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IN THE FIELDS.

I stood among the mountains clover blooms. When the soft air was plumed on my face. With burdens of bird songs and sweet perfume.

And hints of delicate essences, that trace Their birth to odorous gardens and fair groves. Where evening thrushes sing and dove voices

The sunbeams slanted from the morning skies. And every moist blade in the valley rills. Was lustrous and the river, where it lies Among the green hills, lashed its lingering

And sleeping in certain peace unsmiled Against the heavens like an unawakened child.

I know not why, but o'er my spirit there A sadness fell that bowed my soul in woe. The bird songs came like dirges through the

The fielded banks appeared like drifted snow. The clover's scent and murmur of the bees Were fraught of lost hopes and dead memories.

Then, swiftly whirling from the zenith, fell The harrier's harsh, sharp screaming, and a deep, Funeral stillness settled o'er the dell—

It seemed the very bees had fallen asleep— And fear, with underbreathings scarcely heard, Made mute the voluble music of each bird.

On wide wings poised 'tween falcon, wheeling, viewed The slumbers valley, then, like missile feet, Shot through blue depths of air beyond the

Where hills rose smiling heaven's soft kiss to meet, And as he vanished from the skies anew The stir of life was roused the valley through.

And from the grove near by a clear voice came, A thrush's warble, wild and weird and soft, Like a young poet's song, a living flame

Lighting the utterance, that, repeated oft, Awakened answering echoes full of love And happiness and peace through field and grove.

All four was down, the woods were laid again With various voices, and the noise of bees Swelled on the air once more, while o'er the plain

Bearing soft odors floated the slow breeze. So, full of eager joy, I stood among The blossoming clover, listening to the song.

—Boston Transcript.

A Horse Lives in the White House.

A horse has his home in the White House. This is a literal fact which visitors never discover, and which few Washington people know. The horse which shares the executive mansion with the president isn't a thoroughbred. He has neither pedigree nor record. He is just a plain, everyday horse, with a white star in his forehead—a faithful companion to Edgar R. Beckley.

And who is Edgar R. Beckley? The man who for 25 years has carried to and from the White House all of the interesting and valuable mail received and sent, and who has never been found remis in his duty. There are men who seem bound to be monuments of fidelity to routine trusts. Beckley is one of them. Rain or shine, in all seasons, he makes the hourly trips between the White House and the city postoffice. He is the White House mail carrier. And the horse that has his home in the White House carries Beckley.

The part of the mansion set apart for the horse is one corner of the 60th—A thin partition is all that separates the sunny stall from the orchids. There is a temporary supply of feed, and there the horse eats and sleeps, under the same roof with the president of the United States.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Thoughtful Empress.

One evening Catherine II of Russia had dined in one town and was to return to her palace in another some miles distant. These journeys were made with much ceremony and magnificence. The great sleighs were ready to start for home. Catherine sat alone in the imperial sleigh. She inquired if the drivers and the footmen had had dinner. Receiving a negative reply she at once left her sleigh. "They have as much need of dinner as we," she said to her party, and she waited patiently until the servants had dined.—Youth's Companion.

A Natural Mistake.

A Chicago clergyman having performed the marriage ceremony for a couple undertook to write out the usual marriage certificate, but being in doubt as to the day of the month he asked:

"This is the ninth, is it not?" "Why, parson," said the blushing bride, "you do all my marrying, and you ought to remember that this is only the fifth."—Texas Siftings.

A registered letter that was received at the Portland (Me.) postoffice the other day bore a stamp of the \$4 denomination. It would have gone for the usual 10 cents fee and postage. The stamp collecting fad was suggested as an explanation, the stamp that had been used being regarded by enthusiasts as more valuable than an uncanceled one.

It is estimated that an average of more than 2,000 vessels and 12,000 lives are lost in the various seas and oceans every year, the value of ships and cargoes being roughly averaged at about \$100,000,000.

Camphor trees have been planted at Sanford, Fla., and give proof of adaptability to soil and conditions. This is the identical camphor tree from which all the camphor of commerce is obtained.

Several of the men which were used in the World's fair proprietors of Wisconsin

The Palladium 3,000,000,000

Germany

Horse Reckoning.

A Russian doctor has been experimenting to find how far some of our domestic animals can count. The intelligence of the horse, as this is shown in mathematics, seems to surpass that of the cat or the dog. The instances given by him are interesting, but before they are accepted as authentic they should be verified by the observations of naturalists whose skill and care are unquestioned.

He found a horse which was able to count the mileposts along the way. It had been trained by its master to stop for feed whenever they had covered 25 versts.

One day they tried the horse over a road where three false mile posts had been put in between the real ones, and sure enough, the horse, deceived by this trick, stopped for his oats at the end of 22 versts instead of going the usual 25.

The same horse was accustomed to being fed every day at the stroke of noon. The doctor observed that whenever the clock struck the horse would stop and prick up his ears as if counting. If he heard 12 strokes, he would trot off contentedly to be fed, but if there were fewer than 12 he would resignedly go on working.

The experiment was made of striking 12 strokes at the wrong time, whereupon the horse started for his oats, in spite of the fact that he had been fed only an hour before.—Youth's Companion.

The "Southern Cross" Pearl.

The most extraordinary pearl in the world is the "Southern Cross." It occupies a unique position in the history of pearls. It consists of a group of nine pearls naturally grown together in so regular a manner as to form an almost perfect Latin cross. Seven of them compose a shaft, which measures 14 inches in length, while the two arms of the cross are formed by one pearl on each side. All the pearls are of fine lustre.

This remarkable pearl was discovered by a man named Clark while pearl fishing in western Australia. He regarded it as a miracle, and entertaining a superstitious dread of it he buried it. In 1874 it was dug up, and since then it has changed hands many times. Its value is \$50,000. How the pearls were grouped together in such a manner no one has as yet been able satisfactorily to explain. It has been suggested that a fragment of serrated seaweed may have got into the shell of the oyster, and that the succession of teeth along the margin of the front may have caused the deposition of nacre at regular intervals so as to form a string of pearls in a straight line.—Jeweler's Weekly.

Breeding Blue Foxes.

On the island of St. George, one of the Pribilof group in the Behring sea, the breeding of blue foxes has already become very profitable. The industry has the advantage of involving no expense for care or feeding of the animals. They generate very rapidly, and when an island of good size once becomes well stocked it is impossible to deplete it, as the law provides that they must not be shot, but trapped, the restriction being imposed mainly to keep them tame. The business is mainly prosecuted in the Commander islands, belonging to Russia. As the pelts of blue foxes and "cross" foxes bring \$3 and \$40 each at wholesale and are in great demand, the industry bids fair to become one of considerable profit.—Troy Press.

A Misspelled Menu.

Nothing could be more absurd than to forbid a man to serve his country because he cannot remember whether "recommen" has two c's and one m or one c and two m's. Another spelling controversy has raged over menus being written in that strange tongue, cooking French. Misspelled menus have, however, sometimes been the cause of good things.

One of Dean Mansfield's wittiest remarks was made apropos of reform cutlets being spelled in the menu "reforme." Some one objected. "Oh, but," said the dean, "I think it is quite right. Doesn't reform always end with an e mute (eacute)?"—National Review.

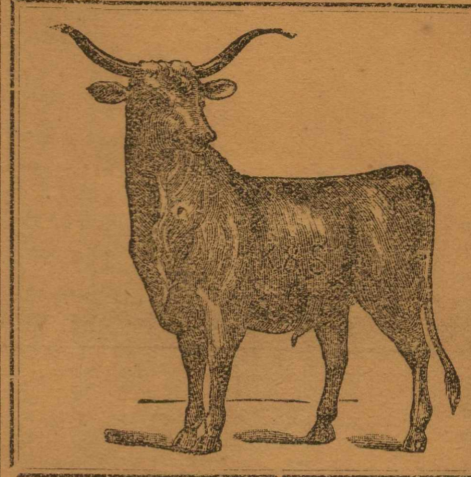
Cash Value of a Man.

The last census officials or some other infallible authority have had a man's constituent ingredients weighed, appraised and filed away as a permanent standard of the value in the archives of the National museum at Washington—much as the Smithsonian institution or other grave authorities preserve the standard yardstick or the standard quart.

It is somewhat of a relief thus to find the value of an everyday pound young man placed by the government as high as \$18,300. We deemed they took so exalted a view of human nature at Washington.

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J. B. MASSEY,
Foreman Dr. J. B. Taylor's ranch.

NOTICE.

Parties wanting to pasture stock in Fields' pasture, will kindly make arrangements for same with me. I want it understood also that any person hauling wood from this pasture will be prosecuted.

J. B. MASSEY,
Foreman

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Office at Cuseberry & Bryant's drug store. Residence at the Geo. Dunagan place. All calls promptly answered.
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Commissioners court on Monday Feb. 12th.

District court on Monday, Feb. 12th.

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The cheapest place--The Pioneer Drug Store. San Angelo. 35-17

If you don't get the trade you want advertise in the DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS.

Dr. Hazlett and brother of Coleman were in Sonora Wednesday.

J. A. Caldwell dealer in wool, hides, furs, grain, hay, etc., San Angelo, has opened a first-class free wagon yard in the rear of his warehouse. Good water and sheds. He solicits the patronage of the Devil's River Country. 101-11.

Arbor day is the 22nd of Feb. in Texas. Every residence in Sonora should be beautified before that time by the planting of trees, shrubbery, etc.

FOR SALE

The best ranch in the Sonora country. Fine well and improvements. Splendid protection for winter and pasture for summer. Not crowded. Apply to F. V. Hagaman at ranch or to

Taylor & Silliman, at the Court house, Sonora, Tex. 61

A very enjoyable party was given at Mej. A. A. DeBerry's residence Monday night. Those who attended report having had a splendid time.

For Sale.

250 head of stock goats on easy terms. Apply to M. B. ATKINSON, Sonora. 71-4t

Frank Wyatt sold his water works plant this week to N. W. Cowart for \$1,800.

Improved horse powers and pumping jacks and large cypress cisterns for sale at half price. 69-12t Inquire at Dr. J. B. Taylor's ranch.

The Socialists stormed the residence of Prof. H. M. Matthis Tuesday night and one of the lady leaders of the Socialists informs us that this was the most enjoyable party she has attended in Sonora.

For Malaria, Liver Trouble, or Indigestion, use BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

Another of those popular socials was given at the residence of Mrs. G. S. Allison last Friday night. To say that the social was at Mrs. Allison's is sufficient information as to the kind of a time they had.

One of those impromptu hops was given at the hall in Sonora last Friday night. The attendance was as large as usual but everybody seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly. The following ladies were present: Mrs. J. M. G. Baugh, Mrs. J. P. McColl, Mrs. S. D. Foote, Mrs. Bradford, Mrs. C. M. Misses Bessie Wyatt, Ora Coker, Lucy Adams, Florence Trawick, Madie Baker, Annie Matthews, Sallie Barksdale, Annie Stephenson, Kate Sharp, Besaie Daugh, Jennie Mitchell, Mary Sheen, Mattie Palmer, Mattie Babb, Maggie Word, Lella Marshall, Annie and Susie Adams.

The music was furnished by Messrs. Goodwin, Wimberly and Baugh.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion & Debility.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF SUTTON.

By virtue of an Execution for Costs issued out of the Honorable District Court of Sutton county, on the 10th day of October 1893, by the clerk thereof, in the case of Eno H. Beach, versus said Beach, No. 11, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in March A. D. 1894, to-wit: the sixth day of said month, before the court house door of said Sutton county, in the town of Sonora, the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain land and improvements therein in the town of Sonora, in Sutton County, Texas, the same being a part of Section No. 85, in range 11 E. & W. T. Ky. Co. lands, in block E. and known as lot No. 2, in Block U. In said town of Sonora, according to the town map on file in the County Clerk's office of said county to which reference is hereby made.

Levied on as the property of Geo. S. Allison, to satisfy a judgment for costs amounting to \$177.37 in favor of the officers of said Court, less a credit of \$10.00.

Given under my hand, this 3rd day of February, 1894.

J. L. DAVIS,
Sheriff, Sutton County, Texas.

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LOST on Friday Jan. 19th, on the Sonora road between Sonora and the forks of the McKavett and Junction City road, one small brown hand satchel, containing sundries. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office.

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Every pair of "THE BUCKSKIN BREECHES" has a printed guarantee in the pocket. If you need a pair of Jeans Pants insist on seeing them. They fit better, look better and wear better than other makes.

Mayer & Co. send sell the celebrated Buckskin Jeans pants 66-17

D. S. Babb and wife were in Sonora Monday.

Ben Robertson and Bob Martin, were in Sonora the ranch Monday.

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

Malcom McNicol the windmill man was in Sonora Monday.

Call on Zenker & Maters at the Favorite Saloon, when in San Angelo, take a glass of their cool beer and you will continue to call every time you chance that way. 33-17

D. R. Holland, the cattleman was in Sonora trading Monday.

Peter Jager, San Angelo, manufacturer and dealer in marble slabs, tombstones, monuments, and all kinds of marble work, solicits your trade. 82

Don't forget the entertainment to be given by the Juveniles at the church tonight. Everyone is invited.

R. H. Wyatt, the stockman was in Sonora Tuesday trading.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Robert Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a long sore on his leg of eight years standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitter, and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. Solely by Dr. J. C. Taylor, O. had five large Fevers sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Sold by W. H. Cuseberry & Co.'s Drug store.

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Stock News.

The Sonora Country will furnish the mutton for the early market.

There will be big money for the speculator who buys muttons in the Sonora country this season.

Strange to say, considering the condition of the range, muttons will be fat earlier this year than usual.

N. W. Cowart sold 480 head of sheep to Frank Wyatt at \$2 a head and Wyatt sold them to Robinson Bros. at the same price.

J. E. Stanley, the Lampasas county sheepman who is running his 4700 sheep on Buffalo Draw, was in Sonora this week trading.

Jeha B. Preult has sold out his sheep interests to his partner M. W. Reinger and left for his home in Pittsburg Tuesday.

D. C. Ker, the sheepman of Edwards county, was in Sonora Monday. Mr. Ker reports everything in a flourishing condition in his neck of the woods.

August Madden, of the sheep firm of Mollenhauer & Hedden, was in Sonora Monday. He reports having half of their mutton in shipping shape now and expects to have all by May 1st.

Wm. Schuppach was in Sonora Tuesday trading. Mr. Schuppach is an experienced sheepman and says his muttons are fattening faster than he ever saw sheep fatten. He is feeding sorol and will have 800 mutton for the early market.

James McCreary, manager of W. Pat Thompson's sheep, was in Sonora Monday. Mr. McIntyre is a whole souled gentleman and is probably the subject of the song in which the words "And we'll all bow down to the McIntyre crown, the elegant and bold McIntyre," occur.

J. W. Earnest of San Marcos solicitor for the Live Stock Commission firm of Greer, Mills & Co. of Chicago is prepared to make cash advances on cattle for shipment to the territory. Cattlemen wishing to do business should address J. W. EARNEST, 72-4t San Marcos, Tex.

HOSSES FOR SALE.

Or will trade for sheep 40 head of well graded hares, also the Shire stallion, Dudley. Dudley is a heavy horse raising, 6 years old, of fine action, a good worker, and a gentle tractable temper.

Address GEORGE BROWN, 74-4t Fort McKavett, Texas.

An interesting game of ball was played at the ball grounds at Sonora. There will be a contest of human nature at W. Scribner's.

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Church Notes.

Come to Sunday School to-morrow.

Go to church to-night to-morrow and to-morrow night.

Juvenile entertainment at the church tonight.

Help wanted to place a step at the church door tonight.

The seats in the church are set too close together. There is plenty of room and there should be more space between them.

A collection is taken up at the church every Sunday night to defray the incidental expenses of wood, oil, etc. Don't forget this when you go to church.

R. v. J. W. Cunningham of the Baptist church, filed his regular appointments here this month. His congregations were large and he was listened to with interest. He left for Ozona yesterday to fill his appointments at that place.

The Sonora school will open Monday 12th, satisfactory arrangements having been made to that end. The services of the entire former faculty has been secured, a thorough understanding had and it is thought all parties perfectly satisfied. It now depends on the good will and support of the community which is earnestly desired. Professor Matthis will make a short talk to the patrons of the school on Monday morning and their attendance is solicited.

S. G. Taylor, one of Sonora's able young lawyers, attended district court at Ozona this week.

R. W. Barton, the stockman and large real estate owner, was in Sonora Wednesday trading.

John Curry, manager of the San Angelo house of the Western Mercantile company, was in Sonora Wednesday.

Capt. John McNicol, county surveyor returned from a county line surveying trip Tuesday. He seems much improved in health.

W. A. Williamson, the well-known lawyer of Junction City, was in Sonora Saturday on professional business.

W. A. Wright, the able young lawyer of San Angelo, was in Sonora on professional business Sunday. He left for Ozona Sunday to attend district court.

The delinquent tax list is being prepared and will shortly be in the hands of the printer. Better get a push on and pay before it is too late.

George Lee, after an extended visit to relatives, left for Fort Stockton Sunday. Mr. Lee made many friends in Sonora during his stay and will be with us again next summer.

With the proper effort on the part of the parents and pupils even better work will be accomplished in the next four months of school than during the past five months.

J. H. Griffith, the Hamilton county sheepman who is running his flocks at O. T. Ward's ranch, was in Sonora Wednesday and made the Retreat a pleasant call.

W. W. Risner, of Coryell county was in Sonora Monday banking after his sheep interests. His son Monroe is now in charge of his flocks.

R. W. Callahan has purchased 400 assorted fruit trees from Ramsey the Burnet nurseryman and is setting them out on his place adjoining Sonora.

The chin whiskered Mexican who has been digging for Santos Gonzales for some months, met with a serious accident about 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. He was at work in the bottom of the well, which is 160 feet deep, when some rocks near the top fell into the well striking his head and fracturing his skull.

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Miss Lillie Davis, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, received a number of friends at her home on the Square Thursday night. Numerous games were played and as every one entered into the spirit of the games the hours sped by too quickly. "Post-office," "spinning the plate," "forfeits," "old gray horse," "love in my hand," etc., were some of the games, interspersed with vocal and instrumental music. In the game of forfeits one of the young ladies had to bow before the handsomest man in the room and John Currie, of San Angelo added brilliancy to the room with his blishes. Dr. Dickinson of Ballinger, was very lucky with his old gray horse. The climax of the evening, however, was reached when a young lady and gentleman produced a burlesque on love—two minds with but a single thought—the key had to be produced to solve the problem.

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District Court.

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CRIMINAL DOCKET.

No. 91. The State vs. Pedro Martinez, murder.

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No. 84. The State vs. Jesse Taylor, embezzlement.

CIVIL DOCKET.

No. 8. Searcy Baker vs. D. B. Cuseberry, suit on account.

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No. 14. T. B. Birnong, vs. W. A. and Ada Stewart, suit on promissory note.

No. 15. D. B. Cuseberry, administrator, vs. S. G. Armstrong, suit for the recovery of 100 head of sheep and 500 lambs and 1 also 6500 pounds of wool or value of same.

No. 18. Mrs. Dora Franklin vs. John Franklin, suit for divorce.

No. 19. R. W. Callahan, assignee, vs. W. F. Buchanan, et al., suit for possession of personal property.

No. 20. W. A. Thompson vs. John Allison and George S. Allison, suit on certain promissory notes.

Jury List.

The following is the list of grand and petty jurors for the coming district court:

GRAND JURY.

S. L. Alexander, M. E. Atkinson, D. A. Cauthorn, J. R. Benson, Dave Dunagan, Carr Cheney, J. A. Glasscock, Wm. Guest, G. H. McDonald, G. Huber, J. A. Moore, G. P. Hill, G. Van Buren, A. A. DeBerry, Jas. Lambert, S. J. Palmer.

PETTY JURY.

Wm. Babb, Dock McCoy, P. B. Benson, A. W. Mills, D. H. Covington, J. E. Mills, W. Mollenhauer, W. J. Davis, Geo. Dunagan, J. J. Newton, J. W. Farrar, J. A. Orden, Jas. Robinson, N. T. Guest, R. F. Halbert, E. W. Wall, J. M. Hallcomb, Jim White, D. D. Willis, J. B. Hill, A. J. Winkler, P. Hurst, B. K. James, D. J. Wyatt, E. Wyatt, Mat Karnes, C. G. Loylace, W. T. Bishop, B. Marshall, M. A. Cavin, Jas. Reunstra, Max Mayer, John McCleary, Jo Stillwell, Tom Gillespie, I. N. Brooks.

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