on the start. The feed is taken from the same mow and also from the same bins and the labor is the same in quality. The team driven by one man will keep in good condition, all the while; that driven by the other will be in low condition before the end of the season. What makes the difference? In the first place the care given to the horses in the stable, and in the second place the quiet way in which the labor is done. One man will handle his horses without irritating them, the other man has them in fear all the while.

QUACK GRASS SEED.

The oat crop ripens latest of all the small grains, and where the land is filled with roots of quack grass some of those will get even start with the grain, and will ripen their seed at the same time. Quack seed is very small. so that in winnowing the oats of it will fall through the seive and be separated from the oats. But some of the quack seed is likely not to be threshed, and will then go into the stalk. It is in this way that quack grass often spreads from a small place over the entire farm. When it gets into the manure pile, there is no stopping its progress. Late oats and late hay grown where quack grass is now to be should be kept by themselves, and the oat straw be sold to some factory where it will not go into anybody's manure pile.

FARM HOUSE CELLARS.

Most cellars are not only too warm, but too damp. The latter evil is easily remedied by putting a few lumps of unslaked lime in various parts of the cellar, where it will absorb the surplus moisture. It will also help to absorb the odors of decaying vegetables, which are held in the moisture of the air, which is sweetened when they are removed. To keep roots in cellars, protect them from being frozen, if mometer to sink below the temperature for freezing.

NOTES ON THE STRAWBSRRY.

Land for strawberries must be properly prepared. We saw a case this year where strawberries were set out on virgin soil—soil that had never had | pen of T. B. Terry, of Minnesota. The the plow on it, and where the ground was so compact that even the natural verdure on it was thin and weak. This | least experiment with it-It will not land, although manured, did not do be a costly experiment, but on the well, and should not be expected to do well, in helping to make a good strawberry bed. Though the growing is now at hand when the work can be season has been a good one, most of. the plants in question are now small and stunted in appearance. Had the year been a dry one they must of necessity withered and died. Land like the above lacks both the mechanical structure and the plant food to permit the strawberry plant to do its

Nurserymen are often blamed for sending out strawberries that do not come up to the expectations of the buyers. In many cases the poor results are directly traceable to the manner in which the plants were handled by the purchasers or to the very unprepared condition of the ground in which they were placed. The land for strawberries must be land that has been growing some thrifty crop and that has received proper manuring and attention. Virgin soils are not suitable for the development of a crop that must feed as grossly as does the strawberry. Land wellworked and well-manured and of proper mechanical structure will give good results when the plants are properly handled and taken care of. It is our experience that the nurseryman is seldom to blame, but the buyer often. This is especially the case when the buyers are people setting out a strawberry bed for the first

The custom of dipping sheep once or twice a year has now become a part of their regular work incidental to sheep husbandry in well managed flocks. It is only quite recently, however, that dipping has been resorted to as a means of removing ticks, lice and other kinds of vermin from cattle, also certain skin disease. Some owners of large herds are construct ing large vats at considerable expense and are experimenting in order to ascertain as to whether cattle will pot be benefited as much from dipping annually as sheep.

AMONG THE APPLES.

Red, and russet, and yellow, Lying here in a heap Pippins, rounded and mellow, Greenings for winter keep; Seek-no-furthers, whose blushing The soul of the saint would try. Till his face showed the crimson flushing The cheek of a Northern Spy.

Hid from the winter weather, Safe from the wind and sleet. Here in a pile together Russet and Pippin meet. And in this dim and dusty Old cellar they fondly hold A breath like the grapes made musty By the summer's radiant gold.

Each seems to hold a vagrant Sunbeam, lost from the sky, When lily blooms were fragrant Walls for the butterfly; And when the snow is flying, What feast in the hoarded store Of crimson and yellow lying Heaped high on the sardy floor.

Fruitage of bright spring splendor, Of leaf and blossom-time, That no tropic land can mend or Take from this frosty clime-Fruit for the hearthstone meeting, Whose flavor none can destroy, How you make my heart's swift beating Throb with the pulse of a boy!

Apples, scarlet and golden, Apples, juicy and tart, Bringing again the olden Joy to the weary heart. You send the swift thoughts sweeping Through the wreckage of time and

To that hidden chamber, keeping The gladness of youth's bright years. -Exchange.

CLEAN AND PURE FEED.

Poultry that are fed grain receive pure feed, but it is not by any means advisable to make grain the sole ration of the poultry. Soft feeds will have to be fed to some extent and the herd of cows, and be sure and feed. Where the residue is left to sour the fowls will show the effects in time. Fermented feeds no not appear to be readily digested by poultry. Carelessness in the matter of cleaning the troughs may cost the poultry owner some dirt should be thrown over and dear. It requires some effort to have him if he is gentle, though you may do sifted among them. This will also the feeding and watering vessels al- as you please about it if he acts cross. ways clean, but it is the only thing the cold weather causes the ther- that should be done. Spoiled food is the man. Careless handling of bulls a disease breeder and it should not be has cost our state some of the best

BUILDING THE ICE HOUSE.

The following suggestions on building the ice house and storing ice will be found helpful. They are from the ice question is one that the farmer should pay more attention to, and at contrary will be found to be almost indispensible, once tried. The season commenced. The lakes, creeks and ponds, already frozen over will soon produce ice of sufficient thickness to store and in great abundance. Get your ice house ready for it, and next July and August, and during several other months, you will thank your lucky stars you were so provident. Mr Terry's helpful suggestions on the subject follow:

"Ice will keep, be the house above ground or below, if the construction and management are right. There are three points that everyone absolutely must pay attention to. They are ventilation above the ice, drainage below it, and a body of sawdust or similar non-conductor, about one foot thick, on top, bottom and sides. The ventilation can be obtained by good sized openings in each gable of a small building, or on all four sides of a larger one. The opening may be covered with wire cloth, to keep out the birds. Blinds may be used, with large slats turned down so as to keep out the most of the rain, while letting the air in freely.

"The drainage under the ice may be obtained in various ways. The well, or pit, is all right, provided it is fixed so water can be readily got to the well, and it is pumped out, or soaks away before it becomes full. A foot deep of small stones, covered with two inches of gravel, will also make a fair drain and a proper foundation. The water may be taken away from below this by tile drains that run outside to some point that is low enough. Pear in mind that the water must not stand under the ice; you must fix it so it can get away out of the foundation as fast as it comes, that is all.

"Now with these precautions, doesn't matter particularly what the building is, whether of brick, stone, slabs, or lumber, cheap or costly. Just pack your ice on the sawdust. leaving a space a foot wide all around, and fill up solidly with sawdust as you go up. There is no need of sawdust in the roof, or in walls of buildng. A single inch board is as good as more The sawdust, with its air spaces, keeps the ice."

A day spent now in cleaning, oiling and putting under cover all farm machinery not needed until another season will pay big interest in time and money saved. We always followed the practice of cleaning and oiling plows, cultivator teeth, corn planter knives, in fact, everything that will rust. Linseed oil is good for this purpose, and can be easily applied to the wearing parts of machinery with a rag. We went further and applied oil to woodwork where needed, using a brush for the purpose. More than that, we housed every tool on the farm when not in use. Weather often does more actual wear. Of course the machine with rust and decay, for he has more of his implements is his poorest cus-

CARING FOR THE BULL.

nose about the time he is a year old, brought out at each meeting. says Charles L. Hill, and earlier if he is headstrong, and as soon as it into use in cow stables, on account is healed he should be taught to lead of the ease with which it is kept by it, and always be handled by a clean. stall. A daily grooming will greatly improve his looks and doubtless do him good. Do not keep your bull in a foul dark pen, but if possible give him a light airy box stall, in sight of troughs must be used for this kind of clean his stall, and water him daily. Do not abuse him, but still be firm with him. Never fool or play with a young bull, but always make him mind, and then as he grows older never give him a chance to know that he can do anything else. Do not trust It is always the gentle bull that kills permitted within reach of the fowls. dairymen and breeders.

The building of a silo is of a great

deal of importance, and before it is undertaken a man should investigate thoroughly the principles relating to the construction and storage of silage. One of the early mistakes was to build silos too large in diameter and too small in height. This resulted in getting very little pressure on the silage, which permitted the air to get in and consequently caused the ruin of the feed. Wherever air can touch the silage, numerous kinds of germs from the air attach themselves to the moist surface of the silage, and the sugars in the silage become food for the minute plants that cause putrefaction or molding. If the silage is very green the putrefaction bacteria develops most, while if the silage is old, that is, made from mature cornstalks, the spores of mold develop most. In either case the silage is ruined. The first thing, therefore, a farmer must look out for is to have sufficient height to his silo, so that the pressure on the underlying silage will be very great. All things chopped up fine, as is all properly cut silage, develops a great deal of lateral pressure. This forces the silage out against the sides of the silo and packs it so firmly against the walls that air cannot get in. Now the plan is to build a silo not less than 30 feet in height and generally not less than 16 feet in diameter. If the silos are built small in diameter they become expensive, as a silo 8 feet in diameter would cost a great deal more per ton of capacity than one 16 feet wide. These dimensions are being quite widely followed in the construc tion of most of the silos in Illinois and Wisconsin. The diameter beyond 16 feet must depend upon the size of the herd. The larger the herd the greater may be the diameter of the silo.

Beets for Feeding Dairy Cows.

Both sugar beets and the ordinary beets are good as a food for dairy cows. The sugar beet, of course, causes the animal to lay on more fat than does the other kind of beets. But the large water content of the sugar beet is largely an offset to the saccharine element. They will affect different cows differently. In some, they will cause an increase of the milk flow; in others, they will cause an increase of the fat being laid upon the body of the animals, and at the same time cause a serious loss in the milk flow. To the dairyman, therefore, it is a matter for investigation. He must find out what cows can use the beets to the best advantage. Cows that are being dried up and prepared for the butcher can be fed sugar beets in considerable quantities.

Little Remedy for Spoiled Butter.

In spite of the science of renovation of butter, spoiled butter cannot be made over to be satisfactory. Some of the rancidity may be taken out and for sides, or at least is good enough. new flavor worked in by the use of buttermilk, but there will remain in it a good deal of the rancidity, which will show itself in a few days. To prevent this it is necessary to use preservatives. But preservatives are not desirable in food products. At best bad butter can be worked only into an inferior product. The problem is really how to keep it from spoiling at all. The science of butter-making and selling is progressing, and the time will come when most of the butter made will be good and will be properly handled.

LIVE STOCK NOTES.

Keep the bowels of the cows which are to come in soon open by the use damage to expensive machinery than of laxative foods. Take away meal at least three weeks before calving, feed agent likes to see machinery standing a little oil meal, a few vegetables and in fields and fence corners covered a day or two before confinement give a dose of Epsom salts. Do not let the to sell, but the farmer who takes care cow get to cold water for two days after the calf comes. Cows thus cared for are almost sure not to have milk fever.

So far as possible every farmer should attend the dairy conventions The bull should have a ring in his held in his vicinity. New things are

Cement is coming more and more

Where cream can be sold from the farm at a fair price it is the surest way of making profit out of the cows. Fall calving is coming largely into favor, as by it the milk supply is kept uniform throughout the year.

Do not turn stock on the meadows in winter when the ground has been softened by rain.

Dusty hay if fed at milking time is often the cause of the milk getting bad quickly.

Winter is a good time to break the colt. Other work does not press, and the colt is now used to the halter. Be careful about having the boys about its heels, however. Keep in front of the animal as far as possible.



Both animal and vegetable food is used by the duck, whether it be in a wild or a domesticated state. To deprive the duck of either class of food is to disarrange its digestion. In a wild condition the duck is a forager, hunting its food in the streams and marshes. It feeds upon the grasses growing by the water side, upon the soft flags growing in the water, upon any small fish it may be able to catch and upon the myriads of insects with which the waters of streams swarm in the summer time. The birds in taking their food take also a great deal of water, and this makes the food very soft. For this reason Nature has not provided the duck with a crop in which the food can be moistened before being sent to the gizzard. The food of the duck passes directly from the throat to the gizzard, where it arrives in a mushy state. People that feed ducks should remember what their habits have been.

When a great deal of corn is to be fed to ducks it must be soaked. If the grain is fed dry it does not have time to soak up before it goes to the gizzard, and this dry hard grain makes a good deal of extra work for the gizzard. We hear some poultry raisers declaring against soft feed for hens, but ducks must have soft food. So much is this the case that some of the most successful duck raisers never feed dry grain at all.

The young duck grows twice as fast as the chicken and must have a soft feed that c.n be quickly digested. Grind the grain and make it into a mash. If it is cooked the better, as it will then be more digestible. Feed it thin and give it often if the ducks are young .- Peter Graham, Bourbon Co., Kans., in Farmers' Review.

Crossing Wild Geese with African.

A few good crosses of African and wild geese are reported. The fanciers that have taken the trouble to make this cross say they get the best results when they cross the gander of the wild goose on the African goose. The wild goose dou less increases



the hardiness of the progeny and the African blood adds both beauty and plumpness. Such geese should not, however, be crossed for the purpose of producing new breeds. For market purposes only should such crosses be made. Mixing up and thus increasing the number of breeds is not to be recommended.

Sell the Surplus.

The surplus stock should be sold out of the poultry yards now as rapidly as possible. At this time of year there is not likely to be an increase of price for several months. We are approaching a season when the markets will be full of poultry and prices will have a tendency to sag. After the holidays prices are likely to be still lower than at the present time. After a bird is ready for market there is no profit in keeping it longer unless an advanced price can be obtained. The grain that is used in putting on growth is almost always at a loss and is used only to "finish" the birds and make them salable. The real profit has come in growing the birds on cheap feed. Get rid of the surplus as soon as pos-

High-Scoring Birds as Breeders.

High-scoring birds would doubtless be good breeders if they could be scored in their own yards and not be taken away to compete at exhibitions. In preparing them for exhibition they are frequently overfed and made so fat that their future usefulness is impaired. On the way to the show-room, and while being kept there, they are frequently exposed to all kinds of diseases, especially colds, many of which are of a contagious nature. These things weaken the vitality of the bird, and in many cases they never seem to recover their former vitality.

New Breeds.

The difference between the old and new breeds are generally in favor of the old breeds. While there are some good qualities in the new breeds that do not exist in the old breeds, yet the same end could be obtained by developing a strain. Where a new strain is developed it is perfectly easy to keep to the regular type, but where an entirely new breed is produced, it is very difficult to keep to any particular type.

NOISE INCLUDED IN FARE

Dr. B. A. Booth declares that Pittsburg, the city he lives in, is a deplorable example of race suicide.

"On that count," he said recently, "I accuse my town, to be sure; but on all other counts I praise her. Pittsburg is a beautiful, a rich, a desirable

"I particularly like here our politeness. I visited another city not long since, and the impoliteness I found there seemed strange. Such a spirit seldom lifts its ugly head in Pitts-

"And one piece of nastiness I saw on my visit almost made me a convert to race suicide.

"It was a lovely autumn day, and I was making a river excursion on a steamboat.

"The decks were rather crowded. We cut our way smoothly through the clear, deep water. On either side rose mountains aflame with the red and gold of the autumnal foliage.

"And it was all very nice, but suddenly a child, seated on its mother's lap, began to cry.

"Frowns were at once directed to-

though. The bawling became louder It annoyed you, like a toothache.

"And the passengers all showed their annoyance. Certain audible growls began to reach the mother:

"'Don't see what people want to bring kids for.'

"'It needs a spanking. That is what it needs!"

"'Confound the little brat.' "The mother sat with a stony face,

gazing straight ahead, and jumping the child up and down nervously on her knee.

"All eyes, all thoughts were now turned to her and to her howling youngster. The scenery was forgotten. Suggestions floated in the air for her to catch.

"'Maybe it's sick."

"'She ought to take it below.' "'It must have the colic to shrick

like that.' "As these suggestions became loud-

er and louder the woman became angrier.

"And all of a sudden she seized the

child and shook it violently. "'Cry as loud as you like, Millie," ward this child. They had no effect, she exclaimed. 'I've paid your fare.'

PRIZE ABSENT-MINDED MAN

"Speaking of absent-minded people," said the man from the country, "you aught to live next door to my neighbor. He is a clergyman, but I wonder he remembered the hour set for his ordination and got there in time-or of his marriage, or of anything. Probably he paid somebody to remind him.

"His wife starts him off for church in time for the sermon, or he would never get there till the congregation was ready to break up. He forgets to come to his meals on time, and you know a man is pretty forgetful when it comes down to that. At table he often dips his fork into his coffee and begins to write on the tablecloth, thinking he is at his desk, and there are traditions to the effect that he once stood on the street corner and absent-mindedly tore up a \$10 bill.

"Last week he reached the limit. With his wife and daughters he was invited to dinner. They got home about 10 o'clock and he stopped on the veranda, rummaged through every and theirs, that he had forgotten his ing for his key."

key. That is to say that he had left it in the house and locked it in, the door being one of those self-fastening

"We live in twin houses, side by side, exactly alike to the door jambs. So he called up to my window and begged me to contrive some way to get into his house and admit him. It was raining hard, but I poked my head out of the window of my bedroom, and we held a conference as to ways and means. The conference resulted in my climbing around on the cornice of the second story in the pouring rain, from my bathroom window to his, opening the window and climbing in.

"The rain came down in sheets while I was doing this. I was in my pajamas. When I got in his bathroom I was wet to the skin. I went downstairs to the front door to let the absent-minded individual and his family into their house. When I got there I was the madest individual you ever saw. The door was unlocked. The pocket and discovered, to his dismay | parson didn't try it before rummag-

SPIRITS OBEY HIS COMMAND

A brother of the late Senator Leland Stanford of California, Thomas Welton Stanford, is a resident of Melbourne, Australia. Some years ago he made the acquaintance of a laundryman named Charles Bailey, who speedily convinced him that Bailey possessed wonderful powers in the spirit world. Weekly seances were held in Stanford's rooms, at which the spirits that obeyed Bailey, are said to have brought him instantaneously from the remotest spots in the globe whatever the sitters chose to demand. Diamonds from Africa, gems from Persian mines, priceless coins from the Bactrian dynasty and the reigns of the Ptolemies, octagonal clay tablets covered with cuneiform inscriptions written in the rus containing hieroglyphics of the

earlier Egyptians and Jews; a live ibis from Egypt, jungle sparrows from India sitting on their nests and chirruping excitedly, a shovel-nosed shark a foot and a half long entangled in seaweed from which the salt water still dripped, and chapati rolls fresh from the Himalayas, which go bad after they have been baked for twenty-four hours, were all deposited before the eves of the astonished circle at the bidding of Stanford and his friends. Many Egyptian antiques, which the medium said were obtained from ancient tombs of Egypt, were sent to Dr. Jordan, president of Stanford university, California, who, however, declined to receive them, as he was unable to accept Mr. Stanford's explanation of the way in which they were obtained. The andawn of history, parchments and papy- tiques have accordingly been returned to Melbourne.

SQUID. NOT SEA SERPENT

far tradition, is seventy feet or more in length; it has an enormously long tail: its head is small in proportion to its vast bulk, and owing to the peculiar structure of the neck is reared easily to a considerable height above the water. This description corresponds perfectly to that of the zeuglodon, whose fossil bones are found today. In its day it was a numerous species, inhabiting the marine shallows. Undoubtedly it was exceedingly predatory and ferocious. It possessed two powerful flippers in front, for use in swimming (many a sea serpent is credited with such flippers, by the way), and along its neck were arranged in pairs a number of large, bony, scalelike plates. It is not necessary to go back into the geologic past, plete.-Science Siftings.

The sea serpent, according to popu- however, in order to find an animal which may be regarded as presenting a fair likeness to the traditional sea serpent. Such a creature now livesthe calamary, or giant squid. It is a mol'usk, related to the common cuttle fishes, and while rare and little known, is certainly one of the largest and most formidable of existing creatures. A full-grown specimen has eyes a foot in diameter—the largest eyes probably that ever belonged to an animal, unless the ichthysaur be excepted-and in addition to eight shorter arms it possesses two mighty tentacles sixty to eighty feet in length, with which to grasp its prey. Make allowance for a little imagination on the part of the observer, and you have the sea serpent, to all intents and purposes, com-

ABOUT GROWTH OF GRAPES

An enthusiast writes: "The grape | in some countries, notably Belgium is the poor man's fruit, especially one who has only a house lot of the smallest p ssible dimensions. He can plant vines beside his cottage and their roots will extend and profitably occupy every inch of ground underneath it, and from that small space produce all the fruit his family can consume, while the vines afford shade and protection and add beauty to his little home, occupying no space, either above or below the ground, to interfere with other interests, and producing more fruit in less time and with less labor and attention than any other thing that was ever planted."

Growing of grapes in graperies furaishes an important source of revenue

and the Channel islands, where large quantities are annually grown and exported. The United States is a good customer for them, as high as 35 cents to 75 cents a pound wholesale, and \$2 to \$3 and even more a pound retail, being paid for the fruit. Grape growing in pots is much practiced in parts of Europe, and especially in France, where the vines are largely used for decorative purposes on festive occa-

Shipping and keeping grapes in cork dust is quite an industry in some of the European grape districts. A considerable quantity of such grapes, shipped from Spain, is annually consumed in the United States.

CHANGES IN AFRICA

TRAVEL IN THE DARK CONTI-NENT NOW EASY.

Journey Which in 1875 Took Stanley Nine Months Now Easily Made in Three Weeks-Wonderful Transformation in Thirty Years.

Count von Gotzen, the governor of German East Africa, has made a journey to Victoria Nyanza and around the great lake, which in distance covered and the circumnavigation of the lake much resembles Stanley's journey in 1875. But the two journeys are in other respects wonderfully different.

It took Stanley nine months and six days from the time he left the Indian ocean to reach the lake, circumnavigate it, and attain the chief town of the king of Uganda, on the north shore. The time required by Count von Gotzen, however, to reach the lake, entirely circumnavigate it and arrive in Uganda, within a few miles of the point where Stanley entered it, was seventeen days, six of which were spent at three German stations on the shores. He was back in Mombasa, on the Indian ocean, just three weeks after he had left Zanzibar for his inland journey.

Stanley made the journey through the jungle, scores of porters, carrying his baggage on their heads, and six or seven miles a day was good work. Sometimes he was delayed for weeks while parleying with chiefs for permission to cross their territory. Von Gotzen, on the contrary, made his comfortable journey in a well-appointed train and was only two days in reaching the lake. The actual time of travel, in fact, was only twenty-four hours; for trains on the Uganda rai'road do not yet travel in the night time.

Stanley made his way around the shores of the lake in small boats rowed by his black men. Several times the lives of the whole party were im periled by storms that came near swamping the boats. But the German governor stepped from the train at Port Florence to the deck of a fine and swift little steamer that carried him clear around the lake. He describes the steam voyage as one of his pleasantest experiences in Africa.

Now and then Stanley was attacked by islanders in the lake, who had never heard of white men before and were bent on the destruction of the explorer's party. Many persons still remember the hue and cry that was raised in England when the news came of Stanley's fight with the natives of one of the islands. The fact

The German governor, on the other hand, was received at the three German stations which he visited and at the capital of British Uganda with cannon salutes, speeches, banquets and fireworks. Those were festival days at Schirati, Muansa, Bukoba and Entebbe, for it was the first time that a governor of German East Africa had visited the 700 miles of German coast line around the southern half of the lake.

Thirty years have wrought this wonderful transformation, and it is only fortyfive years since Speke, the discoverer of Victoria Nyanza, groping his way through unknown countries and unfriendly tribes, was one year and four and a half months in reaching the lake from the sea.

Song of the Mountain. Son of all the cities,
With their culture and their code,
What brings you to my doorway
By the lone and starry road? You may come with seven pack-mules, You may walk or steam or ride, But you'll never, never know me Till you come without a guide.

You may come with rod and level,
With compass and with chain,
To parcel me for profit.
And barter me for gain;
You may tell my age in eons
By the scars on drift and slide;
But you'll never, never know me
Till you learn how I abide.

You may range my slopes for silver;
You may wash my sands for gold;
You may tally every jewel,
Till my gems have all been told.
You may cross my wildest canyon,
You may top my last divide,
But you'll never, never know me
Till you watch me wonder-eyed.

You must sleep for nights together
With your head upon my breast,
The companion of my silence,
The receiver of my rest.
You may come with all your wisden,
To subdue me in your pride,
But you'll never, never know me
Till you love me like a bride.
—Bliss Carmen in the Reader.

Sided with His Father.

"There is a little chap in our town." said the suburbanite, "whose father and mother have words quite frequently, and have them loud enough to be heard by the neighbors. The burden of their recriminations, when audible. is, on the wife's part, that she ever lowered the Hicks family sufficiently to marry a Stubbs; and on his part that he ever honored the Hicks family by allying it with the house of Stubbs.

"One day last summer the young son of the house went fishing. He had barely got his line into the brook when he heard his mother calling him.

'There it is,' said he disgustedly; 'the minutes the Stubbses begins to fish, the Hickses begins to holler."

PECNAGE SYSTEM IN ECUADOR

Laborers in That Country Are Practically Slaves.

Of labor conditions in South America. Frank Wiborg, author of "A Commercial Traveler in South America," says: "The large planters of Ecuador complain that they lose a part of their crop every year through inability to get sufficient laborers to harvest it. As in most tropical countries, the question of labor is most serious, for among the lower classes the necessities of life are so few and so easily obtained that there is little or nor incentive for steady application. In Ecuador the attempted solution of this is the introduction of the same vicious system which our government found in force in the Philippines and has since been trying so desperately to root out-namely, peonage or debt

"To gain a hold on the laborer the planter offers him a small loan which he, with characteristic improvidence, eagerly accepts, with the understanding that he is to enter the service of the planter and pay back the debt little by little. Until it is paid he can not enter the employ of any one else. It is to the advantage of the planter to keep the debt unpaid and it seldom happens that a debt once contracted in this way is ever canceled. Moreover, the debt always grows, for fines are constantly checked against the laborer's account-if he misses a day or breaks a tool-until it actually results that the longer he works the more deeply he is in debt.

"Then the various members of his family are drawn into the employ of the planter for the ostensible purpose of helping to lift the debt and gradually they, too, become bound body and soul. The peons are not slaves; this is vigorously asserted on all sides. But they might almost as well be slaves, for even if their bodies are not purchasable their debts are, and through their debts their services, and a planter desiring the service of a certain peon can get it by paying the peon's present employer the amount of his indebtedness. This transfer of debt and service is a common practice."

CONGESTION IN GREAT CITIES. Conditions Inevitably Must Force People Back to the Land.

A statistician who has thought long and deeply on the subject has reached the conclusion that by the beginning of the twenty-first century the city of New York will have a population of 15,000,000. This estimate is based upon the ratio of increase in the last half century. The present population of the metropolis is 4,000,000, a great part of which is is, not a man of his party would have not due to natural increase, but to escaped if he had not used his guns. immigration. New York is congested to a most uncomfortable degree with only 4.000,000 inhabitants. With 15, 000,000 the congestion would be intolerable unless there were great expansion of the city's limits. Long before the beginning of the next century it is probable that the massing of immense numbers of persons in cities will be abandoned for economic and sanitary reasons. Perhaps man will have become wise enough by that time to revert to the normal condition of life which prevailed before the rush to the cities began in the nineteenth century .- Baltimore Sun.

Pennsylvania's Wealth.

Of all the coal of every kind that was mined in the United States last year, Pennsylvania produced almost half, or over 48 per cent. Of coke it produced 63 per cent, of pig iron more than 46 per cent, of steel over 56 per cent, of steel rails 36 per cent, and of structural iron and steel more than 87 per cent. Putting all the steel, iron. coal and coke into a huge mountain, Pennsylvania's share would exceed 56 per cent, while all the rest of the United States furnished but 44 per cent.

These are the impressive dimensions of this state's material wealth. In the value of railroad property Pennsylvania is also far ahead of any other commonwealth. There are so many things in the way of natural resources in which it leads that there can be no doubt that for solid wealth the Keystone state is the real backbone of the Union.-Philadelphia Press.

A Connemara Valley.

Sick little valley, meted out for sadness,
Bent thorns which rarely above your
prown floods rise,
Brimming full your streams are, brimming full your streams are, brimming full yet holding
Little joyous commerce with the sun and skies.

Sadly in the night-time the moon, be-sieged by shadows. Over your bare boglands holds her pal-lid court; Scarce an evening flower lighting for her

pleasure, rce a silvery ripple dancing for her In your bareness finding, in your sadness seeing.
Something strangely tender, strangely near my heart.

Yet, O little valley, little bog-filled valey, I who linger near you sigh and sigh to

Turning with reluctance, often I look backwards,
Seeing, feeling, counting what hath
been before,
Finding in your bareress, seeing in your
sadness.

That which, having left you, find I -E. L., in the London Outlook.

MAUDE SAID A LOT

AND MADE HERSELF UNPLEAS. ANT GENERALLY.

Result, Red-Eyed and Red-Nosed Bride and Very Angry Husband-Moral in This Story for Those Who Have a Disagreeable Habit.

The bride had been entertaining a caller in her little new home.

After her visitor had gone she locked the door and wept.

And red-eyed and red-nosed her husband found her.

"Maude was here this afternoon." she announced, as they sat down to "Was she? And how did Maudie

like our little home?" genially asked the bridegroom.

"She said it was real nice," said the bride, faintly.

"And acted like she thought it was a chickencoop, eh?" answered the bridegroom, showing a deep acquaintance with Maudie's little peculiarities.

paper." "Didn't she." the bridegroom forbore to say more, but his tone spoke volumes.

"Well, she didn't care for the parlor

"She didn't like the Morris chair much, either. She thought it clashed with everything."

"It don't clash with me," remarked the bridegroom, calmly. "How'd she like the kitchen?"

"She said it was a little matchbox. I believe she remarked that it was fortunate we couldn't afford but a tiny little maid. She said we should be careful not to buy rugs that cried aloud to heaven."

The man across the table made no answer, but mentally vowed to purchase rugs with a brass band effect.

"She agreed with you about that picture in the parlor, dear," said the bride, in a mollifying tone. "She said it was too hideous for any place but the storeroom. You know, you said-"

"It looks very well there," remarked the bridegroom, with decision, squinting across at the picture on the parlor wall.

"I thought she might admire the back view," went on the bride, plaintively, "but she thought it dreadfully sordid. She asked me to pull the curtain down. She said the dining room looked terribly bare, and the bath room gave her the horrors. She was surprised that we had such a tiny hall. She said really we were paying twice as much rent as the place was worth. She said she hoped we could stand the neighborhood. She said why under the heavens did we get green curtains? She said-" And here the bride wept.

"I don't care to hear any more that she said," shouted the bridegroom. "This is our house, and thank the good Lord, Maude isn't going to live

"I don't think Maude meant to be unkind," apologized the bride after a while, when her tears were dry. "It's just her way to pick out the flaws first."

"Well, it's a deucedly disagreeable way," responded the man of the house, returning to the head of the table. "And you can just tell Maude for me that we live here, and we pay the rent, and we're going to buy the things we like, and do exactly as we choose; and we shan't feel at all offended if she doesn't come around again until she learns better ways."

And this is written that Maudie may take warning, and think up a lot of nice things to say about that little dovecote before she calls there again.-Philadelphia Bulletin.

At the End of the Day.

There was no escape by the river,
There was no flight by the fen;
We are compassed about by the shiver
Of the night of their marching men.
Give a cheer!
For our hearts shall not give way,
Here's to a dark to-morrow.
And here's to a brave to-day!

The tale of their hosts is countless, The tale of their hosts is countless,
And the tale of ours a score;
But the palm is naught to the dauntless,
And the pause is more and more.
Give a cheer!
We may die, but not give way.
Here's to a silent morrow,
And here's to a stout to-day!

God has said: "Ye shall fall and perish;
But the thrill ye have felt to-night
I shall keep in my heart and cherish
When the worlds have passed in night."

Give a cheer!
For the soul shall not give way.
Here's to the greater to-morrow
That is born of a great to-day!
—From "More Songs from Vagabondia,"
by Richard Hovey and Bliss Carmas

"For Let" Sign and the Result. Jacob Schaefer, aged 7, had been out of school and his absence was being inquired into.

"I was out walking," he explained glibly; "I was out walking with my mamma and papa!"

"Oh, were you!" returned the teacher. Then fixing stern eyes on the culprit she continued: "I thought you told me your father was dead."

Here she paused and waited for Jacob to wilt. Jacob did nothing of the sort; instead, bristling with importance, he answered:

"An' so is he dead, but my mamma put a 'for let' sign in our parlor window last month, an' now I got a new papa."-New York Sun.

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Announcements.

Friends of Hurbert S. Logan authorize us to announce his name as a candidate for tax assess-or of Eddy county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

We are authorized to announce Wm. H. Merchant for the office of Collector and Treasurer of Eddy County, subject to the action of he democratic party, at the coming primary lection

Last week the Advocate gave what it believed to be, and yet considers, a conservative and truthful statement of the sentiment of Artesia's citizens anent the telephone franchise granted by the board of town trustees the week previous. We stated that the people generally, almost to a man, opposed the action. The chairman of the board voting the franchise says we are mistaken in the premises and that there is very little opposition to the same. On the other hand, certain citizens cate did not "skin" the board for its action, Which two complaints only Exchange a permanent and estab-"skinning" business. It is here to give truthfully the events of life as we see them and to reflect the better sentiment of the community if we know it. This does not mean ed ribbon cane syrup, we will sell at that we shall make a personal flight | 50c per gallon if you will bring your on anyone, simply because he may own vessels. not see and act as the editor of this paper thinks best. We are prone to err, just like other folks. In discussing the things that pertain to

A Pioneer Affair.

Mrs. J. O. Duncan was hostess impromtu on Saturday last, when a party of ladies from town drove out close in. Postoffice box 352. in the wagonette with well filled luncheon baskets to spend the day with her. The day was greatly enjoyed by all.

The Lucky Number.

No. 887 drew the set of Haviland China at J. P. Dyer's. The holder will please present the duplicate and get the china.

Ninety-six dollars per acre is what a piece of Artesia land made in cane last year. The same kind of dirt, watered, can be bought for \$50.00 per acre. Further argument than this would be presuming upon the intelligence of the prospector.

Mr. W. Pendergrass, the racket store man, has moved to the south side of Main street. He now has a commodious building and an attractive establishment all 'round.

Editor J. W. Shive, of the Burton Kan.) Grit, Editor Fred F. Williams, of the Mt Hope, (Kan.) Clarion and "Private" W. A. Ayses, of Wichita, called on the Advocate yesterday, accompanied by Dr. A. D.

Be enterprising, help advertise Artesia. Use envelopes with a big well printed upon them. Two packages for 25c at the Advocate office.

Womans' Exchange.

The women of the Presbyterian church will open and conduct an exchange in the Artesia Market A. every Saturday afternoon. Salads, meat loaf, rolls, pies, brown bread, have complained because the Advo- cakes-everything good for Sunday dinner will be on sale at reasonable prices. It is expected to make this go to show how people will differ on lished thing-a feature of Artesiathings. The Advocate is not in the and the patronage of the Lousekeepers of Artesia is respectfully solicited.

A Reduction in Price.

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O. D. Graham.

Notice to the Public.

I beg to inform the public that I the conduct of public affairs in Ar- have moved the Cash Racket Store tesia, we do so with no axe to grind into the building formerly occupied and no obligations to pay to anyone. by the Casa Meat Market, where we The editor believes he has the true will continue to sell goods cheap for interests of Artesia at heart. Every cash, and hope to see our old cusdollar's worth of property he owns tomers as well as many new ones. is here, and if he did not have the we are going to close out our bolt utmost faith in the future greatness dry goods and will sell them at cost of Artesia-if he didn't think it the while they last. Also our winter best place on earth for a home-he woolen ready made goods will be would not be here. We have no sold at cost. Our spring stock will personal grudge against any man in begin to arrive about Feb. 1st, of the town and have no desire to do which we will have a nice line. any man an injustice. Anything we Thanking you for past favors and say is absolutely devoid of spite. We hoping to be favored with your fuare simply working for the good of ture patronage. I am very respectthe whole people, as we judge it. fully, W. Pendergrass.

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Due from other banks and 10,349 bankers, Real estate, furniture and fixtures, 7,911 Checks and other cash items,

Gold coin, Gold certificates, 1,000 Silver coin, 500 Silver certificaes, Legal tenders,

National b'k notes, 1,490 Total cash on hand, 4,256

\$95,449 Total Resources, LIABILITIES. \$ 15,000 Capital stock paid in, Other undivided profits (less expenses and taxes paid,) - 3,125 Total Deposits, 77,324

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wrong. It would be harsh, unsympathetic, cruel, yes criminal, to condemn the poor, weak, over-worked housewife who sinks under the heavy load of household cares and burdens, and suffers from weak-nesses, various displacements of pelvic organs and other derangements peculiar

Frequent bearing of children, with its exacting demands upon the system, coupled with the care, worry and labor of rearing a large family, is often the cause of weak-nesses, derangements and debility which are aggravated by the many household cares, and the hard, and never-ending work which the mother is called upon to perform. Dr. Pierce, the maker of that world-famed remedy for woman's peculiar weaknesses and ills-Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription—says that one of the greatest obstacles to the cure of this class of maladies is the fact that the poor, over-worked housewife can not get the needed rest from her many household cares and labor to enable her to secure from the naso of his "Prescription" its full benefits. It is a matter of frequent experience, he says, in his extensive practice in these cases, to meet with those in which his treatment falls by reason of the patient's inability to abstain from hard work long enough to be cured. With those suffering from prolapsus, anteversion and retroversion of the uterus or other displacement of the womanly organs, it is very necessary that, in addition to taking his "Favorite Prescription" they abstain from being very much, or for long periods, on their feet. All heavy lifting or straining of any kind should also be avoided. As much out-door air as possible, with moderate, light exercise is also very important. Let the patient observe these rules and the "Favorite Prescription" will do the rest.

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by letter. All such communications are held sacredly confidential. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorate and regulate stomach, liver and bowels.

Paper Saucepans.

Paper is now used to make saucepans. On account of their lightness these utensils were much used by the Japanese army. The paper pulp is impregnated with certain salts. The utensils stand the fire well, provided they are kept full of liquid.

Big Shipment of Potatoes. .

California has just made her biggest shipment of potatoes from Stockton. It consisted of a train of thirtyfive cars, loaded with 9,450 sacks of potatoes, which went by the Santa Fe cura Ointment my hands are entirely route to Texas, Arkansas and Missouri well, and I am very grateful. (Signed) river points.

Original Carmen.

Mme. Galli-Marie, the original Car- than when they weep with spite men in Bizet's opera of that name, died recently in the South of France. The opera failed when first staged in 1875, but Galli-Marie was frantically stock on hand of 12 oz. brands, which stock on hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. became the rage and Galli-Marie was pkg. Defiance Starch for same money. regarded as the ideal cigarette girl.

Words of Wisdom.

Westfield, Ill., Dec. 18th (Special)-All who are suffering with Bright's Disease, should read carefully the following letter from the Rev. G. L. Good of this place. He says:-

"I feel it is my duty to tell you of the wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. cages. It costs Mrs. Noble \$650 a year I am a Minister of the Gospel, and in to feed her birds, and the most exmy work, I am frequently exposed to all weathers. Six years ago, I was laid up sick. I doctored with a number of physicians, and finally consulted a specialist, but without success. They all told me I had Bright's Disease. I was in a bad way and almost helpless when, thank God, I heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills. They saved my life. I took sixteen boxes and now I am cured. The first day I took them I felt relief. When I began I weighed only one hundred and five pounds, now I I am the picture of health. I recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to all my friends who have Kidney Trouble and I pray to God that other sufferers will read these words and be helped by them."

Life is like a game of cards, in which a good deal depends upon a good deal.

It Will Stay There.

"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond doubt the best to be obtained for its particular pur-

"For treating all manner of skin troubles, such as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place for many years. I have failitching instantly.

R. M. Swann, Franklin, La.

Friendships of women are cushions wherein they stick their pins.

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At drug-gists, 25c., 50c. and \$1.00 per bottle.

There was never yet fair woman but she made mouths in a glass.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch taking the place of all others.

Mole St. Nickolas Again.

Vice Consul Baptiste, of Part au Prince, reports that the Haitian legislature has enacted a law, promulgated October 4, declaring the port of Mole St. Nickolas open to foreign commerce. This decision, the consul adds, is made in view of the geographical position of the port and the possibility of its becoming one of the most frequented ports in the new world on the opening of the Panama canal.

California's Famous Sheriff.

Benjamin K. Thorn, a native of New York, nephew of United States Senator T. C. Platt, aged 75, and classed as the most fearless sheriff in California, died recently. As sheriff of Calaveras county, he was leader in the most famous man hunts in the state's history. No chance was too desperate for him to take and he took many desperate chances in his fifty years of service.

Many a strong swimmer in the sea of matrimony has found himself tangled up in the widow's weeds.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with Local APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarsh. Send for testimonies, free. F.J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O Sold by Druggists, price 75c. Sold by Druggists, price 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

It is easy enough to stop a clock if you don't wind it, and it is easy enough to stop a business if you don't advertise.

AGONY OF SORE HANDS.

Cracked and Peeled-Water and Heat Caused Intense Pain-Could Do No Housework-Grateful to Cuticura.

"My hands cracked and peeled, and were so sore it was impossible for me to do my housework. If I put them in water I was in agony for hours; and if I tried to cook, the heat caused intense pain. I consulted two doctors, but their prescriptions were utterly useless. And now after using one cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuti-Mrs. Minnie Drew, 18 Dana St., Roxbury, Mass."

Women never ween more bitterly

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a

Cares for 1000 Canaries.

Mrs. Sarah Noble, a widow of Cincinnati, O., feeds 1000 canaries in her luxurious home in that city. During one of her trips abroad many years ing it. ago she purchased and brought here the ancestors of these birds at a cost of \$1000. They live in seventy large pensive heating and ventilating arrangements obtainable are provided for them.

Exploring Persia.

Dr. Sven Hedin is on the way to Persia, where he proposes to explore the rich glow of perfect health to the thoroughly from a scientific point of skin. At the same time B. B. im. view the salt deserts of Dasht-i-Kavir and Dasht-i-Lut in the eastern part of the country. He hopes afterward to weigh one hundred and sixty-five and proceed through Afghanistan to India, and there organize an expedition for the exploration of Central Tibet.

> A good resolution is always stronger at its birth than at any other stage of its existence.

Old and True.

"For fifteen years I have constantly kept a supply of Hunt's Cure on hand to use in all cases of itching skin trouble. For Eczema, Ringworm and the like it is peerless. I regard it as an old friend and .true one.

Mrs. Eula Preslad, Greenfield, Tenn.

A woman's friendship borders more closely on love than man's.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used ed to find a surer remedy. It cures torall affections of the throat and lungs .- WM O. ENDSLEY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

> But one thing on earth is better than a wife-that is the mother.

> Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
> For children teething, softens the gams, reduces inmination, alieys pain, sures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

A hand mirror is one of the few things that a woman never holds up to ridicule.

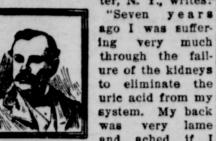
Those Who Have Tried It.

will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other prands contain only 12 oz. Other San Antonio, Texas.

SEVEN YEARS AGO.

A Rochester Chemist Found a Singularly Effective Medicine.

William A. Franklin, of the Franklin & Palmer Chemical Co., Rochester, N. Y., writes:



and ached if I overexerted myself in the least degree. At times I was weighed down with a feeling of languor and depression and suffered continually from annoying irregularities of the kidney secretions. I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and began using them. I found prompt relief from the aching time I had taken three boxes I was cured of all irregularities."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

A girl is never satisfied with her newest dress until she discovers that her worst girl friend doesn't like it.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W.
GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c. A girl's idea of a flatterer is a man

who says that another girl is hand-Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water

Starch for laundry use they will save to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz .- one full pound-while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in %-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

With some people the entertainment of an idea is an intellectual

No chromos or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defiance Starch for the same price of other starches.

A woman in love is a very poor judge of character.

Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA,

a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of Cha In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

When a man wants money or assistance the world is charitable enough to let him keep right on want-

Cures Blood, Skin Troubles, Cancer, Blood Poison. Greatest Blood Purifier Free.

If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scrofula, eczema, itching, risings and lumps, scabby, pimply skin, bone pains, catarrh, rheumatism, or any blood or skin disease, take Bo-tanic Blood Balm (B. B.) according to directions. Soon all sores heal, aches and pains stop, the blood is made pure and rich, leaving the skin proves the digestion, cures dyspepsia, strengthens weak kidneys. Just the medicine for old people, as it gives them new, vigorous blood. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special free medical advice also sent in sealed letter. B. B. B. is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases of impure blood and skin disease, and cures after all else fails.

The fools are not all dead. In fact, a lot of them haven't been born.

Trials of Winter.

Do not permit yourself to be a victim to a cold or cough. They lead to rneumonia, consumption and elsewhere. Be wise; use Simmons' Cough Syrup. It cures coughs, heals lungs and will keep you right here to enjoy the beauties of spring.

If people could learn not to care for wealth it would come easy.



EXPERIMENT WITH CANCER.

Any disease that means LIFE or DEATH should be handled by a MAS-TER. Our DR. J. W. HARWELL has been treating cancers and eating cancers mors in San An

When two women fall in love with the same man they cut each other by looking daggers.

More Flexible and Lasting,

won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better re-sults than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

When the right young man comes along a girl doesn't have to give him any encouragement.

A GOOD SCHOOL.

No blow, no impossible guarantees nor unbusinesslike propositions made by Toby's Practical Business College, Waco, Tex., the High Grade School for High Grade Students. Plenty of hard, honest work by a corps of highly educated persons. "That's all." Enter any time. Catalogue free. The home of Jane's Shadeless Shorthand, the renowned parliamentary system.

How unhappy the lot of the boardand lamenes in my back, and by the ing house landlady. Strawberries no sooner get cheap than the boarders begin to kick for peaches and water-

Stands Head.

There is something about Hunt's Lightning Oil that no other liniment possesses. Others may be good, but it is surely the best. It does all you recommend it for, and more. For sprains, cuts, bruises, burns, aches and pains, it has no equal on earth. It stands head on my medicine shelf. Very truly yours,

T. J. Brownlow. Livingston, Tenn.

It is difficult for the man who keeps not only time, because it never sticks his nose too much above liquor to keep his head above water.

> A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES. Itching, Blind, Bleeding, Protruding Piles. Drug-gists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT falls to cure in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

Many a man remains a bachelor to the finish because he is afraid that if he marries the girl of his choice he would also have to wed her family.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restor-er. Send for FREE \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

A good and cheerful old man comes as near being godlike as anyone may in this world.

TUMORS CONQUERED

SERIOUS CPERATIONS AVOIDED

Unqualified Success of Lydia E. Pink ham's Vegetable Compound in the Case of Mrs. Fannie D. Fox.

One of the greatest triumphs of Lydis E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the conquering of woman's dread enemy, Tumor.

The growth of a tumor is so sly that frequently its presence is not suspected until it is far advanced.



So-called "wandering pains" may come from its early stages, or the presence of danger may be made manifest by profuse menstruation, accom-panied by unusual pain, from the ovaries down the groin and thighs.

If you have mysterious pains, if there are indications of inflammation or displacement, don't wait for time to confirm your fears and go through the horrors of a hospital operation; secure Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound right away and begin its use. Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., will

give you her advice free of all charge if you will write her about yourself. Your letter will be seen by women only. Dear Mrs. Pinkham:-"I take the liberty to congratulate you can the success I have had with your wonderful medicine. Eighteen months ago my monthlies stopped. Shortly after I felt so badly that I submitted to a thorough examination by a physician and was told that I had a tumor

on the uterus and would have to undergo an operation.
"Soon after I read one of your advertisements and decided to give Lydia E. Pink-ham's Vegetable Compound a trial. After trying five bottles as directed the tumor is entirely gone. I have been examined by a physician and he says I have no signs of a tumor now. It has also brought my month-lies around once more, and I am entirely well."—Fannie D. Fox, 7 Chestnut Street.

A Shoe Which is the STYLISH WOMAN'S Favorite. It Must Be Worn to Be Appreciated. INSIST UPON HAVING IT. IT'S A MONEY SAVER. IT'S AN "ALWAYS JUST CORRECT" CLOVER BRAND SHOE. Wertheimer-Swarts Shoe Co. LARGEST FINE SHOE EXCLUSIVISTS ST. LOUIS. U. S. A.

Bradford, Pa.

Many who formerly smoked 10 °Cigars now smoke STRAIGHT 5 CIGAR

PRICE. 25 Cts. TO CURE THE GRIP IN ONE DAY

GRIP. BAD COLD. HEADACHE AND NEURALGIA. I won't sell Anti-Gripine to a dealer who won't Guarantee
It. Call for your MONEY BACK IF IT DON'T OURE.
F. W. Diemer, M. D., Manufacturer, Springfield, Mo.

12 CANS OF OYSTERS, \$3.

Delivered Express Prepaid. 30 Large, Fat, Cultivated Oysters to the Can. As the ice does not come in contact with the oysters all their natural fresh flavor is retained. GIVENS PACKING CO., Planters and Wholesale Shippers of Oysters and Fish, Corpus Christi, Tex.

X-MAS HOLIDAYS Low round trin rates on sale December 2 . 22, and 23, good for return thirty days. Old States Best Route



Write for information C. W. STRAIN, G. P. A. FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DEFIANCE STARCH easiest to work with and

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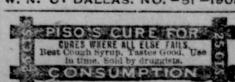
FOR THE

SANTA FEANYOUNCE SPECIAL LOW RATES TO THE

OLD STATES In the Southwest. Tickets on sale December 21st, 22d, and 23d Limited to return 30 days fr m date of sale. Quick, direct connections through the three principal gateways to the Southwest. If you are thinking of going back to the Old States for the holidays just talk it over with

days just talk it over with The Santa Fe Agent W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A. GALVESTON

W. N. U. DALLAS. NO. -51 -1905



Judge G. U. McCrary and wife are as happy as happy can be because of the arrival of their first child-a boy -Thursday. The congratulations of their friends are extended. May the youngster grow up to be a true American boy-good health, high spirits, freckles, stonebruises and all.

Juicy sweet sorghum cane for sale. \$5 per ton in field 1 mile west of town on Hope road at James H. Clark's.

Nearly every home-owner in Artesia has purchased trees for spring planting. The town trustees should get wise and arrange the park.

LOST-The upper frame of a dresser that holds the glass. road leading west from town. Reward if left at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Major, accompanied by their guest, Miss Nelle Ede, of San Angelo, visited Roswell Tuesday.

Mrs. Fannie McClane Martin is now local editor of the Hagerman Messenger, and that paper shows the good effects of her facile pen.

FOR SALE .- At a bargain, a piano practically new. Address P. O. Box

J. H. Wilder, the well known promoter of Dayton, is sojourning among the Christmas trees of Burnet county, Texas, for the benefit of his health.

Rev. J. R. Gass, who was pastor of the Presbyterian church of Artesia Fresh Oysters, some months ago, arrived in the city Thursday.

Go to John Schrock Lumber Co. for White Lead, oil and painters supplies.

Have B. Twyman figure on your iron work or plumbing.

Hoffman Hardware Co.

Certificate of Non-Liability of Stockholders of Penasco Telephone Co.

Know all men by these presents, that we, the undersigned hereby certify that no stockholder holding stock in the Penasco Telephone Company shall be liable for any unpaid stock, nor shall any liability of any stockholder attach to any stock issued by this corporation, which has been incorporated under chapter 79 of the Acts of the 36th Legislative Assembly of the Territory of New Mexico, 1905.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands on this 22 day of December, A. D. 1905.

Harry W. Hamilton, Floy Richey Hamilton, David W. Runyan, John C. Gage, Morgan M. Davis.

Territory of New Mexico, County

of Eddy. ss: On this, the 22 day of December, 1905, personally appeared before me Harry W. Hamilton, Floy Richey Hamilton, John C. Gage and David W. Runyan, to me personally known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, who being by me first duly sworn, state that they have read the same and know the centents thereof, and that the same is true of their own knowledge.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal on this the day and year in this certificate first above written. Albert Biake. [SEAL]

Notary Public. Territory of New Mexico, County of Eddy. SS

On this, the 15th day of January, 1906, personally appeared before me Morgan M. Davis, to me personally known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, who being by me first duly cash if land is suita le. What have sworn, states that he has read the same and knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowledge.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal on this, the 15th day of January, A. D., 1906.

Albert Blake, [SEAL]

Notary Public.

We are informed that material for the erection of a new railway station at Dayton is being placed on the ground.

A \$600.00 Chickering Upright Grand piano right from the factory offered in exchange for the fencing of 320 acres of land 21 miles from Artesia at \$1.00 per acre. Inquire of Duckworth & McCreary.

WANTED .- Man or woman cook. Wages \$35.00. Inquire Geo. V.

FOR SALE-A complete set of opera house fixtures, including parlor, set house, kitchen, front and drop curtains, wood, garden and street scenes. Stage is in sections and can be taken up without injury. Will sell at a bargain. E. G. HANCHER, Carlsbad, N. M.

Correctly printed contracts for drilling artesian wells for sale at the Advocate office.

The Artesia Market

Spring chickens, dressed 45c to 75c. Swift's Premium Hams, whole, 15c lb. Dried beef, sliced to order, 25c lb. Boiled Ham, 30c lb. Choice Apples. 5c lb. Pickled pigs teet, 10c lb. Pure Leaf Lard, 15c lb. Frankfurt Sausage, in pickle, 15c lb. Bologna, in pickle, 15c lb. Cudahy's "Excel" Bacon, 22c lb. Swift's "Winchester" Bacon, 171c lb. 30c pt.

TELEPHONE 8,

May Live 100 Years.

The chances for living a full century are excellent in the case of Mrs Jennie Duncan, of Haynesville, Me., now 70 years old. She writes; Electric Bitters cured me of Chronic Dyspepic of 20 years standing, and made me feel as well and strong as a young girl." Electric Bitters cure stomach and liver diseases, blood disorders, general debility and bodly weakness. Sold on a guarantee at Pecos Valley Drug Co. Price on-

A Modern Miracle.

"Truly miraculous seemed the recovery of Mrs. Mollie Holt of this place," writes J. O. R. Hooper, Woodford, Tenn., "she was so wasted by coughing up puss from her lungs.

fruit trees, shrubbery and small fruits. Apple trees two years old § to \$, for commercial orchards, elivered at ninety dollars per thousand. Address,

Wyatt Johnson, Roswell, N. M.

Now is Your Chance.

To get a home. I will sell you one acre up to forty, at a reasonable price. See me at once. E. N. Heath.

For Lease.

The Buck farm on Cottonwood; 35 acres under ditch. Bearing orchard. 8 acres of alfalfa. Call on

R. M. Ross.

For Exchange.

I have a desert claim of 320 acres

For Sale.

500 feet 12 inch black pipe, one 4 horse power gasoline engine with pumping jack and fixtures. Will sell or trade for horses, cattle or feed. J. C. Elliott.

Sand for Sale.

A full line of Walnut and river sand always on hand at Jim Con-

Galvanized flues lined with No. 24 iron. This makes them outlast all Hoffman Hardware Co.

> Notice For Publication. HOMESTEAD APPLICATION NO. 5161. Department of the Interior Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico Jan. 9, 1966

Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of his intention to
make final proof in support of his claim, an 1
that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on
Feb. 20, 1906, viz:
Ralph G. Storey, of Artesia, New Mexico,
for the El-2 NW1-4 and N1-2 SW1-4 Section 34,
T. 16 S., R. 25 E.
He names the following witnesses to

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of said land, viz:
John J. Henderson, of Artesia, N. M. Horace M. McCormick, of Artesia, N. M. John Richey, of Artesia, N. M. George A. Bogle, of Artesia, N. M. Howard Leland, Register.

Notice for Publication.

HOMESTEAD APPLICATION NO. 2243

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
January 12, 1906.
Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of his intention
to make final proof in support of his claim, and
that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on
February 26, 1906, viz: Zeb Owen, of Hope, New
Mexico, for the S1-2 SEI-4 Sec. 23, and N1-2 N
El-4 Sec. 26, T. 17 S., R. 21 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove
his continuous residence upon and cultivation
of said land, viz:

his continuous residence
of said land, viz:
Lum Richards, of Hope, N. M., John Richards, of Hope, N. M., W. P. Riley, of Hope,
ards, of Hope, N. M., W. P. Riley, of Hope,
N. M., Joseph Woods, of Hope, N. M.
Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico,
December 7, 1905.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Mary J. Joyner, contestant, against Desert Land entry No. 1821, made December 8, 1904, for the NE1-4 of Section 5, Township 17 S., Range 24 E., by Kenner Calliban, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Kenner Calliban has not made the expenditure of one dollar per acre in the necessary irrigation, reclamation and cultivation of said land nor in permanent improvements thereon as required by law during the first year after making said entry; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 28, 1906, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit,

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 8, 1906, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico December 7, 1905. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed Doctors declared her end near that her family had watched by her bedside forty-eight hours; when at my urgent request Dr. King's New Discovery was given her, with the astonishing result that improvement began, and continued until she finally completed recovered, and is a healthy woman today." Guaranteed cure for coughs and colds. 50c and \$1.00 at Pecos Valley Drug Co. Trial bottle free.

Trees.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in gainst Homestead entry No. 5 28, made December 3, 1904, for the SEI-4 of Section 5. Township 17 S., Range 24 E., by Kenner Cailahan, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Kenner Callihan never established his residence on said land as required by law and has abandoned it for more than six months last past; and that said langed absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, offier, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war is said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 2 o'clock p. m. on February 26, 1906 before the Register and Receiv. Tat the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant allows the marked entry No. 5 28, made December 3, 1904, for the SEI-4 of Section 5, Township 17 S., Range 24 E., by Kenner Cailahan, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said kenner callihan, each of the said land as required by law and has abandoned it for more than six months last past; and that was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, offier, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war is said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 2 o'clock p. m. on February 26, 1906 before the Register and Receiv, r at the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant having be engaged:

Trees.

Weeping willow, Mountain cottonwood and Carolina poplar. Also fruit trees, shrubbery and small

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, December 7, 1905. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Louise P. Emerson, contestant, against Desert Land entry No. 1822, made December 3, 1904, for the NW1-4 of Section 5, Township 17 5., Range 24 E., by Lee Wilson, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Lee Wilson has not made the expenditure of one dollar per acre in the necessary irrigation, reclamation and cultivation of said land nor in permanent improvements there on as required by law during the first year after making said entry; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 27, 1906, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico.

Mexico.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 8, 1906, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico. December 7, 1995. A suffic ent contest affidavit having been filed I have a desert claim of 320 acres
4 miles from Artesia, \$500.00 improvement on same. Will exchange for 160 acres of deeded land with water and pay \$500.00 to \$1000.00 cash if land is suita le. What have you? Address, W. C. McBride, Box 123.

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A suffic ent contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Louise P. Emerson, contestant, against Homestad entry No. 5527, made December 3, 1904, for the SW1-4 of Section 5, Fownship 17 S., Range 24 E., by Lee Wilson Contestee. in which it is alleged that said Lee Wilson never established his residence on said land as required by law and has abandoned it for more than six months last past, and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 2 o'clock p. m. on February 27, 1906, before the Register and Receiver at the United States and office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 8, 1906, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal themetade to the such notice be given by due and proper publication.

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Notice for Publication. HOMESTEAD APPLICATION NO. 3054.

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
Dec. 19, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed no ice of his intention to
make final proof in support of his claim, and
that said proof will be made before the Regis
ter or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on
Fibruary 2, 1906, viz:
Robert E. McNally, of hoswell, New Mexico, for the North East Quarter of Sec. 8, T. 18
S., R. 23 E.
He names the following witnesses.

He names .he following witnesses to prove his

continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
William P. Lewis, of Roswell, N. M., Frank Wyckoff, of Hope, N. M., Charles Willburn, of Hope, N. M., Stone J. Wilburn, of Hope, N. M.

Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication. DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.

United States Land Office Roswell, New Mexico. November 21, 1965.

Notice is hereby given that Frank L. Strick-land, of Felix, Chaves county, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 875, for the S1-2 of the NWI-4 of Section 8, T. 17 S., R 18 E., before the Register or Receiver at Rosweil, New Mexico, on Thursday, the 4th day of January, 1906.

1906.
He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said

William A. Rewes, of Elk. n. m., James J. Rewes, of Elk, n. m., Hester Powell, of Lower Penasco, n. m., Frank Wallace, of Lower Penasco, n. m. Howard Leland, Register

Notice for Publication.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.

United States Land Office,
Roswell, New Mexico,
January 3, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Roberta B. Duncan, of Artesia, Eddy county, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on her desert-land claim No. 1936, for the S1-2 SE1-4
Sec. 20, and N1-2 NE1-4, Sec. 29, T. 17 S., R. 26
E. before Albert Blake, U. S. Court Commissioner at his office in Artesia, New Mexico, on Monday, the 12th day of February, 1996.
She names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land.
Jamee H. Beckham, of Artesia, N. M., Thomas C. Shoemaker, of Artesia, N. M., John C. Hale, of Artesia, N. M., John C. tesia, N. M.

Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication. HOMESTEAD APPLICATION NO. 1528.

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
January 8, 1906
Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of his intention to
make final proof in support of his claim, and
that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on
February 19, 1906, viz:
Eli A. Williamson, of Roswell, New Mexico,
for the St-2 nel-4, sel-4 nwl-4 and nwl-4 sel-4
Sec. 32, T. 15 S, R. 21 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his
continuous residence upon and cultivation of
said land, viz:
Liberty W. Rainbolt, of Roswell, N. M., J.
M. Fritz, of Hagerman, N., M., Robert E.
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