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The Heartiness of It Is Apt to Surprise an American Guest.

There has been some dispute as to whether the English are as warm hearted as the Americans. I am an American, and I think Americans can't be beaten in that line, but I have seen some little freaks of hospitality over here that eclipse anything in the way of hospitality I ever saw.

A man I had never met called at my lodgings. I was out, but he left a note saying he was very anxious to meet me to talk over a matter of business in which we were both interested, and that he was obliged to leave for Egypt the next morning. I did not wait for him to call again, but went to his house that afternoon. His butler met me at the door in a white shirt front and evening dress and informed me that the head of the house was out. He was so profuse with his regrets that I half fancied he must be the brother of my caller, but I dismissed the thought. A man's brother never leaves off his h's or puts on an evening suit before 6 o'clock. I stemmed the tide of his cockney dialect and asked him when Mr. Walthrop would be in.

"E's invited some friends to dine with 'im hat 7, sir," he replied, "and 'e'll be 'im hall hevening." Then he begged me to come in and have a cup of tea. I did not fancy taking tea with the butler. I was afraid the master might come in suddenly and think I had sneaked in the back way, so I refused.

"Perhaps I might see him just a moment during the evening," I said. "Tell him I shall call about 9:30 o'clock."

"E would be glad to 'ave you come to dinner, sir, 'e would," said the lackey.

It is an awful humiliating thing to blush before a man who opens cab doors and has bowed the legs of himself and his future generations by drawing corks, but I did. The truth was I was not equal to the occasion. The compliment was the greatest I had ever received. My pessimistic friend Haddon said the man thought I had called to pay a debt and thought from my face that the account was shaky.

"No," I ventured to say to the butler after a pause. "Simply tell him I'll call for a minute at 9:30 o'clock."

A sad, defeated look crossed his face. Then he said approvingly: "Mr. Walthrop would be glad to 'ave you come, sir; 'e would be indeed."

"No, I'll be round at 9:30 o'clock," I repeated. "I hope I shall not interfere with his engagement. I would wait till some other day, but he wants to see me before going away."

"Then you will come to dinner?" he said as I looked down the street for a cab.

I said no again as firmly as I could with his great despairing orbs on me. He reluctantly opened the cab door for me and sighed as he closed it. His silence was an eloquent tribute to English hospitality.

But while the English people are hospitable themselves they go about with their noses in the air smelling for hospitality in other people, and when they accept an invitation they do so with an ideal conception of hospitality before them. For years after a dinner they will carefully recount the names of those who were present, tell the exact order in which they went to the table, itemize what was eaten and drunk and name their children after their host. I have never known an Englishman having a previous engagement or declining an invitation. If you invite him anywhere, he catches his breath, pinches himself to see if he is dreaming, trembles with excitement and then accepts with elaborate thanks and dozens of awe-inspired questions about your plans.—London Letter in Atlanta Constitution.

Extreme Rudeness.

As the tramp was seated on the kitchen steps eating the breakfast he had asked for the hired girl stood by and watched him curiously.

"What you gazin at me fer?" he inquired nervously. "You think I'm yer long lost brother?"

"No," she replied easily, "but you somehow remind me of a man I used to know."

"Sweetheart?" inquired the tramp with charming naivete.

"None of your business. Something happened to him, though, that don't ever happen to you."

"What's that? Died a millionaire?"

"No. He was drowned while bathing."—Detroit Free Press.

Arabella.

I think it will be generally agreed that the names of Arabella and Annabella have not as yet received any satisfactory explanation. I venture to suggest that they may both find their origin, by simple change of liquid, in an early woman's name, Annabilla, occurring in the "Libre Vite" of Durham. This is evidently from the Latin *annabilla*, so that three names, Arabella, Annabella and Mabel, may all be referred to one common origin.—Notes and Queries.

BEUIN WAS AFTER HIM.

The Strength of the Imagination Proved by This Man's Story.

"Talking about the strength of a person's imagination when he is scared," said a Sinnemahoning citizen, although nobody had been talking on the subject, "I knows somebody who had an experience once that showed how powerful a man can imagine under such circumstances. That somebody was me. An old she bear and her cubs had been hanging around my place down on the Sinnemahone, and one day I made up my mind to go out and put them out of the way before they got into somebody's trap or other. I went out, and three miles up the creek came to a couple of cubs asleep in a pile of dead leaves. I shot 'em both and was looking their fat carcasses over when I heard a great snapping and crackling of brush off to my right, and the next minute out of the scrub bounded a tremendous big bear. I knew at once this was the mother of the cubs, because she wouldn't have come at me that way if she hadn't been. I only had time to put two bullets in the bear, and as they didn't stop her I dug for a tree and shinned up it only too quick. But the savage old bear followed me right up the tree and was chasing me right toward the top when a branch I was just more than reaching for broke, and down I went. I passed so close to the bear as I went down that she made a grab for me with one fore paw and took from me the best part of my clothes. I lit at the bottom of the tree in a pile of leaves and didn't hurt myself. I just gave one look up and saw the bear coming down on the tumble, just as I had come down. I didn't wait for any more, but struck for home through the scrub oaks as tight as my legs could carry me.

"Criss-to-crash through the brush, right at my heels, I could hear that bear on my trail. I dug my toe nails in the ground, and how I did put on steam to get out of them woods! But, no matter how fast I ran, right behind me I could hear that bear scrambling after me, snapping and snarling. I was finally on the point of giving up the race and doing my best in a tussle with the bear when I came out on Pete Ware, who was hunting along there.

"Shoot her, Pete, I yelled. 'Shoot her and make a sure shot, for in ten seconds more she'll have her clutches on me if you don't!'

"Shoot what? Pete yells back. 'I don't see nothin to shoot!'

"Just then I stubbed my toe and fell. I hadn't dared to take the time to look behind me before that, but as I tumbled I gave one look over my shoulder, expecting that it would be my last look anywhere. The bear wasn't behind me.

"Where is she? I says to Pete as soon as I could catch my wind.

"Where's who? says Pete.

"The bear!" says I.

"I hain't seen no bear!" says Pete.

"She hain't been more than one jump behind me for something like three miles!" says I. "Why, I could feel her breath when I hollered to you to shoot her!"

"Pete looked at me as if he was scared, and I told him to come with his gun and take my back track, and I'd show him. We went back over the whole of the three miles I had raced through the scrub oaks, and what do you think? There laid the old bear at the foot of the tree, deader than a stone! She hadn't taken a step on my track, because both of my bullets had hit her vitals, and when she came tumbling out of the tree she came down dead. But nobody was ever chased by a bear to greater perfection than I was chased by that bear over those three miles of scrub-oak barren. But, then, I've got a particularly active imagination," said the man from the Sinnemahoning, and no one disputed him.—New York Sun.

Generals Not Card Players.

As a general rule, warriors are greater adepts at whist than doctors. But there are always exceptions. Dr. Arnal, a physician to the third Napoleon, was a skillful player and pitiless to the faults of those who associated with him in his pleasures. He was playing at the Tuileries with a General A—, who committed every kind of whist enormity. It was soon observed that at each blunder the doctor's annoyance increased and that as instances of imbecility occurred he fidgeted more and more on his chair. Twenty times at least he checked any further display of his indignation by a supreme effort.

At last the general crowned the edifice of his folly with so dreadful a blunder that the doctor lost all patience. Looking fixedly at his partner, he hissed out the words, with sufficient loudness for the whole company to hear, "Yes, it is very clear that it is not very difficult to become a general."—Academy.

Naturally.

There is a good story told of a Hertfordshire farmer. A few nights ago he went home late and drank a pint of yeast in mistake for butter-milk. He rose three hours earlier the next morning.—London Million.

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MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor.

SONORA, TEXAS. - May 18, 1905.

The Devil's River News sympathizes with Editor Smallwood of the Kerrville Paper in the loss of his wife which occurred last Saturday.

Mike Murphy, "the Devil's River News Man," is the right man in the right place. Located at Sonora, in Sutton county, which he terms the "Stockman's paradise," his paper is full of valuable items and interesting news to his readers. Kerrville Paper.

The above, coming as it does from Ed. Smallwood, a versatile writer and able journalist is indeed complimentary. As to the "right man in the right place" we have our doubts. We know, however, that Sonora is the right place for the people of the Devil's River Country to trade because prices are right.

San Antonio, Texas, May 7.—Dr. J. B. Taylor, the wealthy zoologist, announces that he has secured the consent of the Mexican government for the removal of the wild buffalo from the mountains of the State of Chihuahua to his ranch in Sutton county. He will drive the buffaloes to this side of the Rio Grande and on to his ranch, where they will be safely guarded. Several prominent scientific men and sportsmen will be members of the party that will go after the animals.

As long as wool remains below 10c per pound it will not pay to breed sheep looking to the fleece for the main source of profit. We do not mean to say that the weight and quality of the fleeces should not be taken into consideration. Texas sheepmen, under present conditions, must breed a grade of sheep combining as nearly as possible both wool and mutton qualities. Texas sheepmen must look more to weight of carcass and early maturity. This can be done by selecting the best ewes and breeding to good rams of the best mutton breeds. Some people say that sheep will not grow as large in the south as in the north. This is erroneous. To show the best development, what they require here as well as elsewhere, is good treatment and plenty of feed. Good mutton will always be in demand at remunerative prices, and Texas is the place to grow them.—San Antonio Stockman.

Boston Wool Market.

The market has ruled quiet. Now and then a round lot of wool has been disposed of, but the transactions of the past week have been mostly of small parcels. The number of purchasers in the market has been small, and most of those who have appeared have bought sparingly.

Latest advices from the wool-growing sections indicate that the purchasing fever has somewhat cooled off, and that affairs are decidedly quieter. There has been developed this season, however, a tendency among traders in the interior, who are not regular wool buyers, to buy wool on account of its low price. These outside parties, who would buy anything if it was cheap, whether cotton, leather or iron, have been led to take hold of wool, basing their action on the theory that there has been an advance in other lines of staple merchandise. This speculative buying among those outside of the wool trade has not yet assumed large proportions, but it is discernible and worthy of note. It is perhaps needless to state, however, that there is no speculative buying among the members of the wool trade, who have in fact canceled some of the orders given to their representatives, on account of the action of local speculators in some of the western sections. The result has been a quieting down. Prices have ruled steady in this market, and transactions have been effected mostly on the basis of quotations as previously given.

In Texas wools there has been little doing. Some of the new wools have reached here and there are plenty on the way, but there

has been nothing done in them here worthy of note. The old wool has continued to sell in a small way at 9 to 11c.—American Wool Reporter.

The report of the San Angelo National Bank appears in this issue, and is again a record breaker. The magnificent sum of \$127,272.57 cash on hand, with deposits of \$212,364.91 and loans and discounts amounting to \$253,886.84, easily places this institution abreast of anything in Western Texas.

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Wool Market.

Manchester, May 12.—The markets were slow early in the week but rather better toward the close. Heavy China specialties were fairly active. The Indian merchants are preparing hopefully for a good season. The smaller markets have been doing little business. All the reports have suffered from the generally great discrepancy between the views of buyers and sellers. The home demand is improving. Yarns are firm, but inactive, only a small business having been done during the week. Prices are unchanged all around though largely nominal. France reports a good trade with hardening prices. Germany reports little new business, but manufacturers are full of old contracts.

Too much advice cannot be given shippers of Texas sheep at this time of the year, especially since the new inspection system has been adopted. Heretofore, there has most always been some outlet for all kinds of sheep, no matter how poor in quality, if the price was reduced enough. But now inferior sheep afflicted with scab or that for any other reason do not meet with the approval of inspectors will be condemned. There is no sense in shipping such stuff to market in the first place and owners do it merely because this is the only chance to get rid of it. No doubt the new inspection will soon teach sheepmen to keep at home sheep that are of no value anywhere else.—Drovers Journal.

T. B. Birtrong of the Maud S. saloon has put in a handsome new refrigerator and has everything ice cold.

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Stock News.

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J. C. Johnson sold to Glasscock & Davis his 1 and 2 year old steers at \$9.50 and \$12.50 a head.

D. B. Cusenbary bought from W. A. Holland his muttons \$1.75 a head.

James Shaffer sold his muttons to D. B. Cusenbary at \$1.50 for ewes and \$1.75 for wethers.

John T. Cooper bought 41 head of 3 and 4 year old steers from G. S. Allison at 17 and \$20 a head.

D. B. Cusenbary bought from Ed. Crosson of Crockett county 1118 head of muttons at \$2 a head.

Albert Turney sold to D. B. Cusenbary of Sonora, 285 head of mutton at \$1.75.

Monday Messrs. Plate & Lange sold the Loomis steer cattle, consisting of 120 head half 2s and half 3s, to A. Herring at \$12 per head, round.—Ballinger Banner.

J. A. Warden passed through Wednesday with 1000 muttons for shipment from Uvalde. They are from the Swift & Carr flocks. Price \$2.00 and \$2.25.—Rock Springs Ruelter.

From the San Angelo Enterprise.

J. S. Turner sold 250 muttons to H. McKenzie at \$2.12 1-2 cents per head.

O. T. Word sold 1600 muttons to Lovelady & Beasley at \$2.10.

O. T. Word's 5 cars of sheep, sold to John Lovelady, arrived in St. Louis Tuesday and sold at \$3.45. Averaged 80 pounds.

One train of Dublin fed cattle sold in St. Louis Saturday at \$4.25. Averaged 960 pounds.

One train of Dublin fed cattle sold in Chicago Saturday at \$4.50. Averaged 1031 pounds.

Godair, Harding & Co, sold for J. L. McMullan Monday in St. Louis 7 cars of sheep at \$3.25. Averaged 76 pounds.

W. H. Godair sold in Bailey county 1600 2 year old steers at \$14 round.

Hector McKenzie shipped three cars sheep to St. Louis Wednesday.

Receipts of sheep in Chicago for the last three days aggregated 29,000.

Good fat Texas sheep would sell at \$4 in Chicago.

Je Short has delivered to Kearney Mayes 100 cows at \$10. To Ed. Jackson 493 yearlings and two at \$9 and \$12. To Rome Shield 40 heifers at \$7.50.—San Angelo Enterprise.

From the San Angelo Standard:

Chas. W. Hobbs has disposed of about 3000 bags of wool since the market opened.

Messrs. Jackson & Richardson have sold up to date form 2,300 to 2,500 bags of wool at prices ranging from 6 to 7 1-2 cents per pound.

George Beasley sold Wednesday in Kansas City, five double decked cars of fat San Angelo sheep, averaging 86 pounds, at \$3.75 per hundred.

A. Adams & Birtrong sold in St. Louis Wednesday, five double decks of sheep, averaging 73 lbs., at \$3 per hundred.

Burton Wade delivered 800 steers this week to Martin & Beaman of Comanche. 3s and 4s they were and they sold at the good round figure of \$20.00.

M. B. Pulliam sold about 1,000 head of mixed steers this week to Bird & Mertz for about \$15,000. This cleans up all the stock Nab owns in this section, and after he sells his fine herd in Hookley county he expects to step down and out for a few months and will hunt for Schwartz in Europe.—San Angelo Standard.

A girl baby born the other day in Kokomo, Ind., is the fourteenth daughter of a fourteenth daughter of a fourteenth daughter, a record which is thought to be unprecedented.

The North German Lloyd Company has already voluntarily spent \$175,000 in the relief of the sufferers by the Elbe disaster, and is still engaged in paying out to those whose friends were on board the ill-fated steamer.

An interesting shooting contest took place at the fair grounds Sunday morning between the three crack shots, Geo. Beasley, Eugene Moon and Will Burnett. Twenty-five birds were allotted to each contestant and splendid marksmanship ruled the day. Burnett scoring straight the first 21 birds. The score was Moon 14, Beasley 21 and Burnett 23.—San Angelo Enterprise.

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More trade is coming to Sonora every day. Prices and printers ink do the work.

M. B. Atkinson was in Sonora Monday with vegetables. Mr. Atkinson has also a kiln of fresh lime for sheep dipping.

The people of Sutton, Edwards, Val Verde, Kimble, Schleicher, Menard and Crockett counties, will save money by trading in Sonora. Read the ads of Sonora merchants in the Devil's River News.

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AND MOST COMPLETE STOCK of men's women's and children's shoes west of St. Louis, and at Prices which defy Competition.

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Give me a Trial. All work Guaranteed. Shop on corner of Concho avenue and Poplar street, Sonora, Texas.

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WE KEEP ON HAND OLD COLONY WHISKEY, AND THE FINEST WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS. EVERYTHING FIRST-CLASS. GIVE US A CALL.

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CO TO Louis Morris, FOR Staple or Fancy Groceries, Fruits, Vegetables, Candies, Etc. Prices bring the Trade. I have the Right Prices and Want your Trade.

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Foote & Tayloe ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

SONORA, TEXAS. Will practice in all the State Courts.

Our goods will bear inspection and our prices, in connection therewith, will not suffer by comparison.

Smoke "Our Favorite" for 5c. 21 Cusenbary & Briant.

Frank Barton, the young stockman who ranches 15 miles east of Sonora was in town Wednesday.

New goods constantly arriving at Hagerlund's. 39

Miss Janie Wyatt left on a two months visit to friends in Lampasas Wednesday.

Standard goods, reasonable prices and printer's ink are moving the goods at Hagerlund's. 38.

Messrs. Willingham & Sample of Dallas, were in Sonora Saturday looking for muttons.

Just received A nice line of California dried fruits.

Apricots, Nectarines, Peaches, Pitted Plums, etc.

At Hagerlund's.

John L. Penney of Menardville and Ozona, was in Sonora Tuesday.

Saml Walliek the well-known McKavett merchant was in Sonora Tuesday.

Mrs. Kenny and Wm. Crawford were in Sonora Tuesday from the Louis Morris place on the San Saba.

For a pleasant smile, a good smoker and genial company, make Zenker & Maier's your head quarters while in San Angelo.

O. T. Word returned from San Angelo Monday and left next morning for the "Twin Mule" ranch.

\$12.80 per case is making the Cooper Dip popular. Sulphur for those who will have it, at Hagerlund's. 38.

W. A. Glasscock the cattleman and hide and animal inspector of Sutton county, was in Sonora Monday.

We have given Morris & Allison the agency for Quaker City Monogram Whiskey, the best on earth.

JAKE DAVIS & Co., 31-1/2, Galveston, Texas.

G. S. Allison was in from his ranch Monday and loaded with supplies for the barbecue and picnic.

Electric Bitters. This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention.

Dr. H. Guernsey Jones, Physician, Obstetrician & Surgeon. SONORA - TEXAS. Country calls promptly answered. Office at Residence. N. W. Cor. Public Square.

DR. H. G. COLSON, Physician, Surgeon and Obstetrician. Office at Cusenbary & Briant's drug store. Residence at the Geo. Dunsagan place. All calls promptly answered. Sonora, Texas.

Jo Parker the Wall's well sheep man was in Sonora this week looking for sheep.

Your cigar dealer will give you a briar pipe free. See adv't of Duke's Mixture. 13.

Wm. H. Sowell and son John of Haskell, Texas, were in Sonora this week meeting old friends.

Go to SAM RUNKLES' Moss Rose saloon, under Hotel San Angelo, for fine Imported Brandy, Imported Claret, California Orange wine, fine liquors and cigars. 17-1/2.

Wm. Adams of Edwards county, was in Sonora Tuesday buying supplies.

Fort Worth Beer is handled by Morris & Allison. 35

Mrs. Sadie Richards returned from an extended visit to central Texas, Monday.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. H. Cusenbary & Co.

Rev. J. B. Rigand Catholic priest of San Angelo, was in Sonora Wednesday administering to the spiritual wants of the Catholics.

R. F. Halbert the stockman of Schleicher county was in Sonora Monday.

S. G. Taylor has moved to the court house.

Two Lives Saved. Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life.

Mr. Thomas Eggers, 139 Florida St. San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at W. H. Cusenbary & Co's Drug Store. Regular size 50c, and \$1.00.

Another good rain fell in Sonora and surrounding country Wednesday night.

Report of the Condition OF

The San Angelo National Bank, AT SAN ANGELO,

In the State of Texas, at the close of business, Tuesday, May 7th, 1895, as called by the Comptroller of the Currency.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts, \$247,064.63

Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, 6,822.21

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 25,000.00

Premiums on U. S. Bonds, 2,750.00

Banking-house furniture & fixtures, 6,000.00

Other real estate and mortgages owned, 2,000.00

Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents), 19,834.35

Due from State Banks and Bankers, 12,804.39

Due from approved reserve agents, 57,810.59

Checks and other cash items, 5,622.29

Notes of other National Banks, 3,000.00

Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents, 81.95

LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ: Specie, \$25,000.00

Legal-tender notes, 3,000.00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5 per cent. of circulation), 1,125.00

TOTAL, \$418,034.41

LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in, \$100,000.00

Surplus fund, 20,000.00

Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, 6,922.61

National Bank notes outstanding, 22,500.00

Due to other National Banks, 565.48

Individual deposits subject to check, 185,497.98

Demand certificates of deposit, 16,501.45

Notes and bills rediscounted, 26,236.55

Bills payable, 25,000.00

TOTAL, \$418,034.41

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TOM GREEN, ss. I, JOHN CARRAGHER, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN CARRAGHER, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, 1895.

J. L. MALONE, Notary Public, Tom Green County, Texas. Correct-Attest: M. B. PULLIAM, M. L. MERTZ, Directors.

Those owing the late firm of Mayer & Hagerlund are respectfully requested to settle same as soon as possible with Hagerlund Bros. or Mayer Bros. & Co., either of whom are authorized to receipt for same. 39

F. Mayer, John W. Hagerlund, Sonora, Texas, May 4th, 1895.

F. M. Drake of Ozona was in Sonora Saturday.

Smoke "Our Favorite." 21 Cusenbary & Briant.

Dan Cauthorn the well-to-do sheepman was in Sonora Monday.

The cheapest place.—The Pioneer Drug Store, San Angelo. 38 tf

Asa Robertson the cattleman, was in town Monday.

When calling for Beer be sure and call for Fort Worth. 35

C. T. Turney the cattleman was in Sonora Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Martin were in Sonora Tuesday trading.

March Bros.,

WOOL COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries, Grain, etc.

We are prepared to advance money and supplies on consignments.

we sell each and every clip upon its own merit.

One-fourth cent per pound covers all charges.

Free wagon yard.

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Galvanized Steel Fairbanks Wind Mill in 8, 10, 12, and 16 foot sizes

without delay, and with the OLD RELIABLE ECLIPSE in sizes from 10 to 20 foot, the wind mill question is SOLVED.

WE are prepared to fill your orders for steel or wood wheel mills, and the two above named are made by the same concern and are at the head of their class, namely the family of wind mills.

GALVANIZED TANKS and TROUGHS are among the main features of our business, IN FACT any thing pertaining to water supplies or machinery of all kinds. Please call and see us or write for prices. Yours truly,

J. L. CARLISLE, San Angelo, Texas.

GEO. P. LANIER Steam Well Driller, SONORA, - TEXAS.

Will Contract to drill anywhere in West Texas and guarantees satisfactory work. Fast Time and Straight Holes.

"Our Favorite" is the best cigar. 21 Cusenbary & Briant.

R. E. Covington will drill a well on his property near the barbecue grounds.

Jas. Shaffer of Crockett county, was in Sonora Thursday for supplies.

D. B. Cusenbary the mutton buyer was in Sonora Thursday on the way to his ranch.

Assignee Callahan offered the bank building and safe for sale Monday morning. The highest bid offered was \$825 which was refused owing to the expectation of the early establishment of the Sonora national bank.

Messrs. C. J. Nichols and J. M. Thomason the Sonora builders, have the contract for the building of the new store house for W. L. Gray & Co., the Wallick general merchandise dealers.

Owing to the rain of Thursday night and Friday the picnicers from Sonora did not go to the barbecue at Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Allison's.

Died at the Robertson ranch 30 miles south of Sonora on Thursday May 16th, 1895, the 2 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Robertson. The funeral took place in Sonora Friday. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS sympathises with the parents in the loss of their little one.

When FRIDGE has ceased to be the ONLY OBJECT when buying a piano Then Remember that the BOARDMAN AND GRAY piano has an unblemished record of Fifty-eight years standing as a high-class, honestly made piano.

We firmly believe it to be the best piano that is made to-day. Their claim is quality; our aim is a long-lived business. Remember us when you are in need of anything in the music line.

GEO. ALLEN, Music Dealer, SAN ANGELO, TEX.

WOODFORD (1881) WHISKEY

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

Miss Adah Gibbons, the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gibbons arrived in Bandera last Friday from Rock Springs, where she has been teaching for some time. Miss Adah left here with her parents when they removed to Sonora some three years ago. She was warmly met by her parents and other relatives upon her arrival.—Bandera Enterprise.

DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS, PUBLISHED WEEKLY. Advertising Medium of the Stockman's Paradise. SUBSCRIPTION \$2 A YEAR IN ADVANCE. Entered at the Postoffice at SONORA as second-class matter. MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor. SONORA, TEXAS, May 18, 1895.

Tired. I turn me round my foot to note The flies as soft they float All slightly above. Responded in the upper air, No passion's blast nor wave of care Can harm them as they rove. Like ships upon an azure sea Of limitless immensity, Throughout the living day, With gleaming sail and feathered oar, They float, but never reach the shore And never anchor weigh.

The London Times. The rise of the penny press, and especially of the penny provincial press, often better because calmer than the metropolitan sheets, has also interfered with the old monopoly, but for all that the direction of the Times will still remain a matter of importance to the community. It remains, in spite of everything, the first journal in the world, the one to which all men write, the one on the whole most fully informed, and the one without reading which a cultivated man feels as if he were not in full possession of his advantages.

It is in the lowering of the suffrage the well to do still possess and will retain enormous influence, and the well to do hardly believe a statement till they see it in The Times. Its articles have not perhaps their old weight, because no writing has its old weight, but the array of facts and arguments which the better class first of all gravely considers is always the array in The Times. The proportion of Englishmen who take many papers is not large—the English of all grades having an unintelligible aversion to pay for literature—but of those who do so 90 per cent open The Times first.

It retains, in fact its initiative, though it does not retain its old control over votes, and in that initiative is a power which, as the range of men's thoughts grows wider, at least as regards the area to which they attend, and as the community splits more and more decidedly into two economic camps will probably increase rather than diminish in effect.—London Spectator.

Flying Lizards—Java. We left Amberava in a carriage at 8 a. m., and after a pretty drive arrived at Tomangong at noon. The road was hilly, and for the steep ascents the ponies were replaced by bullocks. It was on the trees that border this road that we saw for the first and only time the curious little animals known as flying lizards (Draco volans), which are only found in these regions and whose strange appearance is supposed to have been the origin of the dragon of the medieval eastern imagination.

The reptile is like an ordinary lizard, but is provided with folds of extensible skin, which are spread out by the long ribs and enable the animal to glide through the air from tree to tree in pursuit of the insects on which it preys. When lying prone on the mottled surface of a bough, it is an excellent example of "protective resemblance," as it is most difficult to be seen unless it moves.—Blackwood's Magazine.

A Great World. "Mamma, if I don't marry anybody, shall I be an old maid like Aunt Tabitha?" "Mamma—Yes, dear." "Elio—And if I marry shall I marry somebody like papa?" "Mamma—Yes, darling." "Elio—(after a pause)—Well, it is a hard world for us women.—Pall Mall Budget.

He Was Doubly Wronged. There's a danger greater than pestilence stalking abroad in the land. A man was arrested in Florida the other day because he bore a resemblance to the cut of a murderer published in the newspapers.—Manchester Union.

Many hundreds of manuscripts have been recovered at Pompeii. They were charred rolls, but by the exercise of patience and ingenuity some have been unrolled and read. Nothing of importance has been discovered in their contents. "A woman of very uncertain integrity" is the Bostonese description of a feminine night thief caught in the act of robbing a jewelry store, as set forth in The Transcript of that town.

One Mummieus. During the reign of Augustus, paid \$3.50 for a pig's head, stipulating that it was to be cut off just at the shoulders, so it would look well in the dish. Pliny mentions the sweet sorghum as furnishing what he calls vegetable honey, evidently sorghum molasses. At the battle of Agincourt 62,063 men were present, and the slain numbered 11,400, 18 per cent.

Centulgoe, the name of a Georgia creek, means the "boiling stream."

Patronize Our Advertisers.

BURNS' LABOR PHILOSOPHY. Instead of Denouncing Capital He Praised the Humble Napkin. Perhaps the best idea of John Burns' philosophy of labor reform is given by an experience he related. Some time ago in London he was called upon by a delegation of street scavengers, who invited him to attend a conference for the purpose of organization. They told him that it was proposed to enliven the council with "some tea and a cold collation." There were to be 400 scavengers present, and they were going to expend a quarter apiece for refreshments.

Mr. Burns suggested that they multiply this expenditure by three and celebrate the affair by a really good dinner. He took upon himself to make a visit to a first class caterer and induce him to supply the dinner. Mr. Burns then went to a restaurateur of his acquaintance and told him his desire in the matter. The restaurateur, who had feasted the greatest millionaires of London, entered into the spirit of the affair and agreed to serve them a notably good repast, which would probably cost him a great deal more than the scavengers paid for it.

One of Mr. Burns' last instructions to the caterer was that each and every one of the guests should have a napkin at his plate. The night of the banquet the 400 London scavengers assembled to enjoy the fine fare. Mr. Burns presided, and when the time came for speechmaking he surprised every one by ignoring the well known subject of the workmen's wrongs by refraining from any denunciation of capitalists and by taking for his text the homely, everyday napkin.

He informed his hearers that they had probably never sat down to so good a dinner, and that it was not at all likely they could have such a good dinner every day. "But," he continued, "there is no reason why you should not sit down to well set tables, with decent china and clean linen, and why you should not have a napkin."

He told them that there was little hope for laboring men until, along with the desire for better wages and shorter hours, they also experienced the desire for cheerful homes, for daily baths and neat clothes, for the reading of books, for the use of correct language—in short, until they felt a desire to put into their lives something of beauty and decency, something of the artistic quality and much of cleanliness.

"You have eaten tonight, my friends," said Mr. Burns, "the best meal of your lives. It is not possible for you to have such a dinner very often, but it is possible for you to put flowers on your tables, to see that the tablecloths are clean, to be sure that you are clean yourselves and tidy, to eat from dishes that are not thick and cracked, and to use knives, forks and spoons that do not show the ugly black iron through the plating. If you have got that idea into your heads tonight while you have been letting this fine food into your stomachs, you have indeed done well."—Illustrated American.

When London Sheriffs Ate Goose. Thavie's inn, in Holborn, a nice, quiet spot, was formerly an inn of chancery. Thavie was an armorer of the time of Edward III, probably a Welshman, and in all likelihood a "Davie," and perhaps the original Davie of English prejudice. There were plenty of Welshmen in Holborn in the days of the Plantagenets. They would lie in wait for your worship strutting down from your inn toward the court and offer cheeses of the kind they called Talgar at less than market prices and without paying the city dues.

The city bailiffs would run them in if they caught them and generally kept a sharp lookout for forestallers and regraters and people with a taste for bargains. Thus, in 1375, one day after dinner, John Clerk, a poulterer, met John Spencer, "with 22 geese in Holborne when coming to the city," and forthwith bought the whole flock. He was adjudged a forestaller, and the geese were forfeited to the use of the sheriff, so that there would be a rare goose pie at the next city feast.—All the Year Round.

A Saving Instance. "Tell me honestly," said the novel reader to the novel writer, "did you ever see a woman who stood and tapped the floor impatiently with her toe for several moments, as you describe?" "Yes," was the reply; "I did, once." "Who was she?" "She was a clog dancer."—Washington Star.

Dyes From Wine Leaves. Dyes from autumn leaves might seem a natural and matter of course production, but until recently no such thing has been thought of. Some German chemists have, however, succeeded in extracting a substance from opened wine leaves that, with appropriate mordants, will color beautiful shades of brown and yellow.—New York Ledger.

A MEMORY OF THE THEATER. The Haunting Song Heard During the Civil War by an Old Soldier. "Once, in a captured city," said an old soldier, "I went to the theater. It was a small city, but a big theater, not just a hall, but a regular theater, with circular balcony and boxes and scenery and footlights. It was dimly lighted, but it had all the fascination of the theater about it, the fascination that every theater has, bright or dim, filled or empty, and this theater was doubly fascinating to us because it was the first one we had been in for years. There wasn't a turn in the gallery nor a supporting pillar, not a curve in the front of the boxes nor a touch in the drapery of them that did not fix our attention, and not a gas jet flickering above the line of footlights that did not fill us with the delight of the theater.

"The house was slim, very slim. We had seats in the balcony because they were cheaper. From where we were we could count, including our own party, 17. No doubt there were some in the orchestra under the balcony that we didn't see, but a count of 50 would doubtless have covered all in the house. The town had been occupied about a week. It was pretty near the close of the war, and the people must have been very poor. That would account for the absence of the townspeople, and, as for the troops, they hadn't been there long enough to be settled, and the war was still on, and perhaps the men couldn't get out of camp, and there may have been no recent pay day, and very likely they didn't have any money, but whatever the reason there was scarcely anybody there. Our little bunch of half a dozen people made the only sound match in the house.

"The show was variety, and most of it was poor, but it was all deeply interesting to us, and some of it, too, was very good. There was one song in particular that struck us all. An old man with a long white beard and carrying a spade tottered slowly tottered out from the wings and came down the stage carrying the spade ahead of him, as an old man might carry a cane, and using it as such. Coming down to the footlights, he sang in a bass voice a song about a gravedigger. For all I know the song is a famous one, but I never heard it before, and I have never heard it since. The singer had a sterling voice, and he sang the song well indeed. I can give you a verse of it. Perhaps this verse may be right, or it may be that as I give it to you it is made up of lines from various verses, but this is it as I remembered it:

"Near to the grave that was newly made Laced the section on his courtly wain. A relic of bygone days was he, And his locks were white as the foam of sea. And these words came from his lips as he sang, 'I gather them in, I gather them in.' "How well he did sing it! And we all sat silently to the end. And then when he began to totter off we all called for more. He came back, and he sang it over again, three or four times, till we could reasonably call for no more.

"Then the show went on, and we enjoyed it all and staid to the end, but the one thing that we remembered and that has stuck to one of the party at least ever since was this, heard among strange surroundings and at a time when death was very active: "I gather them in, I gather them in." —New York Sun.

A Trifle Too Tough. The cannibal king sat upon his bamboo throne, clothed in the awful dignity of his position and a faded silk scarf. His eye was fastened upon the entrance to the throne room as if in expectancy. Presently it opened, and the secretary of state entered and bowed to the earth. "A deputation awaits without, your majesty," said the secretary. "What kind, said?" inquired his nibs. "Of white persons, your majesty." "Would they minister to my spiritual or physical wants, dog?" "Your physical wants, your majesty." "Ah, then they must be missionaries?" "No, your majesty." "What, hound? Not missionaries?" "No, your majesty; they are here on business of state from the white country. They are politicians." A look of disappointment clouded the face of the king.

"Go, slave," he said, waving his hand with an imperious gesture, "and command the secretary of the culinary department to put out the fire in the kitchen stove."—Detroit Free Press.

A Man of Letters. Examiner—Spell "cuc." Policeman—Q. "That's what I said—'cuc.'" "Well, that's what I said—'Q.'" "Well, spell it." "Q." "Yes, Cuc." "I said Q." "I know it. I want you to spell it." "Thunder! Ain't I spellin' it? Ye'll be a-kin me to spell 'I next.'"—Chicago Tribune.

To Readers and Friends: of the Devil's River News You will help this paper by patronizing those who advertise in its columns. Give advertising patrons of this paper preference when placing your orders.

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AMERICAN ASTRONOMERS. Great Work Done in Recent Years Which Places This Country in the Front Rank. In no branch of science has this country made greater progress during the last quarter of a century than in astronomy. Whether compared with the work accomplished here in previous years or with that of England, France, Germany or Italy since 1870, our own record for this period stands out prominently in astronomical discovery.

More comets, asteroids and binary stars have been discovered by American astronomers than by those of all other countries put together. The two satellites of Mars were first seen by an American astronomer, as was Jupiter's fifth moon. Nor was this work due entirely to the advantage of superior telescopes. Most of the new comets and asteroids were discovered with instruments inferior to the best ones in service across the Atlantic.

It is not denied, however, that the great refracting telescope on Mount Hamilton has been of great service. From a little pamphlet just issued by the director of Lick observatory—Professor Holden, formerly of this city—we learn that, besides Jupiter's fifth satellite, "ten comets and a great number of double stars" have been discovered with that telescope.

Nor is this all. The photographs taken of solar eclipses have "put a new face on the question of the constitution of solar corona." The photographic and visual observations made there of comets, the moon and planets have added greatly to the world's knowledge of those bodies. Much has been learned, too, of spectroscopic observations of nebulae, stars and comets are of hitherto unattainable accuracy and have led to quite new views," says the professor, and for the first time the angular diameter of a fixed star has been measured. Several foreign astronomers are devoting their time largely to measuring, enlarging and studying the astronomical photographs taken on Mount Hamilton. Among them are Director Weinek at the Prague observatory in Bohemia, Baron Rothschild in Austria, Professor Franz in Germany, Dr. Nielsen in Denmark and Professor Stanley Williams and Dr. Boeddicker in England.

Notwithstanding the fine results accomplished at other American observatories, many of the discoveries credited to the one on Mount Hamilton could not have been made with their telescopes. All honor, then, to Lick observatory, an American product in every detail. It is a great thing for America to have the most powerful telescope in the world, and a still greater to have the largest too. The new instrument for the University of Chicago is more powerful than even the one with which Jupiter's fifth moon was discovered.

Another great telescope recently completed and put in service in this country is the one at the new observatory in Arizona. In clearness of atmosphere it has an advantage of any in Europe and over any other in this country, except perhaps Lick observatory. Judging from discoveries made by American astronomers in the last few years, we cannot doubt that many more will be made by them before the close of the century. America is abreast, if not in the lead, of Europe in the discovery of new facts about the heavens.—St. Louis Republic.

Old Preferences in Plows. Manager Frank M. Whitney of the Newcastle plow works, talking to your correspondent, made a curious assertion. He said: "Plows are made differently for certain counties and states. The tendency of a son is to use the same kind of a plow used by his father. In Lawrence county the use of the left handed plow is almost the rule, but in Mercer county the right hand plow is used, and this unaccountable difference in the kind of plow used extends to other states in the Union. In central and eastern Pennsylvania the left handed plow is used, and wherever the Amish German farmers have emigrated from this country the sons are almost sure to use the left handed plow. We would never dream of sending a left handed plow to Michigan; neither would we to Ohio. Among German people only left handed plows are used, while the reverse is the case with the people from Mexico and Italy. I cannot tell why it is so, but it is."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Humbert's Mustaches. At present the finest pair of royal mustaches in Europe in point of size and of volume are those of King Humbert of Italy, which are snow white, as is his hair. Although they are quite respectable in size, yet they are immeasurably inferior in that respect to those of his father, the late King Victor Emmanuel, whose mustaches were so long that he used frequently to amuse himself by tying the extremities together in a knot at the back of his neck.—Philadelphia Times.

HE WAS RATHER FRESH. He Did Everything Two Strange Girls Asked Him to Do, Even Paying Their Cab Hire. I boarded a Sixth avenue L train at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street yesterday afternoon. At One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street two very pretty girls, ingenious looking, entered the car I occupied. After looking around in a sort of where are we at way for a moment they came to the section where I was sitting, riding backward. My vis-a-vis was an old lady. One ingenue sat beside me, the other beside the old lady.

Before I had time to offer my seat the one beside the old lady asked: "Won't you please change seats with me, sir?" "Certainly, I was about to offer it to you," I said. "Oh, thank you!" After riding as far as One Hundred and Fourth street she jumped up and exclaimed, with a pencil blow point: "Oh, I can't ride backward! Won't you change again, sir?" "With pleasure," said I, although I had just commenced reading my paper.

"Sorry to trouble you, sir." "Don't mention it. I could keep this up all day." And I resumed my reading. "Have you the time?" she asked in a few moments, leaning toward me, not half so enough. "My watch has stopped, but I'll just step off at Ninety-third street station, tell the conductor to hold the train a moment and look at the station clock," I said. "Seven minutes past 3," I said on my return.

And I was about to resume my reading when she asked: "Are you sure that clock is right?" "I presume so, but to make sure I'll open the window and ask the ticket chopper," I said. This I did also. "Yes, he says it's right." She nodded her pretty head and smiled bowingly. I wanted to finish a long story before reaching the office, so I again resumed my reading.

"How long does it take to go down to Forty-second street?" sweetly asked the ingenue in a moment. "About 25 minutes." And again I began to read. "We want to catch a train at the Grand Central at 3:40. Do you think we can do it?" "I should think so, if you take a cab at the station." "Those horrid cabs! I don't like 'em. Do you, Mollie?" "No, Mollie didn't either. Glad of a little respite, I looked in my paper to see who I had left off. Before I could find the place Mollie asked in her ain't-be-a-nice-young-man catenish voice: "How much do they charge, do you know?"

"About 50 cents apiece. Perhaps they'll take you both for 75." "How far do you go, sir?" "I go to Thirty-third street." "I didn't dare resume reading now. The questions were coming too fast. "You couldn't get off at Forty-second, I suppose, and help us with our traps into a cab?" "Oh, certainly! I have all day to myself. I only work at night." "Well, how's that? Are you an actor?" "No; I'm a newspaper man." "A reporter?" "Copy reader."

"What's that?" came from both pretty mouths simultaneously. "I explained. "Forty-second" cried the conductor. "Oh, here's where we got off, sir! Will you kindly?" "I kindly." I carried their traps down stairs, hailed a cab, asked what the fare was. Seventy-five cents. Both opened their pocket-books. Neither had change. John had none either. I was asked if I had. I gave up the last three quarters I had, saluted and started to walk to the office. Just then I heard one sweet ingenue say to the other indignantly: "Strikes me he's rather fresh on first acquaintance."—New York Herald.

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