

# DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS.

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## Its Not Too Late.

You have three months of hot weather a head of you. So if you are in need of a summer dress dont say that its too late.

The goods are here and we are going to sell them. We have

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SONORA, TEXAS.

**WORMS!** WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUCE!  
For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.  
Prepared by JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis.

### AN INDIAN BOOTBLACK.

Sitting Bull's eldest son is a boot-black. His name is Montezuma, and he is a graduate of the Carlisle Indian school.

After his schooling he went to Philadelphia full of ambition and musing over the profession he would adopt. At first it seemed to him that he might be a banker and then, when no one seemed inclined to help him along that path, a master merchant. But he was beginning to learn that there is no royal road to riches, and he thereupon decided that he would black shoes.

For a few cents he bought the regulation kit, and it was not long before he could send for Winona, from the Rosebud agency, the girl who had promised to marry him. Instead of the soapbox which Montezuma once carried for an outfit, he now has a handsome stand, and this descendant of a line of chiefs is building up a more flourishing business every day. Best of all, he lays his success to Carlisle, for, as he says, he learned there how to do things well, the small as well as the great.—Youth's Companion.

### A Chinese Sawmill.

It is a strange sight to see a Chinese sawmill and the peculiar manner in which the work is accomplished. It consists of a log that has been hewn square and placed upon supports, on which a single Chinaman nearly naked stands and manipulates a large saw, which comprises the motive power and the requisite machinery, and by a very low process the lumber is cut in thickness to meet the demands of trade. It is said there are no other kinds of sawmills in all that country. And to think that such a state of affairs exists in an empire over a thousand years old and among a people in some respects so proficient! The reason for this no doubt is the immense population that struggles for existence. Very cheap labor is the result, the average wages being from 10 to 20 cents a day.

### The Woes of a Writer.

"When I have anything to say," remarked Henry Watterson the other day, "I write it. Then I put it in my pocket. After awhile I take it out, read it and then I write it again. Once more I put it away. Then I write it again and send it down to the printer and have it put in type. When I get the proof, I run over it closely and write it again, and again it goes to the printer. Afterward it is sent to me again in the revised proof. Then I make the last corrections and send it down again. And then," continued Mr. Watterson, with a heavy sigh, "the confounded printer gets it wrong."

### One of Secretary Shaw's Stories.

"A friend of mine," said Secretary Shaw the other day, "gave a dinner once to some rural gentlemen from Iowa. He furnished them the best of everything, terrapin and canvasback duck. The climax of the feast was a watermelon into which had been emptied two quarts of champagne. When the farmers began to eat the watermelon, they smiled and smacked their lips and ate again. Then of one accord they dipped into their pockets a handful of the seeds. They wanted to raise some of the same kind of melon on their own farms."

### How Grand Viziers Die.

Of the latest 200 grand viziers of the sultan of Turkey not more than twenty-four have died naturally. One hundred of them were poisoned, and thirty-six of the others were either beheaded or drowned in the Bosphorus. Of the remaining forty the cause of death cannot be traced, but from the silence of Turkish historians on the subject their end was evidently not happy. One of the viziers was only four hours in office, and another occupied the position for only ten minutes, being strangled at the end of that time.

### Blackburn and Frye.

Senators Frye and Blackburn are very good friends. Nothing delights the president pro tem. of the senate more than to imitate the Kentucky accent of Blackburn. He declares that the other day when Blackburn was in the marble room a man asked him if Senator Hoar was on the floor of the senate.

"No, seh," replied Blackburn, according to the Frye version; "Senator Ho' is not on th' flo'. He went out that do' at half past fo'."

### An Odd Classification.

A custom house decision on fleas has been rendered in Switzerland. A package marked "Trained Fleas" reached Geneva. The nearest analogy the collector could find was that of June bugs, which had been ruled as "edibles." The case went from one official to another till it reached headquarters at Berne, whence after much investigation and deliberation the conclusion was reached that the fleas came under the head of "wild animals in a menagerie."

### THE WISE CHAPLAIN.

When Representative Hank Smith of Michigan was a student at Adrian college, one of his most intimate chums was a young man who afterward became a preacher. Smith was himself a rather freky youth, but the then-future preacher was fully his equal in the line of college pranks. The two met the other day in the capitol, and Mr. Smith and Rev. Charles E. Willbur, now of Pittsburg, leaned up against one of the big marble columns and indulged in reminiscences.

"Charles has just told me a story about congressmen" quoth Mr. Smith in the midst of their jolly confab. "It is about a member of the house who once brought his little son here to Washington with him. The youth sat by his father's side one morning when the chaplain offered prayer.

"Papa," exclaimed the boy, "why doesn't the chaplain pray for the members of the house?"

"He is too wise a man to do that, my son," was the paternal reply. "He is praying for the country."—Washington Post.

### "Mad Jack's" Naval Prank.

Captain Percival of the navy, whose portrait has just been presented to the navy department, died in 1862. He was known as "Mad Jack" Percival because of eccentricities which on many occasions brought him in conflict with the naval authorities. The portrait was sent by Mrs. William Nicholson, but who she is the department is unable to discover.

Captain Percival was sent to Morocco with his frigate to bring back a cargo of jackasses for the government, and in order to show his contempt for the employment of a war vessel for such a mission on entering New York harbor he ran in all his guns and placed the head of a jackass through each port as the ship sailed in. The sight of a double row of jackasses' heads protruding from the places where guns were looked for created a sensation at the time, and "Mad Jack" narrowly escaped a reprimand.

### The Inquisitive Yankee Abroad.

A curious American arrived in London one morning recently. Here were a few of the questions he asked in the evening: Why do butchers wear blue aprons which will not show dirt, while assistants in boot shops wear immaculate white aprons? Why is the boy who polishes them a "shoe" black? Why is there no direct bus from London Bridge station to Waterloo? Why is the poste restante in the largest city of the world not open all night? Why do many women wear saw hats in the winter? Why can't you get breakfast in a restaurant within a reasonable time after "sunup"? When is "sunup" anyhow?—London Chronicle.

### Stage Names.

The custom of adopting stage names seems to be less commonly followed now than it used to be. A writer in the Brooklyn Times points out that in the olden days not one in a hundred stage performers appeared before the public under his own name. Of the three "Billies" of minstrelsy whose deaths were recorded recently—Billy Emerson, Billy Rice and Billy West—Emerson's real name was William Redmond, Rice's William Pearl and West's John Murphy.—Springfield Republican.

### Labeled the Pages.

The pages in the house of representatives now wear big black buttons on which the word "Page" is printed. Representative Lester, who defeated Perry Belmont, brought about this reform. Before the members even knew Representative Lester had done several times taken for a page and rather brusquely told to go on errands. Representative Lester, who is small and young, then insisted on having the pages tagged.

### P. P. C.

They do say there are some women who are expert at pingpong, but yet do not shine when it comes to observing social amenities. In proof of this a story is going the rounds of one such who had a "p. p. c." card from a friend better versed in matters of etiquette, whereupon the pingpong player waxed wroth, as she believed her friend had taken this way to sign herself "pingpong champion."—Boston Transcript.

### And His Wife Wore Diamonds.

It has been discovered that one of the merchants of court plaster on the New York elevated trains, who had a crippled arm and other claims on popular support, had a wife at home who wore diamonds bought out of his earnings. He was arrested the other day and his wife came to see him, wearing the jewels. She was shocked to hear he was a beggar, and said she thought he was a waiter.

### ALL OVER THE HOUSE.

You Can Exercise Skill in Properly Cleaning a Floor.

Genuine skill can be exercised in cleaning a floor as in anything else. After the rugs and carpets have been taken up a floor that is not finished in any other way should be thoroughly scrubbed and dried before it is covered again. It is economy to lay down floors of matched boards of good, seasoned wood, which will not warp and show the cracks. After the carpet is up and the dust has been thoroughly swept up and has settled scrub the wood with warm water and sal soda, cleaning and scrubbing about a square yard of surface at a time. It pays to have two pails, one of soda and water to scrub the floor with and one of clear hot water to rinse it up with. Use two cloths, one to wipe up the floor and the other to dry with. When the floor is scrubbed, wash and dry these cloths before you use them for another cleaning. If the floor is hardwood, it would better be dressed by a regular finisher, as there are few maids in this country who are willing or intelligent enough to do this work, though this is the regular part of the maid's work abroad, and the tools furnished in this country for the purpose are much easier to handle than those used in Europe.

### Cushion in Italian "Cut Work."

Italian "cut work" embroidery, similar to that in vogue in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, together with the fine linen thread lace of the same period, was conspicuous in a recent exhibit of art embroidery. The work is done on linen and is remarkable for the clever adaptation of the geometrical circle and square in its designs. The "buttonhole," the raised "satin" and the "weaver's" or "darning" stitches are those most commonly used. The lace is imported and very much resembles the Maltese lace in character. A pretty sofa cushion is made of two squares of linen (14 by 14 inches), ornamented at the four corners on either side, with a design in "cut work" embroidery; a broad insertion of lace unites the two squares, the handsome Chinese brocade of the cushion being revealed through the lace.

### The New Centerpieces.

Centerpieces and doilies are mostly lace trimmed this season, not with renaissance lace, however, as has been the case now these many seasons. Some very fine pieces of the renaissance are still to be found in which there are noticeably few of the rings which made that lace so heavy. The Austrian handmade lace, known as crepon, has almost completely usurped its place. There are also some centerpieces decorated with white Irish embroidery and some made of Chinese grass lawn, embroidered in the rose, dragon and cherry blossom designs that have long been familiar on fans and other trophies of the orient. Some of the grass linen pieces have the white ground, with blue or white embroidery of white. There are scarfs as well as centerpieces in these importations.

### Fragrant Dried Leaves For Insomnia.

The fair insomnia sufferer will be glad to know that a sympathetic genius has been catering to her wants and has placed on the market what is termed a "sleeper's reticule," made of some bright colored muslin or silk in the old fashioned reticule shape. It is lace trimmed and drawn up with ribbons. It is hung within easy reach of the bed and contains a handkerchief, a tiny jar of cold cream, a bottle of smelling salts and a linen colored sachet filled with fragrant dried leaves from an oriental shrub. The odor from this sachet is said to cause nervous and excitable persons who are inclined to be wakeful to fall into a sweet and refreshing sleep.

### Ragout of Beef.

Few cooks know as good a recipe for ragout of beef as this: Melt and brown thoroughly half an ounce of butter; add an ounce of flour, and stir till brown and smooth; pour in slowly half a pint of stock, same quantity of boiled and drained Spanish onions; stir until sauce thickens and add a pound of cold roast beef cut into nice neat slices. Cook slowly until the beef is heated through; remove slices and arrange on a dish, each overlapping the other; pour sauce over it, garnish with chopped gherkins and decorate with horse-radish.

### Crash Portiere.

A unique portiere or panel slide is of heavy, coarse, dark gray crash, in the center of which is painted in tapestry colors a large conventional design of two peacocks on either side of a rosebush, with a background of brownish green. The whole is outlined with heavy silk in the prevailing colors. The effect is striking and at a distance bears a resemblance to old tapestry.

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GEO. W. MORRIS.

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## Announcements

The News rates for announcements is:  
Congressional, Legislative and Judicial Districts \$15.  
County offices \$10.  
Precinct offices \$2.50.  
All announcements are payable in cash in advance.  
The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce:

For representative 102nd Legislative District: Claude Hays (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 Y. 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.

J. L. Davis 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.

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

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## 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. Cusenberry, 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. Tramer, 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 County Surveyor.

John McNeil as a candidate for election to the office of County Surveyor 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.

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

Dan Cryer who managed the J. F. Collins & Son ranch last year returned from a prospecting trip through New Mexico and Arizona and was in Sonora Tuesday. Mr. Cryer did not like the country and was glad to be able to get back to Texas. He was looking through the country during the months of April, May and June and must have seen it at its worst—at least from his description the poorest country you ever heard of was better than the state of Montezuma. He says it is a pretty country to look at and the tall waving grasses would make the mesquite country man think he had found the promised land. Mr. Cryer says the appearances are deceptive that cattle, sheep and even goats do not do well and in many places are dying and that the small ranchmen are now feeding their cattle on rolled barley at \$1.75 per hundred pounds and are generally obliged to feed four months in the year. He says the big stockman do not seem to care about the cattle dying and make no preparation to feed. Horses keep in pretty good condition if not worked and the burro does better than any other kind of stock. He says men can get employment in the mines and on the railroads at good wages but the cowboy is only employed for two months in the year at \$50 per month, unless he happens to get in with some big outfit. He says Douglas is on a boom because of the erection of two large smelters that expect to do the smelting for some large mines in old Mexico. Mr. Cryer says if any one in Texas wants to move to New Mexico or Arizona and has the moving fever very bad he would advise them to make the trip in the fall as the country is then at its best and certainly looks fine.

J. H. Lang has opened a meat market in the shop next to the Decker Livery stable.

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

J. E. Pauley the piano tuner who was riding an Auto-Bike in Sonora last week made the trip to San Angelo last Wednesday in four and one-half hours.

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

Manager Brown of the Sonora Central Phone office has by his faithful attention to the duties of the office increased the company's business most satisfactorily. The new phone is doing excellent work and connection may be had to Brownwood via San Angelo or to San Antonio via Rocksprings and Kerrville.

## For Sale.

500 head of well graded stock cattle, including one's and two's year old steers. A bargain.

G. W. Frizzen, Rock Springs, Texas.

Tax Assessor E. C. Saunders has been confined to his bed with fever for the past week.

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

J. J. Ralston, of Edwards county, who has 1500 sheep below the Mayfield ranch, was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

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

## Commercial Dining Room

Mrs. N. M. Huffman, Prop.

BOARD BY DAY, WEEK or MONTH Rooms in connection.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Shien the new owners of the Cox Brothers ranch in the Franks Defeat country were in Sonora this week shopping.

## 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

Sheriff E. S. Briant last Saturday arrested Jim Cook on the charge of having stolen two gray horses from King county. The probabilities are that Sheriff Briant has a man on hand that others besides the King county officers want.

The last statement of the First National Bank of Sonora, issued in response to the comptroller's call of July 16, shows that the bank's history has been one of steady progress since its organization in the fall of 1900. The comparative statement of deposits carried by the institution since its doors were opened for business shows as follows, the dates being the time of calls by the comptroller:

Sept. 5, 1900	\$ 37,431.17
Dec. 13, 1900	57,210.97
July 15, 1901	72,271.42
Dec. 10, 1901	78,480.33
April 30, 1902	94,800.23
July 16, 1902	101,818.04

A growth of practically 300 per cent in a period of two years time is a showing of which the officers, directors and stockholders of the bank, and in fact, the entire town of Sonora, may well be proud. Much of the bank's success is undoubtedly due to the ability of Cashier W. L. Alden and to the high reputation of the men who have always been at his head, San Angelo Standard.

A. N. Gailey bought the Frank Kelley place in West Sonora Saturday for \$325.

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

S. W. Stephenson has moved his barber shop to the Swearingen building.

Deering Mowers and Rakes at Mayfield's.

R. C. Dawson dealer in carriages, saddles, harness etc. sold to E. F. Vander Stucken one of the famous Columbus buggies.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Harris of Washington county arrived in Sonora Tuesday on a visit to Mrs. Harris' parents Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stone.

Fairbank-Morse Gasoline engines, at E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gentry were in Sonora last week shopping. Mr. Gentry will move his sheep to New Mexico as soon as the rains are general.

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

Wm. Humphrey and son W. E. Humphrey and Neil Munn, of Burnett county, were in Sonora this week prospecting. They met many old Burnett friends.

Deering Binders at Mayfield's.

W. A. Cane the sheepman who ranges his flocks on the J. W. Odum ranch was in Sonora Monday and left on a visit to his family in San Antonio.

Cook Cylinders, at Mayfield's.

Rev. Richard Mercer pastor of the Episcopal Church is taking a vacation and will not fill his regular appointment in Sonora for the first Sunday in August.

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

Antonie Gunzer of the sheep, goat and cattle firm of C. & A. Gunzer was in Sonora Monday for supplies. Mr. Gunzer reports that Chas. Schreiner, of Kerrville sold their clip of 3 months wool for 15 cents.

Car of plating at Casteing E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

F. M. Wyatt was in town this week from the Wyatt & Hamilton ranch in Edwards county. Mr. Wyatt says their ranch has had two good rains recently and that all the water holes are full. When asked what preacher he had down at the ranch he said "never-a-one but we have some chickens and will feed one if he comes."

Screen Doors, at Mayfield's

Dr. W. H. Ash and son-in-law Wm. Gardener conducting a general merchandise and drug business at Barkadale, Edwards county were burned out last Friday morning (July 18). The fire originated in the grocery department and was under full headway when discovered in the early morning. The building which was about 30 x 60 feet with its contents valued at about \$10,000 was a total loss. It is reported that insurance for \$5000 had been taken out on the property but that the company was no good.

The Llano barbecue given on July 15, under the beautiful shade of the spreading Pecans at Wylie Adams' on the banks of the clear and limped waters of the North Llano, where the cool water from the snow-capped Rocky Mountains spring forth and the pecan oak, elm, willow, gumelastic, button willow, the cedar and other beautiful trees spread their shade, fragrance and beautiful combination of colors before the tired eyes of the plainman.

The location of the grounds being selected the committee in charge and the good people of the Llano generally took special interest and by hard work and good management arranged the grounds most conveniently and with a platform for dancing, tables for the dinner, refreshment booths and amusement facilities every thing was in readiness for the days celebration. The attendance from Sonora could not have been less than 150 people and the crowd on the grounds must have exceeded five hundred. The managers of the celebration requested J. B. Woodruff to call the attention of the assembly to the speaker's stand and in their behalf welcome all and thank them for their presence and to introduce Hon. S. G. Taylor as orator of the day. Mr. Taylor improves with each appearance and in a happy manner charmed his hearers with the bright thoughts pleasingly expressed.

The candidates were then given an opportunity to address the voters and the ladies. The opportunity was accepted by D. B. Woodruff and J. F. Cannaday. The barbecued beef and goat were done to a queen's taste and the dinner pronounced most appetizing and the best of the season. The pies, cakes and other delicacies brought to the grounds were more than better halves of the community were reserved for supper and every one had an abundance to eat all the time they were the guests of the neighborhood.

The best of good feeling prevailed among the people. The voters seemed to expect and encouraged the candidates to state their claims and the reasons way and wherefore. The babies expected to be kissed; the lads and lassies were out for a holiday and expected to be recognized as the coming mothers and fathers. While the grand mothers were not forgotten as the mainstay of the pioneers of civilization; the mothers of today were as they have been and all ways will be the particular and attractive stars of the gathering. The New men has heard of nothing but praise for the entire programme and the people of the Llano are to be congratulated for the successful manner in which they assisted the committee.

W. B. Adams, H. Thiers, Chris Wyatt and Doc Joy in the management of the most successful and largest Llano barbecue. The night scene was indeed beautiful, the grounds being brilliantly lighted with circus torches, the rippling waters, the rattle of the trees, the tripping of the light fantastic to the sweet music of the string instruments and the moon being too full for utterance smiled down on the happy and merry making throng.

The Sonora Accommodation Blacksmith Shop. Conducted by S. H. McGinty and Geo. E. Lewis proposes to shoe horses at \$1.00 around; set wagon tires at \$2.00 a set and buggy tires at \$2.50 a set.

Carrage painting and upholstering a specialty and at reasonable rates. We propose doing as good work as can be done any where. We claim to be as good a wheelwright as there is in the State. Our terms are reasonable and as low as all others. All work entrusted to our care will receive prompt attention.

We will shortly commence the erection of an ice and electric light plant. The ice plant and electric lights will be conducted by the proprietor G. E. Lewis and all persons who desire to use the lights in their homes will please call on me or address, Geo. E. Lewis, Sonora, Tex.

Rev. and Mrs. Nath Thompson left for Katemoy, Mason county Thursday to be absent about ten days. Rev. Nath Thompson will assist in conducting a camp meeting near that place.

Frank Sparks and L. L. Carmichael made a business visit to Ozon this week.

## R. C. DAWSON,

HAS IN STOCK THE CELEBRATED

## R. T. FRAZIER

AND OTHER SADDLES, ALSO

HARNESS, WHIPS, RUGS, ETC.

## GET MY PRICES

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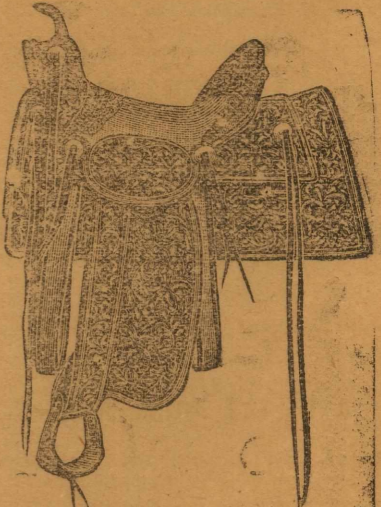
## Hardware, Vehicles, Harness,

OR A

## 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.

## DR. O. B. LOVE,

of San Angelo.

## DENTIST

Is in Sonora and will remain six days. Dr. Love is well-known to the people of Sonora as a reliable and thorough dentist and those needing his services should call on him at once.

Frank Kelley will move his family to Rocksprings this week where they will make their home. Frank will engage in the livery stable business in that thriving city.

"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. 11-4tf

John A. Martin the new owner of the Cox Brothers ranch in the Lost Lake country was in Sonora Tuesday on a visit to his wife, who is a guest at the Commercial.

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

Perry McConnell the cattleman, of Menardville, was in Sonora this week. Perry looks well and all his old friends were glad to see him.

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

J. P. McConnell bought 400 three and four year old steers from M. M. Parkerson, of Edwards county.

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

Miss Duff's Car on was in Sonora Wednesday from the Wm. Adams ranch in Edwards county.

Cook Cylinders, at Mayfield's.

Miss Maggie Sterling has accepted a position in the ladies goods department at E. F. Vander Stucken Co's.

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

M. V. Seesum the stockman from 14 mile below Sonora was in town this week.

Dr. Haleburton, of Rocksprings, was in Sonora Thursday enroute to the Panhandle on a visit.

All kinds of wind mill castings at Mayfield's.

Tom Drago the Edwards county cattleman, was in Sonora this week circulating among the boys.

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

H Green Justice, the cattleman returned from Grant county, Oregon, Wednesday. Green was not in good health while in the northern country.

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

Gus Wheat, son of Ira Wheat the Edwards county stockman was in Sonora Thursday enroute to Oklahoma where he expects to engage in the drug business.

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

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.

Sheriff Briant turned Jim Cooke over to Jake Allen the sheriff of Tom Green county Thursday. Sheriff Allen had a warrant out for Cooke charging him with having stolen Lum Hudson's horse and saddle a few weeks ago.

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 we are agents. 74tf E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. W. Parramore, of Abilene, with ranches in Runnels, Taylor and King counties, was in Sonora Wednesday to prove ownership to the horses found by Sheriff Briant in the possession of Jim Cooke.

Power. I have one Fairbanks-Morse Gasoline Engine, two and one-half horse power, that has been run only 12 days and is in fine running order. I will sell cheap. D. K. McMullan or R. L. Boston, 12-4t Juno, Texas.

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A LITTLE NONSENSE.

Little Elmer—My father keeps a coachman and a footman. Little George—Huh! That's nothing. My mother keeps six boarders.

Aunt Mary—No wonder you are not feeling well, Harry. You ate too much plum pudding at dinner.

An Object Lesson.



'What is the shape of the earth?' 'Round, sir.'

'Why not?' 'He is a dentist.'

'Dentistry is a very lucrative and highly esteemed profession.'

'Yes, but he would have the right to insist on filling my teeth. Fancy giving any one such a deadly advantage in an argument?'—Washington Star.

There Are Many Such.

Mann Hatton—Your congressman has quite a reputation as a wit.

Penn—Yes. You see, he always manages to have himself interviewed by a bright reporter.—Philadelphia Press.

Her Opinion.

'Some men,' said Willie Wishington, 'act like perfect fools when they are in love.'

'Yes,' answered Miss Cayenne, 'and a great many more do not wait even for that excuse.'—Washington Star.

An Explanation.

'What does it mean by saying that a war correspondent must be ubiquitous?'

'Why, it means that he must say what he sees on the spot whether he was or was not.'—Puck.

Quite Appropriate.

Young Mother—John, for goodness' sake, take that knife out of baby's mouth.

Young Father—Oh, that's all right, my dear. He's cutting teeth.—Chicago News.

The Terrible Temptation.

'How did you know the burglar was a woman disguised as a man?'

'Why, when we peeped through the crack of the door he was trying on my wife's new hat at the mirror.'—Puck.

The Morning After.

'Is it true that a man is as old as he feels?' asked Highflier.

'That's what they say. Why?'

'Because if it is I must be about eighty this morning.'—Chicago Post.

Before and After.

'What does your wife call you?'

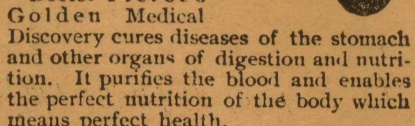
'When we were engaged, she used to call me "sweetheart." Nowadays she usually calls me down.'—New York World.

A Thorough Pessimist.

'He never looks on the sunny side of life.'

A MAN CAN'T swim in shackles.

It isn't a question of his winning a race, but a question of being able only to keep afloat. The man who is suffering from malnutrition is like the fettered swimmer.



Whenever disease affects the stomach it is affecting also the blood and the health of every organ of the body.

For blood is only food converted into nutrition and nutrition is the life of the body and every organ of it.

Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition.

It purifies the blood and enables the perfect nutrition of the body which means perfect health.

For six long years I suffered with indigestion and my liver and kidneys, which baffled the best doctors in our country.

Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." There is nothing just as good for diseases of the stomach, blood and lungs.

The Common Sense Medical Adviser, 1008 large pages, in paper covers, is sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay expense of mailing only.

ALL OVER THE HOUSE.

Artistic Schemes of Lighting the Principal Rooms of the House.

Some of the most beautiful designs of old Sevres candelabra, fitted with representations of wax tapers.

Both covetable and charming are the copies of handsome silver sticks for one light or with branches that are available for the dinner table.

Speaking of panels, they are greatly in favor and may be made with anything from narrow bordering to a hand molded plaster composition.

New for a den we have this splendid new "hand printed crown hanging," to use a trade term.

Fashionable Table Crystal.

The smart hostess who would be the exponent of all that is new has to look to her table crystal.

The stand and the fine long stem are of the purest white crystal.

Rack For Plates and Cups.

An effective rack for use in the summer cottage and designed principally as a background for delft plates and cups.

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'He never looks on the sunny side of life.'

'Or if he does he complains of the sun.'—Detroit Free Press.

FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

'Whirling Dervishes' Fanatics Who Perform Many Wonderful Tricks.

Every circus or wild west show that comes to town has a "whirling dervish" for one of its attractions.

They are certainly wonderful creatures. They are Mohammedans from Persia, a set of men who devote or are supposed to devote their entire time to religion and are perhaps as nearly like monks as anything else.

Some of these men perform wonderful tricks, such as fire eating, juggling and walking on broken glass.

How they do them will never be known, but they are supposed to be invested with supernatural power, which is of course untrue.

We are all familiar with the "whirling" of the dervishes. This takes years of practice, but finally they become so expert and are so used to it that they can "whirl" for hours without becoming dizzy.

A Hoof Inkstand.

Among Queen Alexandra's most cherished possessions is an odd memento of her mother-in-law, Queen Victoria.

It is very wonderful what effects are produced by different kinds of light.

An Experiment.

How Willis Spelled Hash.

Teacher—Willie, can you tell us what this spells, r-e-f-r-i-g-e-r-a-t-o-r?

Willie Starvem (the landlady's son)—Um-m! Why—er—er—

Teacher—Come. What does your mother put the cold meat and vegetables in?

Willie Starvem (brightening)—Hash!

When Godfrey Grows.

Nurse says they're plenty big enough—it's 'cause I am so slow.

I wonder when I can't find out why I watch Tommy Pitt in school for hours, and I can't see him grow the smallest bit!

I guess that day we stay the same; there's so much else to do in school and play, so I must grow. At night, I think: don't you?—Lila Thomas Elder in Youth's Companion.

A Tangle of Automobiles.

A man had six automobiles, A, B, C, D, E and F, stored in two buildings connected by a passage.

At the close of the civil war General Shafter was in applicant for a first lieutenant in the reorganized army and had working in his behalf a congressman whose knowledge of army affairs was very limited.

Lucky Mistakes.

Bicycle For Two.

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CONDENSED STORIES.

How Peter Donahue Got One of the Pope's White Skullcaps.

His holiness, the pope, naturally writes very little himself.

Only a Man.

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A LITTLE NONSENSE.

Just a Few Springtime Smiles at the Passing Show.

Mrs. Crinsonbeak—Scientists tell us that fish feel little pain.

Bacon—It is always a sign of life in a horse when he rears.

Stella—The landlady says she will not have meat while it's so high.

Willie was telling about his cat and young kittens, and said he, "The mother cat sleeps all the time."

"Oh, no; the kittens can't go to sleep yet; they haven't got their eyes opened."—Yonkers Statesman.

A False Lover.

"Darling," pleaded Algernon—"darling, be mine! I will shield and protect you from all dangers all your life. It will be my pride and privilege—"

"To face unflinchingly and unflatteringly every foe that shall stand in our path or dare to attack my own sweet girl!"

But when Algernon saw this thing starting up before him he thought it must be another March hare gone mad and thought he'd better go too.

The New Regime.

Proud American Father—I want you to meet my family, sir. This is Ella Wheeler, aged six, who writes the poems of passion for The Rubadub Magazine.

Guest—And this little fellow? "Oh, he's only eleven months old. He's learning to use the typewriter."—Detroit Free Press.

A Defirition.

The boy locked up from his book, puzzled.

"What's a dyspeptic, father?" he asked.

"A dyspeptic, my boy," was the reply, "is a man with a hypercritical stomach."—Chicago Post.

This Comes Annually.

"Well, old boy, I hope you've had a swell time abroad."

"Ought to have one. I've mailed enough steamship labels ahead of me to Podunk Corners to plaster seventeen trunks."—Baltimore News.

Got Even.

Mrs. A.—That woman next door bought a hat exactly like mine.

Mrs. B.—Didn't it make you mad?

Mrs. A.—Not a bit; I gave mine to the cook.—New York Journal.

Paying the Teacher.

He—There is nothing like experience, after all. She is our greatest teacher.

She—And there is no holding back her salary either.—Brooklyn Life.

Tipping the Guest.

Waiter—Beg pardon, sir, but haven't you forgotten something?

Guest—Forgotten something? Ah, yes; a toothpick. Thanks.—Chicago News.

TOWARD COOLER CLIMES!

A new train, provided with electric lights and fans, and equipped with cafe observation cars under the management of Fred. Harvey. It is called

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