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How Texas Got into the Union.

This is a strange yet true story of how big events in the history of this country hinged on one vote, as told by Col. Dan Blocher of Scott County, Ind., and retold by Hon. Lefe Pence, humorist and orator and ex-member of Congress from Colorado, to a group of friends at the Riggs House.

"The Democratic national committee," said Mr. Pence, "in 1896 wanted my services on the stump, and I was given my choice of territory. Of course I chose to go back to my old Hoosier home, among the friends of my boyhood, and one of my first assignments was at Lexington, in Scott County, a part of the world still unconquered by the refinements of an effete civilization.

"The instance of my arrival at Lexington I was seized upon by Col. Dan Blocher, one of the finest specimens of a Jeffersonian Democrat that ever drew breath, a lifetime friend of Hon. W. H. English, and, though verging upon four-score, active in body, alert mentality and as enthusiastic a partisan as he was in the outset of his career.

"We had much to talk over, and finally the old man, pointing to a little clump of trees that stood near by, said: 'Mr. Pence, in your speech this afternoon I want you to allude to these trees and tell of a scene that happened under them in which I was an actor. All this country was once well wooded, but that little clump is about all of the original forest left. It happened this way: My father was about the craziest Democrat that ever lived in Indiana. On a certain election he had done his usual vigorous work, but after going home was not satisfied. It lacked only about an hour of the closing of the polls, but as he had me hitch up the wagon and we started to town, just as we got about where these trees are we came across two young fellows cutting timber.

"What's the matter with you boys? Ain't you voters and ain't you Democrats?" said my father. They answered both questions in the affirmative, but they had not voted because one of them, Billy, was barefooted. He was too proud to go to the polls without his shoes. My father asked his number and was told that Billy wore ten's. 'Mine won't fit, but maybe Dan's will. Dan, What's your size?' I wore ten's, and my parent instantly remarked:

"Daniel, shuck them boots; climb in the wagon boys," and Billy and his mate climbed in and we drove to the polls.

"Well, the result of this election was that the Democratic candidate for the Legislature in Scott County was elected by one vote. By his election the Legislature was Democratic by a margin of one vote, and this occasioned the election of Ned Hannagan to the United States Senate by a majority of one vote.

"In the United States Senate Hannagan's vote was badly needed, for only by the slender majority of one was Texas admitted to the Union. Now, Mr. Pence, I am not proud and do not claim that my old pair of boots caused the admission of Texas, but it certainly was a great thing that they brought in those two young farmers, for otherwise the opposition would have triumphed."

"Of course," continued Mr. Pence, "I told the story that afternoon, and it was received with thunderous applause, and when I had concluded, Col. Blocher got up amid wild cheering and gave his word that the story was true in every detail, and exhorted every man in the audience to go forth and work for just one more vote."

Valid Contracts Must be Protected.

When the cattlemen of Texas leased the school lands of the west they did so with the full knowledge that it was within the power of the people of Texas to cancel those leases at any time they saw fit, through their representatives at Austin; they knew they were only occupying the land just so long as it was not needed by the rightful owners; yet the Colorado Stockman's voice is raised in spasmodic demands for adherence to a "valid contract." Certainly, if this modern Shylock could collect his pound of flesh without spilling the blood of his debtor, let it be done. If he can enforce the contract, hold the lands, and at the same time leave the people their homes, which constitute the life blood of a commonwealth, stay with it. But it can't be done. The state enters into contract with a saloon man to allow him the privilege of selling whiskey, but when the markers of the government say quit, the saloon is closed and the "valid contract" has taken its place in the ferry of Sharon. The people have spoken, and no man can be representative or senator who does not say that he will work to repeal the lease law and to wipe out of existence, now and forever, every lease in Texas.—Lubbock Avalanche.

When the cattlemen of Texas within what was the absolute lease district leased lands from the state of Texas, the state undertook for a consideration to grant them the exclusive use of those lands for a specified term of years, and a written and binding contract was entered into between the cattlemen and the state to that effect. Acting in good faith with the state, and believing the state could not be induced to repudiate an honest contract, the cattlemen spent thousands of dollars upon these leased lands in order that they might be used profitably, and have lived squarely up to their contract with the state.

The lands in question were not leased to the cattlemen subject to sale, as stated by the Lubbock paper. Lying in the lease district, these lands were leased absolutely for a certain number of years, and the state is just as morally and legally bound to respect a valid contract as is the individual, and has just as much right to summarily cancel the sale of any section of land on which payments have been made regularly, as to abrogate an existing valid lease. The comparison made by the Lubbock paper with regard to whiskey license is not germane to the occasion. The license issued to the whiskey seller is not absolute. It is subject to revocation at any time the people of that precinct may desire to adopt local option. The saloon man purchases with this implied possibility. Not so with the leasing of the lands in question. These leases were not conditional or contingent upon anything but the payment of the annual rental of 3 cents per acre in advance. They were made absolute for the period embraced in the contract, and the state has no moral or legal right to cancel them without the consent of the parties who entered into the contracts in question.

The trouble with the Lubbock paper is its extreme narrowness. It typifies the sentiment of a few rapid, mustard seed souled individuals who believe the cattle industry of the country should be offered up as a sacrifice—as a burnt offering to the greed and avarice of a horde of intemperate fanatics who labor under the delusion that Texas owes them a home, practically without money and without price. It would wipe every lease out of existence tomorrow, throw a half million of cattle upon an already satiated market, and bankrupt or paralyze the business interests of West Texas, in order to carry its point and open up the parched and withered sections of the West to its coterie of prosperity hounders—its devoted little band of howlers at the heels of West Texas stockmen.

The stockmen of West Texas have accepted the passing of the

lease law, and are willing that the lands they have under their control shall pass into the hands of the bona fide actual settler as fast as the leases expire. All they demand or expect is to be allowed time to shape their affairs to meet the new order of affairs, and to do this they must retain control of the lands until the expiration of their leases. This right is guaranteed them under the law and every form of equity and justice, and this view of it will be confirmed by the next legislature. The Lubbock paper, in its rampant frothings but makes evident the very smallness of its editor's soul. That's all.—West Texas Stockman.

Cures Sciatica.

Rev. W. L. Riley, L. L. D., Cuba, New York, writes: "After fifteen days of excruciating pain from sciatic rheumatism, under various treatments, I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment, the first application giving my first relief, and the second, entire relief. I can give it unqualified recommendation. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

An Iowa man named Johnson was before an examining board in Washington for inquiry as to his fitness for a position to which he aspired. "How many Hessians did George III send to this country to fight Americans in the war of the revolution?" was one of the questions put. Mr. Johnson started his memory for a few minutes and then answered desperately: "I don't know how many came over, but I do know it was a dog-gone sight more than went back."

Repulsive Features.

Blackheads, pimples, greasy faces and muddy complexions, which are so common among women, especially girls at a certain age, destroying beauty, disfiguring and making repulsive features which would otherwise appear attractive and refined, indicate that the liver is out of order. An occasional dose of Herbine will cleanse the bowels, regulate the liver and so establish a clear, healthy complexion. 50c at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

A certain man in Farber thinks it is all wrong for the people down at Beaumont to pump the oil out of the earth. He says it was put there by the Lord to grease the axis of the earth. He also says that volcanoes and earthquakes are caused by hot boxes. Another man tells how the recent volcano happened. He says the Devil was cleaning out his grate, getting ready to put in oil burners.—Farber Forum.

Richard C. Ware Dead.

Fort Worth, Tex., June 26—Howard C. Ware, familiarly known as "Dick" Ware, one of the most prominent citizens of West Texas, died at the hospital here this morning of a complication of diseases. He had been in poor health for the past three or four months and his case was regarded as a hopeless one by the attending physicians some weeks ago. His home was at Colorado City, and he had large cattle interests in Mitchell and other counties in the western part of the State.

He was 50 years of age and was born in Georgia. He had been a resident of Texas for over thirty years and was for fourteen years Sheriff of Mitchell County, after resigning from the State Ranger service. He was for five years United States Marshal of the Western District of Texas under the Cleveland administration. The deceased distinguished himself as a gallant and fearless officer in his efforts to capture the notorious train robber and desperado, Sam Bass, who operated in Texas in the early days and who was finally killed by Capt. Ware at Round Rock in 1878 in a desperate battle.

The deceased leaves a father, B. T. Ware, of Amarillo, and two brothers, B. T. Ware of Amarillo and Charles L. Ware of this city, and a sister, Mrs. Carter, of Colorado City.

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Estimates furnished on application.

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ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY REPAIRED. SPURS AND BIBLE
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For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies. GUARANTEED
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GROCERIES and Hardware, before taking inventory, we will sell everything at actual cost.
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BELOW WE WILL GIVE YOU A FEW PRICES TO SHOW YOU THAT WE MEAN WHAT WE SAY:

CALICOS.

35 yards of good calico for \$1.00
25 " " better grade for 1.00
20 " " oil calico for 1.00

DOMESTICS.

20 yards of best Sea Island dom. 1.00
25 yards of next best domestic 1.00
25 yards good bleached domestic 1.00
20 yards next best domestic for 1.00

MENS and BOYS SUITS.

\$15.00 suits go at \$10.00
13.50 suits go at 8.00
10.00 suits go at 6.00
6.00 suits go at 3.25

Big line of mens dress shirts \$1.00
and \$2.00 values, your choice for 50c.

High patent flour at \$2 10 per 100 lbs.

BOYS SUITS.

\$10.00 suits go at \$6.50
7.00 suits go at 4.50

BOYS TWO PIECE SUITS.

\$4.00 suits go at \$2.50
2.50 suits go at 1.50
1.50 suits go at 1.00

CALL AND SEE FOR YOURSELF and DONT FORGET TO BRING A LITTLE CASH, AS YOU WILL
BE SURE TO FIND EVERYTHING IN EVERY LINE A BARGAIN.

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MAYFIELD MERCANTILE COMPANY.

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Austin, Tex., June 30.—The pension department of the Comptroller's office will begin sending out the pension warrants to the Confederate pensioners for the quarter beginning July 1. There are 6250 pensioners on the rolls and each will receive the sum of \$8.15. It is urged that all pensioners send in the necessary affidavit at once in order that there may be no delay in forwarding the warrants.

Washington, June 30.—Senator Bailey of Texas and Senator Beveridge of Indiana, the youngest two members of the upper branch of congress, engaged in a personal encounter in the senate chamber shortly after adjournment this evening. No damage was done. Senator Bailey had his hands around Senator Beveridge's throat when Assistant Doorkeeper Layton, Senator Spooner and others forced him away. The Indian made no effort to defend himself and remained in his seat smoking a cigar after Senator Bailey left the chamber. Thus, for the present at least, the incident is closed.

Notice.

All parties knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned for board or lodging at the Decker Hotel or for livery, feed or stable accommodations are requested to come same by cash or note before June 31, 1902, as after that date all past due accounts will be placed in the hands of a lawyer for collection.

Mrs. Laura Decker,
Sonora, Tex., June 3, 1902.

Commissioner Rogan Give Notice to Applicants.

Austin, Tex., June 28.—The following was issued today by Hon. Charles Rogan, State Land Commissioner:
"From the character of correspondence received, and applications to purchase school lands filed in the General Land office since the opinion delivered June 9, 1902, by our Supreme Court in the Ketner case, it appears that the public generally is of the opinion that all school lands heretofore leased in renewed or consolidated leases in the absolute lease territory are affected by said decision. Such is not the case, for as held by an opinion of the Attorney General delivered to this department on June 12, 1902, relating to the Ketner case, only such lands are affected as have been placed upon the market and embraced in canceled leases which were released or consolidated in subsequent leases, which canceled leases have expired. But few leases are affected by the case above referred to.

"As held by the Ketner case the Commissioner was without authority to cancel leases except for the non-payment of annual rental, and therefore, all leases canceled before their expirations, unless for the non-payment of annual rental, which leases have not expired, are now valid leases, and being in the absolute lease territory, lands embraced therein are not subject to sale during the life of the lease.

"By referring to the county clerk's records one should be able to determine what lands are subject to sale, as all leases, both the old or canceled leases, as well as the renewed or consolidated leases, should be found on record. "Applications to purchase school lands filed in this office for such lands not subject to sale can only serve to increase and retard the work of this department and cause a loss of time and an unnecessary expense to the applicant."

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Cuffing the Ranchmen Regularly.

Quite a stir was created this week among big ranchmen on account of the decision of the supreme court relative to the consolidated leases. Few people in this country, however were affected; but his said there was a regular rush for the lands affected by the decision in Brewster county, and that several parties who had recently purchased leaseholds at high prices, got badly worsted. Paying 50 cents an acre for land and getting nothing except a lease that has proved to be of no value in some cases—is not at all what it is cracked up to be. The stockman's lines do not fall in pleasant places these days, and it looks like they will finally legislate him off the face of the earth. He no more than thinks he has got his little ranch fixed for five years until they came along and knock him off the Christmas tree. Great is Texas; great is her land office; great are her legislatures.—Marfa New Era.

If A Man Lie To You.

And say some other alyo, ointment, lotion, oil or alleged healer is as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve, tell him thirty years of marvelous cures of Piles, Burns, Boils, Corns, Felons, Ulcers, Cuts, Scalds, Bruises and Skin Eruptions prove it's the best and cheapest. 25c at E. S. Briant's drug store.

We look into a cradle and behold a male child. At the age of ten he is a noisy kid with half the buttons off his pants and holes in his pants and holes in his pockets, and at fifteen a devil in a print shop with an eye to meanness: at twenty-five the publisher of a county newspaper engaged in publishing the resources of the country, at thirty-five emaciated, worn out; at fifty a corpse in a cheap coffin and his resources are a Washinton hand press a few cases of type and a subscription book, with the names of 500 delinquent subscribers who line up and march past his coffin saying: "He was a public spirited fellow but just couldn't save any thing."

Need More Help.

Often the over-taxed organs of digestion cry out for help. Dyspepsia's pains, Nausea, Dizziness, Headaches, liver complaints, bowel disorders. Such troubles call for prompt use of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are gentle, thorough and guaranteed to cure. 25c at E. S. Briant's drug store.

From Springs, 300 miles northeast of El Paso, comes the story of a fight between "Bad" Lee, who claims to be a descendant of the Virginia Lees, and a gang of cowboys who sought his life. Eight cowboys attempted to ambush Lee and his companion, a man eighty years old, but the two men heard of the plot. The dispute arose over Lee watering his herd of cattle at the springs, the claim being made that they spoiled the only watering place for miles around. The battle was with long-range repeating rifles and Lee killed five of the cowboys and put the other three to flight. Lee has surrendered to the sheriff.

New Mexico Stock Items.

John Washington of Hagerman, N. M., sold 2500 ones and twos at \$17 and \$22.50, respectively. The mutton sheep buyers have been out and doing this week, clear beyond the reporter's ability to keep up with them, says the Roswell Record. Among the purchases W. R. Tuck reports 1026 purchased from Zack Woods, 1665 from Fred Miller and 700 head from Joe Clemens. Al Garrett reports the purchase of 2260 head from A. T. Gunter, 1000 head from Beckett & Daugherty, 1200 from A. Inghram and 1400 from Devine & Sutherland. It is said prices range from \$2 to \$2.20 per head.

The territorial sheep sanitary board was recently in session at Albuquerque, N. M., discussing and devising means for stamping out the disease of scab from the sheep of the territory. Doctors Castor and Metsker, government inspectors, are meeting with the board and have announced that the government will assist and cooperate with the territorial authorities to rid the territory of scabby sheep. Members of the board report that losses in some sections have been quite heavy, and that the lambs this year, taking the territory as a whole, will probably not exceed 50 per cent of last year's number.

The cattle sanitary board of New Mexico is using every effort to arouse the attention of cattle raisers in that country to the dangers of the Texas and Spanish itch, which is said to be spreading rapidly through the West. This board has arranged with the bureau of agriculture at Washington to furnish the stockmen with bulletins issued on this subject. This is a disease which is considered comparatively new in this country. The New Mexican board believes that its action will save the cattlemen heavy losses, not only in the territory, but in adjoining states. It is said that the disease has gained quite a foothold in Colorado and some of the Northern states, and already large sums of money have been expended in endeavors to stamp it out.

Estray Notice.

The State of Texas, }
County of Sutton, }
Taken up by August Meckel and Estrayed before D. B. Woodruff, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Sutton County: One white pided steer 4-years-old branded H on left side, marked crop the C2 right and swallowfork and over and underbit in left ear. One red and white pided steer 4-year-old branded JX on left side, 7 called seven window sash on left hip and marked over and under hack in each ear. Appraised at Forty-six Dollars. The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 16 day of June, 1902.
[SEAL] S. H. STOKES, Clerk,
County Court Sutton County.

A Bargain For \$1600.

I will sell my dairy ranch one and a half miles South of Sonora, for money or cattle. I control 1 section of land, divided into two pastures, also 7 acres derded land, with good crop on it—garden truck and cane. One good well and windmill, complete irrigating conveniences. Two large dirt tanks and a good cypress tank. Six room house and a good rent house. The yield of the ranch at this season of the year is a net of from \$4.00 to \$6.00 a day. Convenient to a good school. For further information address,
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Call on R. C. Dawson if you want any thing in his line. He carries a new and first-class stock of buggies, hacks, wagons, sewing machines, stoves. Also a fine line of saddles, harness, whips, rugs and every thing that a first-class saddle shop handles. 31-1f

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For Sale.

A flock of about 1300, young sheep, 500 muttons and 800 dry ewes. For further particulars, see or address.
D. S. LARO,
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FOR SALE

1000 muttons
1300 stock sheep.
For further particulars apply to
HENRY WETJEN.

Ranch for Sale.

A splendid 20 section ranch for sale. Ten sections bought and 10 leased. 3 wells, good grass. Will sell altogether or each well separate. For particulars call on Tayloe & Cornell, Sonora, Tex., or at my ranch 13 miles southeast of Eldorado.
- 10 3f J. M. G. BAUGH.

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July 5 1902

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Cook Cylinders

at Mayfield's.
Joe Wyatt was in from his ranch Sunday attending church.
Fairbank-Morse Gasoline engines, at
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. J. Taylor, of Goldthwaite, is in Sonora on a visit to his son's. Drs. A. L. and Lark Taylor.

Builders paper, at
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cusenbary and W. H. Cusenbary were in Sonora Sunday to attend the meeting.

Don't forget our bargain counters, E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Judge Cannaday moved his shop to his new building on Main St. next to Coleman Whitfield's residence.

Don't forget our bargain in Dry Goods for 4th July.
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Martin came in from their ranch (the old Cox ranch) Sunday. Mrs. Martin will stay in town for some time.

Medicated Salt cures Blackleg Kills Ticks and gives your stool health. For sale by,
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. W. Putman was in from his ranch on Devil's River Saturday for supplies and to get the neighborhood mail.

Full assortment of Hawke renowned spectacles at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

A. J. Swearingen is again sole owner of the Ranch Saloon having this week purchased the interest of his partner J. C. Lehw.

The "Perfect" Baking Powder is made of pure materials tested by competent chemists and will not cause indigestion. Try the brand named "Perfect." 74tf
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

John Rosenow the sheepman was in from his ranch the old Jeff Russell ranch Saturday trading.

The old reliable Rodgers pocket knives for sale at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

Bob Flutsch who ranches in the eastern part of the county, was in Sonora Saturday attending to some land matters.

Just arrived a nice fresh line of candy at the Rackett Store.

Felix Vander Stucken came in from a trip through the country Friday and brought in another big hen egg from Joe Ross ranch which weighed 6 3/4 oz. and measured 8 by 9-1/4 inches. Felix says it is a goat egg that Joe is trying to pass off as a hen egg.

On July 31, the Crescent Hotel, at Eureka Springs, opens as an all-year-round resort, under the management of the Frisco System. Extensive renovations and improvements have been effected which will make the Crescent Hotel the equal of any hostelry to be found in the Southwest.
11-4-1f
Buy your goods at the Rackett Store and save money.
Candy! candy!! A nice fresh line at the Rackett Store.

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I KNOW YOUR WANTS AND WANT YOUR TRADE.

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The NEWS rates for announcements is:
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The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce:

For representative 102nd Legislative District: Claude Hudspeth (of Crockett County, Texas.) subject to the action of the Democratic nominating convention.

For Attorney 51st Judicial District: W. A. Anderson (of Sonora, Tex.) subject to the action of the Democratic nominating convention.

Sheriff and Tax Collector.
Henry V. Sharp as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Sam Merck as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

For Treasurer.
D. H. Burroughs as a candidate for election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

Theo. Savell as a candidate for election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

J. A. Cope, as a candidate for election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

For County Judge.
R. C. Dawson as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

J. O. Rountree as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

J. F. Cannaday as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

District and County Clerk.
S. H. Stokes as a candidate for election to the office of District and County Clerk for Sutton County at the ensuing election.

T. C. Cahill as a candidate for election to the office of District and County Clerk for Sutton County at the ensuing election.

For Assessor.
R. H. (Bob) Martin, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

W. H. Cusenbary, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

E. C. Saunders, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County, at the ensuing election.

Geo. J. Trainer, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

R. S. (Rube) Caruthers as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

For Justice of the Peace.
W. H. Lightfoot as a candidate for election to the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing election.

For Commissioner.
H. Thiers, as a candidate for election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, at the ensuing election.

On July 31, the Crescent Hotel, at Eureka Springs, opens as an all-year-round resort, under the management of the Frisco System. Extensive renovations and improvements have been effected which will make the Crescent Hotel the equal of any hostelry to be found in the Southwest.
11-4-1f
Buy your goods at the Rackett Store and save money.
Candy! candy!! A nice fresh line at the Rackett Store.

The following is a partial list of the presents received by Miss Cora Lovelace on the occasion of her marriage to George Barham on June 25, 1902:

Mr. C. G. Lovelace Jersey cow and calf, Mrs. C. G. Lovelace set Mental Science lessons, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ford 2 white satin sofa pillows, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Briant set linen napkins, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hagerlund set napkins and table cover, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holland center piece, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cannaday 2 pair towels, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken carving set, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Taylor Gold lined napkin ring, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Cornell 2 Silver gold lined napkin rings, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Taylor 1 Parlor lamp, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Torney bowl and pitcher, Mrs. Aldwell and Marjory hand engraved syrup pitcher and plate to match, Prof. and Mrs. Morgan cake stand, T. C. Cahill Parlor lamp, Misses Eva and Jessie Deaton Batenburg center piece, Misses Minnie and Ethel Palmer set table linen, Miss Maud Turney water set, Miss Louella Word Pickel center and tong, Sallye Lovelace set napkins and center piece, Miss Truman Lovelace jelly server, Miss Alice Adams fruit stand, Della Carlton hand painted cake plate, Miss Willie Winkler Dining room picture, Miss Annie Williams Dining room picture, D. H. Burroughs and mother Combination sugar shell and butter knife, Claude Sittie Parlor lamp, Burroughs, Windrow, F. McGonigal set silver knives and forks, Teds Cope China sugar bowl and pitcher, Guy Yanke and Harry Bogusch Pickle center and tong, Lige Long set glasses and water, Chas. Adams Silver coffee pot, Mike and Steve Murphy two Silver hand engraved napkin rings, Miss Willow Lovelace Silver cracker jar, Olin Lovelace, Hat saddle pony.

R. E. Corinctora Silver oyster ladle, Press Covington Parlor lamp, Miss Hattie Parkerson Batten bury center piece, of Rock Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cox Gold lined olive spoon, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kelley Pearl handle butter knife, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Leffel Gold lined cream ladle, Henry Veek four bouquets and two baskets of flowers, of San Angelo.

Will Henderson, Rug, of Bolton.
Mrs. S. H. Covington, set Nat picks and cracker, Copperas Cove.
Miss Lennye Henderson, Cut glass celery stand.
Miss Warren, Sofa pillow and hand made ribbon wrist case, Comstock
Dr. and Mrs. Ses-un set Silver tea spoons, Mario, I. T.

Take your broken Watches, Clocks and Jewelry to E. H. Bogusch at E. S. Briant's drug store.

Joshua Parker, of Milam county is in Sonora visiting his brothers Joe and Oude.

Just arrived a nice line of shirts, collars and ties at the Rackett Store.

Mrs. O. T. Word and children came in from the ranch Thursday to get ready for the Fourth.

Just received a car Barb wire,
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

W. L. Tugwell, J. Lewenthal's drug clerk arrived home Monday from a trip to Dallas and several other places. Tug says this country suits him all right.

Don't forget that Medicated salt is guaranteed to cure Blackleg and Kill Ticks. For sale by,
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Word and family, Mr. and Mrs. Babe Barkedale and family, Miss Willie Holland, J. A. Witcher and Frank Word returned last Friday from a fishing trip to Dolan Springs on Devil's River.

The senatorial convention held at Del Rio last Thursday nominated Judge J. W. Hill, of San Angelo by a unanimous vote.

Don't Fail To Try This.
Whenever an honest trial is given to Electric Bitters for any trouble it is recommended for a permanent cure will surely be effected. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, invigorate the nerves and purify the blood. It's a wonderful tonic for run-down systems. Electric Bitters positively cures Kidney and Liver Troubles, Stomach Disorders, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, and expels Malaria. Satisfaction guaranteed by E. S. Briant druggist. Only 50 cents.

Judge Wm. O. Hair and wife of Lampasas are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. S. I. Nix, of Schleicher, arriving Tuesday of last week. Mr. Nix came to San Angelo to meet them.—San Angelo Press.

Commercial Dining Room.
Mrs. N. M. Huffman, Prop.
BOARD BY DAY, WEEK or MONTH
Rooms in connection.

Drink X X X Pearl Rye or Edgewood whiskey sold over the bar at Swearingen & Lehw's.

District Conference.

The Methodist District Conference has come to a close. There were about eighty delegates present besides many visitors.

Sonora in her hospitality had homes to spare.
Every preacher was in his place. Every work had its lay representatives except Pontotoc and Milburn the drouth kept these at home.

The discussions never dragged. There was an enthusiasm about the whole thing which was very interesting.
Every speech showed spice and sense.

The papers and reports read kept the folks awake despite the warm weather. Every where were marks of progress and unless signs fall even greater progress shall be made.

Every sermon had life in it and truth to it. All the services were well attended.

The crowds soon went beyond the capacity of the church with extra chairs and the overflow meeting Sunday night in the Court House had as many as the full church.

So many said it was the best conference they had ever attended.

Among the notable things was so many ladies present and taking part. Next a hearty response to word the endowment of San Antonio Female College. In a few minutes a thousand dollars was raised.

Last and greatest was the spiritual results of the meeting.

Fifteen were received in the church Sunday night.

The conference, very heartily passed resolutions of thanks for their entertainment and courtesies.

After quite a contest between Brady, Miles, and San Angelo, the capital of the Concho country was the next meeting place.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Morris on Sunday, June 29, 1902, a boy.

Deering Binders
at Mayfield's.

The post office at Ozona was robbed on the morning of Wednesday July 2. The robbers secured about \$75 in money and some stamps. Upon conviction the parties who committed this crime shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$3000 and by imprisonment at hard labor for not more than five years.

J. I. Conway, of Fort Worth, live stock agent for the G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., was in Sonora this week in the interests of the Santa Fe. Mr. Conway is an agreeable and much interested in the route you take in shipping cattle. He came over the "Frisco" to Sonora route and will endeavor to have his company make similar arrangements enroute to San Angelo. The stockmen of the Sonora country have no grievance against the Santa Fe but will continue to ship their cattle to market by the most convenient and most practicable route. The Santa Fe can divide the business by giving the stockmen holding grounds and watering places enroute.

It is a pleasure to show goods at the Rackett Store. When out shopping stop in.

Married at the home of the bride in Sonora, Texas on Tuesday, July 1, 1902, Mrs. W. E. Wishert to Robert K. James, Justice D. B. Woodruff officiating. The happy event was of a quiet nature only a few friends being present. The bride is the well-known industrious proprietress of the Montebelle Restaurant. The groom is an energetic young business man and at present known as the "Ice man." The News extends best wishes and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. R. K. James.

The purity of the Baking Powder named "Perfect" is a guarantee against sallow complexions caused by indigestion. 74tf
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

George Black, the genial manager of the Green ranch on the Pecos, passed through Ozona Saturday enroute from his Edwards county ranch to Mr. Green's Pecos ranch. George informed us that they would move about 2500 steers from Edwards county to the Pecos ranch right away, and that he was going on up into the Midland county pretty soon to try to get range for next winter so that they could move the steers on up above the quarantine line as soon as it is raised so that they can cross.—Ozona Kicker.

Dental Notice.

I will be in Sonora July 25th, and remain 15 days. Those who need any dentistry will find it to their interest to consult me. I have nothing cheap to offer, but I do offer first class work subject to your approval at legitimate prices. Best of reference furnished from leading citizens of Menardville and Junction City, the latter town has been my home the past 12 months. Don't fail to call and have your work done while you can have it done right. Nothing is so expensive as poor dentistry.
Yours Respectfully,
L. PEGRAM, D. D. S.

Screen Doors, at Mayfield's
Well Say!

Did you know that this is a fine time to have the picture of your houses and fine stock taken? Well it is. O. H. Palmer can do it with his new 6 1/2 x 8 1/2 telephoto camera.

The Rackett Store carries an up to date line of Ladies hose and Mens half hose.

Bob Gatling was in Sonora several days this week wanting to buy a ranch.

Watches from \$2. up at J. Lewenthal's.

Deering Mowers and Rakes at Mayfield's.

Chris Wyatt and Berry Baker were in from their ranch on the Llano, for a few days this week.

We are head quarters for Galvanized Tanks, Trough, Lining troughs and any kind of tin work.
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mr and Mrs. J. M. G. Bough are visiting their son Mark at Brackettville, this week.

E. F. Vander Stucken Co. shipped out three 10000 gallon Galvanized Tanks last week.
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

W. A. Ogle was in from his ranch in Schleicher county Tuesday trading.

Car of piping and Caseing, E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ogden, of Eldorado, were in Sonora Wednesday on their way to Arizona, on a prospecting trip.

When in want of any thing in the Agate or Tine ware, call at the Rackett Store.

R. W. Barton was in from his ranch Tuesday. Mr. Barton has just returned from a visit to his family in San Antonio and says it very dry down there.

Galvanized Iron Tanks, Milk Coolers, Flues, Canteens or any kind of tin work made to order,
at Mayfield's.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Purcell, of Knickerbocker are in Sonora on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. John Martin.

We guarantee good bread from any flour if you use the Baking Powder named "Perfect" it is pure and any ranch ought to use it bought from the factory and to use it very dry down there. 74tf
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. D. Earnest who lives at the twelve mile pocket in Schleicher county, was in Sonora Wednesday attending to some business.

Get our prices before placing your order for Galvanized Iron Tanks, our prices are always the cheapest,
at Mayfield's.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. M. Sharp, of Gonzales, are in Sonora on a visit to Mr. Sharp's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. Sharp.

Hawkes famous eye glasses and spectacles at J. Lewenthal's drug store.

For Assessor.
R. S. Caruthers announces this week as a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton county. Mr. Caruthers has been a citizen of Sonora for many years and has a large acquaintance. He has not entered the race unduly but after due deliberation and if elected will fill the office to the best of his ability.

By using the Baking Powder named "Perfect" you will show appreciation of pure food. Always use the "Perfect." 74tf
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

For Sale.
500 head of well graded stock cattle, including one's and two's year old steers. A bargain
G. W. FITZLUUGH,
Rock Springs, Texas.

R. C. DAWSON,

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AND OTHER SADDLES, ALSO HARNESS, WHIPS, RUGS, ETC.

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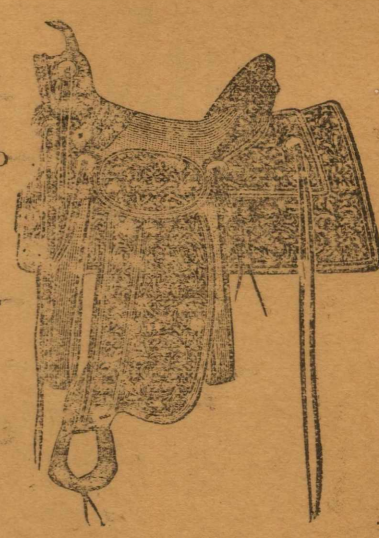
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Hack, Wagon, Sewing Machine, Stove.

R. C. DAWSON,

SONORA, TEXAS.



THE OLD RELIABLE WHISKEY AND Y. B. CIGARS, FOR SALE AT THE BANK SALOON, FRANK M. SPARKS, Proprietor.

Breezy Bluff News.

It is getting very dry and we are needing rain in this part of the country, cane is beginning to die. Water is becoming very scarce. Most of the people of this neighborhood attended the barbecue at Fort McKay Tuesday June 24.

All enjoyed them selves very much and had plenty to eat. Had a good dance that night but was very crowded. I think we will have a barbecue on Copperas the Fourth of July.

The Breezy Bluff neighborhood have organized a Sunday school and some are quite interested in it.

Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in July will begin a camp meeting on Copperas. I hope the people will attend and take an interest in it.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. James and daughter spent a few days in Sonora last week.

Mr. Bnl has been sick this week.

C. L. James and E. L. Martin recently sold their steer yearlings. They are the only men in this neighborhood who have sold their yearlings.

W. F. Luckie recently sold to Bill Bevins his two-year-old steers for \$18.50.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Flemings have gone to Mills county on a visit to relatives. 74tf
ETAR.

Ask for X X X Pearl Rye or Edgewood whiskey for sale at Swearingen & Lehw's Ranch saloon.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert and children were in Sonora Sunday to attend church.

The stomach is our best friend and the next best is the "Perfect" Baking Powders. It is chemically pure and assists digestion. 74tf
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. D. Lacey was in from one of Green's ranches Monday to get some repairs for his pump jack.

Our stock is fresh and bright. Our goods the "Best." Price right.
T. L. Benson.

Nat Sanders and brother Dock and Dick Stanton, of Menardville, passed through Sonora Wednesday on their way to Douglas, Arizona, on a prospecting trip.

When you go to San Angelo call on Eddie Maier, at the Favorite Saloon, he will treat you O. K. 72-1f

Stock News.

Notice to Stock Shippers.
Joe Short of San Angelo, has pastured two miles from town, and shippers wanting to hold over for a few days can be accommodated by seeing him. 27tf

March Bros., of San Angelo sold R. M. Gatling's wool for 15 cents.

We will pay you the highest market price for your country produce, Butter and Eggs.
T. L. Benson.

Henry Wetjen reports that Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville, sold his 8 months clip for 15 1/2.

Cook Cylinders, at Mayfield's.

Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville, sold the A. R. Cauthorn wool at 16 cents.

All kinds of wind mill castings at Mayfield's.

Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville, sold Chas. Blandin's clip of 12 months wool at 16 1/4 cents.

All kind of tin work done on short notice,
at Mayfield's.

Mat Karnes reports that Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville, sold his eight months clip of wool for 16 cents.

Galvanized tanks and all kind of tin work done on short notice, at Mayfield's.

Hop Wood was in Sonora for a few days this week on business and reports that Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville, sold his wool at 15 1/2 cents per pound.

New assortment of jewelry, ladies and gents Hampden gold and silver watches, Gents fobs, gold buttons and other novelties at J. Lewenthal's.

Wm. Sultemeyer was in from his ranch Saturday for supplies and reports that Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville, sold his eight months clip of wool at 16 cents per pound.

HEREFORD BULLS FOR SALE.
100 Very High Grade Hereford Bulls, 2 to 7 years old. Can be seen any day at the Old Headquarters of the T half circle ranch.
SOL MAYER & BRO.

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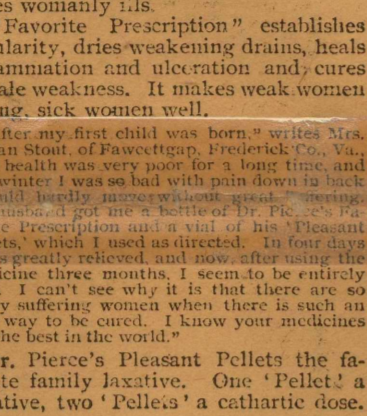
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THE CAUSE OF JEALOUSY.

Is This Passion the Outcome of Self-Consciousness and Vanity? Jealousy we all know or have heard of. In connection with the sexual passions it plays an enormous part in the lives of all nations, but especially the southern and eastern.

ENGAGED.

Marriage is very largely an accident. In few cases do men or women set up a standard of manly or womanly excellence and choose by it. In most cases people become engaged as the result of propinquity rather than because of any deep rooted preference.



SHAKING HANDS IN MEXICO.

A Prominent Feature of the Etiquette of the Country. Handshaking in Mexico is much more commonly indulged in than in Anglo-Saxon countries. Foreigners resident here for any length of time inevitably fall into the habit unconsciously of shaking hands upon all occasions.

SOME TINY PLANETS.

Celestial Bodies That Astronomers Are Not Greatly Pleased to Find. In the space between Mars and Jupiter there are hundreds of little planets called asteroids which have been discovered during the last century by astronomers all over the world.



HOUSEWORK.

Too much housework wrecks women's nerves. And the constant care of children, day and night, is often too trying for even a strong woman. A haggard face tells the story of the overworked housewife and mother.

WINE OF CARDUI.

is doing this for thousands of American women to-day. It cured Mrs. Jones and that is why she writes this frank letter: Glendene, Ky., Feb. 10, 1901.

Robt. Anderson, Land and Live Stock Commission.

I can furnish you with a list of all kinds of live stock and ranches. It will pay you to see me before buying or selling. SONORA, TEXAS.

J. S. McCONNELL, San Angelo Livery, Feed and Sale Stables.

Also do a Land and Live Stock Commission business. Last your property with us. Bargains for purchasers. San Angelo, Texas.

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Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch situated on North and South draws of the North Llano, about 20 miles east of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, wood hauling, hunting, stock raising, leaving gates open, tearing down fences, turning stock in without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on our ranch east of Sonora for the purpose of working cattle, hunting hogs, hauling wood etc., without our permission will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

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It's Your Liver! Your appetite is poor, your heart "flutters", you have headaches, tongue is coated, bad breath, bowels constipated, bad taste in the mouth? If not all of these symptoms, then some of them? It's your liver. Herbine is a natural vegetable remedy, containing no mineral or narcotic poisons. It will correct any or all symptoms, make your health, appetite and spirits good. At druggists, 50 cents.

Sold and Guaranteed by J. LEWENTHAL, Sonora.

Announcements.

The News-rates for announcements are: Congressional, Legislative and Judicial Districts \$15. County offices \$10. Precinct offices \$2.50. All announcements are payable in cash in advance.

Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Henry V. Sharp as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

For Treasurer.

D. H. Barron as a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Sutton county at the ensuing election.

For County Judge.

R. C. Dawson as a candidate for election to the office of County Judge of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

District and County Clerk.

S. H. Stokes as a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk for Sutton County at the ensuing election.

For Assessor.

R. H. (Bob) Martin, as a candidate for election to the office of Assessor of Sutton County at the ensuing election.

For Justice of the Peace.

W. H. Lightfoot as a candidate for election to the office of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, at the ensuing election.

For Commissioner.

H. Thiers, as a candidate for election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, at the ensuing election.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that parties trespassing on my ranch 16 miles northeast of Sonora (the McFlaine) or cutting timber, wood hauling, working cattle, hunting hogs, or fishing etc., without my permission will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that parties trespassing on my ranch west of Sonora for the purpose of hunting, cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs, without permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.



Cheap Excursions

TO Summer Resorts IN MINNESOTA WISCONSIN AND MICHIGAN.

DAILY, DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY, AUGUST AND SEPT., 1902, THE FRISCO WILL SELL ROUND TRIP TICKETS TO RESORTS IN THE ABOVE STATES AT RATES OF ONE FAIR, PLUS \$2.00.

FOR FULL INFORMATION, ADDRESS: J. W. HUGHSON, T. P. A. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. C. W. STRAIN, W. A. FULBY, S. W. P. A. G. P. A. DALLAS, FT. WORTH, TEX.

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What He Was There For.

There is at least one court in the world, an English midland assizes, the judge of which is not afraid to say that black is black. The Birmingham Post gives the following glimpse of his method of dealing out justice.

A respectable looking man was in the court in the autumn session. The charge was theft. The aggregate value involved was considerable, and the plea was guilty, but it was alleged that there were extenuating circumstances.

The defense introduced a medical expert to testify for the prisoner. He said that the self confessed thief had kleptomania.

"What's that?" asked the judge gravely. "Er—It's—er—a disease, my lord," said the astonished expert.

"What kind of a disease?" asked the judge. "Well, it's a—er—a mental disease that causes the subject to appropriate property not his own," stammered the physician.

"Makes him steal?" asked the judge. "Yes, my lord, that is generally the effect."

"I know the disease," said his honor, a grim smile in his eyes. "I know the disease, and I am sent here to cure it."

The Difficulty With Chinese. The difficulty of a foreigner learning the Chinese language may be inferred from the statement of an English traveler. He and his companion previous to starting for China had supplied themselves with a Chinese grammar. In a day or two the discovery was made that the single letter "i" had 145 ways of being pronounced and that each pronunciation had an entirely different meaning. Then it dawned upon them that there was no poetry about the Chinese language, that it was not worth learning and their grammar was secretly consigned to the river mud by being dropped overboard.

A Competent Teacher. The London Times once contained an advertisement for an assistant capable of teaching the classics as far as Homer and Virgil. Among the answers received was this delightful specimen:

Sir—With reference to the advertisement which was inserted in The Times newspaper a few days since respecting a school assistant I beg to state that I should be happy to fill that position, but as most of my friends reside in London and not knowing how far Homer and Virgil is from town, I beg to state that I should not like to engage to teach the classics further than Hammersmith or Putney Green or at the very utmost distance further than Brentford. Awaiting your reply, I am sir, etc.

Once Honored. Once before being placed in his tomb every Parisian may be the recipient of homage as profound as would be given to a potentate. It is when going to his own funeral. Men uncover their heads, and women devoutly cross themselves while the hearse is passing. This is true even of the drivers of tram cars, buses and drays and of the maids in white caps.

British Bulls.

Englishmen are as apt to perpetrate bulls as Irishmen. Here are a couple that were exhibited at a parliamentary election:

"Expenditure on so vast a scale," proclaimed one speaker who was urging national economy, "will in time empty even the inexhaustible coffers of Britain and convince her reckless legislators too late, when the mare is stolen, that they must close that barn door through which for years the floor of extravagance has poured unchecked."

The second speaker did even better, although it is fair to allow something for a man who, hooted down by a derisive opposition, is naturally too excited and indignant to carefully consider his words.

"Gentlemen, gentlemen," he protested. "The cry of the cat, the growl of the cock and the hiss of the gander are not argument. True, they may for the time overwhelm the reason of one man, but not all their roaring, bellowing, hawking and cawing for combat, shall avail finally to extinguish that beacon torch of Experience, still gripped fast and held high in his unflinching hand to guide safely through the breakers the straining eyes of posterity!"

Wherefore? "Huh!" growled the cynical celi-bate to the beaming Benedict. "Huh! you seem to know all about women, you do. Can you tell me why a pigeon toed woman is always duller of perception than one who isn't? And why would a woman rather be pretty than anything else? And why does a girl always giggle when she talks to a man? And why can't women pass a mirror without looking into it? And why are women so much more particular about the outside of their heads than they are of the inside? And why do women so much more admire bad men whom they love than they do good men who love them? And why do women on dislike women in the same ratio that they like men? And why is it that women, who are meant to be heaven's best gift to man, ain't always? Say, tell me those, will you?"—Philadelphia North American.

Value of Mud. Mud that at first glance seems so unightly is in truth the annual blessing of the lowlands to which it is borne. We sometimes feel impatient at the way in which sediment closes the mouths of our rivers and impedes navigation. If we could see a map of our country with a red line surrounding all the portions that have been built out of this silt, I think it would startle most of us to recognize how much of our best land is the gift of these muddy streams.

Professor S. C. Schmeucker in Ladies' Home Journal.

The Bible on Cats. Sunday School Teacher—Now, children, you have all heard of the bad little boys that cut the tails off of the pretty kitties. Can any of you tell me a little verse from the Bible which tells about cutting off cats' tails?

Little Girl in the Rear (after profound thought)—Yeth, ma'am, I can; "What Doth hath joined let no man put asunder."—New York Times.

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