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### BIG GUNS IN A DUEL.

Curious Combat That Was an Incident of the Crimean War.

Even war, with all its grim horror, has now and then a bit of fun, and enemies pitted against each other in deadly struggle can relax into friendly controversy. A general relates a curious incident of the Crimean war. While the British army lay before Sebastopol much speculation went on in regard to the relative merits of certain Russian and certain British guns.

One day during an armistice a Russian officer of artillery came to the British lines and asked to see the commander of the British artillery.

"Your sixty-eight pounder that your people call 'Jenny' is a beautiful gun," said the Russian, "but we have one as good in the embrasure and we should like a fair duel with her."

Arrangements were made that at 12 the next day all other firing should cease and that the two guns should be put to the test.

At the appointed time a large number of officers were assembled to view the contest. The British detachment took up their positions and saluted the Russians, who returned the compliment. The British gun, as the senior, was allowed to fire first. It struck the side of the Russian embrasure. Then the Russian gun fired and turned a goodly amount of masonry clear through the embrasure. The British victory was a foregone conclusion.

The parapets of the British were mistaken for the Russian embrasure. The Russian gun fired and the British officers were scattered. The British gun fired and the Russian officers were scattered. The British gun fired and the Russian officers were scattered.

Druckers' The Best

### Practically Applied.

A professor of Columbia, far more earnest in theory than in practice, was giving a few words of advice to his students in regard to using their powers of observation. "Always take notice of everything when you are going about, as there may come a time when your knowledge will be invaluable to you," he said.

That evening he had to make a call upon one of the trustees. Finishing his business, he was leaving the house just after dusk when without thinking he stepped from the door stone right into a large puddle of water. As he got out of the puddle he came face to face with one of the students he had lectured that afternoon.

"Professor," said the student blandly, "I observed that puddle when I was going in."—New York Press.

### Where It Always Rains.

There is a group of islands to the south of New Zealand called the Sisters, or Seven Sisters, which are reputed to be subjected to a practically constant rainfall. The same may be said of the islands and mainland of Tierra del Fuego, save for the difference that the rain often takes the form of sleet and snow. On a line running round the world from 4 degrees to 8 or 9 degrees there are patches over which rain seldom ceases to fall. This is called the "zone of constant precipitation," but at the same time there are several localities along with it with very little rainfall.

### Care of Sharp Knives.

Sharp knives should never be placed with other small utensils, as the delicate edge is easily injured by coming in contact with hard objects, and many unnecessary cuts result from sorting them from among spoons and forks. In a convenient place on the kitchen wall there a long cleat of soft wood into which the blades of the knives are inserted. The cleat is deep enough to receive the blades, and the handle prevents the knives from falling. The cleat is made of soft wood into which the blades of the knives are inserted. The cleat is deep enough to receive the blades, and the handle prevents the knives from falling.

### Why We Sold Papers.

A small new boy's loud, gay call halted a woman passing along the street of a western city, and as she had paid a penny for one of the papers she asked: "What do you pay for your paper?" "I pay for it," he replied, "because it makes anything about selling papers a chance," he answered, "but I'll go round with Harper's Magazine."

### HIS LUCKY PENCIL STROKE.

It Brought Him the Red Ribbon of the Legion of Honor.

There are people who spend all their lives trying to get a decoration, a bit of red ribbon to wear in their buttonhole. Others have the Legion of Honor bestowed on them without even asking for it. Here is an authentic story, showing how easy it is for some people to gain admittance to the ranks of the privileged legion. One day last summer an amiable and distinguished Parisian, well known in the theatrical world and on the boulevards, made the acquaintance at Luchon of an influential politician, and during the few days that their village life lasted their relations were of a very agreeable description.

"You know," said the politician when they were separating, "if ever I can be of service to you I shall expect you to make use of me. I shall be delighted if I can do anything for you."

Then they parted, and their paths lay in different directions. Several months passed before the two men who had become fast friends at Luchon were drawn together again. One day, however, the "Parisian sympathique" wanted some information of minor importance which his political friend, now a minister, could, he felt sure, supply him. He said to himself: "I'll go and see him. He offered me his services so kindly and even added laughingly, 'Are you not ambitious to have the red ribbon, you who have so many splendid connections?' I know he'll receive me well, anyhow."

And he went to the ministry. A garçon de bureau stopped him in the ante-chamber and asked his name. He told it him. "Write it down," said the usher severely.

The visitor took the sheet of paper offered him and wrote his name. Opposite the words "Object of visit" he wrote "Luchon, 1910," believing that it might be useful to recall the place where they had met; lest the minister should have forgotten an acquaintance formed when he was only a deputy. Then, taking a red pencil which was lying on the table, he underlined the word.

The usher disappeared and returned a moment later. "M. le ministre," he said, was extremely sorry that he could not receive monsieur, as he was sitting on a commission. But he remembered monsieur very well, and he would hear from him very shortly.

When the "promotion" in connection with the various exhibitions appeared the other day the amiable Parisian was surprised and delighted to find his name among those who had been decorated. Without asking for anything he had received the red ribbon, thanks to a happy stroke of the pencil.—Paris Cor. London Globe.

### Care of the Teeth.

In the cleaning of teeth great care should be taken. The upper teeth should be brushed downward and the lower teeth upward from the gums. This applies to both inside and outside. Tepid water is the best to use. The toothbrush should be small and curved and not too hard. When a new brush is purchased it should be soaked in water before using. If a brush is dried on a towel after being used and stood on end it will be found more durable. Toothbrushes should never be kept in a closed receptacle. Tooth preparations should be chosen with great discretion, and rough, hard powder should be avoided.

### A Good Little Speller.

"I learned to spell mister and missis in school today, mother," said the very youthful daughter of the lady in the flat across the hall last night.

"Oh, those are pretty hard words for a little girl who has just started to school," answered mother. "Are you sure that that was what you learned?"

The youthful daughter thought a minute. "Yes," she said, "quite sure. Mister is spelled m-i-s-t-e-r and missis s-h-e."—Detroit News.

### He Won Her.

A young fellow had popped the question and anxiously awaited the answer that was to decide his fate. "Do you ever gamble at cards?" the fair one asked.

"No," he answered, "but if I did now would be the time."  
"Why?" she inquired.  
"Because," he answered with a deep sigh, "I hold such a beautiful hand."

### An Eye Opener.

"Why do you wear a monocle in parliament?"  
"Well, you see," replied the candid tourist, "some of those speeches are deucedly dull, but you can't very well go to sleep, you know, with one eye popped open with a bit of glass."—Washington Star.

### COURTESY IN JAPAN.

Amazing Politeness of Train Hands in Collecting Tickets.

Courtesy is a characteristic of the Japanese, especially among officials, and A. M. Thompson, in describing his travels through the land of the chrysanthemum, says that even the word "please" is in Japan elaborated into a lingual art. Here is an example:  
"The guard in the train going to Tokyo, who affords us much information by the way, is exceedingly interested in us. He stands by my side on the platform and laughingly points out that the top of his head—he is of more than average size for a Japanese—barely reaches my shoulder.

"'Me big,' he says in his quaint English, 'but you more much big.'  
"He is, like all the Japanese we met, amazingly polite.

"When he comes round to examine tickets he begins by standing at the end of the car, takes off his cap to the honorable assembly, bows to the ground, rubs his knees with his hands, draws in his breath audibly and delivers himself of an announcement in Japanese which I imaginatively translate as follows: 'Your most honorable excellencies and most augustly deigning to be pleased ones, I hope you will pardon this creature of mud for having been born into this world to ask you, most gracious and superior ones, to show your augustly blessed tickets, after which I beg you will honorably deign to grind and crush me, who am but as a snail of the soil, beneath your kindly sandals.'

"The passengers, ceasing for a moment from their rice and chopsticks, bow profoundly in return, rub their knees with their hands, suck in their breath with the peculiar whistling sound which is the special expression of a Japanese greeting, fumble among their loose layers of clothes and ultimately produce their honorable tickets. After this there is more bowing on both sides and the guard, still bowing, vanishes."—London Family Herald.

### The Little Gentleman.

He was only a poor little messenger boy.  
When the young woman stepped into the elevator on the first floor of the Williamson building it was crowded with big men—and that messenger boy. In an instant the boy snatched his hat from his head. One by one, but with shamed blushes, the men in the elevator followed suit. The young woman was not handsome, but she was neat and trim and self possessed. Quickly she turned to the lad and said:  
"You are a little gentleman—one of the old fashioned sort!" and she flashed a wonderfully sweet smile upon him.

The child looked at her in amazement. He had been fumbling with his cap, but now he found the message he had stuck in its sweatband, took it out, stuck his cap on his head and began to whistle.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Easily Adjusted.

When the family for which Uncle Erastus had worked so long and faithfully presented him with a mule, he was overcome with joy.  
"He's a bad kicker, Uncle Rast," said the son of the family. "I told father I didn't see what you could do with an animal that liked to kick and back-biter than anything else."

"It's got dat all planned," said Uncle Erastus solemnly. "When I harnesses dat animal into my cart, if he acts contumacious an' starts in to back, I's gwine to take him right out'n de cart, turn it round an' den harness dat mule in hindside befo'. Dat'll humor him an' it'll get my cart up de hill jes' de same."—Youth's Companion.

### A Strong Attachment.

"The young man who marries for money has none too easy a time of it," said an actor. "His rich wife is apt to tire of him and throw him out in a few years, or else she is apt to limit his allowance to 25 or 50 cents a day."  
"I married money," a man once said to me.  
"Wasn't there a woman attached to it?" I asked.

"Yes, you bet there was," he exploded; "so much attached to it that she never parted with a penny."—Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.

### A Judge's Story.

One must learn to sympathize with domestic frailties. I was re-buking a man the other day for backing up his wife in what was not only an absurd story but one in which I could see he had no belief.  
"You should really be more careful," I said, "and I tell you candidly I don't believe a word of your wife's story."  
"You may do as yer like," he said mournfully, "but I've got to."—From Parry's "Judgments in Vacation."

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**National Lines Building to  
Orient Railroad.**

Work will commence in 35 days on the extension of the National Lines from Allente to Del Rio. This has been definitely determined on.

Something like 800 hands, will go on the work from the Trevino ranch and teams and other equipments are now being put in shape from the beginning.

It is announced that altogether there will be 4000 men to work on this extension and that it will be rushed to the Rio Grande as rapidly as possible, where the big International bridge is to be erected by the Orient and the National Lines.—Del Rio Herald.

The Allente-Del Rio extension of the National Lines will form a junction with the Orient at Del Rio. It was announced recently that the builders of the extension had received assurance from the Orient officials that the line south from San Angelo to Del Rio would be rushed.—San Angelo Standard.

**STOCK NEWS.**

Jap Holman and Jim Alford bought the Payne Roundtree mare for \$100 this week.

O. T. Word of Sonora sold 30 head of 1 and 2 year-old horses to Jessie Cargie at \$50 per head.

J. T. (Bac) Evans of Fort Terrell, sold to Frank Baker of Junction 400 head of two and three year old steers at p. To be delivered at Menard, March 1st.

Russell & Martin of Sonora, bought from J. T. Shurley 50 head of ones and 100 two year old steers at \$20 and \$25. They also bought 100 twos from Dock Simmons at \$25, and 60 head of ones from D. Wallace at \$20.

A scald, burn, or severe cut heals slowly if neglected. The family that keeps a bottle of BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT on hand is always prepared for such accidents. Price 25c 50c \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by All Druggists.

Will Hutoberson was in from the Sam McKnight ranch this week having a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas Cuthorn were in from the ranch several days this week enjoying themselves.

How to cure a cold is a question in which many are interested just now. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and immense sale by its remarkable cure of colds. It can always be depended upon. For sale by All Dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Mayfield were in from the ranch Tuesday and Wednesday and attended the races and dances.

H. E. Sharp merchant and post master of Mayer was in Sonora this week on a business and pleasure visit.

W. H. Kelley who ranches near Owenville, was a business visitor in Sonora this week, and squared his account with the Devil.

When her child is in danger a woman will risk her life to protect it. No great act of heroism or risk of life is necessary to protect a child from croup. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and all danger is avoided. For sale by All Druggists.

H. A. McDonald of Rock Springs was a business visitor in Sonora this week. Mr. McDonald was so well pleased with Sonora that he will move here soon. Mr. McDonald is a painter and paper hanger.

**Blamed A Good Worker.**

"I blamed my heart for severe distress in my left side for two years," writes W. Evans, Danville, Va., "but I know now it was indigestion, as Dr. King's New Life Pill completely cured me." Best for stomach, liver and kidney trouble, constipation, head ache or debility. 25c. at Nathans Pharmacy.

Tom Guthrie the saddler and harness maker of Rock Springs, was another business visitor in Sonora this week. Mr. Guthrie was so well pleased with Sonora that he intends moving here soon.

**Counting the Chances.**

We do not recall any presidential year since 1884 in which the study of probabilities, based on previous elections and on actual indications of popular sentiment, was more interesting and more puzzling than it is on eve of the approaching campaign. Leaving aside any estimate of the currents of opinion or the effect of particular nominations by the two parties there are certain figures which will bring out the complexity of the situation.

Mr. Taft was elected by 321 electoral votes to 162 for Mr. Bryan, a majority of 159 in the total of 483. His total votes was 7,678,908 and his popular majority was 1,269,804 a little more than 17 per cent. Bit decisive as this looks, there were five States in which fifty-two electoral votes were won by pluralities of less than 5 per cent of the total vote, or, in other words, a change of one vote in twenty in those States would have made a difference of 104 in the electoral college. The incident shows, as like incidents have shown in the past, the extreme intricacy of our system of election for the chief executive office, and how it tends to baffling calculations when political parties are nearly equal in strength and feeling is fluctuating.

This year there will be 531 electors, counting Arizona and New Mexico with three votes each, and 265 votes will be required for an election. If the States could be relied on to vote as they did in 1908, much bother and expense would be saved and our readers would not be interested in this article. But let us suppose that this year in each State the party which was the stronger in the latest election for governor should again win in the vote for president. The electoral votes would then be cast as shown in the following summary table:

REPUBLICAN	
California	13
Colorado	6
Delaware	3
Idaho	4
Illinois	29
Iowa	13
Kansas	10
Michigan	15
Minnesota	12
Missouri	18
Nebaska	8
New Hampshire	4
Pennsylvania	38
Rhode Island	5
South Dakota	5
Tennessee	12
Utah	4
Vermont	4
Washington	7
West Virginia	8
Wisconsin	13
Total	231

DEMOCRATIC.	
Alabama	12
Arkansas	9
Connecticut	7
Florida	6
Georgia	14
Indiana	15
Kentucky	13
Louisiana	10
Maine	6
Maryland	3
Massachusetts	13
Mississippi	10
Montana	4
Nevada	3
New Jersey	14
New York	45
North Carolina	12
North Dakota	5
Ohio	24
Oregon	5
Oklahoma	10
South Carolina	9
Texas	20
Virginia	13
Wyoming	3
Total	294

Democratic majority, 63  
Arizona, 3, and New Mexico, 3, omitted  
—New York Times.

You are probably aware that pneumonia always results from a cold, but you never heard of a cold resulting in pneumonia when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. Why take the risk when this remedy may be had for a trifle. For sale by ALL DEALERS.

The Rev. R. Mercer conducted Episcopal services last Sunday morning. A good sized congregation was present. We have heard nothing but praise both regarding the very fine music and the appropriate discourse which the pastor delivered being described as both fitting and timely. We understand that Mr. Mercer will conduct the next service on Sunday morning February 25.

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**Horse Feeding Experiment.**

The large horse feeding experiment ever conducted has just been completed by the Kansas agricultural college cooperating with the United States government. The result of this test in which 937 horses owned by the government were used were made public for the first time recently in an address before the Kansas horsebreeders association by Dr. C. W. McCampbell of the agricultural college who superintended the gigantic project. After Dr. McCampbell had spent two hours telling of the experiment he was called back again and again to answer questions, the discussion lasted another two hours.

To find if possible a grain or mixture of grains that would take the place of oats as a horse feed and give as good results but be more economical was one object of the test. Another reason of the experiment was to find the value of various hays for horse feeding purposes. Still another was to determine the effect of grain on the health of the animals used. All these questions were answered. Fifteen rations were fed to as many lots of horses for 140 days. Every meal for every one of those 937 horses was weighed and mixed in the proper proportions. Military discipline helped to make the experiment a success. Soldiers at Fort Riley where the feeding was done were under orders to do the work with the utmost care. Every horse was weighed before and after the test. The average weight of the horses used was 1150 pounds. They were artillery horses doing as much work probably as horses on the farm.

It was found that other feeds may be substituted entirely for oats in a ration for work horses with as good results and much cheaper. Oats, once and for all, was proved a better feed for work horses than corn, though more expensive. Seventy six horses fed oats gained sixteen pounds, an average gain, while the same number of horses eating corn lost twenty nine pounds apiece in the same time. But corn, when fed with the proper amount of alfalfa with the right quality gave as good results as oats and was 50 per cent cheaper. Alfalfa hay, when properly fed, was found to be more valuable roughage than either timothy or prairie hay, and it cheapens the cost of the daily ration from 25 to 40 per cent. The ration, six parts of corn, four of oats, four of brand and timothy hay probably is the best that can be fed a work horse, though not the cheapest. Horses fed on an oat ration did not show any more spirit than those that ate corn, which disproves an old theory.

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G. W. Irvin, Sonora

# Percheron Stallions

We will have in San Angelo on Saturday, February 10th a car of Percheron Stallions, coming 2s and 3s. The Pasture Raised kind. The kind that that do Good and Breed Good. Have never been in a Barn or fed grain. Big Boned. Most of them from Imported sires and some from imported mares, not a colt in the bunch but what will make a horse weighing 1700 to 2000 pounds at maturity. Coming 2s weigh now, without any flesh 1200 to 1400, the coming 3s 1300 to 1500 pounds. All Registered, Sound, Dark Colors. Part of the are sold on orders, the balance will come first served.

It was all for you to accommodate the Mayor, Johnson, Will E. El Price, Clay and Arthur Mac visitors from San Mr. and Mrs. Miss Ellen Brad in Sonora this home in Middle District Attorney Sonora this week Carson-Baker ing trial of Ba about the 19th,

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## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that I, the undersigned, W. L. Aldwell, have been duly appointed temporary administrator of the estate of E. R. Jackson, deceased, and have duly qualified as such temporary administrator. Any and all parties indebted to the estate of said E. R. Jackson, deceased, are hereby notified that I am the only party authorized to receive payments on such indebtedness and all payments should be made to me. My post office address is Sonora, Sutton County, Texas.

W. L. ALDWELL,  
Temporary Administrator, Estate of E. R. Jackson, deceased.

## A SAD AFFAIR.

People out side of the new paper workers may not know how hard it is for reporters to report or comment on some things that are particularly local and affecting friends on both sides. But at the same time the story must be told.

Philip Baker and Holly Carson (both Sutton county raised boys) had a personal difficulty Monday evening in front of the Smoke House Pool Hall and the unfortunate meeting resulted in Carson being seriously injured fatally wounded. Both boys are of about the same age and have hereofore, presumably, been friendly. There does not seem to have been any grounds for a basis for a serious altercation, in so far as the News is able to learn. But the results before us: Baker is under \$2,500 bond and Carson is seriously wounded. Carson's most serious wound is a stab in the abdomen with painful cuts in neck, back and shoulders. Dr. Marberry of San Angelo was sent for and he with Drs. Wardlaw and C. D. Smith of Sonora performed a successful operation and it is hoped that the young man will recover. Holly Carson is about 19 and Philip Baker about 27. Neither are married. Both boys have borne good reputations. Baker was unharmed excepting a black eye. Baker is the next to youngest son of R. T. Baker one of Sutton's east side wealthy ranchmen. Holly Carson is a well known boy in this and the Juno country. He has practically made his own way through life and the News hopes that he will recover from his present injuries and all others have the same wish.

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## IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS Since our last annual meeting, our Honored President Mr. Edward R. Jackson, who has been president of this bank since its organization, has been removed by death, having died in the City of San Angelo, Texas, on the twenty-third day of December, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Eleven;

THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by The First National Bank of Sonora, Texas, in annual meeting assembled, that we place upon record ample attestation of the high esteem in which he is held by the directors and stock holders of this institution, and the great loss sustained by his death.

We gladly bear record of his sterling worth as a business man of great ability and energy, his wise counsel, his charitable disposition, and his great sympathy with and for suffering humanity, his generous gifts towards building up the general interests of Sonora and elsewhere, all of which tend to render his loss almost irreparable. Having by hard work, economy and honesty, raised himself to a position of affluence among the business men of this State, yet he ever retained the same modest and unassuming disposition, which caused him to be greatly beloved by all who knew him, and who now in their mourning remember him as a true friend from whose hands, silently, generous gifts have been bestowed.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this bank; that a true copy thereof be sent to Mrs. W. L. Aldwell and family, and that a copy be furnished each of the Sonora papers for publication.

E. F. VANDER STUCKEN,  
E. E. SAWYER,  
D. J. WYATT,  
G. S. ALLISON,  
WILL WHITEHEAD,  
Board of Directors.

## Elected Officers.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The News rates for announcements is:  
Congressional, Legislature and Judicial Districts \$5  
County Officers \$10  
Precinct officers \$1.50.  
All announcements are payable in cash in advance.  
The Devil's River News is authorized to announce.

## SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR

T. B. Adams as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Will Perry as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Sam Merck as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Geo. J. Frainer, as a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

James Pharis as a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

B. L. Binyon, as a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

C. S. Holcomb, as a candidate for election to the office of County Treasurer of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

J. E. Grimland, as a candidate for election to the office of County Treasurer of Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

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Will practice in all the State Courts

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SONORA, TEXAS.

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Office in residence.

Phone connection.

Sonora, Texas.

## EARL DENMAN

Is running a service car. Day or night.

## For Treasurer.

The News is authorized to announce J. E. Grimland as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer. Ed Grimland has filled the office in a satisfactory manner and if elected will discharge the duties of the office to the best of his ability.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Clarkson were in from their Lost Lake ranch for the race.

The A. F. Clarkson sorrel mare won by 10 feet against the W. T. O. Holman horse in the matched 1.4 mile dash Tuesday.

Matched pony races have prevailed throughout the week. The most spectacular was the 200 yard dash between the G. W. Stephenson roan and the Stockton sorrel from McKavett. The Stephenson roan won by 15 feet.

J. B. Blakeney sold the Corner Drug store stock to C. S. Holcomb this week. Mr Holcomb was in the drug business for five years prior to his coming to Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dridale of the Juno country were visitors in Sonora this week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nathan. Mr Dridale came up on account of the condition of Holly Carson.

Mack Weaver of the Rocksprings country was in Sonora this week as escort and general manager for the biggest bunch of big men that ever found their way across the divide at one time—However they had the law with them. D. B. Sherill the Justice of Peace; Henry Philips, deputy sheriff (and a good judge of horses); Green Locky who takes side hits and is studying for the G. P. C. and Elmo Boyce as stated by H. L. Wade said that the cars did not run over them.

## SCHOOL NOTES.

(By J. A. Woodford)

Several of the ladies have visited school recently among whom we note Mesdames Wheat, Tom Holland, Ward, Graham, Beard, Lowrey, and Mr John Ward also spent half a day with us. We are pleased to have you come and invite you to come again. Every parent, especially ought to visit school, often if you can, occasionally, at least.

A new 8th grade algebra class has been started for those most advanced, with a view of making work better next year.

The 5th monthly examination was held this week. The report cards will be out next week. If your child does not present his card for it. These are for the parents' inspection and every child is entitled to one. You need not sign them, but be sure and inspect them.

As spring approaches there is a disposition on the part of children to get tired. Some will quit, those whose parents are inattentive. Watch out for "hooky" plying. We will ask for excuses to cover the time your child is not here. Be sure you know just what time these cover. Parents must sign these cards themselves. Don't authorize the child to sign your name. The teacher will not accept it.

We have not been annoyed with playing truant so far but little, but if teachers or parents show any slackness it will grow. Recently three boys staid out half a day. These boys had for a leader one of the brightest boys in school, but a boy whose work is not satisfactory because of two much leineney at home. Each boy returned his excuse properly signed as the teacher supposed. By comparison of signatures it was found that one was not genuine, having been signed by another child at the mother's request, neither really knowing what absence it covered. Had it not been for this vigilance on the part of the teacher the parents would not have known the boy played truant. They refused to sign the card, you do likewise, if you wish to uphold the teacher's hands.

The object of classification is to place pupils in right relations to work, and to each other, and to facilitate progress through the grades. In any school differences are sure to exist in the age and maturity of pupils, in their ability and power of application, in regularity of attendance and in the amount of assistance rendered at home; and these differences must be recognized.

We must not overlook the necessity of regular attendance. It means much. Parents who will listen to excuses will find many things to keep children out. Two or three days out of a week at school is little better than none. If your child is sick keep him at home, if necessary, but a boy sick enough to stay away from school but well enough to stay in town is able to come to school. One of our largest boys, any worst behind for his age has spent practically all the past two weeks in town with the excuse of being sick. He soon will be pushed into active life. Its to late to train them. Had you observed they are training the race horses before the race, wonder why they don't wait till after? It's to late then. Yes, and, young man, when the duties of life come upon you, it's too for you to get it.

If the parents of some of the boys who are nightly on the streets would come to school some day they would not feel proud of their son's ability to handle his classwork. Parents, don't you care any more for the future of these boys than such a course would indicate? Don't you know street loafing saps every good impulse in a boy? You can know, if you will observe what it has done for others, and your boy will fare no better. Keep the boys out of town of nights. They tell you they have their lessons, but an examination of their report, a talk with their teacher or a visit to school will prove to you they are deceiving you.

Town lots in Sonora are for sale by the Martin Commission Co. Buy one now and get in on the ground floor. Do it now before prices advance. The new map are being made and the dedication of the streets and alleys will be made as soon as possible. Perfect title. No trouble to show you. See Martin Commission Co.

## Or. King's New

The best in the world.

## COMMITTEES REPORT.

The following is the Committee report for the Christmas celebration:

Amount Received.	
J. B. Blakeney	\$12.00
First National Bank	17.00
Sonora Mercantile Co.	17.00
E. F. Vanderstucken Co.	17.00
City Grocery Co.	12.00
A. H. Nathan	7.00
Luther Thorp	7.00
Grimland & Allison	7.00
Mrs. Joste McDonald	2.50
Willis Keaton	2.50
Brusher & Jacobson	2.50
Ica Adams	2.00
Theo. S. Vell	17.00
Trainer Bros.	17.00
J. G. Barton	17.00
Mrs. Laura Decker	5.00
Sid Gilbert	5.00
Telephone Co.	2.50
Bob Anderson	5.00
Cornell & Wardlaw	5.00
Entrance Fees Tournament	5.00
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Total	\$243.50

## PAID OUT.

Mantler for lamps	1.00
Boy for sweeping	0.50
Boy for bridge 1st in tournament	15.00
Marion Stokes, 2nd "	5.00
Len Johnson 1st goat roping	10.00
Wort Stephenson 2nd "	5.00
Tommy Martines use of goats	5.00
W. Holman 1st 1.4-mile race	40.00
J. B. Blakeney 2nd "	10.00
Gen Stephenson 1st 200 yards	20.00
W. Holman 2nd "	5.00
Len Johnson 1st cigar race	7.50
Lee Binyon 2nd "	2.50
Harry Sharp entrance fee	1.00
Wiley Holland 1 needle race	10.00
Pink Glascock & H. Bridge 2nd in needle race	5.00
Bin Binyon work on ground	12.50
City Grocery Co.	11.00
Corner Drug Store	8.25
E. F. Vanderstucken Co.	7.65
Sonora Mercantile Co.	6.65
Corner Drug Store	3.50
Joe Beard fixing time watch	1.00
Ira Ogden sweeping	0.50
E. F. Vanderstucken Co.	0.60
H. L. Bridge music	50.00
Total	\$218.15

Sedentary habits, lack of outdoor exercise, insufficient mastication of food, constipation, a torpid liver, worry and anxiety, are the most common of stomach troubles. Correct your habits and take Chamberlain's stomach and liver tablets and you will soon be well again. For sale by All dealers.

## For Assessor.

B. L. Binyon is a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county and the News is authorized to make the announcement. Ben Binyon has been a resident of the county for practically 20 years. He was here before the county was organized but resided in Crockett county for a few years. He is well known to most of the stockmen, has a large acquaintance and if elected will fill the office to the best of his ability.

A child that has intestinal worm is handicapped in its growth. A few doses of WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE (estroys and expels worms; the child immediately improves and thrives wonderfully. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Eldorado did the nice thing to Sonora Tuesday. To days results may reverse the favor—but however—we are taking first favors. Sonora was greatly pleased to find so many of our twin sister's people present Tuesday and Tuesday night. Had it not been for the generosity of the commissioners court Sonora could not have entertained the crowd. Unfortunately there is no other place, but Sonora hopes to have one soon.

A heavy cold in the lungs that was expected to cure itself has been the starting point in many cases of disease that ended fatally. The sensible course is to take frequent doses of BALLARD'S HOREFOUND SYRUP. It checks the progress of the disorder and assists nature to restore normal conditions. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Dan Merck who has been farming on the Aug Moos ranch, in Edwards county, was in Sonora his week attending to business. Dan intends leaving in a few days or week, Travis county, where he will live for about a year and then come back to Devil's River.

Gas in the stomach or bowels is disagreeable symptom of a torpid liver. To get rid of it quickly take BERBERINE. It is a marvelous liver stimulant and "Sowel" purifier. Price 50c. Sold by All druggists.

