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TEXAS LIVE STOCK ASSO- CIATION.

Annual Meeting to be Held in
San Antonio.

The seventh annual convention of the Texas Live Stock Association will convene in San Antonio on Tuesday, January 18, 1898. This Association was organized in the interest of the growers of cattle, horses, sheep and swine, and it has steadily grown in numbers and in influence year by year. A very interesting program has been prepared for this meeting which will be carried out in full. The subjects for discussion are open to all and much interesting information will be obtained by those who are fortunate enough to attend. There are several live questions of vital importance to the live stock industry of this state which should be discussed at this convention. The legislature will be in session by another year and the views of the convention as crystallized in the form of resolutions and requests will doubtless have some weight with the law making powers at Austin. The citizens of San Antonio are making great preparations looking to the comfort and entertainment of all delegates and visitors to the convention, and everyone directly or indirectly interested in breeding or handling any kind of live stock is earnestly requested to attend.

On account of this meeting the railroads in the state have practically given us the assurance of an extraordinary low rate of five dollars for the round trip from any point in the state will be in force. The rate from nearby points will be proportionately low.

The following is the program in full which will be carried out at the meeting:

Convention called to order at 10 a. m. by the President.

Prayer, by
Official welcome, by the mayor of San Antonio.

Address of welcome on behalf of the local stockmen, by some gentleman to be selected by the local committee.

Response, by
President's annual message.
Report of secretary and treasurer.
Reports of standing committees.
New business, resolutions, etc.

SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION.

1. "Exportation of Cattle from Texas Ports."
2. "What are the Best Breeds for Beef?"
3. "Shall the legislature be petitioned to repeal the Scalp Law?"
4. "Is there any one Sole Carrier of Splenetic?"
5. "In estimating the value of cotton seed as a feed for live stock, is it desirable to curtail the cotton in this state?"
6. "Is there any other subject of interest of importance to the stockmen?"

It is expected that the people of San Antonio will throw their doors open, and every person attending the convention will be entertained. The subjects for discussion are all live questions, and every member of the association as well as every person attending the convention, is earnestly invited to participate in the discussion of these questions. The other subject of interest of importance to the live stock interests of the state. Those engaged in the live stock industry have been unusually prosperous this year, and it is safe to say that the next annual meeting of the Texas Live Stock Association will be a record breaker in point of numbers and results attained.

JOHN T. LITTLE,
Pres. Texas Live Stock Association.

VORIES P. BROWN,
Sec. Texas Live Stock Association.

"The President's wife cannot for one moment relax the vigilant eye she is compelled to keep on her every word, look and action, except when she is asleep," writes a Cabinet member's wife (the administration not being stated) in a series of letters to her sister, the first of which appear in December Ladies' Home Journal. "She is the central figure for gossips, not only of one city, but of the whole United States. If a woman were not circumspect in this position, social conditions would soon become more topsy-turvy than they are at present at the Capital it seems to me. She must throw her youth behind her or lock it up in her heart while she inhabits the White House. Of course, they do entertain one or two guests at a time at dinner or at luncheon very often, but the great dinners are State affairs at which the precedence of individuals seems to be the foremost consideration, and the occasions are formal almost to the extent of being stiff and uncomfortable to an easy going person like me.

"Mrs. President suffers from some of the same trammels of etiquette and conversationality endured by the crowned heads of Europe. For that matter, all prominent State officials and their families lose their personal freedom somewhat, as soon as they take office. Imagine Mrs. President walking down town for a morning's shopping, or dropping in on a friend to visit, to 'set a spell,' as Aunt Jin used to say! I miss my friends more than anything else in Washington. There is not a single place in the city where I can go informally."

Parties wanting cedar posts all sizes and in any quantity should write to Geo. Trainer, Sonora.

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MIKE MURPHY, Proprietor.

SONORA, TEXAS, - December 18, 1917.

When in Sonora, stop at the Commercial Hotel.

Jo Cheney the well driller was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

I miss no sales on account of prices. Geo. H. McDonald.

Koss-Barry and W. E. Cureton have 1500 sheep at Jess Mayfield's ranch.

Albums, dressing cases and jewel boxes, out of sight. Call and see them at the Drug Store.

J. H. Boggs is the able and obliging assist at Geo. H. McDonald's.

Hagerlund Bros. & Co. can suit you in a nice buggy, hack or wagon.

R. T. Baker the well known stockman from the Llano was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

The bargain goes to Geo. H. McDonald's.

Phil Perner the well known merchant of Ozona was in Sonora Tuesday on business.

Get your Xmas suit from Geo. H. McDonald.

Miss Maggie Word is visiting Miss Mamie Sue Tom in San Angelo this week.

I can save you half on ready made clothing. Geo. H. McDonald.

R. F. Halbert the well known stockman and banker returned Tuesday from a trip to Houston.

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

Lamar McNeil representing the Buckskin breeches was in Sonora Tuesday in the interest of his house.

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

Rev. M. L. Wilson from Pontotoc, Mason county, is in Sonora on a visit to his daughter Miss Susie Wilson.

The Coleman Nurseries sell all kinds of trees at the very lowest prices. See O. D. Battle when he is in Sonora.

Koss Barry & Son are running 3000 sheep at McIlwaine Bros. & Nelson's pasture, 16 miles northwest of Sonora.

Seedless raisins, Fancy Cluster raisins, Citron, Pitted plums, currants, Dried Figs, etc., for your plum pudding, at Hagerlund Bros. & Co.

A. J. Locklear the well known race horse man from Brady arrived in Sonora Wednesday with a crackerjack. A. J. is very well known here and was kept busy shaking hands with old friends.

Chas. Zenker has bought the Star Saloon, next door to his old place, and invites his friends from the Sonora country to call and see him.

A Tom Green county attorney and an Ozona editor together with a budding benedict and a Sonora doctor furnish excellent entertainment between acts, at the theater, particularly when the editor and county attorney become rivals in ogling for looks of approval from the audience.

505-for-short Halbert, the Sonora banker and stockman, passed through en route home from Houston and Washington county yesterday. Mr. Halbert has great faith in the new bank. He says east Texas is full of cotton patches and little corn fields, consequently is groaning with hard times.

Dan Cauthorn, the retired Sonora sheepman, is afflicted with Klondikeitis. He says a colony from his old home in Mexico, Mo., is forming to go to the Klondike diggings which he contemplates joining. By a mere co-incidence, a wealthy Indiana widow is going with the crowd and well it's hard to see why Mr. Cauthorn should go any further for his Klondike. Take our advice, friend Cauthorn, capture the widow and have your Klondike nearer home. -San Angelo Enterprise.

Mason County School Lands.

Mason, Mason Co., Tex., Dec. 9. -The Mason county school land was sold by the commissioners yesterday to E. S. Franks of Val Verde county, at 75 cents per acre with forty years time at 3 per cent interest. The sale amounts to \$13,263.

Mason, Mason Co., Tex., Dec. 9. -E. M. Reynolds, formerly cashier of the First National bank of this place, which suspended payment on July 6, and who succeeded in realizing from his individual property a fund sufficient to pay off the depositors and claims against the bank in five days thereafter, to-day consummated a deal satisfying payment for the entire stock of said bank.

Bullinger Tex., Dec. 11. -Capt. H. A. Rinson left some days ago ostensibly for San Antonio, but surprised his friends by going to Dallas instead, where he was united in marriage to Miss Clara Fentress, on Dec. 1. Both have lived in Bullinger for several years and were great favorites. The happy couple returned to Bullinger Thursday morning.

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 12. -Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, the aged mother of the President, died shortly after 2 o'clock this morning. About two weeks have elapsed since the stroke of paralysis came, which was at once pronounced fatal, and the wonderful vitality which had kept death at bay so long had deluded the friends and relatives into the belief that the aged woman might perhaps recover despite the verdict of her physician.

From San Angelo Standard. Messrs Rird & Mertz sold two car loads of bulls and stags to Winfield Scott this week at \$21.50 just as a flyer to keep their hand in. Miller Bros., of Osage, Kas., bought from W. T. Carpenter, proprietor of the Hereford ranch in Crockett county, 650 head of 2 year old steers, immediate delivery at San Angelo, at \$20 and \$25.

John Lovelady negotiated the trade. John and Philip Lee sold three bulls this week to E. I. Debie at \$125 and purchased 70 head of one and two year old steers from the same party at \$15 round.

J. O. Logan came in from Sweetwater Monday and exhibited to the Standard man the hide of a rattlesnake which measured over eight feet in length. He sent it to his girl in Illinois for a Christmas present. While in the city he sold to Eugene McKenzie 529 Big Lake muttons at \$2.75.

Tom Holmesley writes M. B. Pulliam that Dall Bros. are fencing 300,000 acres of land west of the Pecos and will have, or are contracting for sinking 30 wells. They will use it for a breeding ranch. If the Standard man was in the windmill business in San Angelo he would figure with these people on the 30 windmills, short!

Hon. Seth P. Mills, member of the legislature from McLennan county arrived last night en route to Waco from Scheffler county where he has leased and bought a 20 section cattle ranch six miles west of Eldorado. He leased 10 and bought 10 sections, the latter at \$1 per acre from Thomson Bros. of Rannels county. The other 10 he leased from the state at 3 cents per acre per annum. Mr. Mills' son, Price, will come up from Waco next month, fence the ranch, build a house and prepare it for reception of about 1000 head of McLennan county graded stock cattle in the spring.

The aged mother of J. B. More, Mrs. Ed Ramsey and Mrs. Gibson, passed away at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Holman, on Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock. Mrs. More, who has been a long sufferer from dropsy, was a lady of many strong and attractive traits of character. Being one of our oldest and best settlers, her funeral was largely attended yesterday by sorrowing friends who sympathize deeply with the bereaved family. -San Angelo Standard.

After hearing some friends continually praising Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, Curtis Fieck, of Anaheim, California, purchased a bottle of it for his own use and is now as enthusiastic over its wonderful work as anyone can be. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Cusenbary & Lewenthal, Sonora, Texas.

O. D. Battle, proprietor of the Coleman Nurseries, will be in Sonora taking orders for fruit and ornamental trees, about Dec 7th.

Nicest line of Silverware at Cusenbary & Lewenthal's drug store.

Geo. Davis a blacksmith from Knickerbocker is in Sonora on a visit to his old friend Mike Sharp.

J. H. Coleman the well-known stockman from Edwards county was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

Use mailing envelopes when sending photos through the mails. They will not get broken. For sale at the photograph gallery.

Mrs. G. Huber and son Joseph left on Wednesday's stage for San Angelo to attend the Caledonian concert.

Dr. Robt. Dickinson the well known dentist from Ballinger will be in Sonora Wednesday with his assistant Mrs. D. B. Cusenbary.

Will Gurley the well known stockman from Ozona was in Sonora Saturday on very important business.

YOUNG MAN--Your girl waited long enough for the wedding you promised her. Now she and the holidays go have it taken by Rose, where you can get first-class work done.

CHRISTMAS GOODS

Arriving Daily at Hagerlund Bros. & Company. Presents for Everybody, Big, Little, Old and Young.

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WE HAVE FRUITS, AND DUELLER'S CANDIES. (THE BEST CANDIES ANYWHERE)

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of clothes, or Overcoat. We can save you money. It won't cost you anything to TRY IT.

Nice Line of Fancy Crockery and Silverware, for the table, ect., etc.

Oblige us by inspecting our mammoth stock, Respectfully, Hagerlund Bros. & Company

Horse Racing.

All admirers of beauty in the beast will be more than repaid for attending the races in Sonora during the holidays.

There are now in Sonora at Caruther's stable, Bari Thurman of Edwards county with 2 horses, Tony Jensen of Sutton county, with Roxey Ann, Sam Cox of Sutton county with three horses, T. D. Newell with his trotting horse Charlie.

At Carter Johnson's stable, John Blanks of Sonora Bay Baby, Frank Johns of Sonora one trotter, John Cooper of Sonora, Sitting Bull, Max Mayer of Sonora Billy, Perry McConnell one trotting horse and J. J. Ford one trotting horse.

At Felix Mann's stable, Frank Galloway of Sutton county, two, A. J. Loehler of Brady, one, Jim Mulkey of McCulloch county, two, W. I. B. bh of Salton county one.

THERE ARE OTHERS coming among which are the following: Alex Gardner of Tom Green county, two; Sol Schooner of San Angelo with two; Jim Nixon of San Angelo with two; W. G. Bartlett of Tom Green county with four; Bill More of Arden with two; Ben Nicols of sherwood with one; Ben McMahan of Ozona with one; John Henderson of Ozona with one; Jim Jackson of Coleman with two; A. G. Dillard of Sabinal with six; Lum Lewis of Llano with two; E. M. Glaze of San Angelo with Pigeon.

A Sufficient Notice.

N. Christina lake, in Washington, rough road leads from the main highway toward the lake, where there is a ferry operated by hand power. At the point of departure of this road the following sign, posted on a tree, informs passers of all they have to do to make the trip across the lake by this route:

"Wagon road to Cristina if you want to go across hollow or yeall also a grocery store and hotel." -Youth's Companion.

HOW TO PREVENT PNEUMONIA. At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable medicine is liable to result in a deadly disease, pneumonia. We have no better remedy to cure a cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite often and it has always given entire satisfaction. -Olagah, Ind. Ter.

Only remedy that is known to prevent pneumonia. It has cured the many thousands who are suffering from colds and influenza, and has cured a single case of pneumonia. Persons suffering with colds or influenza should take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at hand. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Cusenbary & Lewenthal, Sonora, Tex.

Col., Dec. 9. -News has been received here of a desperate fight that occurred near the Arizona and O'd Mexico.

Two of the main service desperado were killed. One was Frank O. Phelps, a member of Black Jack's gang and another was Billy Jordan's gang. A few days ago the border guards learned of a raid that was designed by Black Jack to loot a town across the river. A start was made from Leander Springs and the guards had no difficulty in finding them. The two forces met face to face at a turn in the railroad. There were eight outlaws against three officers, but the latter opened the attack with orders for "hands up." Two of the outlaws turned their horses for the hills, but Phelps dismounted and, dismounting his winchester, opened fire and killed the three officers before he fell with a wound in his side, which proved fatal. Phelps is the last one of the San Bass gang of train robbers, who cleared out Custer City many years ago. His two brothers were killed in the panhandle of Texas by state rangers.

Charles II probably accomplished the greatest royal swindle on record when, in 1672, he closed the exchequer and robbed his creditors of about 21,250,000.

Grapes dilute thick blood, send the circulation to the surface, remove obstructions from liver and lungs and bring the stomach to a healthy condition.

The Duke of Richmond's house at Goodwood, with its two wings, measures 378 feet and gives employment to over 60 domestics.

Mr. G. M. Dixon, a well known merchant of Pleasant Ridge, Fulton county Pa. has a little girl who is frequently threatened with croup, but when the symptoms appear, his wife gives her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which always affords prompt relief. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Cusenbary & Lewenthal, Sonora, Texas.

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The Easy. Mrs. McSwat (at the music) - Don't you think it was too bad that the accompanist drowned Miss Squealer's voice so during her solo, professor?

Professor Meyerhoffer emphatically - Himmell, no! I think no dot drowning vos too easy a death for such a voice as dot. -Brooklyn Life.

SATISFYING CONSCIENCE.

How John's Wife Evened Up Matters on the Poker Game.

"John!" "Yes, dear." "Is that you? You needn't take so much trouble to come in quietly. I've been awake these three mortal hours. Do you know what time it is?" "I should say about a quarter after 3." "A pretty time for you to be getting home, isn't it? Where have you been?" "Over at Mr. Frasley's." "Mr. Frasley, indeed! I suppose you mean that disreputable Bill Frasley. Who else was there?" "Well, my dear, since it interests you so deeply, the other members of the party were Dr. Barton, Mr. Newkirk and Colonel Hall." "A nice set of ruffians! What were you doing?" "Having a sociable little chat. The time slipped." "What else did you do?" "Part of the time we played cards." "Part of the time! By that I suppose you mean that there were five minutes when you came and before you left that you weren't playing." "Acquiescent silence from the direction of John." "What game were you playing?" "Elizabeth, it was a game familiarly known as draw poker. Now may I hope that you are satisfied? I'd like to go to sleep." "A brief period of regular breathing followed; then in a loud whisper: "John!" "Huh?" "Wake up. Did you win or lose?" "Won, I guess." "More silence. This time John clearly got to sleep. A tug at his elbow brought him to his senses. "John, how much did you win?" "Dono. Gimme rest. Gotosleep!" "But about how much?" "John sighed. "As nearly as I can recollect, about \$42." "Now, aren't you ashamed! Outstanding! I never should have thought such a thing in the world. Why, John!" "What did you want me to do--lose?" "There's no need trying to treat the matter flippantly. You can just go right back and return every cent of that money to the gentlemen you won it from." "But they've gone to bed." "Then the first thing tomorrow morning." John explained the involved character of the pecuniary relationships in which it was possible, he said, for every man to be a loser to every one of his opponents. A return of the spoils was out of the question. The argument seemed satisfactory for several minutes. Then the prosecution reopened. "I'll forgive you on one condition." "And never mention the subject again!" "Yes." "Name the condition." "That you give me \$10 of that money for our missionary society and every cent of the rest of it for some new clothes for myself." Ten minutes later: "I guess \$5 ought to do for the missionary society. Don't you think so, John?" -Chicago Times-Herald.

A French Bibliophile.

The late Duc d'Annale was a genuine lover of books, and the New York Tribune, quoting Lady Dilke, has something to tell in this connection: His interest in his famous library at Chantilly was far from being confined to a superficial pleasure in the bindings, the beauty or the rarity. One could not lay one's hand on a volume in his superb and immense library with the contents of which he was not to some extent familiar. Unless, indeed, you were specially authorized to do so, touching his books was a temptation that it was wiser to resist. He had a jealous sense of their value and could be angry with a daring hand. On one occasion, when the glass doors before the shelves at the end of the library had been unlocked and some of his most precious treasures--each in its own glass case--had been brought forth and opened, I heard him cry out peremptorily to a most distinguished French neudeuicman, who had ventured to handle a volume. "Put it down, put it down, till I come to it! They should only be unlocked one by one as I show them to Lady Dilke."

The Dead Sea. The Dead Sea is one of the great est freaks of nature. Its water level is 1,291 feet below that of the Mediterranean, while its bed is 1,310 feet below its own surface, making the depression 2,600 feet. The water is so saline and has so much buoyancy that it is not possible to dive in it. When one wades out beyond the depth of his waist, he is immediately lifted off his feet and floats like a cork.

Catarrh in the head, that troublesome and disgusting disease, may be entirely cured by a thorough course of Hood's Sarsaparilla the great blood purifier.

Hood's pills cure nausea, sick headache, indigestion, biliousness. All druggists, 25c.

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Shoes that formerly sold for \$1.50, Now \$1.15

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SAN ANGELO, TEX.

C. Smith the well-driller was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

Born on Saturday Dec. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams, a boy.

E. S. Briant the sheepman was in Sonora Tuesday shaking hands with many of his old friends.

Jo Morris arrived home from Ozona this week and will remain for the winter.

Chas. Broome the livery man from Ozona was in Sonora Monday on business.

M. L. Steel a stock buyer from San Angelo was in Sonora Monday on the lookout for fat cattle.

Dr. A. L. Taylor and Dr. L. Taylor and B. Green from Temple were in Sonora Tuesday prospecting.

Fred, Geo. and John Morris and A. Lee from the Morris ranch in Gillespie county were in Sonora this week on the lookout for range.

Den Cusenbary the well-known stockman passed through town Saturday on his way to his ranch. He was accompanied by his niece Miss Charlie Cusenbary of Talpa, who will spend a short time at the ranch.

Will Drake from Ozona has accepted a position with Mayer Bros. & Co.

Mrs. C. C. Yaws was in from the Mayer's Middle Valley ranch Wednesday.

T. A. Wilson the sheepman from Dry Devil's river was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

Johnson & Roberts sold to Geo. Sandford 750 head of mixed sheep at \$2.50.

B. F. McDonald the stockman from the Beaver Lake country was in Sonora several days this week.

Over Allgood left on Monday for his old home in Georgia where he will stay for a few weeks before going to South America.

D. K. McMullan of the sheep firm of McMullan & Myers was in Sonora this week looking after his sheep interests.

I. N. Brooks and M. C. Calhoun the well-known stockmen returned from a trip to Hernandez Springs in Mexico Saturday and report having had a splendid time.

Lum Adams the stockman from the Llano was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies and reports that he sold 960 mixed sheep to R. T. Baker for \$2.50 per head.

The Devil's River News this week received the following invitation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Everett invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter, SAVANNAH, to C. W. GURLEY, at the Methodist Church in Ozona, Wednesday night, December twenty-second, Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-seven, at eight o'clock.

A few of Sonora's citizens met at the residence of Mrs. John W. Hagerlund on the 11th inst. and organized the "Sonora Musical and Literary Society," with the following named members: Mr. and Mrs. John Hagerlund, Mr. and Mrs. Huber, Mr. and Mrs. Knusenberger, Mr. and Mrs. McIlwaine, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Black, Misses Walker, Phillips, Rountree, Monte Rountree, Felton, Messrs Alexander Goldberg, W. W. Collins, Bob Holland D. H. Burroughs, B. F. Berkeley, R. L. McIlwaine, E. F. Vander Stucken, T. D. Newell and Mark Baugh. The following were selected as officers: Mrs. John W. Hagerlund, President; Mrs. Gotthold Huber, secretary; Mr. Alexander Goldberg, treasurer.

The society will meet every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. John W. Hagerlund until further notice. Each gentleman is to pay an initiation fee of \$1.00. The program for next meeting is:

- Recitation Miss Phillips.
- Song Mr. Collins.
- Song Mr. Holland.
- Selection Mr. Goldberg.
- Reading Miss Rountree.
- Selection Mr. McIlwaine.
- Selection Miss Walker.
- Mandolin Mark Baugh.
- Song B. F. Berkeley.

Don't forget our millinery department. We have a splendid stock to select from and as usual, the very latest styles.

Hagerlund Bros. & Co. Hugh Robson of the sheep firm of Robson Bros., was in Sonora Wednesday. Robson Bros. have finished their pasture and are wanting about 800 cattle to pasture.

Dr. D. W. Giddie left Friday morning for Kentucky to bring his family to Soora.

We have a nice line of furniture for you to select from. Hagerlund Bros. & Co.

L. D. Hill of San Antonio, special agent for the New York Life is in Sonora.

Bibles, Testaments, as well as all kinds of books, a great variety at the Drugstore.

Mrs. Withead and grand daughter Mrs E. J. Corbin of Ardmore, I. T., arrived in Sonora Thursday night.

Jim Mukey's Gray Eagle is matched from 400 yards against Tony Jensen's Roxy Ann for \$50 this evening.

Henry Hjen and W. W. Wellmarket stopped from down the draw yesterday Sonora Thursday for supplies.

John Jones, the Postmaster and merchant at Christoval for several years, was returning from a business trip to San Angelo on Wednesday. When a shot distance from San Angelo his hat blew off and having ran back after it, returned to the back, got on the seat, and remarked that he came near losing his hat. He then gasped for breath and expired. He was about 55 years of age and was as well-known as a land mark on the San Angelo and Sonora road. He was an Englishman by birth and had no relatives in America. His death is attributed to heart disease.

R. J. Bostic, E. V. Stearns, M. E. Logan, Heery Young and Bob Craton, of Taylor, passed through Sonora Tuesday on their way to the mouth of Dolan and Pecan Springs, Devil's River, on a months hunting and fishing.

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YOUR CHOICE \$65.00 Buggy, \$65.00 Haviland China \$65.00 Cook Stove or Steel Range Out \$65.00 Gun, or a \$65.00 Windmill

We are advertising our magnificent line of Buggies, Hacks, Importation, China, Glassware, Crockery, Gun Cases, Paints, etc. and in order to start another coupon contest as follows: Each dollar's worth of goods purchased will entitle the purchaser to one coupon. It matters not what the goods are, a \$1 purchase will entitle you to one coupon, a \$3 purchase to three coupons, a \$5 purchase to five coupons, and so on. No fractional coupons will entitle you to a coupon, and each coupon must bear the firm's name in blue or black ink. The contest begins WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 15th, and ends at the closing hour on CHRISTMAS EVE. No return is placed on the holder of coupons, he can give same to whom he pleases. It must bear firm's signature, and cannot be secured except by a purchase to the extent of ONE DOLLAR. A 50 cent purchase positively DOES NOT entitle you to a coupon, SO DON'T ASK IT. Call at our store and get full particulars. (not to the newspapers). In a sealed envelope or box, with the name of the person to whom they are intended written on envelope or box, also write in plain figures on envelope or box, the number it contains. They will, on Christmas eve, be opened and carefully recounted and the party holding the largest number will be given a Christmas present of his or her choice of any of the above premiums. No partiality will or can be shown in the giving out of coupons, as the above simple rules will not be deviated from under any circumstances whatever. It behooves every body desiring to win, to get to work, and get the assistance of their friends, who may be entitled to coupons, but who are not endeavoring to win any of the above.

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Dr. A. L. Taylor of Temple, was in Sonora this week prospecting and hunting. He was so pleased with the prosperity of Sonora and country he decided to locate. He left for Temple Tuesday and will move to Sonora between the 20th of January and Feb. 1.

A matched race for \$25 and \$10 on the side will be run this evening between John Cooper's Sitting Bull and John Hovay's School Girl 1 1/4 mile.

Ladies, don't forget our fall stock of dress goods. We can now show them to you. Hagerlund Bros. 63

Picture-frames, a large assortment. Don't forget the Prize Doll and Tool Chest free. Go and get information how to get them at the Drug Store.

Judge J. J. Ellis, of Ellis, Edwards county, traveling land agent for the Southern Pacific Railroad company, is in Sonora on business for his company.

Swearingen & Brannan the new proprietors of the Ranch saloon are making lots of improvements in the saloon, Chris and Fred are still there and wish all their friends to call and see them.

Your Baby is a Treasure. If you want a JEWEL OF A PICTURE of him, have ROSE take a picture.

With direct factory connections and no high rents or salaries to pay, I am giving greater values in pianos and organs than any house inside or outside the state, great or small. Everything in music. Eight years established. General agent for Wm. Knabe & Co., Boardman & Gray, Crown, and Gilmore pianos. Crown organs. Write for catalogues and prices. Allen's music store, San Angelo, Texas. 72-4f

Died at the ranch of her son T. B. Birtrong, on Tuesday Dec. 14, Mrs. Mary J. Birtrong in the 82nd year of her age. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS sympathizes with the sorrowing friends and relatives.

Wm. A. Miers the stockman from the Ford ranch in Edwards county was in Sonora Wednesday on business.

LADIES having dandruff, or any trouble of the scalp, will find permanent cure by using Lightning Danderine, sold at the Barber Shop.

