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We are the agents of the owners of all the unsold town lots in SONORA and also the Suburban property, and as such we will take pleasure in answering inquiries of those contemplating settling here; and we will also be pleased to show property to visitors who may feel a desire to be freeholders in SONORA. We can offer very liberal terms on payments, so that anyone desiring to take advantage of school facilities and the other conveniences afforded by the Capital of a flourishing county, and although only two years old, the largest town within a radius of sixty-five miles, need not delay till selling time of wool, beef or mutton.

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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, April 18, 1891.

Educational center—the head.

Patience implies a disposition to work. Is it not laziness.

The fast man runs his life out trying to keep up with himself.

A man's experience is either something he has or something that has him.

Man would not know that there is such a thing as light if there were no darkness.

The truth will live whether it is spoken or not, but unless a lie is repeated it will die.

The man who spends his time lying around is apt to do his share of lying—about his neighbors.

A sound discretion is not so much indicated by never making a mistake as by never repeating it.

Hypnotism is now being used in San Francisco as a cure for the liquor habit it was tired on a confirmed drunkard and as a result he has lost his violent craving for liquor.

The gallantry of the age is phenomenal. Girls are expected to get hustles on themselves and gather in either a husband or a profession by which to earn a living. Sometimes both.

At last the question is how many rights an average citizen is entitled to. Of course we understand that some very brave fellows are entitled to all they can carry off. They even take the wrongs of others and make out of them some rights for themselves.

The sales of yearlings in England during the year 1890 indicate that the summit of prices has not yet been reached. Baron Hirsch paid \$25,000 for one yearling and several others brought about \$15,000 each. 600 yearlings brought one million of dollars, an average of \$1,666 each. Really good material will always command top prices.

The magnitude of the trotting horse business cannot be shown better than in sales which annually take place at Lexington, Kentucky. During the seven days which just closed, Woodward has sold 464 horses for \$322,150, an average of \$694, which makes it one of the best seven days' sales ever held. During the Brasfield sale, 891 horses changed hands for \$549,790 a grand average of \$616. And when we take into account that thousands of dollars are paid out in private sales during these public vendues, the figures are appalling. In short, no business in the United States has grown so rapidly as this—Breeder and Sportsman.

Chas. Malloy has sold 180 two and three old steers to Frank Houston, of Belleville, Texas; consideration \$18 a head. Mr. Hughes also sold 57 head at \$16 per head to the same party.—Concho Herald.

Western cattle sent from Chicago are now being sold in Switzerland. Last week 130 were sold and they gave the most perfect satisfaction. Zurich took thirty, Basle, Berne and St. Galle each twenty, and Winterthur and Brug each ten head, and the beef was pronounced to be excellent in quality. It was sold off at the usual selling price, about 17 cents per pound, and proved inadequate to the demand, which has been created by the news of the experiment being made.

Read the Devil's River News.

From the San Angelo Standard.

It is reported that the Capitol Syndicate bought 2,000 steer yearlings at \$10 per head.

N. P. Rogers sold 600 head of stock cattle to George Simmons, of Colorado City, at \$8 per head.

It is reported that O. T. Word, of Devil's River sold his wethers, after shearing, to a Big Spring's buyer, at \$3 per head.

Major Drake, of Emerald City, has been in San Angelo several days. He has from 1000 to 1200 one and two-year-old steers for sale.

G. C. Mauzy bought 300 mutton, wool on, from Mark Fury, at \$2.75 per head.

The John Perry Pecos grass beeves—200—that recently sold at \$25 per head, averaged 1035 pounds in Chicago, where they netted the first buyer \$7 per head.

F. Mayer & Sons of McKavett delivered 400 head of 3 and 4 year old steers to Bird & Mertz, Tuesday morning, at \$14 and \$16 per head.

Green & Maxwell, of Sherwood, sold to Dr. Guy Rowland, late of Brownwood, 1349 head of sheep and 430 lambs, with wool on, lambs not counted, \$3.25 per head.

Sol Mayer, of McKavett, on Monday, sold 500 steer yearlings, for F. Mayer & Sons, to John Persee, of the North Concho, at \$7.75 per head, to be delivered at McKavett in May.

Our old friend, Jim Currie, owner of the famous Muldoon Ranch, in Glasecock county, sold on the 8th inst., 140 head of 3 and 4 year old beeves at \$27.50 per head to Burt Simpson of Colorado City.

The largest trade in wethers sheep that has been consummated in Texas this season was made in San Angelo yesterday. Schauer & Pulliam sold 8,000 head to G. S. Long, late of New Mexico. Consideration \$22,400. The stock will be turned over the latter part of May, after shearing.

John McCoy, of the firm of Bartlett, Smith & McCoy, Camp Charlotte, has been in the city recently, undergoing medical treatment for bronchial troubles. He reports that from 1600 lambs, dropped, they will raise 1400, and that in May or June they will have 500 head of half-breed Shropshire wethers that will weigh in Chicago 120 pounds each.

John Jones, the merchant and post master of Christoval, was in the city Thursday.

There are now nearly 100 members enrolled in the San Angelo club and applications show no inclination to stop. The club bids fair to be a large factor in the social life of the city.

Miss Dee Drake, of Emerald City, and one of the most interesting young ladies in West Texas, accompanied by Mrs. Young, was in the city Monday and Tuesday the guest of Mrs. Geo. Wilhelm.

The Concho National Bank has increased its capital to \$70,000. The \$20,000 of the new stock has been taken by E. A. Lynd, Gowrie, Iowa; W. H. Godair, San Angelo; Jno. Hoxie, Fort Worth; M. Lasker, Galveston; W. N. Flander, Plainfield, N. J.; J. J. Rackley, San Angelo; A. H. Pierce, (Shanghai Pierce), Pierce Station; Winfield Scott, Fort Worth.

Menardville Record.

A. B. Prior one of Schleicher's leading stockmen was in the city. He reports a healthy pair of twine on his ranch.

Charley Adams the founder of Sonora came over Sunday. He says there is room in Sonora for 10,000 families and that Sutton county will supply homes for 100,000 farmers.

Fweddy—Cholly, I've such an allgone feeling in mestomach don't y' know?

Cholly—Yes, your stomach sympathizes with your head, don't you know?

Sheep are still so plentiful in Australia and New Zealand that the carcasses are being boiled down for the tallow. The refrigerator mutton trade is on the increase however.

W. H. BOLGER, DEALER IN STOVES and HARDWARE, Queensware, China & Glassware. San Angelo, Texas.

T. C. FROST, BANKER, AND COMMISSION MERCHANT, SAN ANTONIO, - - TEXAS. Cash Advances made on every product of the country consigned for sale.

John McNicol, County Surveyor and GENERAL LAND AGENT, SONORA, - TEXAS. Lands rendered for Taxes and Taxes for non-residents.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF FULL WOOL SALES MADE BY CHAS. HURST, the San Angelo Wool Commission merchant. Read carefully and place your spring clip with him:

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Headquarters for Wagons, Barb Wire, Ranch and General Hardware. Stoves and Agricultural Implements. Gwin, Allen & Brown, San Angelo.

F. M. WYATT, The Blacksmith, is the Sutton Co. agent for the "AERMOTOR" Windmill, Office SONORA, Texas.

SONORA & SAN ANGELO Stage and Express Line, J. R. HOLMAN, Pro. Single Trip \$5. Round Trip \$8.

Stage leaves Sonora and San Angelo every day, except Sunday, at 7 a. m. The trip being made in one day. Express parcels carried at a low rate and satisfaction guaranteed.

P. HURST, Agent, Sonora. R. E. HARRIS & BRO, Agent San Angelo.

COUNTY OFFICERS. Judge... L. J. Dunagan. Clerk... W. B. Silliman. Sheriff & Tax Collector... J. P. McConnell. Treasurer... W. H. Sowell. Attorney... L. N. Halbert. Surveyor... J. McNicol. Assessor... W. R. Rudick. Inspector... T. B. Adams.

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Metallic Railroad Ties.
Metallic railway ties are by no means a new invention, although the railway companies of the United States have been singularly backward in adopting them. They were laid upon European roads as early as 1860, and since that time the number has increased, so that in 1890 no less than 10,222 miles of track were laid with them. In addition to this there were, in the same year, 1,291 miles in Africa, 9,314 in Asia, chiefly in India, and 3,783 in Mexico, Central and South America; but in the United States, a nation usually in the lead of all improvements, there were only two miles, these having been put down as an experiment. Quite aside from the question of cost it would seem that that of safety alone is of sufficient importance to justify the substitution of a substantial metallic tie for the short lived wooden one, with its unreliable fastening.

Three-fourths of a mile of track were laid with these ties on the Chicago, Western and Indiana railroad in Chicago in October, 1889, and the time elapsed has been sufficient to give results of some reliability. The ties were laid at a point where the ballast was light gravel, and the traffic eighty regular trains in one direction each day, the heaviest engine weighing 96,000 pounds, with 15,000 pounds on each pair of drivers. During the time that the ties have been down over 37,500 trains have passed over them, and the manager states that the cost of this maintenance has been so small as to be hardly worth taking into consideration.—New York Telegram.

She Was Too Eager.
A well known vocal teacher of Boston, whose reputation brings him pupils from all over the country, relates that there once came to him a lady who announced herself as a music teacher from another city, and declared her intention of taking a course of lessons. She asked his terms, and pronounced them satisfactory, and then went on to talk about the time of lessons.

"You see," she explained, "I have only a limited time in Boston, and I must make the most of it, so as to get the whole course in that time."

"How long are you to be in Boston?" he asked.

"Only two weeks," she replied.

"Twenty lessons in three weeks?" he exclaimed in surprise.

"Oh," she responded easily, "I could take two lessons some days."

"Yes," the teacher answered, "or you might take the whole twenty lessons one after the other all at once. That would only take about ten hours."

The face of the lady brightened.

"Would you really be willing to give them to me that way?" she asked.

"Then I could get home inside of ten days, and get my advertisement as your pupil printed before the end of vacation." And the amusing part of the story is that the woman could not be made to see the absurdity of her suggestion.—Boston Courier.

Paddy's Idea of a Microbe.
Two sons of the Emerald Isle sat in the depot the other day, running from one current topic of discussion to another. They finally reached the subject of the great prevalence of sickness. "Aren't ye afraid of typhoid fever?" said Denis.

"Yes, I am," replied Pat.

"Pat?"

"Yes, Dinny."

"What are these microbes and germs the docters are talking about?"

"Waal, I'll tell yez my idee, Dinny. Them germs and microbes are pacifical things. Flannigan was tellin' me about them. He sez they reside in the wather. He was fishing Monday, and he pulled up his line, begob, and found a microbe on it. He sez it loked like a bullhead, but it had a peculiar face. He sez he threw it back after he got over being scart. Me own opinion is, Dinny, that microbes are a peculiar kind of fish."

"Begob, I guess ye're right, Pat. There's a good deal of sickness prevailin'."

"Yes," replied Pat, "there's a good deal, Dinny. There do be well puple complainin'."—Albany Argus.

Reptiles Seventy Feet in Length.
What the mammals are in the scale of creation today the reptiles were in the mesozoic epoch. They swam the seas, climbed trees and were most phenomenal jumpers. Some of them even flew. While some were herbivorous, living upon plants, others were carnivorous, preserving existence by devouring their vegetable eating consins. The vegetarian reptiles were enormous beasts, often as much as seventy feet in length. They afforded food for the carnivorous reptiles, which were smaller than the herbivorous kind, just as lions and tigers nowadays are smaller than oxen.

Though bigger, the vegetarian creatures usually had no armor nor weapons to defend themselves with. Their most powerful defence was a kick, which, delivered with a hind leg fifteen feet in length, was usually not by any means to be despised.—Professor Cope in Washington Star.

Uncleanliness Often the Trouble.
The variety of shoes which claim to follow the natural shape of the foot is almost as large as those that do not. Some of these shoes are so absurdly broad at the toes that they give an impression that they were designed for a hoofed beast; others are ventilated in the sole. But, in spite of all these original and expensive patented devices, the fact remains that as many people escape all afflictions of the feet who wear ordinarily well shaped, hand sewn shoes as those who adopt eccentric shoes. It is evident that there is some other trouble besides the shape of the shoe that is at work.—New York Tribune.

Reasonable.
Father—My dear girl, the last gown you got was only eighty dollars, but this one is ninety dollars. Is this worth ten dollars more than the other?

Daughter—Certainly, father. Just think how much later it is.—Cloak Review.

A. W. Pride was in town Friday
J. M. G. Baugh was in Sonora Friday.
S. R. Sellers was in Sonora Friday.
F. McHugh left on a business trip to Angelo Saturday.
John Boyd has been in Sonora this week.
Judge Dunagan was out for a hunt last week.

S. I. Nicks returned from Burnet Thursday.
Col. B. A. Osgood was in town Thursday.
John Hall of Beaver Lake, was in Sonora Tuesday.
Richard Meiers, of Fredricksburg was in Sonora Thursday.
J. E. Click the tank builder, is at work on a tank for J. M. Taylor.
Mrs. J. W. Odom and daughter Miss Ora, were in Sonora Wednesday.

The handsome Mr. E. S. Briant, of Kentucky, was in Sonora Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. H. Knausenberger were in the city the first of the week.
W. H. Cusenbary will shortly commence the erection of a pretty residence on Prospect Hill.

B. F. McDonald and lady of Beaver Lake, were in Sonora Thursday.
W. M. Saunders, son of D. Saunders of Beaver Lake, was in Sonora Thursday.
Max Mayer returned from the ranch Friday. He says the cattle are slick and in good condition.

T. T. Tomason & Bro., bought from W. H. Sowell, his ranch 6 miles from Sonora, for \$1,800.
D. K. McMullen, of the sheep firm of McMullen & Williamson, was in Sonora Thursday.
If you can find a better county than the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS we would like you to trot 'em out.

J. B. Hudspeth and family of Runnels, moved to the trading center of the Stockman's Paradise, Wednesday.
W. A. Stewart returned from a business trip to McKenzie Lake, last week.
Treasurer W. H. Sowell and family will move to town and live in West Sonora.

The marriage of Max Mayer to Miss Dee Drake is announced to take place at the residence of the bride's father at Emerald on April the 29th.
The meeting to take action on the telegraph and telephone question has been postponed until Monday night at the school house. Do not fail to attend.

Thomas Rudd and family of Schleicher county are in Sonora visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ohlenburg. Mr. Rudd reports having sold his yearlings at \$9 and his twos at \$13.
J. T. Haile, the New York Life insurance agent is in Sonora. Mr. Haile was here last fall, is a capable business man and represents one of the best companies in America.

Postmaster Hurst has been circulating a petition to the Postmaster General, asking that a mail route be established between Sonora and Junction City, also that a line to connect Juno with Sonora be established. The petition was largely signed and will doubtless be granted.
J. C. Raas, the merchant, Albert Raas, the banker and C. R. Brown the hardware merchant, of San Angelo, and members of the San Angelo and Sonora telegraph and telephone company, will be in Sonora Monday to confer with our citizens, stockmen and business men relative to the establishment of a telegraph line from San Angelo to Sonora. Come and say how many shares you will take at \$25 a share.

Jackson & Co., have made the following sales of wool during the past week: E. S. Franks, 29 bags 5 months clip, 19 cents; G. W. McComber 64 bags, 10 months' clip 20 1-2 cents. Both sales were made to Johnson & Hill, agents for Nichols, Dupree & Co., of Boston. The prices given are stiff as the wool was not particularly light, and indicates that there is a strong demand for Texas wools at fine figures. It is to be expected that San Angelo, the largest wool market in the state, should be looked to for early purchases and it is in the natural order of things that this city should lead the dance.—Standard

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Are you coming to San Angelo during the
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If so, do not fail to call on

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Such a Variety of DRY GOODS,
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Have never been shown by any one house west of Dallas.
We are anxious to show our stock to Intending
Visitors to this City and we promise you a
Saving of Money against any house
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Give this your careful consideration and buy
Your goods where you get the best for the least Money.

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and General Ranch Supplies.
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P. S: special bargains in Carpets and Matings

Stock News.

Texas sheep were quoted at \$5.25 in Chicago on the 13th.
Joe Moss, sold to Hart & Son, of Chicago, 140 head of steers at \$30.
The sheepmen of the Stockman's Paradise are jubilant over their successful lamb crop.
If you desire to see some fine lambs visit the many ranches in the Stockman's Paradise.

The clip this spring is fully up to the average and some what lighter.
Dan Cauthorn was in for supplies Monday. Mr. Cauthorn reports having 600 mutton that will average 110 pounds in Chicago.

General F. M. Drake, one of the successful cattlemen of the Stockman's Paradise was in Sonora on land business Monday.
Isaac Gronsky bought of H. Pegott at Toyah last week his entire flock consisting of 8,000 head of graded Merino sheep.—Colorado Clipper.

C. F. Adams left Saturday on a business trip down the river as far as Comstock. He will attend to the shearing of his 6000 muttons before returning.
J. E. Mills was in from the ranch Tuesday. He engaged his shearers and will commence next Monday. Mr. Mills reports his clip to be the finest he has had for years.

P. M. H. bought from Lory & Jones of Archer county, 3,500 head of stock sheep with lambs thrown in at \$3 a head, 12 months wool on. This wool sold for 25 cents a pound last year.

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JOHN A. J. LYELL.

Why Do Sheepmen Use Lime and Sulphur?

"No other element is so inimical to the interest of American wool growing as the large use of the lime and sulphur dip. It injures the fibre and lowers the quality of our American grown wool."—New York Journal of Commerce.

We have the pleasure to direct the attention of our sheep farming friends to the advertisement which appears in this issue, of the well known and much used Cooper's Dip. It appears that the proprietors of this world renowned dip, have established themselves at Galveston in order to give better attention to their American business which is now we believe quite considerable. The price is reduced from \$20 to \$16 per case to make 1000 gallons wash and this price will make it as cheap as lime and sulphur, while many of our sheepmen know the Cooper Dip is not open to the objections attending the use of those materials.

Messrs. Cooper have sent us a pamphlet containing very flattering testimonials from sheepmen in every important sheep state in the union, and evidence of the high prices obtained for wool dipped in their preparation. We cannot but think that this dip will now have a large sale among our sheepmen. Messrs. Cooper state that there need be no scab in the country, if every sheepman would regularly dip his sheep in their preparation. The dip is used on 75,000,000 sheep, a fact which carries more weight than anything we could say in its favor.

Should Move to the Stockman's Paradise.

BELTON, Texas, April 14, '91.
ED. DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS:
There has been good rains in parts of the country. The prospects for crops are fine. Corn looks well and a great deal of cotton is up. The farmers are in fine spirits.
Cattle are slow sale, steer yearlings sell at \$5 per head; stock cattle \$4.50 to \$5 per head, and dull sale. Mutton sell at \$2 to \$2.25 after shearing.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Parker were in Sonora Wednesday.

Wm. Adams, was in Sonora Tuesday.
T. D. Word, the inspector of Menard county was in Sonora Wednesday.

George Traweek came in town Saturday from G. Huber's ranch where he has been building a rock dipping vat.
B. F. Cole, well driller for W. B. Rountree left for Menard county with his outfit Saturday. Mr. Rountree has contracts for several wells in that county.

In this issue will be seen the advertisement of John Douglass, late proprietor of the Douglass Hotel at Paint Rock. Mr. Douglass is a first-class hotel man and will run a first-class house or pone.
Plenty of land in the Stockman's Paradise that may be leased at 4 cents per acre. No more room for drifters.

An effort should be made to have the road improved wherever necessary, from Uvalde to Rock Springs and on to Sonora, Sutton county. More trade goes to Kerr county from this section than Uvalde gets from any section, and this, too, with Uvalde five miles nearer, and ten miles the best road.—Cor. Uvalde News.

Shearing has been held back all this week on account of the heavy rains. From present indications we will have another week of rain.
The clip from the Stockman's Paradise will be as bright as a new pin, owing to the heavy rains of the past two weeks.

R. F. Wallace late manager for D. B. Cusenbary's ranch died at the ranch on Thursday the 16th inst., at 39 years of age, from pneumonia, superinduced by la grippe. Deceased was well liked and a successful manager. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his untimely death. His life was insured in the New York Life for \$1,000. The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS extends its sympathies to the sorrowing relatives.

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OF SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.
Cash Capital Paid in \$100,000
Surplus and Profits 20,000
An Institution thoroughly identified with the
Interests of the Country, and ready at ALL
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Charles Rueff,
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For everything in the way of
Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, Blind, Cement and Plaster,
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W. S. KELLY, Mgr. SAN ANGELO.

Crews, McGregor & Co.
Hardman, Este & Braumuller Pianos.
Estey and Newman Bros. Organs.
Bought for cash and sold on easy installments.
Banjos, Guitars, Violins, Acordians, Sheet Music, Etc.
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I. N. WEBB,
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Orders by Mail will receive prompt attention when the Writer is known.

Chris Meinecke,
AGENT FOR THE
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JAS. C. LANDON, Proprietor, SAN ANGELO.

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SONORA, TEXAS, April 18, 1891. Misses Agnes Murchison and Ella Winsor, accompanied by Frank Murchison were in Sonora Tuesday.

Take all your repairing of all kinds to M. Eastland & Son, the San Angelo Jewellers.

H. N. Huntington, of Rochester, N.Y., and F. R. Gwynn, of New York, the pleasant young gentlemen who are spending the winter on Dr. Taylor's ranch, were in Sonora Tuesday.

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

Felix Vander-Stucken has been in a very thoughtful mood all week. He might have been seen wandering around the residence-ports of the city looking for a desirable dove cottage site.

Bendstends at J. J. Rackley for \$2.50 Mattresses " " " 2.50 Saws " " " 4.00

J. J. Lory, of Archer county, made the Devil's River News a pleasant call Saturday. Mr. Lory has been a sheepman for 13 years and is the owner of some fine farming land in Archer county.

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

To see the supplies the various ranchmen of the Stockman's Paradise buy in Sonora the trading center, would cause you to think they were opening grocery stores on every ranch in the country.

Field glasses of all kinds for ranchmen at M. Eastland & Son, the jewelers San Angelo.

Ranchmen for 50 miles around, do their trading in Sonora where they can buy their supplies as cheap as any place in West Texas.

If you are looking for a ranch location do not forget to come to the Stockman's Paradise.

A bank in Sonora could do a world of business.

A correspondent in Montreal, Canada, writes: "We take up the Star here and read of the ice shoves and threatened floods, then take the Devil's River News and read of picnics under the shade of the wide spreading oak. It makes us feel that there is a vast difference in the atmosphere."

Sonora is the metropolis of the Devil's River country.

John Rao the agreeable and substantial sheepman of Schleicher county, was in Sonora Monday, engaging shearers.

It is amusing to note the change in the tone of the local press. Not many months ago their cry was farmers. Since the look up in cattle, sheep and wool, they are calling the attention of stockmen to the advantages of their country. Nothing like being in the procession, but they must remember that it is the stock from the Stockman's Paradise that receives the fancy prices.

C. J. Copeland of Ballinger arrived Saturday night, saw enough of the town and country in one day, and returned to Ballinger Monday morning, where he will close out his business and be back in the trading center in about two weeks. Mr. Copeland will build and embark in the mercantile business.

The best place in West Texas for a bank is in Sonora.

County and District Clerk W. B. Silliman, has moved the records into the new office of Davidson & Silliman, where they are kept in a fire proof vault.

Born on Monday the 13th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Thomason a boy.

W. H. Franks, the inventor intends leaving Sonora in a few days.

Keep your optic open for forged checks.

One of the boys with the heart trouble was lost in the pasture last week.

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

John C. Wagner and L. N. Wagner were in Sonora Tuesday.

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

Cal Huffman was in from the ranch Tuesday. Cal has been somewhat under the weather for a few weeks but is all right again.

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

J. H. Kellum was in Sonora Tuesday, buying lumber for ranch improvements on D. S. Babb's ranch. He obtained water for D. S. Babb on Buckley draw at a depth of 197 feet.

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

Dave Dungan was in town Monday, and dropped a year's subscription in Mr. Man's pocket.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ohlenburg came in from the ranch Monday.

The San Angelo wagon yard, opposite the post office, the headquarters for wool and mutton buyers, is the most centrally located feed and wagon yard in San Angelo.

W. O. Edwards the sheepman from Drake's pasture came in town Monday.

When in San Angelo, pull up at the Pioneer Drug store, at the Postoffice. Treasurer W. H. Sowell, was in Sonora on business, Monday.

Just received a nice line of Brussels carpet, matting, rugs and window shades, at Mayer & Hagerlund's.

Schomacker, Gold String. Philadelphia. Established 1838.

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

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

Clough & Warren, Chicago Cottage Organs. Music and musical merchandise. Manufacturers deal with direct and close prices given. Write for them. Easy terms.

F. G. ALLEN, San Angelo, Texas.

Read the Devil's River News. John Hadlin, the handsome and popular ladies man, was in town Monday.

Ladies' and children's trimmed hats and Nelly Bly caps, all colors and latest styles at Mayer & Hagerlund's.

If you want health, wealth and happiness, come to the Stockman's Paradise. Sonora is the Pride of the West.

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

G. T. Covington the sheepman, was in the trading center for supplies Monday.

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

Mrs. John W. Hagerlund, Mrs. Frank Large, and Miss Josephine Mayer accompanied by Sol Mayer, went to McKavett Monday.

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

Miss Josephine Mayer, and Mr. Sol Mayer, of McKavett, made a short visit to Sonora Saturday, returning home Monday.

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

G. Huber, one of the best hearted sheepmen in the country was in for supplies Monday. He has finished his stone dipping vat and is continually improving his ranch.

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

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Taylor were in from the ranch Monday.

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

J. R. Holman, proprietor of the Sonora and San Angelo stage line has moved his office from the post office to the drug store of Reynolds & Cusenbary, where all orders will receive prompt attention.

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

John W. Hagerlund will shortly commence the erection of a handsome residence on his beautiful site on Prospect Hill.

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

W. R. Rudicil contemplates building a four roomed residence in West Sonora. Ah there Bill.

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

Now that \$75,000 will be expended on buildings and improvements in Sonora this summer there will be many tramps and dead-beats loafing around town. Look out for them.

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

Chas. E. Davidson, the lawyer and land agent went to Austin on business Saturday.

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

Max Mayer returned from a business trip to San Angelo, Wednesday.

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

W. F. Fowler, the popular foreman of Guest Bros., ranch was in Sonora Wednesday.

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

Thomas Bond, one of the most successful and substantial sheepmen of the Stockman's Paradise, was in Sonora on business Tuesday.

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

E. N. Woerner, of San Angelo, brother to our restaurant, is in Sonora on a short visit.

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

W. I. Babb and family moved from Coleman to the Stockman's Paradise Tuesday. He will round up his horses at Winkler's and move them to the ranch.

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

J. J. Rackley, has bed room suits from \$16 to \$200.

County surveyer John McNicol, has moved in to his new office opposite the Supply Co.

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

J. A. Sellers, of Goldthwaite, dealer in musical instruments, arrived in Sonora Tuesday, and intends going into business here.

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

M. C. Boyd, of Jonesborough, arrived in Sonora Tuesday, and has opened a barber shop in the George Morris house. He is a brother to John Boyd.

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

G. D. Hines, of Gilmore & Hines, the land agents of Cummins, was in Sonora last week.

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

A. J. Swearingen, was in town Monday.

DLO ROLYAT YEKSIHW Fitzpatrick and Lyell's, San Angelo.

Rock Springs has been chosen as the county seat of Edwards Co. The citizens of Leaky, the present county seat, will resist by all legal means.

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

W. B. Rountree and family will shortly move from Junction City to Sonora the trading center of the great stock raising country.

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

133,489 Pounds of WIRE O-N H-A-N-D At Popular Prices. Gwin, Allen & Brown, General Hardware Dealers, SAN ANGELO, TEX.

Avoid the Penalties OF THE New Scab Law, Cure Your Sheep WITH COOPER DIP, \$16 Per Case TO MAKE 1000 Gallon Wash, Never Fails when Properly Used. IMPROVES THE WOOL! Recommended by Thousands of American Sheepmen. Used on 75,000,000 sheep annually. Mayer & Hagerlund, Agents, Sonora, Texas. Willm. Cooper & Nephews, Proprietors, Galveston, Texas.

"SPRING RACES" San Angelo Jockey Club, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS. April 30th, May 1 and 2, 1891. Liberal Purses. Good Treatment. Four Races Each Day. Enough Stalls Already Engaged to Guarantee Good Sport. Excursion Rates Over the Santa Fe. For Particulars Address Charles F. Potter, Secretary.

JOHN M. COLE Gives the Best 25 cent Meal IN TOWN AT THE SONORA HOUSE.

Dr. H. Guernsey Jones, PHYSICIAN, OBSTETRICIAN AND SURGEON. Fort McKavett, Tex.

Ranch and Sheep for Sale. Ranch situated on the main draw of Devil's River 25 miles below Sonora in Sutton county, well 35 feet deep, with an inexhaustible supply of water, and fitted up with a 14 foot U. S. mill, a good pumping jack, and an abundance of tankage.

Ranch For Sale. On main draw of Devil's River about twelve miles south of Sonora. Depth of well, 200 feet. Water inexhaustible. Good ranch house, troughs, tanks, corrals, etc., all in first-class shape.

Sheep & Ranch for Sale. 4,300 head high-grade Merino sheep. Will shear 7 pounds annually. No old sheep in the flock. Also 6,000 acres watered land.

To Lease Cheap. One fine ranch of one section, with good well, house, lots etc., within three miles of Sonora. Plenty uncultured land surrounding it.

500 Head of Sheep Cheap. We have now for sale 500 head of sheep, young, in good condition and will give buyer an opportunity of topping same from 1200 head.

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

Will Bring Plenty of Water. 8 horse power stationary engine, and 6 horse portable water or coal engine, also 4 horse oil engine, for sale at a bargain.

For Sale. Ten good residence houses and lots in Sonora cheaper than can be built new. Also good business lots.

Sheep branded +, M or C, belong to the Huffman ranch, Devil's River. If you know where there are any in the above brands communicate with J. L. Huffman, San Angelo, or at the ranch.

The Nesbitt house, on the north side of court house square is one of the nicest places in San Angelo for yourself and family to stop at while in that city. The rooms are clean and comfortably furnished.

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

Dr. J. F. Riggs, over the postoffice, San Angelo, is a fine surgeon dentist of 20 years experience, and guarantees his work to be first-class.

For anything in the rock line see George Trawek.

Chas. W. Hobbs, WOOL

Commission. San Angelo, Texas.

Comparative Worth of Leading Brands of Whisky. OLD CROW Whisky, For Sale Only at the THE LEGAL TENDER SALOON, SAN ANGELO, TEX.

SEARCY BAKER, DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF Rough and Dressed Lumber, Shingles, Moulding, Brackets, Scrolls, Banisters, Doors, Sash, Blinds.

The following are the reduced prices for Lumber at my yard in San Angelo. Come and see us. Rough or Sized Lumber, all sizes, from a 1x3 to a 4x4 up to 24 feet. \$20.00

CHAS. E. DAVIDSON, Attorney-at-Law. W. B. SILLIMAN, Surveyor. DAVIDSON & SILLIMAN, GENERAL LAND AGENTS, SONORA, - TEXAS.

WOERNER & FORD, Proprietors of the Exchange Restaurant, EUROPEAN PLAN. SHORT ORDER. Neat. Clean. New. SONORA, - TEXAS.

J. T. WILSON. R. E. ERWIN. WILSON & ERWIN, Contractors and Builders. ESTIMATES MADE ON LUMBER AND BUILDINGS. Concho Avenue. Sonora, Texas.

THE DOUGLASS HOUSE A Strictly First-class Hotel. Charges Reasonable. John Douglass, Proprietor. SONORA, TEXAS.

TO THE WOOL GROWERS, OF WEST TEXAS:

Below we give our last year's wool sales. They appear just as we made the sales. Taking the large amount of wool we handled, coming from all sections, and in all kinds of conditions, we feel we did well. We don't select out a few of our best sales, but give you all, so that you can see the worst as well as the best prices we got.

We now say if you were satisfied with your last year's business with us, we would be glad to have your wool again this year, and to any growers who who have never done any business with us, we would ask them to give us a trial, and we will promise them an honest and fair deal, and do our best to realize good prices for their wools:

WOOL SALES YEAR 1890:

NAME.	NO. BAGS.	PRICE.	NAME.	NO. BAGS.	PRICE.
A J Haynes	20	20	J A Durheim	15	18 1/2
J A Youngblood	7	18 1/2	W S Stamps	14	18 1/2
J P Henderson	16	19	Seitz Bros	33	16 1/2
Wooden & Yarbrow	17	19	R G Gott	4	15
E M Teel	20	20	J B Anderson	20	16 1/2
T J Highsaw	25	18 1/2	J H Allen	3	16
Edward D Miller	5	21 1/2	M Cobb	6	18 1/2
			P C Stevens	4	18 1/2
Thos McCall	46	21	Ligon	10	17 1/2
Sidney Deemer	73	21	John Melery	7	16 1/2
Mr Wall	21	18 1/2	W B Malone	4	18
I W Brooks	24	19 1/2	Teel & Webb	14	18
C C Talbert	5	20	J H Childress	5	18 1/2
S T Proctor	22	20	Wm French	3	16
J W Sawyer	11	18 1/2	J A M Davis	3	15
Seitz Bros	126	20	M W Warren	12	18 1/2
L M Higginson	55	21 1/2	W J Eldson	21	17 1/2
McLean & Garden	57	18 1/2	T H Bowman	6	17 1/2
J J Harcourt	91	23	G A Cooper	7	17 1/2
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	Bedford Bros	7	17 1/2
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	McLean & Garden	34	16 1/2
Seitz Bros	31	20	J F Noble	17	17 1/2
A Hopewell	46	23	S J Richardson	3	18
Wm Humphrey	57	21	Mr Melvin	13	16
F E Bowman	11	20	R W Hoskins	11	16
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	W B Malone	2	18
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	J F Noble	16	18
G A Cooper	5	19	W J Eldson	24	10
J J Harcourt	91	23	T F Chreisman	10	16
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	E W Stokes	5	16
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	W A Thomson	5	17
Seitz Bros	31	20	W J Stokes	2	16
A Hopewell	46	23	A Rutledge	6	16
Wm Humphrey	57	21	G N Smith	2	16
F E Bowman	11	20	C P Day	2	16 1/2
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	Parker & Worley	17	16 1/2
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	J A Austin	12	16
G A Cooper	5	19	W H Bagley	7	16
J J Harcourt	91	23	T H Bowman	16	16 1/2
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	M I Youngblood	5	16
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	J E Armstrong	10	17
Seitz Bros	31	20	Youngblood	5	17
A Hopewell	46	23	H C Bunger	8	18
Wm Humphrey	57	21	F M Delashmutt	119	20 1/2
F E Bowman	11	20	Los Moras Ranch	231	20
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	J R Wootan	14	18 1/2
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	W W Warren	16	18 1/2
G A Cooper	5	19	B A Boykin	2	18
J J Harcourt	91	23	E Brooks	6	16 1/2
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	J C Kirk	4	16 1/2
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	J A Brooks	6	16 1/2
Seitz Bros	31	20	Bowman & Sanford	9	16 1/2
A Hopewell	46	23	E D Miller	3	17
Wm Humphrey	57	21	Smith & Smith	9	17 1/2
F E Bowman	11	20	G E Trimble	10	18
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	W H Bagley	8	17 1/2
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	J B Childress	19	17 1/2
G A Cooper	5	19	J C Swift	14	18
J J Harcourt	91	23	H C Bunger	17	18 3/4
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	J C Swift	9	18
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	R A Hill	5	18
Seitz Bros	31	20	J W Wallace	1	19
A Hopewell	46	23	J R Wootan	10	18 3/4
Wm Humphrey	57	21	A Hopewell	37	19
F E Bowman	11	20	I N Brooks	21	18 1/2
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	Guest Bros	80	17 5/8
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	Bob Bloomfield	15	18
G A Cooper	5	19	W A Parker	5	17 5/8
J J Harcourt	91	23	E H Haynes	10	17 1/4
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	R C Saunders	47	17 1/4
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	S H Pool	2	17 1/4
Seitz Bros	31	20	J Hallcomb	3	16 5/8
A Hopewell	46	23	M L Youngblood	7	16 1/2
Wm Humphrey	57	21	J R McDonald	8	16 5/8
F E Bowman	11	20	Nim Franks	33	17 3/4
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	W R R. Roberts	14	17 1/2
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	Wootan & Robertson	11	18 1/4
G A Cooper	5	19	N L Stewart	24	17 1/4
J J Harcourt	91	23	J W Boykin	8	18 1/2
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	J W Weathers	25	17
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	J R Lewis	9	17
Seitz Bros	31	20	E M Fulcher	2	17 1/2
A Hopewell	46	23	Seitz Bros	54	16 1/2
Wm Humphrey	57	21	W I Fulcher	4	18 1/2
F E Bowman	11	20	Murdock & Co.	7	18 3/4
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	A Rutledge	10	16
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	W T Caraway	28	18
G A Cooper	5	19	M E Binion	6	17 1/8
J J Harcourt	91	23	Jones	5	17 1/8
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	J E Coffee	4	18 1/2
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	Wm Scarborough	11	18 1/2
Seitz Bros	31	20	Tom Hennessy	4	16 3/4
A Hopewell	46	23	E B Trescott	5	16 3/4
Wm Humphrey	57	21	Geo Perry	12	18 5/8
F E Bowman	11	20	J B Childress	13	18 5/8
Kennedy & Roberts	34	22	J F Buchanan	17	12
Seitz Bros	82	20 1/2	W H Wickson	8	16 1/2
G A Cooper	5	19	J R Lewis	21	18 5/8
J J Harcourt	91	23	Seitz Bros	53	15 1/4
P T Hurt	45	21 1/2	"	11	16 5/8
Tillery & Bro.	69	20	"	22	16
Seitz Bros	31	20	W E Jones	3	16

The fall wools which appear at the last half of the list, were very full of needle grass, and were affected from 1 to 2 1/2 cents per pound, on account of the needle grass. Now send on your wools. We will make you money. We feel that our patrons are satisfied with our sales; for they keep coming back, and bring others. Our wool business continues to increase although the sheep have left our county. But the wool continues to come back.

Now, we thank our customers for past favors, and solicit a continuance from all who are satisfied with our work.

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SONORA, TEXAS. - April 18, 1891.

TO MY GUITAR.

Companion of my hours of illness.
How often we've defied slow Time together!
When lightly thus thy yielding chords I press,
The world grows bright, however sore the weather!

Am I weary? Turn I then to thee,
To thy responsive strings my soul revealing.
And soon thy sympathetic numbers say
Send subtle strength through my dulled senses stealing.

In lonely moments, what a friend thou art!
My minor moods, my fleeting fancies sharing;
Thou canst express the secrets of my heart
In accents of rejoicing or despairing.

The one whose love I do desire to gain,
Would surely cease to doubt, it seems to me,
If all my longing, all my speechless pain,
Could find a voice, my loved guitar, through thee!

-Amy Elizabeth Leigh in Drake's Magazine.

Took Him a Long While to See It.

A man who returned not long ago from a stay of several months in London has some funny stories to tell of his experience with British wit. "The mind of the British is subtle, but slow," said the man, "and when it comes to his appreciation of a joke he can be trusted after a while to get to it, but the process is slow. This story is a capital illustration of what I mean: One day I went into a book shop on the Strand and asked for Hare's 'Walks in London.' In America the book is sold in one thick volume; the clerk brought it in two. 'Oh, I said, as I looked at them, 'you part your Hare in the middle, do you?'

"I, sir," he said with a bewildered look, "oh, no, sir."

I saw he didn't see the joke, so I didn't explain, but bought the books and went away. A week later I entered the same shop. As soon as the clerk saw me he rushed from the back of the shop laughing vociferously, and seized me by the hand:

"Good!" he shouted. "Capital: part your Hare in the middle, that's capital, sir; capital."

I had thought it was rather neat myself, and it didn't take me a week to find it out, either. -New York Evening Sun.

Kindness Not Appreciated.

A little incident that amused the passengers in a Brooklyn bridge on the other day would seem to indicate that the semi-tough young man with a baby in his arms does not appreciate politeness. As the semi-tough young man is seldom seen carrying a baby it might, however, be hard to prove the rule. But this one was carrying a baby, and the tired looking woman with him was lugging a bag that looked twice as heavy as the baby. The woman was the first to see the only vacant seat in the car and dropped into it. And then a dapper young fellow who had been reading intently looked up, and his gaze fell first on the baby.

He apparently didn't notice that it was a man holding the infant, for he jumped up, lifted his hat, and said, "Please take my seat, madam." The fellow with the child scowled, but all he said was: "If yer speakin' to do kid, dat's all right, but if yer speakin' to me I'll smash yer face. See?" And he stood up all the way over, looking as if he felt much insulted. -New York Times.

Mohammed's Descendants.

To find families of an antiquity at once remote and certain we must go beyond Europe and seek them nearer the cradle of the human race. Mohammed died in 632, leaving nine wives and only one child, his daughter Fatima, who was married (as several other ladies were) to a prophet's son, and she and her descendants are to be measured by thousands of years, now lies in the British museum, with its surface as bright as when it left the maker's hands. By the side of it are very recent specimens of lenses which have been ruined by exposure to London fog and smoke. -New York Telegram.

The Earliest Lens.

The only real work of art in copper that now exists in India is the casting of Hindoo and other images for religious purposes. These are, of course, mostly to be found in old temples. Almost all the temples which can really claim antiquity have images made of copper, which are the perfection of art, and which, with all the assistance of machinery, could never be excelled or even imitated by European cities.

The largest kitchen in the world is in the Bon Marche in Paris. It has 4,000 employees. The smallest kitchen contains 100 quarts and the largest 500. Each of fifty roasting pans is big enough for 300 cutlets. Every dish for baking potatoes holds 25 pounds! When omelettes are on the bill of fare 7,800 eggs are used at once. For cooking alone sixty cooks and 100 assistants are always at the ranges.

A monkey on shipboard used to amuse himself in the cook's absence by turning the water cocks, in order to enjoy that worthy's surprise when he returned and found the water running over the floor, and there are scores of authenticated instances of actual deception practiced by animals to gain some desired end.

In the West End of London, at Olympia, the large hall there, which is famous at present for its fancy dress balls, is 440 feet long, 250 feet wide and 100 feet high, and contains an area of nearly two and a half acres. Twenty-seven thousand people were present at a recent ball.

Denman Thompson recreates at Swansea, N. H., the scene of both his plays. When he is there he simply enjoys himself. He has built a church there and has a mortgage upon nearly everything mortgageable in the town, for everybody "loves" Denman.

A Descendant of Columbus.

Americans who visit Madrid are surprised to learn that Christopher Columbus is still living there in excellent preservation, and still enjoys the title of Duke of Veragua, conferred upon the family by the king of Spain 350 years ago.

The first who bore the title was Luis, grandson of the discoverer, from whom it has descended lineally to the present duke, who bears also the identical name of his ancestor. Few of us know or care about the imaginary dukedom of Veragua, but no American can look with indifference upon a Christopher Columbus descended from the man who made the name illustrious and immortal 350 years ago.

Among other relics he has a very fine portrait of the navigator, some features of which reappear in the countenance of his descendant. Dr. Henry Field, of The Evangelist, visited this old gentleman a year or two ago. While looking alternately at the picture on the wall and the face of his host he perceived a considerable likeness between them. Dr. Field did not forget to remind him of the approaching four hundredth anniversary of the great discoverer, nor did he omit to invite the present Christopher Columbus to visit America on that occasion.

But the Duke of Veragua is an elderly gentleman and a Spaniard. Spaniards of the present day are not so fond of roaming the seas as their ancestors were. He could get to America much more comfortably than the first Christopher Columbus, but he was strongly of opinion that the celebration should be held in Spain, the country that sent his ancestor forth on the glorious voyage of 1492. It is to be feared, therefore, that we shall not have the pleasure of seeing him in 1892. -Chicago Times.

Had to Change His Prayer.

Chaplain Waldron, of the Massachusetts House, who as the occupant of that place for the last thirteen years has given universal satisfaction, was mildly reprimanded with the other day because of a certain petition in his morning prayer. He had asked the Lord to help his servants redeem the time, enabling them to do two days' work where they had done only one before, and to strike two blows in the place of one. Soon afterward he was buttonholed by one of the solons, who said, "See here, chaplain, that kind of prayer won't go down here, with all these labor reformers clamoring for shorter days and less work." The minister took his rebuke with his characteristic meekness, and did not even intimate that the persons whom he had especially in mind were the dilly-dallying lawmakers themselves. -Congregationalist.

Fun with Loaded Matches.

One of the latest novelties is the loaded match. It is, to all appearances, one of the common, innocent looking redhead affairs, but there is a surprise and a scare in every one of them.

If your friend wants to light a cigar hand him over one of these trick matches. It is lighted in the usual way, but just as it is fairly aflame and the victim is about to apply it to his weed it gives out a loud report and the light is extinguished, much to the chagrin and astonishment of your friend.

This detonation, which is about as loud as that produced by the explosion of a firecracker, is caused by the flame coming in contact with some explosive substance, probably fulminate, which has been secretly smeared on one side of the stick. -New York Herald.

Auburn's Dark Day.

The town of Auburn, Ala., at 9 o'clock on the morning of March 6, was completely enveloped in darkness. Merchants closed their stores and went home, and students in the various colleges were dismissed from their recitations. Negroes and ignorant whites ran out of their houses, screaming and frightened, thinking that judgment day had come. At first the people thought that a cyclone was at hand, but the barometer showed no such indications. The phenomenon was purely local. -Exchange.

England's Early Coins.

When England was being made into mince meat and blocks of real estate by the Saxons and Danes silver and brass were in use as currency, but the Normans subsequently installed the aristocratic metal and left the democratic brass to take care of itself. Gold was first coined by Henry III, and copper made into British coin in 1672. The gold used for coinage in 1689, and the national standard was made of this Cambrian product, with a stud of copper set in the center. In 1800 and 1801 the half pence were issued in considerable quantities. The only pure gold coins issued in English history were those of Henry III. -Age of Steel.

Cutting Behind.

When we charge a youngster with "cutting behind" we make a charge that cannot be proved. Every boy knows that the cutting behind is done by the man who sits in front with the whip. He cuts behind at the boy who hangs on behind, but the latter is used to it, and enjoys his ride as much as he does the jealousy of his companion afoot, who out of revenge yells, "Cut behind!" to the driver, and then maliciously informs the teacher that it was the boy who cut behind. -Harper's Young People.

She Never Had Seen It.

The other day a little girl was saying her commandments. "For in six days," she repeated rapidly, "the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that therein is." Then she stopped. "Mamma," she said, "I've seen the heaven, and the earth, and the sea, but I never saw any allthatinthere. Where does God keep that?" The child had really believed that there was a certain separate creation called "allthatinthere" that she had never been able to find. -New York Evening Sun.

The Sailor's Lot.

Merchant—You made good time from the Fever Islands. How is the crew?
Ship Captain—Half of them are sick. "Sick of the fever?"
"No; of the fumigations." - Good News.

Sonora sells ranch supplies cheaper than Del Rio, or any town on the Southern Pacific and if it extends its arms can have all the trade from the country around Juno. Why not make an effort?

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LEGENDARY WORLDS.

Expeditions Set Out from the Canary Islands to Discover Them.

Stories of legendary worlds have at all times possessed a fascination for most minds and formed the subject of much curious speculation. However childish such tales may seem at the present day, "they once wielded sufficient sway," says M. Flammarion in his "History of the Heavens," "over men's minds as to gain their belief in the veritable existence of the places described, and in this way to influence their astronomical and cosmographical ideas."

Many such legends originated when geography was in its infancy and the greater part of the world's surface still unknown. From that time, too, travelers like Sir John Mandeville excited curiosity by relating discoveries which they professed to have made in their distant journeying, and which those who received them readily accepted as facts.

In process of time these mythical accounts were gradually circulated from one country to another and became interwoven with the traditions of the people among whom they were told. Hence, in one form or another, we find in most parts of the world numerous stories of legendary worlds still current, survivals of which may be traced to the literature of modern times. Thus, going back to early days, the poets and philosophers of Greece and Rome gave detailed accounts of the land whither mortals went their way when this life is over, enumerating its rivers, its lakes, its woods and mountains.

Accordingly, Ulysses was said to reach the place of the dead by crossing the ocean to the Chimerian land. Aeneas to have entered it by the Lake Averna, whereas Xenophon tells us that Hercules went there by the peninsula of Arechside. In early times the Canary Islands were regarded as the neighborhood of the terrestrial home of the blessed dead, and many wonderful stories were told of this enchanted locality.

Thus, as Washington Irving writes: "Occasionally this enigmatical spot would be visible from their shores, stretching far away in the clear bright west, to all appearance substantial like themselves and still more beautiful. Expeditions would launch forth from the Canaries to explore this land of promise. For a long time its sun gilt peaks and shadowy promontories would remain distinctly visible, but in proportion as the voyagers approached peak and promontory would gradually fade away until nothing would remain but blue sky above and deep blue water below."

This legendary land was, as the Portuguese and Spanish declared, an island which had sometimes been sighted upon by accident, but when sought for could not be found. But a king of Portugal is said to have made a conditional surrender of it to another when it should be discovered, and when the kingdom of Portugal ceded to the Castilian crown its rights over the Canaries the treaty included the island of Brandan, described as the island which had not yet been found. -London Standard.

Queer Filling.

There are numbers of dentists in New York who ought to be saving wood. I had a friend tell me about a week ago of a severe pain in a tooth which he had only recently had filled. He argued that it could not be the tooth, because he had only a few days before sat in the dentist's chair. The dentist was unknown to him, and had been selected because his office was next the place where my friend boarded. I advised him to go to a first class dental practitioner, which he did. Next day he said to me: "Do you know what was the matter with my tooth? That fellow up by my boarding house did not clean the tooth out before he filled it. He had left pieces of cotton in the cavity and had piled the gold in on top of it. No wonder it ached." -New York Press.

Wagner's Operas.

Wagner's operas were played 573 times in Germany last year with this division: Lohengrin, 248; Tannhauser, 189; Der Fliegende Hollander, 101; Die Walkure, 80; Die Meistersinger, 65; Gotterdammerung, 48; Siegfried, 41; Das Rheingold, 37; Rienzi, 31; Tristan and Isolde, 30, and Die Feen (at Munich only) 9.

The Russian government has just issued a ukase ordering that all sardine boxes are to be opened at the custom houses on the frontiers. It appears that shoals of Nihilist tracts and proclamations have recently been imported into Russia from France in apparently genuine sardine boxes.

The late "Diamond Joe" Reynolds was a very plain man in his dress, and with all his wealth he never owned a residence. He lived with his wife in plain-furnished and unpretentious apartments. He left an estate reported to be worth about \$3,000,000.

Delaware is said to have more living ex-governors than any other state in the Union. Five of them—B. T. Biggs, John P. Cochran, James Ponder, John W. Hall and Charles F. Stokley—are still engaged in active business.

It is proposed doing away with the old system of lightning rod protection and replacing the rods with narrow ribbons of copper, which will use up the energy of the lightning and save the building from destruction.

Some very nobby gentlemen's furnishing stores order gloves for the duke of the period having pearl buttons in place of the patent button preferred by men.

Congressman John L. Mitchell, of Milwaukee, will be the richest man in the next house, his fortune being estimated at \$40,000,000.

The man who hauled the first load of sand used in building the Polk county, la., penitentiary has just been sentenced to that institution for six months.

Sonora is the best town under two years in the state, and still not up with country.

Country Storekeeper: "There's a saying that 'Time is money,' but I don't take much stock in it."

Loafers: "You don't eh?"

Country Storekeeper: "No, I don't; an' I wish you'd spend a little more of your money here an' a little less of your time."

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