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WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS IN

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For everything in the way of

Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, Blind, Cement and Plaster,

Our stock is all new and we keep everything under cover.

Special attention given to orders from Devil's River.

W. S. KELLY, Mgr, SAN ANGELO.

F. M. WYATT,

The Blacksmith, is the Sutton Co. agent for the

"AERMOTOR"

Windmill, Office SONORA, Texas.

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MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor.

SONORA, TEXAS, May 30, 1891.

Dr. H. Guernsey Jones,

PHYSICIAN, OB-GYNECICIAN & SURGEON.

Fort McKavett, Tex.

What is your duty? To fulfill the claims of the day.

Custom is the plague of wise men and the idol of fools.

The best way to preach down error is to preach the truth.

Most men see facts not with their eyes, but with their prejudices.

Help somebody worse off than yourself, and you will find that you are better off than you fancied.

The merit of our actions consists not in doing extraordinary actions, but in doing ordinary actions well.

It takes the tusks of 75,000 elephants a year to supply the world's piano keys, billiard balls and knife handles.

A kind word is never spoken in vain. It is a seed, which, dropped even by chance, springs up a beautiful flower.

A cheerful temper, joined with innocence, will make beauty attractive, knowledge delightful, and wit good-natured.

Passenger (on Pullman car): Do you enjoy your position?

Porter: Yes, I like de quarters heab berry much—when I gets 'em.

The seventeen street car lines of the city of St. Louis carried over sixty-eight millions of passenger in the year 1890, a gain of ten millions over 1889.

There is nothing nobler in man than courage; and the only way to be courageous is to be clean handed and hearted, to be able to respect ourselves and face our record.

Carlyle stated a great truth when he said: "Adversity is sometimes hard upon a man, but for one man that can stand prosperity there are hundreds that can stand adversity."

Knowledge may slumber in the memory, but it never dies; it is like the dormouse in that ivied tower, that sleeps while winter lasts, but awakes with the warm breath of spring.

Universal love is a glove without fingers, which fits all hands alike, and none closely; but true affection is like a glove with fingers, which fits one hand only, and sits close to that one.

Horrified parent—And you dare to tell me you kissed young Hankinson last evening!

Weeping daughter—The—the mean thing k-kissed me first!—Chicago Tribune.

The heart will commonly govern the head; and it is certain that any strong passion, set the wrong way, will always infatuate the wisest of men; therefore, the first part of wisdom is to watch the affections.

Schoolmaster (turning round sharply)—Which of you is it that is daring to make faces at me?

Six youngsters (in a chorus)—Freddy Brown, sir.

Schoolmaster—Ah! Then you six boys stand out and be caned. If you saw Freddy Brown making faces, it shows that you were not attending to your lessons.

The Ledger says that "the Ballinger boys have to stand back when some one comes up from Sonora." And the Herald knows that at one time the Paint Rock boys were in the same fix.—Paint Rock Herald.

Daisy Flutter—Oh, Mrisy, I don't know what to do. Old Mr. Doddering and Jack Margin have both proposed and—

Margin Marigold—Take Doddering. He's already rich and already old. Jack is not sure of getting rich, but he is sure of getting old.

Mr. Porcine—What's the matter, Sophronia? You seem annoyed.

Mrs. Porcine—Annoyed. I should think so I've been to call on Mrs. Montgomery. That woman makes me sick. She's always talking about her family tree.

Mr. Porcine—Well, dear, you just find out what kind of a tree it is, and we'll have a half dozen of 'em in the front yard.—America.

A Will 5000 Years old.—A last will and testament over 5000 years old has recently been found in Egypt. The testator, Sekiah, executed it in his own handwriting in favor of his brother, a priest of Osiris. The property disposed of was to go to Sekiah's daughter upon the brother's death, the internal evidence of the document plainly showing that even in those distant days the Egyptians recognized a woman's right to own, administer, and dispose of property.—St. Louis Republican.

When Bradlaugh lectured on Cromwell in Cooper Institute, New York, years ago, he had occasion to describe the warrior statesman as drawing his sword and throwi g away the scabbard. Bradlaugh put his hand to his side and drew the imaginary sword. It was a perfect piece of acting. You could almost see the flashing blade. An old army officer who attended the lecture exclaimed, "Great Caesar! That man has been in the cavalry," which was true, although several years had elapsed since Bradlaugh had secured his discharge after three years' service.—Boston Post.

One very great mistake which people make is in not using enough light. There is a popular delusion that a good, bright, light hurts the eyes. A good, strong, bright light is almost always the proper thing. Even in cases of weak, sore, or inflamed eyes it is best to have plenty of light. The eyes should at such times have as much light as can possibly be borne, and the cure will go on all the more rapidly. But for eyes that are not sore or inflamed, the way to keep them well, and to increase their strength is to give them all the light possible. The brighter the light, the more the eye will be developed and strengthened. Weaknesses and disabilities of the eye from over-use are often seen, but a good, bright strong light does not usually do any harm. It tends to do good, create health, and give strength.

In the vast rainless tracts of Central Australia, where water in the shape of streams, ponds, wells etc., is unknown, and where thousands of gold-seekers, travellers, hunters and others have perished with thirst, the country is found to be tolerably populated by a hardy race known as "Bushmen."

For the past century it has been a standing wonder how these human beings managed to exist in such an arid region. It now turns out that nature has made provisions for the welfare of living creatures even in that inhospitable section of the Antipodes. Here the eucalyptus tree, which grows 200 to 300 feet high in more favorable localities, grows to but eight or ten feet, gnarled and thickly jointed, like a reed. Herein lies the secret of the Bushman's existence. The joints of this dwarf eucalyptus are hollow and filled with pure water, the size of the joint regulating the amount of water to be found within.

More than one unlucky being has laid down in the shade of one of these Australian well-trees to die of thirst when one stroke with his knife or "machete" would have caused a life-giving stream to burst forth.

W. H. BOLGER,

DEALER IN

STOVES and HARDWARE,

Queensware, China & Glassware.

San Angelo, Texas.

T. C. FROST,

BANKER,

AND

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

SAN ANTONIO, - - TEXAS

CASH ADVANCES made on every product of the country consigned for sale.

John McNicol,

County Surveyor and

GENERAL

LAND AGENT,

SONORA, - TEXAS.

Lands rendered for Taxes and Taxes paid for non-residents.

A. A. CARY,

Contractor & Builder.

ESTIMATES FREE ON APPLICATION.

SONORA, TEX.

GENERAL BUSINESS SOLICITOR

SONORA, TEX.

C. R. MATTHIS, J. T. WOOD.

Matthis & Wood,

PHYSICIANS and SURGEONS,

Office at Cusenbary's Drug Store

Sonora, Texas.

SONORA & SAN ANGELO

Stage and Express Line,

J. R. HOLMAN, Pro.

Single Trip \$5 Round Trip \$8.

Stage leaves Sonora and San

Angelo every day, except Sunday,

at 7 a. m. The trip being made

in one day.

Express parcels carried at a low

rate and satisfaction guaranteed.

REYNOLDS & CUSENBARY,

Agents, Sonora.

R. E. HARRIS & BRO, Agent

San Angelo.

JOHN M. COLE,

Gives the Best

35 cent Meal

IN TOWN AT THE

SONORA HOUSE.

Headquarters for

Wagons, Barb Wire,

Ranch and General

Hardware.

Stoves and Agricultural

Implementments.

C. W. Allen & Brown,

San Angelo.

Sheep branded +. M or C, belong to

to the Huffman ranch, Devil's River.

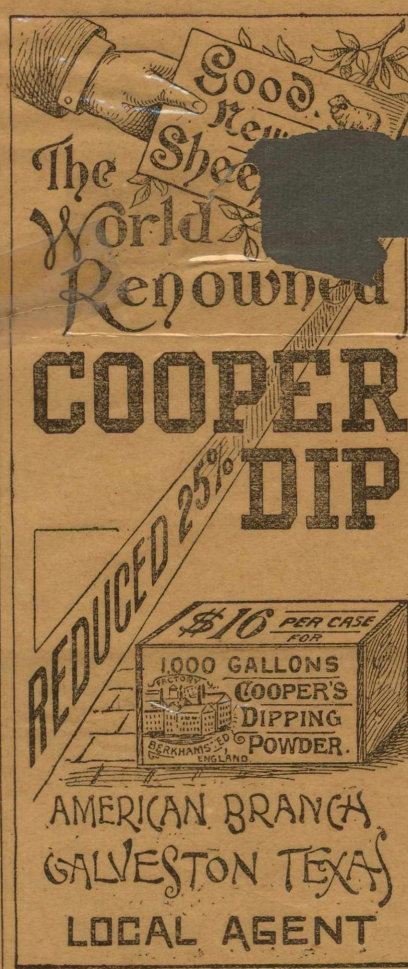
If you know where there are any in the

above brands communicate with J. I.

Huffman, San Angelo, or at the ranch.

Sonora is the metropolis of the

Devil's River country.



COOPER DIP. REDUCED 25%. AMERICAN BRANCH GALVESTON TEXAS LOCAL AGENT Mayer & Hagerlund.

\$15 Reward. Lost from about 12 miles below the Woodhall ranch on Rio Grande about the 15th of April, one sorrel horse, 15 hands high, blaze face, branded C with arrow through it on left shoulder.

To the Public. It is generally supposed that P. Hurst is part owner or in some way connected with Gus Batte's feed yard. Mr. Batte wants it distinctly understood that Mr. Hurst has no interest or connection with the yard and respectfully solicits his many friends and patrons to put up at his yard while in the city.

\$1.00 a Head Reward. for information as to the whereabouts of my sheep, branded 33 on loin, black brand, long wool.

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HE SMOKED IN A STREET CAR.

He Was Big and Burly, but the Little Conductor Ejected Him.

The man inside the horse car was very large and red. The conductor of the car was small and pale. The large red passenger was infringing the rules of the railroad company by lighting a cigar. The small conductor had watched this audacity, and when he was satisfied that the cigar lighting process was not an illusion he remarked, with considerable sternness of voice for a diminutive man:

"You'll have to put that cigar out."

The large red man took no notice of the observation, but puffed huge volumes of smoke.

"You'll have to put that cigar out, I say."

Still the large man puffed serenely on. "I say you'll have to put that cigar out."

The large man turned his small pig eyes literally and said:

"Save yer voice, young feller, save yer voice."

The conductor looked the large man over. He observed that he was about the size of Mr. Sullivan, the pugilist, and he wondered whether his salary as conductor was large enough to induce him to risk his life in a physical encounter with the burly ruffian. There is a personal pride in nearly all men, and that conductor forgot the corporation he was serving, and its rules, and determined that he, as an individual, would not be crushed.

"You'll have to put that cigar out," he repeated. His admonition was painfully unchangeable in dietion and tone, and it was beginning to annoy the large red man.

"Say, young feller," remarked the latter, "ring the bell and let yerself off."

The conductor walked forward to the driver's platform and said a few quiet words to his coadjutor. Then he returned to his own platform, and for a moment or so, as the car went on, he was silent. Finally he directed his attention again to the smoker.

"You'll have to put that cigar out," he said.

The large red man looked to his feet, and as he looked he saw the conductor.

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AUSTIN CORBIN'S GAME PARK.

Difficulties Encountered in Getting and Arranging the Land.

As most of our readers know, there is plenty of land in New Hampshire that is just as wild now as it was when Hudson first looked on the ground where the Statue of Liberty now stands. There was a deal of it in Sullivan county—perhaps not the wildest in the state, but certainly a plenty of unbroken forest that covered hills and valleys and surrounded little lakes—forests of birch and beech and maple and pine and spruce and hemlock and balsam; forests beautiful and fragrant enough to give a city man the heartache when he thinks of them. Mr. Corbin determined to buy from 20,000 to 30,000 acres of these hills and valleys and there establish a park for his new found four footed friends in which they would find the conditions as near as possible to which they were best suited.

Everybody knows that New Hampshire farms in the back country will not bring the price of the buildings at ordinary sale, but Mr. Corbin could not buy all that land without people learning that much land was wanted. Thereat prices rose amazingly, and soil that wouldn't raise oats brought the prices of truck farms in Jersey. It takes a stack of money to buy a game park where 500 different people hold the titles to the tracts. Still, the location was suitable for the purpose, and more over, there was the old home. Mr. Corbin had to have it at any price, and he eventually got 22,000 acres in one tract.

The next thing was to fence it, and only those who have tried building elk light fences can appreciate the job. Here was a tract of over thirty-five square miles of land to inclose. They started out with a wire net six feet high, secured to stout posts ten feet apart. Above the net they strung ten lines of barbed wire, and that made a right good fence. But when eighteen miles had been erected they abandoned the net and used barbed wire only for the rest of the way. That was cheaper and just as good. It is not uninteresting to note that the fencing cost \$74,000.

In all nine gates are placed in this fence, with a keeper's lodge at each gate, something made necessary by the presence in every community of the skulking lout who will steal or destroy the property of the well to do, and especially such property as this fence will inclose. Mr. Corbin is sure his park will not in any way interfere with the rights of legitimate sportsmen.

Here in this tract of woodland, with only enough cleared land on it to afford meadows over which the animals would like to wander at times, are gathered twenty-five buffalo, sixty elk, over seventy deer, half a dozen each of moose, caribou, eighteen wild turkeys, a few geese, and an occasional bear. There are also four reindeer brought from the north, but all died. He expects to have a number of beavers for the lakes and streams of the park are admirably adapted for these beautiful animals. Forest and Stream.

Action of Hot and Cold Water.

It is somewhat surprising that cold water and hot water should differ so radically in effect upon corpulent people. The former certainly favors their complaint. It is a well known fact that beer is fattening, but it owes such action almost entirely, if not absolutely, to the water. Here it is interesting to note the experiment of a German physician. For four years he drank two gallons of beer daily, and increased his weight seventy-eight pounds. On stopping the beer he lost fourteen pounds in seven days. In corpulent people the fattening effect of cold water is always greater if it is indulged in freely with the meals or shortly after them.

A probable explanation is that by distending the stomach and diluting the digestive fluids it retards digestion which process, as already said, is set dom, if ever, as active as it ought to be in corpulent subjects. Hot water, on the other hand, stimulates digestion, and at the same time promotes a freer action of the liver, kidneys and bowels. Beyond this it favors the elimination of waste through the pores of the skin.—Boston Herald.

Defending His Dignity.

A gentleman who is fond of making friends with children attempted one day in a horse car to become acquainted with a child who sat next to him. The little one wore a crimson plush cloak and had long yellow curls, so the gentleman began with confidence:

"How do you do, little girl?"

"I'm not a little girl," was the shy reply.

"Oh, aren't you? Well, then, how do you do, little boy?"

"I'm not a little boy," came the unexpected answer.

"Indeed! Who are you, then?"

"I'm my papa's little man," said the small stranger, with dignity.—Boston Transcript.

A Sore Point.

The Minister—The congregation will please sing "Blest be the Tie!"
Montmorency de Vere (of the Barn storm Comedy company, soliloquizing)—That settles it! I'll get out of here. It's bad enough to tramp the track all week without hearing ties blest on a Sunday. They're not even spaced so a fellow can stop one at a time.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

When She Begon.

"I hear Brown married his cook."
"No, ma'am. His wife wasn't a cook until after she married him."—Harper's Bazar.

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Are you coming to San Angelo during the

WOOL SEASON?

If so, do not fail to call on

Schwartz & Raas.

Such a Variety of DRY GOODS,
CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES and HATS

Have never been shown by any one house west of Dallas.

We are anxious to show our stock to Intending

Visitors to this City and we promise you a

Saving of Money against any house

in San Angelo.

Give this your careful consideration and buy

Your goods where you get the best for the least Money.

SCHWARTZ & RAAS,

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Dry Goods, Groceries

and General Ranch Supplies.

San Angelo, Texas.

P. S; special bargains in Carpets and Matings

Quick Treatment of Pneumonia.

The wife and mother may often, by her watchful care, ward off from herself and family that dreaded and most insidious disease, pneumonia. This disease always has well marked symptoms, and if the first two are taken in time the patient's life is almost invariably saved. The first stage is congestion of the lungs. In the days of our grandmothers "congestion" meant something terrible, but in the light of modern science we understand that a simple cold in the head is congestion of a mild form. As a result of congestion, which is caused by too much pus, or blood, in one spot, inflammation and a chill, slight or excessive, follow. If the chill is slight the patient will rally if kept very warm in bed, and a tablespoonful of best brandy, in water, given every two hours and one drop of aconite every alternate hour.

If the chill is severe and there is an attack of influenza, with high fever, the doctor should be at once summoned. If far away from a physician continue the brandy, given in hot water hourly, anti-febrin in five grain doses every six hours, and aconite in one drop dose every hour. Before going a long distance out of town we remind our readers to arm themselves with every useful medicine, always under a doctor's direction and with positive knowledge as to its use.

Not a century ago the English races had the exclusive monopoly of mutton production. But such is no longer the case. And where ever there is a flock of Merino sheep by the use of rams from distinctive mutton types, a cross can be readily secured that will give satisfactory mutton results. Let those who have the Merinos go in more largely for both meat and fine combing wools and they will not regret it.

In 1785 the society for the promotion of agriculture of South Carolina offered a medal for the first flock of Merino sheep kept in that state, but there were no importations of Merino to the state prior to 1793.

How to Word an Advertisement.

A man was denouncing newspaper advertising to a crowd of listeners.

"Last week," said he, "I had an umbrella stolen from the vestibule of the church. It was a gift, and valuing it very highly I spent double its worth in advertising, but I have not recovered it."

"How did you word the advertisement?" asked a merchant.

"Here it is," said the man, producing a slip cut from a newspaper.

The merchant took it and read: "Lost, from the vestibule of the church, last Sunday evening, a black umbrella. The gentleman who took it will be handsomely rewarded by leaving it at No.—High street."

"Now," said the merchant, "I am a liberal advertiser and have always found it paid me well. A great deal depends upon the manner in which the advertisement is put. Let us try for your umbrella again, and if you do not acknowledge that advertising pays I will purchase you a new one."

The merchant took a slip of paper from his pocket and wrote: "If the man who was written to take the umbrella from the vestibule of the church last Sunday does not wish to get into trouble and have a stain cast upon the Christian character which he values so highly, he will return it at once to No.—High street."

This duly appeared in the paper and the following morning the man was astonished when he opened the front door of his residence. On the porch lay at least a dozen umbrellas of all shades and sizes that had been thrown in, while the front yard was literally paved with umbrellas. Many of them had notes attached to them saying that they had been taken by mistake, and begging the loser to keep the little affair quiet.

If the cattle shippers will send none but strictly fat cattle to market they may rely on good prices, throughout the season, but if they insist on glutting the market with "trashy," half-fat stock they may depend with equal certainty on low prices and unsatisfactory results.

The change that is now taking place in the sheep industry in this country—a change from a wool to a mutton basis—is one that will give it a permanency. The sheep boom has come to stay.

Experiments made in France prove that increased size produced by improved nutrition does not cause the fibre of the fleeces to become coarser and has upon the fleece simply the effect of making the woolly fibre longer.

As long as we have to import from 80,000,000 to 100,000,000 pounds annually of foreign wool there is no very excellent reason why sheep should seriously and permanently depreciate here in market value. There may be fluctuations in the markets but the man who sticks to his sheep from one decade to another, will find them good paying and safe property.

There is evidence of an increased demand for feeding steers as the season advances. The prospect of an abundant corn crop are strengthening each day and this is the only condition necessary for the creation of an unheard-of demand for well shaped steers. Scrubs will only be in demand when there is nothing else to buy.

There are more than 150,000 people in the city of New York who earn less than 60 cents a day. Thousands of this number are languid-looking girls who work from eleven to sixteen hours per day. Last year there were over 23,000 families of these 150,000 unprotected pale-faced slaves forcibly ejected because they could not pay rent.

J. R. Holman, proprietor of the San Angelo stage line spent a few days in Sonora this week. The Sonora and San Angelo stage line carries more mail and passengers than all lines leaving San Angelo. Mr. Holman will put in another station between Sonora and the Vermont ranch, and will then give the best stage line accommodation in West Texas.

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THE SAN ANGELO NATIONAL BANK,
OF SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Cash Capital Paid in \$100,000
Surplus and Profits 20,000

An Institution thoroughly identified with the Interests of the Country, and ready at ALL Times to meet the requirements of its customers.

M. B. PULLIAM, President. ALBERT RAAS, Cashier.

Charles Rueff,
WOOL

Commission,
San Angelo, Texas.

H. C. Reynolds. W. H. Cusenbary.

REYNOLDS & CUSENBARY,
CHEMISTS & DRUGGISTS.

Have in Stock a full assortment of Drugs, Chemicals, Fancy Toilet Articles, Toilet Soaps, Sponges, Brushes, Combs, Perfumery, Etc. Prescriptions carefully Compounded. Open at all Hours.

The Maud S. Saloon,
L. L. RUSSELL.

PROPRIETOR.

Sonora, Texas.

The finest brands of Whiskies, Brandies, Alcohols, Beer, Cigars and Everything usually kept in a First-class Saloon.

Crews, McGregor & Co.

Herdman, Esté & Braumuller Pianos.

Estey and Newman Bros. Organs.

Bought for cash and sold on easy installments.

Banjos, Guitars, Violins, Accordians, Sheet Music, Etc.

Crews, McGregor & Co., Or J. L. DOWDY, Traveling Salesman, Ballinger, Texas.

I. N. WEBB,

San Angelo, Texas.

—Manufacturer of and Dealer in—

Saddles, Harness, Etc.

All Goods made in San Angelo.

Orders by Mail will receive prompt attention when the Writer is known.

Chris Meinecke,

AGENT FOR THE

California Windmill

SONORA, TEX.

SILVER MOON RESTAURANT

IS THE PLACE FOR THE PEOPLE FROM

Devil's River.

JAS. C. LANDON, Proprietor, SAN ANGELO.

JOE DOMM,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

San Angelo, Texas.

Cleaning and Repairing done on Short Notice.

MAYFIELD & HILL,

Dealers in

Fresh Beef, Pork, and All kinds

Of Sausages.

Sonora, Texas.

THE DOUGLASS HOUSE

A Strictly First-class Hotel.

Charges Reasonable.

John Douglass, Proprietor

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SONORA, TEXAS, May 30, 1891. Wool Growers.

PORT MCKAVETT, TEX., MAY '91. Editor Texas Live Stock Journal. I have been much gratified to notice the efforts you have made from time to time, to attract the attention of wool-growers to the importance of coming together at the annual meeting of the state association, which is to be held in San Antonio on June 2.

It is a most important matter that sheep owners should work together, and I sincerely hope your timely arguments will have had the desired effect. There are so many questions involved in the sheep husbandry which interests every member of the industry that it should be regarded as a duty on the part of every owner of sheep to get together once a year and discuss them, in order to reach the most practical remedy to the evils that exist and to suggest new ideas for the profitable extension of the industry.

We are a play-thing for wool dealers and the football of politicians, simply for the want of organization. Our investments are treated with indifference by the masses, while almost every other industry is carefully guarded through the agency of trusts or similar organizations.

It is high time we began a change and while we cannot hope to cure all our troubles we can at least make a beginning and among other reforms to be introduced, I would suggest for the consideration of wool-growers: "How can we improve the commercial relations of the grower with the consumer?"

It is well-known that the foreign wool-grower realizes a greater profit from his wool than we do, and this has given rise to the very erroneous idea that our tariff doesn't protect. The real cause, however, is in the more perfect commercial system that is employed in London and Antwerp in handling the wool product.

The putting up of wool in a proper manner to suit the requirements of spinners, and the agency of periodical sales.

It would be very proper for Texas to take the lead in suggesting reform measures to the wool-growers of America, and I trust there will be a large attendance in San Antonio, through whose united counsel some thing practical can be reached.

W. L. BLACK.

The Book of Baconham.

(REVISED EDITION.)

Now, there dwell in the land of Sutton, which is high unto Crockett, and over against Val Verde, a certain young man, and he was poor and very homely to look upon for his complexion was like unto a baked apple, and upon his face were many freckles, oftentimes the size of a shekel, and his nasal organ was like unto a canine of the breed called pug, and his eyes were watery, and his mouth was exceedingly large, even as is the mouth of a catfish, and he was a mighty fool but he knew it not.

And he arose about the ninth hour of the tenth day of the month which is called May, and he stood in the door of his tent and gazed abroad, and sayeth unto himself: "Verily, this is a goodly land, abounding in many opportunities to acquire wealth, but I am sore weary of the solitude and loneliness of my life, and verily, I believe it is not well for man to be alone. So I will arise, and gird up my loins, and saddle my ass, and put on my best raiment, and take my gill with me; and I will depart and go unto the place of him that is called Gasative, and purchase I may find me a help-mate." And he arose and departed.

Now, this Gasative was a mighty man in that country and he possessed much riches and was great for chin music, and much given to boasting, and loved to sit and tell about the greatness of his possessions, and likewise the mighty deeds he had done and was exceeding fond of a dram.

Now the young man journeyed night unto the place which is called Wentworth, but he passed by or the other side and came unto the

city of Sonora, which is the chief city of those parts; and when the young man was come well into the city he went into the place of one who keepeth a barber shop, and bath a ring streaked and striped pole for a sign unto his place. And the young man saith unto the barber, "shave me, and trim my hair, and anoint my head with the oil that hath a savory smell; and it so be it is possible, make me comely to look upon." And the barber did as he was bid, and he labored diligently with that young man for the space of two hours. Then the young man arose and gazed upon himself in the glass, and he was mighty pleased, and did hug himself for the joy he felt. And he opened his mouth and spoke unto the barber, saying "charge it." But the barber would not, and he waxed exceedingly wrath and blasphemed against the name of the young man, and bitterly swore against him, and laid grievous and divers complaints at his door, but the young man arose and departed and went unto the house of a certain publican, and sayeth unto the publican's servant "Give me that which will make me as bold as a lion and light-hearted as a bird." And the servant arose and measured him out a quart. And the young man sayeth unto the servant "charge it unto the slate, and another time I will pay thee." But the servant arose in his wrath, and cracked his fists together and spat upon his hands and sayeth, "Many times has thou come into my master's house and said 'charge it and I will pay thee,' but though payest not and I can trust the no more. Now give that which is my master's, or we be unto ye, thou son of perdition." But the young man would not; then, behold the servant blasphemed bitterly and with one hand did take the young man by the neck, while with the other he gathered in the slack which lieth in the bosom of his pants and did fire him straightway into the streets, saying "Depart ye hence and return no more, lest I murder thee."

Doc.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS received the following announcement of the marriage of Miss Austin and Chas. R. Brown, the hardware merchant of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cunningham invite you to be present at the marriage of their sister Estelle Emily Austin

Charles Rhodes Brown, Emmanuel Church, Wednesday evening, June third, Eighteen hundred and ninety-one, San Angelo, Texas.

Reception from 9:30 to 12 o'clock.

The finest and cheapest lot of silver-ware for wedding presents in the west just received at M. Eastland & Co.'s, the San Angelo jewellers. Also a full line of Mexican gold and silver filigree jewelry.

Another of those enjoyable hops was given in the school house, Monday night, in honor of Miss Cora Davis, of Brownwood.

Mayer & Hagerlund have added to their immense stock of dry goods, a complete line of millinery goods.

Felix bought from Frank, 3000 foxes. Range delivery. P.T.

Fine fresh candies in fancy boxes, sold by Willie Windrow, San Angelo.

W. A. Fields, the young cattleman, left for San Angelo Monday.

GEORGE BOND, San Angelo, is the agent for Anheuser-Busch and Wm. J. Kemp's key and bottled beer, also agent for Pabst Brewing Association, and dealer in Pure Lake Ice.

Photograph Gallery, north of drug store, will remain but a short time, work guaranteed.

W. R. Robinson of Beaver Lake, was in Sonora Thursday.

Go to J. J. Rackley, San Angelo, for your furniture.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McConnell, and Miss Susie Martin, left for Menardville Monday.

Leave your ranches for sale with, Taylor & Hurst.

Frank Hagaman, of Edwards county, another of the successful sheepmen, was in Sonora Monday.

Sam Runkles, under Hotel San Angelo, is sole agent for "Old Forester" case whisky.

When in San Angelo, pull up at the Pioneer Drug store, at the Postoffice.

R. F. Halbert, one of Sutton's prosperous sheepmen, left for San Angelo Wednesday to attend the selling of his wool.

J. J. Rackley handles the best sewing machines made. All at the lowest prices.

STRUCK OIL.

W. B. Rountree, the well driller called at the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS office Tuesday, with a sample of fine lubricating oil, which he obtained from J. T. Cooper's well near Sonora. At a depth of 390 feet the oil vein was struck, and the flow increased until out of five barrels of water and oil pumped from the well, three barrels of oil were obtained. The oil is of a brown or bronze-green color about the consistency of treacle, with a strong body. It has been tried on machinery and proves equal to the best lubricating oil bought for that purpose. Mat Smith, blacksmith for F. M. Wyatt, used some in drilling spring steel, which is the hardest used, and it gave perfect satisfaction. The only original DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS oiled up its double-back-action G. Washington hand press with the unctuous liquid and will use no other. Indications of oil were found some time ago in the King, which is a few miles east of the Cooper well, but was not considered to be in sufficient quantity to justify operations. It is the general belief that oil may be found in greater quantity a few miles west or south-west of the present well. Chas. F. Adams and Geo. W. Morris, were at the well Tuesday and believe that an output of six barrels a day is not exaggerating the capacity of the vein. The Stockman's Paradise has oil, coal and silver awaiting development.

The glad tidings of the marriage of Miss Black and Dr. H. G. Jones of Fort McKavett, was received by the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS this week. The following was beautifully engraved on the finest wedding stationery: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Black invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter Camilla, and Dr. H. Guernsey Jones, Wednesday evening, June third, at eight o'clock. Live Oak Park, McKavett, Texas. 1891.

Call and see the nice material for all kinds of fancy work, embroidery silk, knitting and etching silk, chenille cord and tinsels, arrasene, and all kinds of ornaments, stamped spashiers, scarfs, etc., etc., at Mayer & Hagerlund's.

W. P. Armstrong, of the Santa Fe railroad, San Angelo, has accepted the position of ranch manager for P. McHugh. Mr. Armstrong will move his family to the ranch and enter upon his duty at once.

Mayer & Hagerlund, want your sheep and goat pelts. Bring them in.

W. O. Edwards, the sheepman who recently purchased Felton's ranch, was in Sonora Thursday.

Gus A. Batte, the livery man, always has on hand a fine lot of teams, saddle horses, harness and buggies. Give him a call when you want a team that will get there.

R. H. & J. Wyatt, started 90 head of beef steers, for San Angelo Monday.

When in Angelo call around at W. H. Windrow's oyster parlor for fine fresh candies, fruits and table delicacies.

T. P. Dawson, a stockman and farmer from Lampasas, who is running his sheep in the Stockman's Paradise, was in Sonora, Monday.

A nice line of ladies underwear just received at Mayer & Hagerlund's.

OLD TAYLOR WHISKEY Fitzpatrick and Lyell's, San Angelo.

I. L. Hammonds of the firm of Hammonds & Odom, was in town Saturday, for supplies.

Go around and see Will and Ike at the Exchange Restaurant. They will treat you white.

J. H. Morrison the rustler for the U. S. windmill, was in town Saturday.

Contracts, deeds, mortgages, etc., drawn and acknowledged by Taylor & Hurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Knausenberger, were in town Saturday.

Leave your notes, accounts, etc., for collection with Taylor & Hurst. Send this paper to some friend.

ES Franks, of Beaver Lake, was in Sonora Saturday, for supplies.

When you can buy bread at 10 cents a loaf, it hardly pays to bake this warm weather, for sale at Woerner & Ford's Exchange Restaurant.

Z. D. Gafford, the court house contractor, was down from San Angelo Saturday.

Hon. L. J. Dunagan went to San Angelo on business, Friday.

Where the Devil's River News Is Published.

Will some of the boys tell us where the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is published.—North Concho News. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS, is published in Sonora, the county seat of Sutton county, the metropolis of the Devil's River Country and the trading center of the famous Stockman's Paradise. Sonora is nearly two years old and has a population of 900, a \$30,000 court house, a \$12,000 jail, good school and church, the best system of water works in West Texas, and 39 business firms with more to follow.

Mayer & Hagerlund's fine dress goods, certainly take the cake. Such a variety to select from, latest styles and beautiful patterns.

The North Concho News came to our table this week. It is a seven column paper neatly gotten up and should have a better advertising patronage considering the country it represents. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS extends its best wishes for the success of the editor, paper and country.

Do not keep your building back by waiting for a lumber yard in Sonora, but order the lumber from J. W. Webb & Co., San Angelo.

J. J. Myers, of Ohio, who has been sojourning in the Stockman's Paradise the past winter, for his health's sake, left for the north Wednesday.

Grain, corn, oats, hay and all kinds of feed, kept constantly on hand at Gus A. Batte's feed and wagon yard. Call on him when you want good feed for your stock.

The finest quality of lime stone in America, is being used on the Sutton county court house. She'll be a beauty.

The finest kind of bread at Woerner & Ford's Exchange Restaurant at 10 cents a loaf.

J. M. Thomason of the firm of T. T. Thomason & Bro., was in Sonora Monday.

Go to Mayer & Hagerlund's and price their immense stock of men's and boy's clothing. They can suit anyone.

A meeting should be held to elect committees and prepare the program for the celebration of Sonora's birthday and the Fourth of July.

Ask for hominy flakes, at Mayer & Hagerlund's one of the nicest cookies in the market.

R. I. Turner Jr. promises to be as big and handsome as his pa.

Dr. J. E. Riggs, over the postoffice, San Angelo, is a fine surgeon dentist of 20 years experience, and guarantees his work to be first-class. When in need of a dentist call and see him.

R. Neely, the handsome sheepman, was in Sonora Wednesday.

J. J. Rackley, San Angelo, carries the largest stock of Wall Paper, window shades and window glass.

Mrs. Max Mayer, went to Emerald Wednesday, on a visit to her parents, accompanied by her brother Will Drake.

Buy your lumber from J. W. Webb & Co., San Angelo, and have your house built at once.

F. B. Haskin, was in Sonora, Saturday.

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

G. Huber, was in for supplies Thursday.

Ladies vests from 25 cents up, at Mayer & Hagerlund's.

J. M. Taylor, the stockman and land owner, was in Sonora, Saturday.

J. J. Rackley, has bed room suits from \$15 to \$200.

W. H. Lightfoot of Wentworth, was in Sonora for supplies Saturday.

Nice dress Challies, 20 yards for one dollar at Mayer & Hagerlund's.

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Schomacker, Gold String.

Philadelphia. Established 1833. Boardman & Gray, Albany, N. Y. Established 1837.

Wm. Bourne & Son, Boston. Established 1837, and other leading makes of

Pianos. Clough & Warren, Chicago Cottage Organs.

Music and musical merchandise. Manufacturers dealt with direct and close prices given. Write for them. Easy terms.

F. C. ALLEN, San Angelo, Texas.

R. W. Prosser, the cattleman of Val Verde county, was in Sonora on business Thursday.

W. F. Decker, of McKavett, was in Sonora Thursday.

J. E. Chick, Sonora, Texas, will contract by the yard or job to build dirt tanks for ranchmen in any part of the Stockman's Paradise. Will guarantee Satisfaction.

N. W. Huntington and F. R. Gwynn, the pleasant gentlemen, from Dr. J. B. Taylor's ranch, were in Sonora, Friday.

Taylor & Hurst, law, land and collection agents.

Mat Lee, son of the proprietress of the McKavett hotel, was in Sonora Saturday.

If you want a nice dress, go to Mayer & Hagerlund's. Their line of dress goods, exceeds anything ever brought to west Texas.

Dr. J. B. Taylor the large stock owner, returned from a trip to the coast, and a visit to his ranch near San Antonio, Saturday.

Buy your bread from Woerner & Ford's restaurant. It is very fine and costs only 10 cents a loaf.

F. B. Haskin of Elmira, N.Y., who has been studying sheep in the Stockman's Paradise, left for Chicago Saturday, in charge of the Adams & Kelly mutton.

J. J. Rackley, San Angelo, has his three-story building packed full of goods and can supply you with any piece of furniture from the cradle to the grave at the lowest prices.

W. B. Bean, the wind mill fitter was in Sonora Saturday, and dropped \$2 in the Man's pocket.

S. G. Taylor, attorney, will practice in all the state courts.

R. J. Bean, was in Sonora Tuesday and made the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS a pleasant call.

Bedsteads at J. J. Rackley for \$2.50 Mattresses " " " 2.50 Sashes " " " 4.00

Claude Broome, of San Angelo, was in Sonora Saturday, making up fire insurance with Davidson & Silliman.

Buy your lumber from J. W. Webb & Co., San Angelo.

Fred Berger, one of the best sheep rustlers in the country, returned from a trip to San Antonio, Tuesday.

Send your orders to J. W. Susen, successor to F. C. Lungkwitz, San Angelo, for all kinds of sheet iron and tin work. First class work at reasonable prices.

Capt. McNicol, the county surveyor, returned from a surveying trip to Beaver Lake, Saturday.

For anything in the rock line see George Traweck.

T. T. Tomason, the breeder of fine sheep left for Angelo Wednesday to attend to his wool business.

Look! Look! Look! Children's suits at Mayer & Hagerlund's, from \$2.00 up \$5.00.

C. L. Blandin the young sheepman of Buckley Draw was in Sonora Monday. He will put in another well on his ranch.

Fresh Texas butter and eggs now in store, have arranged for regular shipments of same. Mayer & Hagerlund.

S. G. Armstrong, the sheepman and owner of Sonora property, was in town Monday.

Davidson & Silliman are prepared to write up your Fire Insurance.

J. Huett, sheepman of Beaver Lake, was in town Monday.

Before buying town property see Taylor & Hurst.

Miss Cora Davis, of Brownwood, sister to Mrs. The Ford, arrived in Sonora last week on an extended visit.

The San Angelo wagon yard, opposite the post office, the headquarters for wool and mutton buyers, is the most centrally located feed and wagon yard in San Angelo. Teams properly cared for. J. S. Miles, proprietor.

Born on Tuesday, May 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Turner, a 12 pound boy.

The Nesbitt House, on the north side of court house square is one of the nicest places in San Angelo for yourself and family to stop at while in that city. The rooms are clean and comfortably furnished. The table always supplied with the best the market affords and you wonder how the proprietress, Mrs. L. A. Nesbitt, can make ends meet when she charges only \$1 a day.

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Comparative Worth of Leading Brands of Whiskey.

OLD CROW. Hermitage. W. H. McBreyer. J. E. Pepper. Old Taylor. Lond Little.

OLD CROW Whisky, For Sale Only at the

THE LEGAL TENDER SALOON, SAN ANGELO, TEX.

SEARCY BAKER, DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF

Rough and Dressed Lumber, Shingles, Moulding, Brackets, Scrolls, Banisters, Doors, Sash, Blinds.

The following are the reduced prices for Lumber at my yard in San Angelo. Come and see us.

Table listing prices for various types of lumber, including rough and dressed lumber, shingles, and flooring.

Yards At San Angelo and Ballinger.

CHAS. E. DAVIDSON, Attorney-at-Law. W. B. SILLIMAN, Surveyor.

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LAND AGENTS, SONORA, TEX.

W. H. BEERS, PR

New York Life Insurance Co., No. 346 & 348 Broadway, New York.

ASSETS, January 1st, 1891. \$116,000,000. SURPLUS, " " " 15,000,000.

NO SUICIDE CLAUSE. Thirty days grace on all premiums. Copy of application with each policy. Return of all premiums in case of death, within the insurance period. Are features of the New York Life.

J. L. STANFIELD, District Agent, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

FRED JACOBSON, DEALER IN

Fresh Beef, Pork and Sausages.

CONCHO AVE. SONORA, TEX.

Lost Horses. \$25.00 REWARD.

Lost from the Schlicher divide about 15th of April, one black horse fifteen hands high, branded 13 on jaw, on left shoulder, also one brown pony 14 hands high, branded 17 on left shoulder, 99 on left thigh. \$5 a head reward for their return.

Lost from Hoffman's ranch on 15th inst., one pair of mules, one mouse colored, and the other brown, 15 hands high, no brands. Scan on nose of brown one. E. R. PERRY, Gwynn. 32-35

\$50.00 Reward. I will pay \$50.00 reward to the finder of fine building sand, within 20 miles of Sonora, whose find is accepted at satisfactory. AUGUST BELFANZ.

Five Dollars Reward. For the return of an English setter dog, liver and white color, body sheared, with long hair left on head and tail. The dog had collar on with San Angelo dog tag no. 30. Bird & Metz. San Angelo. 32-41

\$10.00 Reward. Lost from Sonora about ten days ago, four horses branded BAP on left hip, one a bay pony with a bell and one of each of the following colors, roan, sorrel and brown. Will pay \$10 reward for the return of the four or \$2.50 a head, to Gus Batte, Sonora. 32

Ranches! Ranches!! We have a number of the finest ranches in the county for sale at reasonable prices and terms. Call on us before purchasing. 31-41 TAYLOR & HURST.

Notice! Notice! For sale 1890 of the second best flock of sheep in the county, about 400 numbers ready for market. For further particulars, apply to C. T. COVINGTON, Wentworth, Texas. 31-41

Sheep for Sale. 2,500 to 3,000 feeders, about one-half wethers. Apply to Wm. L. Black, Fort McKavett. Or of Louis L. Min. at Point Breese, about 18 miles west of Fort McKavett. 31-41

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MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor.
SONORA, TEXAS, May 30, 1891.

PROCLAMATION
By the Governor of the State
of Texas.
Whereas, the twenty-second Legis-
lature at its late regular biennial ses-
sion, which adjourned on the 13th day
of April, A. D. 1891, passed the follow-
ing five Joint Resolutions in the manner
prescribed by the Constitution of this
State, proposing certain amendments to
the Constitution of this State, to-wit:

(S. J. R. No. 19.) Joint Resolution amend-
ing Section 4, Article 6, of the Constitu-
tion of the State of Texas.
SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Leg-
islature of the State of Texas: That
section 4, of article 6, of the Constitu-
tion of the State of Texas be so amended
as to hereafter read as follows:
Section 4. In all elections by the
people the vote shall be by ballot, and
the Legislature shall provide for the
numbering of tickets and make such
other regulations as may be necessary to
detect and punish fraud and preserve
the purity of the ballot box; and the
Legislature may provide by law for the
registration of all voters in all cities con-
taining a population of ten thousand in-
habitants or more.
SEC. 2. That the Governor of this
State shall issue his proclamation order-
ing an election to be held on the second
Tuesday in August, A. D. 1891, on this
amendment, in accordance with article
17, section 1, of the Constitution; and
those voting for the adoption of this
amendment shall have written on their
ballots the words "For the amend-
ment to section 4, article 6, of the
Constitution, relating to voting"; and
those voting against the adoption of
said amendment shall have written or
printed on their ballots the words
"Against the amendment to section 4,
article 6, of the Constitution, relating
to voting."

Joint Resolution No. 19, to amend Section
5, Article 7, of the Constitution of the
State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Leg-
islature of the State of Texas: That sec-
tion 5, article 7, of the Constitution of
the State of Texas be so amended as to
hereafter read as follows:
The principal of all bonds and other
funds and moneys arising from the
sale of the public lands shall be set
aside for the support of the public
schools, and the value of the same
shall be ascertained by the Board of
Education until otherwise provided by
law, and the available school fund shall
be applied annually to the support of the
public free schools. And no law shall
ever be enacted appropriating any part
of the permanent or available school fund
to any other purpose whatever, nor shall
the same or any part thereof ever be ap-
propriated to or used for the support of
any sectarian school; and the available
school fund herein provided shall be
distributed to the several counties ac-
cording to their scholastic population
and applied in such manner as may be
provided by law.
SEC. 2. The foregoing constitutional
amendment shall be submitted to a vote
of the qualified electors for members of
the Legislature of the State of Texas on
the second Tuesday in August, 1891, at
which election all voters favoring said
proposed amendment shall write or have
printed on their ballots the words "For
the amendment to section 5, article 7,
of the Constitution of the State of Texas";
and all voters opposed to said amend-
ment shall write or have printed on their
ballots the words "Against the amend-
ment to section 5, article 7, of the
Constitution of the State of Texas."

(S. J. R. No. 1.) Joint Resolution to
amend Section 11, Article 16, of the
Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Leg-
islature of the State of Texas: That sec-
tion 11, article 16, of the Constitution of
the State of Texas shall be amended so
as to hereafter read as follows:
SEC. 1. All contracts for a greater
rate of interest than ten per centum per
annum shall be deemed usurious, and
the first Legislature after this amend-
ment is adopted shall provide appropriate
penalties and penalties to prevent the
same; but when no rate of interest is
agreed upon, the rate shall not exceed
six per centum per annum.
SEC. 2. The Governor of this State
shall issue his proclamation ordering an
election on the second Tuesday in Aug-
ust, 1891, at which election the forego-
ing amendment shall be submitted for
adoption by the qualified electors of the
State.
SEC. 3. Those voting for the adoption
of section 11 shall have written or printed
on their ballots the words "For the
amendment to section 11, article 16,
of the State Constitution, to reduce rate of
interest"; and those voting against said
amendment shall have written or printed
on their ballots "Against the amend-
ment to section 11, article 16, of the
State Constitution, to reduce rate of in-
terest."

(H. J. R. No. 12.) Joint Resolution to
Amend Section 20, Article 16, of the
Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Leg-
islature of the State of Texas: That sec-
tion 20, article 16, of the Constitution of
the State of Texas be amended so
that it shall hereafter read as follows:
SECTION 20. The Legislature shall at
its first session enact a law whereby the
qualified voters of any county, justice's
precinct, town, city (or such subdivision
of a county as may be designated by the
commissioners' court of said county)
may by a majority vote determine from
time to time whether the sale of intoxi-
cating liquors shall be prohibited within
the prescribed limits.
SEC. 2. The foregoing amendment

(S. J. R. No. 10.) Joint Resolution to
Amend Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11,
12, 16, 25 and 28, Article 5, of the Con-
stitution of the State of Texas.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of
the State of Texas: That sections 1, 2,
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 16, 25 and 28 of
article 5 of the Constitution of the State
of Texas be so amended as to hereafter
read as follows:
ARTICLE 5—JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.
SECTION 1. The judicial power of this
State shall be vested in one Supreme
Court, in Courts of Civil Appeals, in a
Court of Criminal Appeals, in District
Courts, in County Courts, in Commis-
sioners' Courts, in Courts of Justices of
the Peace, and in such other courts as
may be provided by law. The Criminal
District Court of Galveston and Harris
counties shall continue with the district,
jurisdiction, and organization now ex-
isting by law until otherwise provided
by law. The Legislature may establish
such other courts as it may deem neces-
sary, and prescribe the jurisdiction and or-
ganization thereof, and may conform the
jurisdiction of the district and other in-
ferior courts thereto.
SECTION 2. The Supreme Court shall
consist of a chief justice and two asso-
ciate justices, any two of whom shall
constitute a quorum, and the concurren-
ce of two judges shall be necessary to
the decision of a case. No person shall
be eligible to the office of chief justice
or associate justice of the Supreme
Court unless he be at the time of his
election a citizen of the United States
and of this State, and unless he
shall have attained the age of thirty
years and shall have been a practicing
lawyer or a judge of a court, or such
lawyer and judge together, at least seven
years. Said chief justice and associate
justices shall be elected by the qualified
voters of the State at a general election,
shall hold their offices six years or until
their successors are elected and qual-
ified, and shall each receive an annual
salary of four thousand dollars until
otherwise provided by law. In case of
a vacancy in the office of Chief Justice
of the Supreme Court the Governor
shall fill such vacancy until the next
general election, and the same shall
apply to the office of associate justice.
The judges of the Supreme Court who
may be in office at the time this amend-
ment takes effect shall continue in office
until the expiration of their term of
office under the present Constitution and
until their successors are elected and
qualified.
SECTION 3. The Supreme Court shall
have appellate jurisdiction only except
as herein specified, which shall be co-
extensive with the limits of the State.
Its appellate jurisdiction shall extend to
questions of law arising in cases of
which the Courts of Civil Appeals
have appellate jurisdiction, under such
restrictions and regulations as the Leg-
islature may prescribe. Until otherwise
provided by law the appellate jurisdic-
tion of the Supreme Court shall extend
to questions of law arising in the cases
in the Courts of Civil Appeals in which
the judges of any Court of Civil Appeals
may disagree, or where the several
Courts of Civil Appeals may hold differ-
ently on the same question of law, or
where a statute of the State is held
void. The Supreme Court and the
justices thereof shall have power to
issue writs of habeas corpus as may be
prescribed by law, and under such reg-
ulations as may be prescribed by law the
said courts and the justices thereof may
issue the writs of mandamus, proce-
dendo, certiorari, and such other writs
as may be necessary to enforce its juris-
diction. The Legislature may confer
original jurisdiction on the Supreme
Court to issue writs of quo warranto
and mandamus in such cases as may be
specified, except as against the governor
of the State. The Supreme Court shall
also have power, upon affidavit or other-
wise as by the court may be determined,
to ascertain such matters of fact as may
be necessary to the proper exercise of its
jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall
sit for the transaction of business from
the first Monday in October of each year
until the last Saturday of June in the
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in such manner as is now or may here-
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soon as practicable after the adoption of
this amendment, divide the State into
not less than two nor more than three
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after into such additional districts as
the increase of population and business
may require, and shall establish a Court
of Civil Appeals in each of said districts,
which shall consist of a chief justice and
two associate justices, who shall have
the qualifications as herein prescribed for
justices of the Supreme Court. Said
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under such restrictions and regulations
as may be prescribed by law. Provided,
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conclusive on all questions of fact
brought before them on appeal or error.
Each of said Courts of Civil Appeals
shall hold its sessions at a place in its
district to be designated by the Legisla-
ture, and at such time as may be pre-
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nal and appellate, as may be prescribed
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shall appoint a clerk in the same manner
as the clerk of the Supreme Court, which
clerk shall receive such compensation as
may be fixed by law. Until the organiza-
tion of the Courts of Civil Appeals and
Criminal Appeals, as herein provided for,
the jurisdiction, power and organization
and location of the Supreme Court, the
Court of Appeals and the Commission
of Appeals shall continue as they were
before the adoption of this amendment.
All civil cases which may be pending in
the Court of Appeals shall, as soon as
practicable after the organization of the
Courts of Civil Appeals, be certified to
and the records thereof transmitted to
the proper Courts of
Civil Appeals, to be decided by said courts
at the first session of the Supreme
Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, and
such of the Courts of the Civil Appeals
which may be hereafter created under
this article until after the first election
of the judges of such courts under this
amendment. The terms of office of the
judges of each court shall be divided
into three classes, and the justices thereof
shall draw for the different classes. Those
who shall draw class No. 1 shall hold
their offices two years, those drawing
class No. 2 shall hold their offices for
four years, and those who may draw
class No. 3 shall hold their offices for
six years from the date of their election
and until their successors are elected
and qualified; and thereafter each of
the said judges shall hold his office for
six years, as provided in this Constitution.
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into as many judicial districts as may
now or hereafter be provided by law,
which may be increased or diminished
by law. For each district there shall be
elected by the qualified voters thereof, at
a general election, a judge, who shall be
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State, who shall have been a practicing
lawyer of this State or a judge of a
court in this State for four years next
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resided in the district in which he was
elected for two years next preceding his
election, who shall reside in his district
during his term of office, who shall hold
his office for the period of four years,
and shall receive for his services an an-
nual salary of two thousand five hun-
dred dollars, until otherwise changed
by law. He shall hold the regular terms
of his court at the county seat of each
county in his district at least twice in
each year in such manner as may be
prescribed by law. The Legislature
shall have power by general or special
laws to authorize the holding of special
terms of the court or the holding
of more than two terms in
any county for the dispatch of
business. The Legislature shall also
provide for the holding of district court
when the judge thereof is absent, or is
from any cause disabled or disqualified
from presiding. The district judges
who may be in office when this amend-
ment takes effect shall hold their offices
until their respective terms shall expire
under their present election or appoint-
ment.
SECTION 8. The District Court shall
have original jurisdiction in all criminal
cases of the grade of felony, in all suits
in behalf of the State to recover pen-
alties, forfeitures and escheats; of all
cases of divorce; of all misdemeanors
involving official misconduct; of all suits to
recover damages for slander or defama-
tion; of all suits for trial of title
to land and for the enforcement of liens
thereon; of all suits for the trial of the
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of any writ of execution, sequestration
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on shall be equal to or exceed in value
five hundred dollars; of all suits, com-
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necessary to enforce their jurisdiction.
The District Court shall have appellate
jurisdiction and general control in pro-
bate matters over the County Court es-
tablished in each county, for appointing
guardians, granting letters testamentary
and of administration, probating wills,
for settling the accounts of executors,
administrators and guardians, and for
the transaction of all business appertain-
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shall have appellate jurisdiction and
general supervisory control over the
County Commissioners' Court, with such
exceptions and under such regulations
as may be prescribed by law; and shall
have general original jurisdiction over
all causes of action whatever for which
a remedy or jurisdiction is not provided
by law or this Constitution, and such
other jurisdiction, original and appellate,
as may be provided by law.
SECTION 11. No judge shall sit in any
case wherein he may be interested, or
when either of the parties may be con-
nected with him either by affinity or con-
sanguinity within such a degree as
may be prescribed by law, or when
he shall have been counsel in the case.
When the Supreme Court, the Court of
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Appeals, or any member of either, shall
be thus disqualified to hear and deter-
mine any case or cases in said court,
the same shall be certified to the gov-
ernor of the State, who shall immediately
commission the requisite number of per-
sons learned in the law for the trial and
determination of such case or cases.
When a judge of the District Court is
disqualified by any of the causes above
stated, the parties may by consent ap-
point a proper person to try said case;
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person may be appointed to try the same
in the county where it is pending, in
such manner as may be prescribed by
law. And the district judges may ex-
change districts or hold court for each
other when they may deem it expedient,
and shall do so when required by law.
This disqualification of judges of
inferior tribunals shall be remedied and
vacancies in their offices filled as may be
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this State, by virtue of their
office, be conservators of the peace
throughout the State. The style of all
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the court appealed from shall exceed \$20
exclusive of cost, under such regulations
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peals from Justice's Courts there shall
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and appeals may be prosecuted from the
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by the County Court, as well as all cases
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and in such criminal cases to
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void. The Supreme Court and the
justices thereof shall have power to
issue writs of habeas corpus as may be
prescribed by law, and under such reg-
ulations as may be prescribed by law the
said courts and the justices thereof may
issue the writs of mandamus, proce-
dendo, certiorari, and such other writs
as may be necessary to enforce its juris-
diction. The Legislature may confer
original jurisdiction on the Supreme
Court to issue writs of quo warranto
and mandamus in such cases as may be
specified, except as against the governor
of the State. The Supreme Court shall
also have power, upon affidavit or other-
wise as by the court may be determined,
to ascertain such matters of fact as may
be necessary to the proper exercise of its
jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall
sit for the transaction of business from
the first Monday in October of each year
until the last Saturday of June in the
next year, inclusive, at the capital of
the state. The Supreme Court shall ap-
point a clerk, who shall give bond in
such manner as is now or may hereafter
be required by law, and he may hold his
office for four years, and shall be subject
to removal by said court for good cause
entered of record on the minutes of said
court, who shall receive such compensa-
tion as the Legislature may provide.
SECTION 4. The Court of Criminal Ap-
peals shall consist of three judges, any
two of whom shall constitute a quorum,
and the concurrence of two judges