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Allmo Hotel
By T. V. Addington
Transient trade. Home trade. Nicely
furnished. Meals 25c. Good terms.

**The Bank
of Portales**
Portales, N. M.
Directors—J. B. Sledge, R. F. Sledge,
John Eiland

LOCAL EVENTS.
News exchanged—Pearce & Dobbs.
Yesterday was the day for the suit of
J. R. Manley vs. P. A. Dunlap for debt.
Slover now guarantees perfect satisfac-
tion on tire setting.
Glasing—Glass and putty at Pearce &
Dobbs. Expert workmanship.
Mr. Newman, ex-Jones lumber man
here, will go to Brownwood the 10th.
W. H. Yardley has gone to Eastland
county, having business there.
No wonder that railroads are losing
money, so many are taking their trains.

Slover the blacksmith does your work
prompt and perfect.
Tuomacari gold diggings go to fur-
ther prove that wealth can be had here if
you will dig for it.
George Baker reprieved some posts
and wire from Tuck and Roy Beal this
month in the J. P. court.
The Chattanooga medicine company
has commenced suit for money owing
on goods bought by A. J. Gains.
John Hackney has gone, and another
jovial good natured chap, C. C. Henry,
is in charge of the Amuden lumber yard.

Pearce & Dobbs, exclusive agents for
Hawkes' celebrated spectacles, crystal-
lized lenses, the best on earth.
E. J. Mitchell is in from his ranch
in the lower Guadalupe and closed up
the sale of his mahar at 29 cents.
B. G. Stegman has sold the Amarillo
telephone exchange and about 165 miles
of outside toll lines for 20,000 dollars.
We want to make room for a new
line of wall paper, and will sell the
present line very cheap.
Pearce & Dobbs.
Mr. Ford has a nice bunch of a thou-
sand head of old Mexico cattle on grass
at the Horn place, holding them for
spring shipment to Canada.
Envelopes, XXX6, printed \$2.50 per
1,000; \$1.50 for 500, at Times office. This
is no out, same old price.
Mr. Pitts, who had the Llewellyn
lumber yard in charge for the purchas-
ers, M. T. Jones Co., has ceased its
management and the yard is closed.
Peter Thomas has received his com-
mission as notary public and will soon
enlarge his rear room.
Turquoise has been discovered in Al-
abama "equal to those mined in New
Mexico."
Last week's Times was in splendid
demand, as well as its little circular.
The articles on the country are a splen-
did letter to send home. For a small
piece of money you can buy these cir-
culars at this office.

Hamilton Camp No. 17,
W. O. W. meets every Monday night.
W. M. Cox, C. C. M. Newman, Clerk.

Notice
Cotton seed cost 40c a bushel and the
growers can have it at 45c. At next
meeting, Feb. 6, a prize proposition will
be discussed. Be sure and come.

It Matters Not
No matter the name; no matter the
place; if you are afflicted with that in-
tolerable, often excruciating itching
sensation, you want a cure and want it
quick. Hunt's cure is an infallible
never failing remedy. It cures. Only
50c per box and strictly guaranteed.

The Ladies
of the Presbyterian Church gave
a Japanese and Chinese tea on Thurs-
day afternoon, Jan. 28th, from 3 to 5 in
the parlors of the Vendome hotel. A
silver offering for "foreign missions"
was taken. All were cordially invited
to attend and help in the "good
cause." Mrs. T. C. White is the chair-
man.

Best Liniment On Earth
Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water
Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I
have tried many kinds of liniment, but
have never received much benefit until
I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for
rheumatism and pains. I think it is
the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c,
and \$1 bottle at Pearce & Dobbs.

Trade Day
The first and third Saturdays in the
month are trade days hereafter at the
corral. Old wagons, horses, imple-
ments, anything old thing.
Blankenship & Co. K. W. Jones.
Religious services and Sunday school
and prayer meeting every Sunday at 2
and 3 p. m. at Adobe school house; four
miles southeast of Portales. Everybody
invited to attend.—M. M. Bonds.

Got a Man at Last
On the 24th in Amarillo Alvo Bryan
was shot and dangerously wounded. T.
L. Queen, private in the state ranger
force, surrendered, claiming the shoot-
ing was accidental, which will be in-
vestigated anyway. This private was
in Portales a short time ago after a Mr.
Cunningham, but failed to catch him.

Notice
If you have a plan to put into prac-
tice that will be of financial benefit to
you, advertise it in the paper. It will
be money well spent.
Mr. Terrell of the Stag Saloon has a
bad case of rheumatism. A teaspoonful
half and half of sulphur and soda
five nights then begin to reduce a fifth,
will cure you, Jack.

PORTALES TIMES

50 cents YEAR. PROTECTION TO HOME INTERESTS. ONE SAMPLE 5c.
Vol. 1, No. 51. Portales, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, Jan. 30, 1904. Issued Weekly.

Samuel P. Foreman has a case in the
justice court against C. P. Brown for
\$10 wages due. A garnishee was served
on the First National Bank, a supposed
debtor. A hearing will be had on the
11th of February.

Justice Morris' J. P. docket cites a
case of W. E. Chambliss against the
new man on the police board, C. P.
Brown, for \$30 on a note. Garnishee
papers were run on the First National
Bank, supposed to have a deposit of the
said Brown. The case is set for Feb. 22.

J. H. Harrington sued Mr. Friday, a
descendant of Cruso's man, for \$10 and
an attachment on the colored gem-
men's trunk. The case is set for the
tenth of next month, and the time for
opening the trunk when a stiff north
wind is blowing.

E. R. Cannon argued that there was
not goods in his car sufficient to entitle
the railroad company to charge 45 dol-
lars excess. So Mr. Cannon and the
company weighed the goods on Jones'
coal scales, and notwithstanding these
scales, the goods did not weigh up to
the 20,000 pound mark. Then Mr.
Cannon replevied his goods through the
justice court, and the bill will be
retified by the company.

Its Everywhere
The Huts of the poor, the Halls of the
rich,
Are neither exempt from some form
of it; it;
Perhaps a distinction may be made in
the name,
But the rich and the poor must scratch
just the same.
O, why should the children of Adam
endure
An affliction so dreadful, when Hunt's
Cure does cure?
All forms of itching; price 50c; guar-
anteed.

THAT NOTED CONTEST.
The Celebrated Dyson-Clayton Land
Near Artesia.
The celebrated Dyson-Clayton land
case which has occupied the attention
of the land office in Roswell for the
best part of last week came to a close
when the motion of non-suit made by the
defense was sustained. The defense did
not introduce any of their witnesses,
but at the conclusion of the testimony
of the witnesses of the plaintiff entered
the motion of non-suit which was sus-
tained, it being held that the testimony
failed to sustain the allegations con-
tained in the plaintiff's affidavit. The
claim is just west of the town of Artesia
and the present value of the land is
probably near eight thousand dollars.
Judge J. A. Nisbet, who won the noted
Morgan case, started at Portales, as at-
torney for Mr. Clayton is feeling par-
ticularly good over the decision as the
case has been a hard fought one from
the beginning, and the judge entered
into it with his usual zeal and energy.
Every foot of the ground was contested.
Judge Nisbet's long residence here and
consequent familiarity with the land
law and the technicalities arising in
cases of this kind has given him an en-
viable reputation as an attorney in
land cases, and this case adds another
to his long list of victories.—Roswell
Register.

Calling cards: 25c per 50 at Times.
Letter heads, note side, 1000 for \$2;
500 for \$1.50; at Times office. Same old
price. This is no out.

Reward
I will pay five dollars for the arrest
and conviction of the boys (or boy) who
are breaking windows in vacant houses.
The person who informs on the guilty
ones does not have to be known in the
case.
C. W. Morris, J. P.

Miss Medlin
will begin a series of lessons in Batten-
burg and Point Lace, Feb. 9th, at the
Cash Bazaar. See Miss Plant for par-
ticulars.

Final Proof
will be made before the United States
Commissioner at Portales, New Mex-
ico, on February 3, 1904, by
James T. Ford, upon Homestead ap-
plication No. 3842, for the Northeast
quarter of section 35, township 1 north,
range 35 east.

Final Proof
will be made before the United States
Commissioner at Portales, New Mex-
ico, on February 3, 1904, by
Levi H. Taylor, upon Homestead ap-
plication No. 1412, for the Southwest
Quarter of section 29, township 1 south,
range 35 east.

Back Yard Row
George Workman was found not
guilty of an affray with W. N. Neel by
Judge Morris.
W. N. Neel was fined five dollars and
costs for fighting Geo. Workman, but
no gilt was attached to Neel for cut-
ting Workman with a knife.
The fight was a family affair over a
horse, and all parties concerned seem
relieved over the outcome.

A Very Close Call
"I stuck to my engine, although every
joint ached and every nerve was
racked with pain," writes C. W. Bell-
my, a locomotive fireman, of Burling-
ton, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, with-
out any appetite and all run down. As
I was about to give up, I got a Bottle of
Electric Bitters, and after taking it I
felt as well as I ever did in my life."
Weak, sickly, run down people always
gain new life, strength and vigor from
their use. Try them; satisfaction guar-
anteed by Pearce & Dobbs.

Court House Notes
The pegs have been set after the sur-
vey of the lines where the court house
foundation will rest. McFatter, the
contractor and County Surveyor Fairly
did the work.
The contracts were all signed up last
Saturday on the court house.

If Unwell
Try a 50c bottle of Herbine, notice
the improvement speedily effected in
your appetite, energy, strength and
vigor. Watch how it brightens the
spirits, gives freedom from indigestion
and debility!
Isaac Story, Ava, Mo., writes, Sept.
10th, 1900: "I was in bad health, I had
stomach trouble for 12 months, also the
dumb chills. Dr. J. W. Mory prescribed
Herbine, it cured me in two weeks. I
cannot recommend it too highly, it will
do all you claim for it." sold by Pearce
& Dobbs.

Services
M. E. Church South—Sunday school
at 10 o'clock. We ask the parents to
do all they can to have the children
to come on time. Preaching at 11
o'clock by the pastor, text: "My
wages shall not pass away." Epworth
League at 7:15 p. m. Preaching at 7:45
p. m. "Satan." The pastor has some-
thing to say in both sermons that will
be of special interest to the people of
Portales. An invitation to all to attend.
New members will be received at the
morning services.—J. H. Messer, Past.

Baptist—Services, usual hours.
The church is still without a regular
pastor.
Presbyterian—Pastor neglects to
publish the announcements.

To Irrigate
Arthur Brown has been down to Ros-
well looking up some horse trades that
he had arranged for awhile back. He
was in Carlsbad also and received 46
head from Frank Shortall, most of the
animals now being at the latter's ranch
on the plains. The price paid was not
given. Mr. Brown is making arrange-
ments to install a modest irrigating
plant on his ranch and put in some for-
age stuff for the coming spring. The
winter so far has been very mild on the
granges, but he believes he can feed
with a profit, as his place is especially
well located for feed crops.

Simple Colds
Cease to be simple, if at all prolong-
ed. The safest way is to put them aside
at the very beginning. Ballard's Hor-
ehound Syrup stops a cold and removes
the cause of colds, 25c, 50c and \$1 bottle
at Pearce & Dobbs.

Frank Gordon
Gov. Otero appointed Frank E. Gor-
don superintendent of schools for Roo-
sevelt county, vice James C. Llewellyn,
resigned. Mr. Gordon is a very nice
man and a citizen of this county. He is
a minister of the Methodist church.

Wonderful Nerve
Is displayed by many a man enduring
pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruise-
s, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints
—but there's no need of it. Bucklen's
Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure
the trouble. It's the best salve on earth
for Piles, too, 25c at Pearce & Dobbs.

R. R. Time Table
Eastward leaves Portales..... 2:45 p. m.
Ar. Texico..... 3:30 p. m.
Ar. Bovina..... 3:45 p. m.
Ar. Hereford..... 5:20 p. m.
Ar. Canyon City..... 6:20 p. m.
Arrives at Amarillo at..... 7 p. m.
Westward
Leaves Portales..... 1:40 p. m.
Ar. Elda..... 2:40 p. m.
Ar. Roswell..... 4:45 p. m.
Ar. Carlsbad..... 8:45 p. m.
Arrives Pecos..... 1:10 a. m.

A Spiked Tailed Coat
Uncle George Baker was unceremon-
iously cheated out of his Sunday service
this week. He had just donned his
kid-glove pants and spike-tailed Prince
coat and feeling lordly and airy started
across his field for the road. A young
heifer in the lot snuffed the scent of
meadow perfume, shook the surprise
from its eyes and with a bellow started
for Uncle George. About that instant
Uncle George started for the fence,
with his coat tails fanning the air,
and his heels tapping his anatomy at
every jump. At the moment Uncle
George hit the fence the calf hit him.
Between the exerting race, the contour
position on the fence, and the attitude
of the calf, the fault lays that kept Geo.
away from Sunday meetin'. When he
returned by the road to home he felt
thankful that in time of need a frock-
tailed coat was useful, a certain that
held the injury to his pants.

Railroad
W. H. Wolff, who has been at Albu-
querque, Belen and other points along
the Santa Fe in New Mexico told a re-
porter of The Texan that from the
most reliable source he received the
information that the Belen cut-off was
a certainty.
About 200 men are now at work on
the bridge across the Rio Grande at
Belen and more are being put on.
The contract for about 30 miles of
grade is now let, and the work of con-
struction will be pushed.
The Cut-Off will be built from Belen
and connect with the Rock Island at
or near Santa Rosa.

The road will then be extended to
the Pecos Valley road at a point called
Portales.
The Choctaw will use the Pecos Val-
ley from Amarillo to the Cut-Off and
thence over the Santa Fe to California.
In return the Santa Fe will use the
Choctaw to make connections with
some of their southeastern lines. The
main traffic of the Santa Fe will come
over the cut-off to Santa Rosa and then
over the Rock Island to some point in
Kansas.

A call for \$2,000,000 has been made
to improve the west end of the Santa
Fe. In talking with Albuquerque peo-
ple Mr. Wolff said they admitted they
were up against it, but were going to
make the best of it while they could.
The ties and rails are being taken
away from the Tucumcari extension of
the Choctaw and all indications point
to an arrangement for another outlet
for that road.—Dalhart Texan.

Rain in West Texas
Now that we have had a good and
beneficial rain our merchants will
spread themselves.
A good rain at last, and the farmer,
cattleman, merchant and everybody
are happy.
The rain Wednesday night was a
godsend to West Texas.—Colorado
Stockman.
Feb. 17th the territorial democratic
central committee will meet in Santa
Fe, at the office of the secretary.

The band boys are doing nicely, as
some of them are good musicians.
Domestic Troubles
It is exceptional to find a family where
there are no domestic ruptures occa-
sionally, but these can be lessened by
having Dr. King's New Life Pills
around. Much trouble they save by
their great work in Stomach and Liver
troubles; they not only relieve you, but
cure, 25c, at Pearce & Dobbs.

Statehood Notes.
Pursuant to the suggestion of Gov.
Brodie of Arizona in a circular letter,
several mass meetings were held to
protest against joint statehood.
Senator Quay has introduced a bill to
admit Oklahoma and Indian Territory
as one state.
The statehood bill will not be con-
sidered by the senate committee at
this session.
Rodey talked for five days, eloquent-
ly and earnestly pleading on behalf of
statehood.

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.
Waverly, Tex., writes: "Of a morn-
ing, when rising, I often find a trouble-
some collection of phlegm, which pro-
duces a cough, and is very hard to dis-
lodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's
Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge
it, and the trouble is over. I know of
no medicine that is equal to it, and it
is so pleasant to take. I can most
cordially recommend it to all persons
needing a medicine for throat or lung
troubles." Price 25c, 50c, \$1 bottle at
Pearce & Dobbs.

The Gold Bird
at Tucumcari will soon devoid itself of
excitement and then the true state of
affairs will be found. Of the 300 men
who have located not one has brought
in any nuggets. The excitement was
started over some nuggets brought in
by Jose Maria Trujillo which he wash-
ed out of the sand. There ought to be
more there.

Final Proof
was made before the United States
Commissioner at Portales, New Mexico
on January 23, 1904, by
William H. Yardley, upon Homestead
application No. 3191, for the NW 1/4
of section 5, township 2 south, range 35
east.

He named the following witnesses to
prove his continuous residence upon
and cultivation of said land, viz:
Mitchell M. Bounds, James B. Wade,
A. A. Dunlap, Charles McEwen, all of
Portales, N. M.

The Wanderer
He left the dear old homestead and
the scenes of his youth,
And he went forth a wanderer; a search-
er in truth.
He looked not for treasure, naught he
cared to be rich,
What he sought for was something to
cure his itch.
He found it. Name, Hunt's Cure, 50c.

County Surveyor Fairly ran a rusty
nail in his foot Sunday and medicine is
being applied scientifically.
Kangaroo court was in session Thurs-
day night at McFatter's shop.

FRED CROSBY
Baths & Laundry
and Barber Shop
Portales, N. Mex.

Wanted.
Two salesmen in each state; \$50
and expenses; permanent posi-
tion.
PENICKS TOBACCO
WORKS CO.,
Penicks, Va.

City Bakery
Reopened
A. B. Austin. Next to Crosby's.
Bread, pies and cakes.

SEE ELI BENEDICT
About Paradise Lost Valley
Farms. He will locate you right.

Spurs and Bits,
If you want a nice pair of hand made
spurs or bridle bits you will find them
on hand at R. M. Sanders. Also Lap
Dusters, finest in town. He also carries
a line of harness and saddles.
Beautiful Winter Robes Just In.

Carry your work to
J. I. SLOVER, opp City Hotel
Blacksmith
and woodworkman. Prices reasonable
and all work guaranteed first class.
Portales, N. M.

Portales Transfer
M. M. Scott
Good Teams, Good Wagons.

W. G. Page,
Dealer in
Real Estate!
and Live Stock
Portales, N. Mex.

Why Not Buy Prop-
erty in the Benson tract adjoining Por-
tales, where you can buy 5 Acres \$80
For sale at the Bank of Portales.

TIPTON, THE
BLACKSMITH,
Portales.
Back of Commercial Hotel

Coal, Hay, Seed,
Feed, Blankenship & Co.
Free delivery.

This Space is Reserved For
Scurlock
& Wooding,
Butchers, who will inaugurate
the cash system on
Feb. 1st.

Ladies' Furnishings.
Cash Bazaar,
Best Quality Goods, Cheap.
Commercial Block,
Call, E. M. Plant.

Watchmaker and Jeweler
Forty years experience.
W. E. MILLER,
Repairing done promptly, work guaranteed. Shop east side in furniture store.

Burton-Lingo Co.
J. W. GRECC, Local Manager
Wholesale and Retail Dealers
In Lumber, Sash, Doors, and Building
Material.
Talk is Cheap.
Our stock speaks for itself.
Lowest Prices.

Plow Season Soon
Plows of all sizes and dimensions,
both walking and riding, at
Blankenship & Woodcock's.

Do you ever see a walking plow? At
Blankenship & Woodcock's.

Do you ever see a horse fly?
The chalk line was stretched today
on the court house site.

I'd rather be a Baptist,
In faith and love and hope,
Than be a Catholic
And subject to the Pope.

I'd rather be a Baptist,
And with my Saviour go,
Than an Episcopalian
With all his pomp and show.

I'd rather be a Baptist,
Rejoicing every hour,
Than a Presbyterian
And never feel the power.

I'd rather be a Baptist
And wear a beaming face,
Than to be a Methodist
And ever fall from grace.

I'd rather be a Baptist
And know that I am right,
Than to depend upon water,
And be a Campbellite.

I am a Baptist, Baptist to the core,
A Baptist till I die;
And I'll be a Baptist evermore
In the Sweet By-and-By.
[Published in dedication to Dobbs.]

There is on hand in the National
Bank in Portales \$75,000 dollars, ready
to be invested, we presumed, as soon
as artesian water is in prospect and the
court house is under headway. What do
you think of the substantial standing of
the First National Bank? Pretty good,
ain't it?
Washington, Jan. 26.—The Senate
has confirmed Charles O. Leach as
postmaster at Portales, New Mexico.

Resources.
Loans and Discounts \$82,142 39
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured..... 1,081 85
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation..... 6,250 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds..... 582 03
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures..... 5,069 15
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)..... 6,818 08
Due from approved reserve agents..... 10,257 20
Checks and other cash items..... 361 66
Notes of other National Banks..... 1,445 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents..... 45 78
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:
Specie..... \$4,455 90
Legal-tender notes..... 3,000 00— 7,455 90
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of
circulation)..... 312 50
Total..... \$121,821 54

LIABILITIES
Capital stock paid in..... \$25,000 00
Surplus fund..... 5,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid..... 5,853 63
National Bank Notes outstanding..... 6,250 00
Individual deposits subject to check..... 75,077 91
Time certificates of deposits..... 4,640 00
Total..... \$121,821 54

Territory of New Mexico, County of Roosevelt, ss.
I, W. O. Oldham, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly
swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge
and belief.
Correct—Attest: ED. J. NEER,
C. O. LEACH,
W. E. LINDSEY, } Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of January, 1904.
[Seal] DAVID P. THOMAS, Notary Public.

FRUIT ORCHARD AND GARDEN

CONDUCTED BY M. J. WRAGG

(Mr. Wragg invites contributions of any new ideas that readers of this journal would be pleased to answer correspondingly. Address M. J. Wragg, Waukegan, Ill.)

IN WHAT SHOULD A TECHNICAL EDUCATION CONSIST AND WHAT SHALL BE ITS AIM?

Prof. Storms of the Iowa Agricultural College says:

The primary purpose of a college is to educate men so that they may go out into life clean, strong and earnest. All our courses of study are arranged with this in view. And in a college like ours the technical features receive special attention. But we do not aim to turn out merely herdsmen and mechanics, but educated men who shall bring trained and cultured minds to bear on the industrial problems of the world. We aim to make our students intelligent as to what these problems are and we expect them to be qualified for leadership among the hosts of earnest workers in every field of activity. With these ends distinctly before them the faculties have effected a happy union of technical and general studies. We do not encourage short cuts to a superficial acquaintance with the technical branches of our work. A student needs the mental discipline and the information which comes and can come only with the thorough and patient pursuit of the general science and culture studies. His ability to think clearly, to reason soundly and to free himself from the slavery of mere prejudice, and so to command confidence and respect; his ability to express himself in correct English and his knowledge of the civilization and institutions which he enjoys; his rational self-control, are very largely the result of such discipline as comes from the study of history, literature, mathematics and the sciences. We have to combat the unintelligent demand for premature and superficial specialization.

The mule isn't quite as beautiful as his half brother, the horse, but when it comes to business, he is no slouch. He doesn't travel quite as fast as the horse, but he gets there first on the long haul because he keeps at it. He can live and get fat on the half rations of a horse. Abuse that would kill a horse won't phase a mule. He can out-pull, out-walk and out-trot anything of his weight and size. For downright hard work take a mule. For even temper and generous and free service take a mule. Treat him half white and he will be a faithful slave to the end of his long and useful career. In felicity or adversity nothing will stay by you like the mule.

While the season has passed throughout the Northwest for the more active farm operations there is no reason why the progressive farmer should be idle. The winter months afford an opportunity to take account of stock and to review the work of the past season and see where it could have been made more effective. The truly successful farmer is the one that can see his mistakes without brooding over them and profit thereby. He should also have balance enough to retain himself if fortune has smiled on his endeavors.

It was Josh Billings who said: "My son, observe the postage stamp. Its usefulness depends upon its ability to stick to one thing until it gets there." While stick-to-itiveness is a good thing, it is sometimes over-developed with many farmers and their wives. They stick so close to the farm they finally get the idea in their heads that they cannot get away. This is a good time to pay that long-delayed visit to wife's folks or husband's mother. Do not be like a certain wealthy farmer's wife who refused to go with her husband on a few weeks' visit for fear the chickens would all disappear during her absence.

Pie-plant is one of the earliest and most delicious of garden sauces in the spring. The ranker and earlier it can be grown the better it is. For early pie-plant dig a trench two feet wide and three feet deep and fill with well rotted manure and rich soil. Cover this with a mat of manure and let it stand over winter. In the early spring set out your plants, which will make a fine growth the first year and by mulching in the fall will be ready for use early in the following spring.

The object in grooming the horse is not solely to remove the dirt from the surface, but to cleanse the skin as well.

The food supplied to animals should vary with the age, and the object in view of the feeding. Some animals fatten easily, such as unusually sound, strong and of easy, happy temperament, that get through life without fretting. Others are nervous in temper; take life hard; fret a good deal over any restraint, and are slow and often dainty feeders. Such animals do not thrive well and fatten quite slowly. There is little satisfaction in handling or feeding such.

More horses are run down by over-feeding than by over-work in summer.

If you have any fruit or produce that you wish to dispose of readily at a fair price make it look attractive. Wash out the little potatoes and apples. Fine fruit or vegetables of uniform size attract the eye and command a good price.

LIVE STOCK

Fluid Useless for Branding.

From time to time attempts are made to supplant the red hot branding iron by a liquid. A liquid branding iron patented in New Zealand has been imported to this country and quite widely advertised. A large number of western cattle men tried it and reported adversely on it. It was claimed that it would not injure the hide, but the experience of stockmen seems to be that it injures them as much as the branding iron. Relative to this matter, the Arizona station publishes the following:

"How W. H. C. Barnes of Dorsey, New Mexico, formerly an Arizona cattleman, has used this same branding fluid under range conditions and expresses himself concerning its use as follows: 'For the man who, like myself, has from two to three hundred calves to brand at a time, I can see no way of using it successfully. In branding time on my ranch we usually cut out from two to three hundred calves, put them in a lane in the corral, cutting calves into one pen and cows into another. One man grabs the calf by the right hind leg, another grabs the tail, gives a quick jerk and the calf is on his side with one man holding his hind legs and another on his neck. No sooner does he hit the ground than a man is at him with the iron, while at the same time another man marks and castrates, and this year a third man dehorned with a clipper. With two pairs of men to throw, one to run the irons, one to cut and mark, and one to dehorn, making seven men in all, we have frequently branded out ninety calves in an hour and kept it up at that clip for three or four hours. Now I tried the branding fluid under such conditions: I first put it into a milkpan and used a cold iron. It took a long time for the fluid to penetrate the hair, and finally one vigorous calf kicked over my pan and spilled the fluid all over the legs of the man holding him. That settled the pan system, and I got a brush and painted it on. That worked all right, but took time. But the worst feature of all was that crowding three or four hundred calves into a small pen that they smeared and rubbed the stuff on the corral and the men's clothes. 'Branding time on a big ranch is a hurry-up period; everything is in a rush. To use the fluid means to take just about ten times as long as by the hot iron system.'"

Ayrshire Breeders' Meeting.
The 29th annual meeting of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association was held December 2d in Albany, N. Y., with twenty-five members present and some ten visitors. The report of the secretary showed nineteen new members added during the past year and seven lost by death. The report of the treasurer showed a balance of \$5,469. It was voted to continue the Home Dairy test for the next year. It was voted to appropriate \$1,000 in aid of approved exhibitors at the World's Fair at St. Louis in 1904, and a committee was elected to look after the selection of animals for the show. C. M. Winslow, Brandon, Vt.; Charles C. Doe, South Newbury, Vt.; and Geo. E. Pike, Gouverneur, N. Y., comprise the committee. The scale of points was revised to give a more decided dairy conformation to the Ayrshire cow. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. Thomas Turnbull, Jr., Casanova, a vice-president, Obadiah Brown, Providence, R. I.; Charles C. Doe, South Newbury, Vt.; J. S. Fletcher, South Lyndeboro, N. H.; S. M. Wells, Newington, Conn.; secretary and editor, Charles M. Winslow, Brandon, Vt.; treasurer, N. S. Winsor, Greenville, R. I.; executive committee in place of J. O. Magie, deceased; Andy Holt, South Lyndeboro, N. H.; executive committee for three years, J. Andrew Carter, Dover, N. J.; J. F. Converse, Woodville, N. Y.

Points in Sheep Raising.
To be successful in breeding sheep it is necessary to give them proper care and attention. They should not be left to pick their living by the roadside. We live in one of the greatest sheep countries in the world, and yet, when we look around, how many flocks do we find? We ought to find a small flock on every farm, but many farmers have not a sheep on their place. Every farm ought to have sheep, if only to assist in tidying up the fence corners. This they will do if they are given half a chance, in that they will trim up grass and weeds in lanes, paddocks and fence corners. Few weeds or plants will escape their notice. The weeds that one sheep will consume in the summer are about as many or more than the average farm boy can be persuaded to destroy in a single season. In a certain sense, therefore, a small band of sheep are wage-earners. They ought to be kept to supply the farmers with meat during the warm months of the year. No more delicious meat can be furnished at such seasons, and none is more wholesome. The farmer can, in this way, get much of his meat supply in summer and get it virtually without cost, since the pasture which makes the mutton would otherwise be lost, or, at least, a great part of it.—E. F. Park.

Cut Bedding Straw.
To my mind, the proper care of manure commences with the cutting of all the straw, which can be done at the time of thrashing at a very moderate expense, says James McFadyen. A little patience while the grain is still in the shock, that it may become thoroughly dry, and cost us the watering of our barns that it may be kept so. Then we have all the straw in less bulk than that occupied by the sheaves, and in a position and under the most favorable circumstances to be used either as a feed or bedding to the best possible advantage. There is no better bedding than cut straw from the fact that a greater body of it lies close to the floor to soak up the liquid manure, and if we could be impressed with the value of liquid manure, we would as far as possible have all stable floors water-tight, that the liquid might be preserved and mixed with the solids.

Good Berth for Englishman.
The Queen of Holland has just appointed an Englishman, the Rev. Kingsopp Lake, of Lincoln College, Oxford, a theological professor at the famous Dutch University of Leyden. Mr. Lake succeeds the well-known Dr. Maanen in the chair of New Testament exegesis.

When a man only employs his passion when he can make use of his reason.

When a woman only employs her wits when she can get away with her husband.

A Prolific Brood Sow.

W. Anderson & Son, of Carlinville, Ill., are the owners of a Berkshire brood sow which has farrowed 117 pigs in nine consecutive litters in four years and eight months, two of the litters being fifteen each and one of seven. Prolific brood sows are scarcely always good milkers. The hog was intended by nature to be a prolific animal and if any of our readers are complaining of too few in the litter, they should hold a session with Anderson's sow and ask why it is they have been doing to thwart the purpose of nature. In nine cases out of ten it will be either because of a bad choice of brood sows—chosen for good looks rather than fitness for work, production—or because of bad material; in other words, feeding too much corn either directly or allowing them to gather their exclusive feed from following cattle. In general, if anything is wrong with a man's hogs, it will be found on examination that there is something wrong with himself or with his methods of breeding and feeding.

Mechanical Umpire.
Following close the invention of a pitching gun to supplant the star-twirl of the diamond, says the New York Evening Star, comes news from Canada for an invention to aid the umpire in making correct decisions on the field. The new device, which has been patented, consists of an electric plate attached to the initial bag, and so arranged as to ring an electric bell if the first baseman touches the bag before the runner. On the other hand, if the batter reaches first base before it is touched by the baseman, the plate is so adjusted that the bell will not ring.

Assuming that the device is always in working order, the umpire may, if he wishes, turn his back on the batter and give an accurate decision at first. If the bell rings, the runner's out; if it doesn't he's safe sounds simple. Baseball people are now eagerly awaiting news of the invention of a batting machine which will average the average of every welder of the wagon tongue to the 300 per cent mark.

FOR BUSINESS MEN.
Merchants are now contemplating their journey to market for the purchase of the Spring and Summer stocks. Before determining how you will go we ask you to notice our facilities for a rapid, comfortable and convenient journey. With our three daily trains from North Texas and double daily service from the Central portion of the State, we can give you a trip that for speed, service and accommodation cannot be surpassed. Our trains invariably leave on time, with fresh clean equipment, modern in style and elegant in appointment. Our dining and Cafe car service assure you of what you want to eat, prepared by experienced Chefs and daintily served just when you want it. There is no "Twenty minutes for dinner" with the rush and confusion attendant upon an eating house meal. Our trains run through to St. Louis and Memphis, making direct connections for Chicago, New York, Boston and all Northern and Eastern markets. Give us a trial and be convinced that ours is the best line for the busy man. For detailed information, address: A. S. WAGNER, D. M. MORGAN, Waco, Ft. Worth.

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An injury done to character is so great that it cannot possibly be estimated.—Livy.

The dentist who could invent a way to let a woman go on talking while he was drilling her teeth would make ten thousand fortunes.

Edinburg, Miss., June 30th, 1903. A. B. Richards Med. Co., Sherman, Texas. Gentlemen—I was troubled with Salt Rheum or Tetter in my hands for many years. I tried many remedies advertised for such diseases but never got any relief until I got a box of Hunt's Cure. After using one box I was entirely cured. Yours very truly, JOHN BENSON.

It's terrible never see way—women when they start to get on a street car, can act as if they were going to show something interesting and then do not.

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When a woman only employs her wits when she can get away with her husband.

**REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION
OF THE COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT, TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO**
For the year ending Dec. 31st, 1903.

Bonded Independence.

Roosevelt county Court House and Jail bonds outstanding and drawing 6 per cent interest.....	\$10,101 80	\$10,000 00
To balance on hand court house and jail fund.....		
Roosevelt county current expense bonds outstanding and drawing 6 per cent interest.....	3,090 07	3,000 00
To balance of hand current and expense fund.....		
Chaves and Guadalupe county bonds outstanding and drawing 6 per cent interest.....		3,000 00
To balance on hand Chaves and Guadalupe counties' debt fund.....	3,075 93	
	\$16,268 80	\$16,000 00

General Fund.

Dec. 31, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$2,225 31	
to penalty collected.....	62	
to license collected.....	362 80	
By 54 county warrants paid.....		\$2,139 05
By amount to balance.....	449 70	
	\$2,687 73	\$2,588 73
To balance on hand.....	\$440 70	

Road and Bridge Fund.

Dec. 31, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$62 56	
By county warrants paid.....		\$37 50
By amount to balance.....		25 06
	\$62 56	\$62 56
To balance on hand.....	\$25 06	

Bond Interest Fund.

Dec. 31, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$532 52	
By amount to balance.....		\$532 52
	\$532 52	\$532 52
Total amount on hand.....	\$532 52	

School Fund.

Dec. 31, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$1,621 21	
to license collected.....	302 80	
to saloon and gambling license.....	230 00	
to fines collected, J. P.....	225 00	
to penalty collected.....	62	
April—Received from Territory.....	249 20	
Dec.—Received from Territory.....	189 73	
By apportionment of Sup.....		\$3,138 18
By county warrants paid.....		339 78
	\$3,477 96	\$3,477 96

District Court Fund.

Dec. 31, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$975 07	
By county warrants paid.....		\$181 00
By amount to balance.....		794 07
	\$975 07	\$975 07
To amount on hand.....	\$794 07	

Wild Animal Bounty.

Dec. 12, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$370 30	
By county warrants paid.....		\$210 00
By amount to balance.....		160 30
	\$370 30	\$370 30
Total amount on hand.....	\$160 30	

Court House Repair.

Dec. 31, 1903, to property tax collected.....	\$140 37	
By amount to balance.....		\$140 37
	\$140 37	\$140 37
To amount on hand.....	\$140 37	

I, W. E. Lindsey, Probate Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the financial condition of said county for the year ending December 31, 1903, as shown upon the books of my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, on this the 26th of January, 1904.

(seal) **W. E. LINDSEY,**
Probate Clerk, Etc.

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- 8500—100 acres 8 miles from town, 15 acres in field, good well, windmill, good outlet, fine small ranch.

Announcements Either Party \$5.00

For Treasurer and Collector.
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the above office, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

JOHN EILAND
John Eiland announces himself as a candidate for nomination subject to the decision of the democratic primaries. His candidacy has been talked of for several months, and being a pioneer settler and one of the first to organize a bank here, the rank and file of the democratic party see in him the right stuff to make a good officer.

For Supt. of Schools.
John A. Fairly requests us to announce that he is a candidate for Superintendent of County Schools subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

Mr. Fairly is also one of the early settlers in the valley and a leading educator under the old county. The trouble with Fairly is that he places politics above too many other things and thinks that the democratic brand is the thing. A little more independence in politics and a branching out in local affairs is a good preventative of combines.

For Probate Clerk and Recorder.
I am a candidate for the nomination to the above office, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

INDA HUMPHREY.
Inda Humphrey never would subscribe for the Times, but as an ex-warehouse merchant knows the value of advertising regardless of politics. Humphrey is an old-time expert penman and book-keeper, but as a democrat is a little daft on the subject of politics.

**Notice.
POLL TAXES**

are now due on demand. The law is very strict and we mean to collect every cent of it. You can't dodge it if you want to. I shall begin collecting on Monday, January 18th, 1904. Please have the dollar handy, as it will be to our mutual advantage.

J. A. FAIRLY,
Secretary
of School Board, District No. 1,
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Notice for Publication
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, December 23, 1903.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the United States Commissioner at Portales, New Mexico, on February 3, 1904, viz:
LEE A. WOMACK, upon Homestead application No. 2861 for the northeast quarter of section 23, township 2 south, range 34 east.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
George Connor, H. Clay Bedinger, William E. Stewart, William B. Stewart, all of Portales, N. M.
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CHARLES B. McEWEN, upon homestead application No. 2075, for the north east quarter of section 8, township 2 south, range 35 east.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Moses Brown, G. Lee Burrows, Antonio A. Dunlap, Mitchell M. Bounds, all of Portales, N. M.
dec26 jan30 HOWARD LELAND, Register.

Notice for Publication
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, January 13, 1904.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the United States Commissioner at Portales, New Mexico, on March 10, 1904, viz:
Ira E. Gilbreath, upon Homestead application No. 2684, for the North-east quarter, Sec. 26, Tp. 2 S., R. 36 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Lee Trammel, James I. Gilbreath, William Faggard, James M. Faggard, all of Portales, N. M.
jan30 feb5 HOWARD LELAND, Register.

Notice for Publication—Contest.
Clayton, New Mexico, Jan. 4, 1904.
Claimant having been entered in this office by William Beck against Newt Snyder, for abandoning his homestead entry No. 3939, made Aug. 18, 1898, for the SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, sec. 26; SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of SE 1/4, sec. 27, tp. 2 north, range 30 east, in Roosevelt county, New Mexico, with a view to the cancellation of said entry said parties are hereby summoned to appear, respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment, before W. E. Lindsey, U. S. Court Commissioner at Portales, New Mexico, on the 4th day of March, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., and final hearing will be held before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office, on the 10th day of March, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., at Clayton, New Mexico.
EDWARD W. FOX, Register.
ALBERT W. THOMPSON, Receiver.
jan16 feb6

Notice for Publication.
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, January 28, 1904.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the U. S. Commissioner at his office at Portales, New Mexico, on March 17, 1904, viz:
Charles E. Compher, upon Homestead application No. 3003, for the Southeast Quarter of Section 26, Tp. 2 S., R. 35 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Samuel A. Crabb, John H. Reynolds, Robert E. Curd, Newton J. Golden, all of Portales, N. M.
HOWARD LELAND, Register.
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