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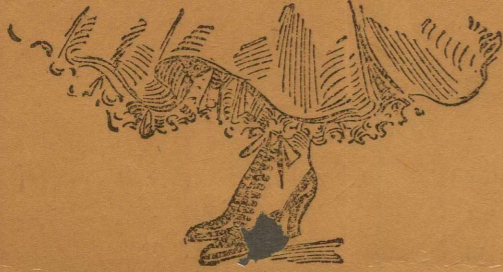
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Division of Labor.
Sam, a negro of the good old fashioned sort, was strutting through the village street as proud as any peacock.

"Hello, Sam!" said a man who had occasionally given him an odd job. "I hear you've taken a partner for life?"
"Yes, sah. Married yesterday."
"Now, Sam, I hope you believe in an equal division of labor and will not expect your partner to do all the work."

"No, sah—no, indeed, sah! I does believe we wofe should do our share. Wife's gwine to 'd' washin', sah, and I'm gwine to 'd' be treasurer."

The Actor's Retort.
Not long ago a New York theatrical manager came in unexpectedly upon the rehearsal of one of his shows and didn't like the way some of the comedians was delivering his lines. The man, who had never met the manager, was slow, lackadaisical in manner and lacked spirit.

"Here, here, this won't do at all," said the manager, striding down the aisle toward the stage. "More steam there, more steam! That's what you want—more steam!"
"Gee," said the man, gazing down on the manager. "Steam? You don't want an actor—you want a locomotive."

WHAT ABOUT THAT \$2.00?

HIS GRIEVANCE.

He Went to the Minister For Advice, and He Got It.

"Sir," he said as he stalked into the clergyman's study, "you are the man who tied the knot, I believe?"
"I beg your pardon," said the clergyman, looking up from his sermon.

"You performed the marriage ceremony for me, didn't you?"
"Yes, certainly, Mr. Billings. What, may I ask?"

"Then you know what the rights of a husband are?"
"Why, yes, in a general way."
"And the rights of a wife?"
"Of course."

"Well, now, sir," said the caller, drawing a chair up to the clergyman's desk and taking a seat, "has a wife a license to torture a husband?"

"Certainly not."
"If she makes his life miserable, he has redress, of course?"
"Yes, but I should advise—"

"Never mind your advice now. We'll come to that later. My wife complains that I don't shave often enough."

"Oh, that's a small matter."
"Is it, sir? Is it? Just wait! I told her that that was my affair, and then she taught the children to cry when I kissed them, so that she could say that my rough chin hurt them."

"That hardly makes a Christian."
"Wait a minute," said the clergyman, "I found the cylinder of your music box. You know how it seems to the town?"

"Oh, certainly."
"Well, sir, I should advise them to call it 'papa's chin'."

"Really, sir, I've never heard of it."
"Wait till I've told them of it," said the clergyman, "one of them got it into their heads, and passed his hand on it, and called it 'papa's chin'."

"Sir, I ask of you as a Christian, and as the man who tied the knot, what shall I do?"
"Get shaved," replied the clergyman, "and then tell your man softly as he returns to work.—London Answers.

THE BUFFALO WAITER.

There is a scheme that the New York waiters can't work that reaps a harvest for the waiters in my home city," said the Buffalo man to a number of friends at a recent dinner in a New York hotel. "When you pay your bill in a Buffalo restaurant if the waiter knows that you are only a transient visitor to the city you will receive enough Canadian currency in your change to satisfy the waiter as a tip. Coin from across the border has a free circulation in Buffalo, but travelers coming east would find trouble trying to pass it in any other city, and they don't like to carry it with them. The waiters know that."—New York Sun.

One Point of Resemblance.
Back in the sixties, when Commodore Vanderbilt was the "whole thing" in the rapidly growing New York Central system, which then consisted of a continuous, one track line connecting Albany and the great lakes, the president of a small, cross country line of seventeen miles one day approached the commodore and requested him to exchange annual passes. "Why, my dear sir," remarked the commodore to the other railroad president, "my railroad system is more than 300 miles in length, while yours is only seventeen miles long!" "That may all be so," replied the other, "but my railroad is just as wide as yours."—Moody's Magazine.

Tact.
It is told of the youth of a young German prince many years ago that upon one occasion, his tutor having been changed, the newcomer in examining the young prince asked: "Can your highness tell me how much is nine times twelve?" "Twenty-two," replied the prince, "and I have had the honor to be your highness' former tutor."

Money Worry.
"Dey ain't no use," said Brother Williams, "ter try ter git money wen you ain't at de gittin' place, an' de trouble is—de jingle er it is so confusin'! Hit's lak' de rattle er a rattlesnake—you dunno whar an' what time ter jump! Hit's trouble ter git money an' trouble ter keep it. Dey despise you ef you ain't got it, en' ef so be you has dey'll despise ef you don't give it away!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Stand Firm.
A clergyman of New Jersey gave notice that he would resign his service in the episcopate, going to office as a layman. The bishop, in the close of the service, desired to give the minister a word of advice. "You are to be no service to the minister is going to resign," said the other clergyman.

ENGLISH SWORDS.

They Go Through Sixty or Seventy Processes in the Making.

In the first place, remarked the sword king as we walked through his big London factory, we make 70,000 swords a year and hope to go on making more in spite of all the peace conferences in the world. You must know that all our steel comes from Sheffield in fourteen foot lengths, each one and a half inches wide.

Every first class sword takes ten days to make and goes through sixty or seventy different processes. It is then tested by being screwed into a kind of toy cannon and brought down flat with great force on a steel table, which is covered with a wire cage in case of any accident.

After the surface has been proved the back and edge are struck against a small block of oak, the final test being that of bending and the Toledo proof of thrusting against solid iron.

The regulation sword for an infantry officer costs £4 4s. Cavalry swords are much more expensive, the regulation weapon even for troopers in the hussar regiments costing £6. Hussar officers also wear full dress mameluke scimitars at £12 12s. each and must possess court swords, with hilts of cut steel, which usually cost £60.

The dragon's sword costs as much as £8 10s., although the highly ornamented weapons worn by generals and admirals of the fleet cost but £7 to £8 each.

The same price is paid for the weighty claymores used in all highland regiments. But the Scotch officer of expensive tastes may pay from £20 to £30 for his dirk if he desires one set with real cairngorms.

Of course presentation swords run into a lot of money. Some time ago we had an order from the foreign office for a sword for a dusky monarch.

The pattern of the blade was specially designed and inscribed. The scabbard was of fishskin, mounted with 22 carat gold, and the weapon cost £80. Many swords costing over £100, however, are made for foreign officers, and a superb weapon, ornamented with ivory, gold, silver and precious stones, which was recently ordered for the king of Siam, cost no less than £750.—London Answers.

Curious Case of Mirage.

M. Flammarion, the French astronomer, has written much on mirages and has actually photographed the bridges over the Seine, with the river and the buildings in the immediate vicinity, seen from Paris, inverted in the sky. He also records a curious case of mirage experienced by French troops in Algiers. What appeared to be a number of Arab horsemen were suddenly seen moving toward the French camp from the horizon, and scouts on horseback were at once sent forward to reconnoiter, but when they had gone about a mile they became curiously distorted and seemed to be giant horsemen riding horses several yards high. On their return they reported that the Arabs proved to be a flock of flamingoes moving by the side of a lake, which at a certain distance, owing to the curious state of the air, were changed out of all resemblance to themselves and assumed the exact appearance of the Arab horsemen they were at first believed to be.

Still Useful.
A small girl, lost at Coney Island, was kindly cared for at the police station until her parents should be found. The matron, endeavoring to keep the child contented, had given her a candy cat, with which she played happily all day.

At night the cat had disappeared, and the matron inquired if it had been lost.

"No," said the little maid. "I kep' it most all day. But then it got so dirty I was 'shamed to look at it, so I et it."—Youth's Companion.

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"Thank you, sir," he said, "but it's quite against the rules." "I'm sorry for that," said the visitor, about to return the half crown to his pocket. "But," added the verger, "if I were to find a coin lying on the floor it would not be against the rules for me to pick it up!"—London Mail.

More Than a Hint.
As a gentleman was having his lunch on in the coffee room of a hotel he was much annoyed by another visitor, who during the whole meal stood with his back to the fire, warming himself and catching him partake of his repast. At length, unable to endure it any longer, he rang the bell and said: "Waiter, kindly turn that gentleman round. I think he is on that side."—London Answers.

SHIRT COLLARS.

The Detachable Ones Were Invented by a Troy Woman.

It is now authenticated beyond a doubt that Mrs. Hannah Lord Montague was the inventor of the detachable linen collar. Hannah Lord was born in Canaan, Columbia county, Dec. 14, 1794, a daughter of William A. Lord, a Revolutionary officer, member of the state legislature and the author of "Lord's Tactics," used by the early state militia. She was married on Aug. 14, 1817, to Orlando Montague, and they took up their residence at 139 Third street, in Troy. Mr. Montague, as near as can be learned, was engaged in making fine shoes for women. He was a large man, scrupulously particular in matters of dress, even to the point of fastidiousness, and in those days, before the invention of the sewing machine and when there were no public laundries, the making and washing and ironing of his shirts was no small item in the work of the household. Not unlike many housewives of those days, Mrs. Montague was resourceful, and in casting about for devices to lighten her household duties she hit upon the idea of a detached collar which might be fastened to a neckband on her husband's shirts and washed and ironed separately. When the collar was soiled the shirt had to be washed, but by this device two or three collars might be used with one shirt.

Mr. Montague was delighted with the idea and was proud of the new acquisition, which he displayed to his friends. Almost immediately requests came to Mrs. Montague from friends and neighbors to make separate collars for them, and, as she afterward related, "the available material in the patch bag was soon exhausted, and I actually invested in a yard of linen."

In 1829 Rev. Ebenezer Brown, a retired Methodist clergyman, who had settled in Troy and started a small dry goods store at 285 River street, quick to take advantage of the popularity of the new separate collar, opened a small workshop in the rear of his store, where his wife and daughters and one or two other women cut out with scissors, stitched by hand and washed and ironed the collars, which he disposed of by peddling. This was in reality the first collar shop.—Leslie's Weekly.

The Best He Could Do.
There used to be an eccentric individual in Maine who was never known to express an opinion on any subject. Being called as a witness in a lawsuit to testify concerning the reputation of the defendant, the lawyers on both sides failed to obtain a direct answer to any of their questions and finally appealed to the court.

Regarding the man sternly, the judge said in his most impressive tones: "Witness, I am going to ask you a question, and I want you to give me a direct answer. Is the defendant a good man?"

"Them that likes him says he is; them that don't says he ain't," was the reply.

Some Names.
"Alligator" is merely another form of the Spanish "el lagarto," the lizard. Shakespeare classed the alligator as a fish, to judge from Romeo's description of the contents of the apothecary's shop, "An alligator stuff'd and other skins of ill shaped fishes," somewhat like "alligator," the lizard, the "hyena," which merely means sow, and "ostrich," which comes from the Latin word for bird and a Greek word that means either a sparrow or an ostrich, as the case might be—any bird in fact. The ostrich is just the "bird bird," according to etymology.

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SENATOR HUDSPETH.

Riding a broncho seventy-five miles to a railroad from his ranch in Crockett country, which consumed two days, and then 350 miles by rail, which required an other day and night of travel, is the way that Senator Claude B. Hudspeth, the "cowboy senator," who is serving his fourth term in the upper house of the Texas legislature, reached the Capital city Saturday.

Senator Hudspeth's district comprises twenty-six counties in West Texas, which he holds is the best part of the world and populated by the best people in earth. The senator vouchsafes the opinion that the State of Texas has all the laws it needs on its statute books. All his constituents want is a bill passed appropriating \$150,000 to eradicate wolves, which will admit of placing a bounty of \$1 on coyotes and \$5 on lebes. Such a bill Senator Hudspeth had passed during the Thirtieth legislature, but it was vetoed by the governor, but too late for the senator to have it passed over the veto.

Although not instructed, Senator Hudspeth will vote against submitting to the vote of the people the statewide prohibition proposition, as his constituents went against the proposition strong in the primaries.—Austin Statesman.

THE BIBLE.

Much Popular Misinformation About the Scriptures.

The notion loosely floating about the churches is that the Bible came down from heaven, cleanly printed, nicely bound in morocco and gilt edged, with a bookmarker against that text which has been erroneously made to declare that every Scripture is inspired of God. This heaven-sent volume is incapable of error in the minutest detail. Every sentence, every word and letter and punctuation mark is infallibly guaranteed by the Holy Ghost! Nobody, to the knowledge of the present writer, has ever said that he holds quite that theory of inspiration. But if the popular idea of the Bible were analyzed it would warrant the inference. And this infallibility is in practice claimed for the Bible as printed in the English tongue and read in our churches! Yet all the world knows, or should know, that the revised version which we now possess is based on the authorized version, which is an improved edition of the bishops' Bible, which was based on Coverdale's translations of Dutch and Latin translations and Rogers' version of Tindall's Bible! And if we expect to find rigidly accurate messages from the very mind of God, conveyed in a version of a translation, we are demanding the most miraculous of all conceivable miracles.

Popular misinformation about the Bible seems to begin with the purchase of a copy in a bookstore. Yet the adventures of the Bible documents before the day of the printing press constitute one of the romances of history. The earliest Hebrew copy of the Old Testament of undisputed date goes back only to the tenth century A. D. For a period, therefore, of not less than 1,200 years and perhaps of 2,000 copy had been succeeding copy, generation following generation in the world of books even as in the human race. Twenty centuries of "editions" had gone the way of all papyri, even as twenty centuries of human beings had gone the way of all flesh, and this parchment was heir of all those ages in the foremost files of books. Had no copyist made one mistake in the course of twice a thousand years? As compensation for the late date of our Hebrew authorities can be set, it is true, the scrupulous fidelity with which the Hebrew amanuensis did his work, his reverence for the letter of the document on which he was engaged and the consequent comparative purity and reliability of the text.—Dr. Charles F. Aked in Appleton's.

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To Whomever it may concern; Please take notice that the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway Company of Texas, a corporation, intends to apply to the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, to be convened in January, 1909, for the passage of a local or special law, the substance of which law is and will be to extend the time in which said Railway Company shall be required to comply with the provisions of Articles 4366, 4558, and 4559 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas as to the construction of the branch line of said Railway Company from a point at or near the city of San Angelo, Texas, in a general southerly or south-easterly direction to a point on the Rio Grande at or near the town of Del Rio in Valverde County, or to a point on the Rio Grande near the town of Brownsville, in Cameron County, Texas, passing through some or all of the following named counties, to wit: Tom Green, Schleicher, Sutton, Edwards, Valverde, Kinney, Uvalde, Maverick, Zavala, Dimmit, Webb, Zapata, Starr, Hidalgo, and Cameron, for the term of two years after the passage of such law or for such other term of extension as the Legislature may grant; and restore and preserve to said Railway Company all of the corporate powers and rights which it may have forfeited or lost, if any by reason of its failure sooner to construct the portions of its said branch required by law. KANSAS CITY, MEXICO & ORIENT RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS, By N. J. O'Brien, Vice President. Attest: W. T. Trammell, Secretary.

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BATTLE WITH SHARKS.

Exciting Adventure With a School of Man Eaters.

Lighthouse keepers and those living on the beach of the gulf coast see many queer sights in the way of battles between turtles, sharks and swordfish, exciting at times and always illustrating the terrible power possessed by the monsters of the deep.

Two fishermen coming in from Lake Worth, Florida, on a lumber sloop saw a commotion in the water and presently became witnesses of an all around combat between six or seven sharks.

In a few minutes the combatants were fighting and plunging almost under the sloop's bow, and the men, being afraid of some damage to the boat, seized their rifles and fired into the mass. After a few shots the fighting sea tigers fell apart and seemed to be intent on finding their new antagonists.

Then, as if by preconcerted action, several plunged directly at the boat and hit it a resounding blow with force sufficient to knock both men flat on the deck.

A second rush was made, and then the entire school of sharks began pounding against the sloop's sides. Backing off a dozen rods or more, they would come on with lightning swiftness, hitting the boat squarely, making it quiver from stem to stern, and soon there were two sharks floating on the waves, stunned by their own mad rushes, but the others kept up the fight.

Presently one shark aimed too high, skimmed over the sloop's rail and fell on the deck with a sounding whack.

The two men were badly frightened by this time and fired two shots at random. Then they each seized an ax and dealt the monster a terrible blow.

Up went the shark's tail and, striking one of the men, sent him flying into the water. He swam to the rail with the energy of despair, and his comrade ran to his assistance, but before he could be hauled in a shark took a piece out of his keel.

The blood that flowed from his wounded feet dyed the water for a yard or more and seemed to excite the sharks to greater ferocity. The shark on deck was killed with a united blow, but something must be done for the others. Suddenly the unwounded man dived down into the cabin and emerged with a can of powder and a coil of fuse. Swiftly fastening a piece of pork around the can, he attached a short fuse, lighted it and, going to the stern, threw the can into the mass of sharks.

Before it had hardly touched the water a big fellow swallowed it at a gulp, and in a second there were pieces of shark flying in every direction. The effect was magical. The sharks fairly fell over each other in their flight, and the two plucky seamen were saved from a terrible death.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Family of 60,000,000.

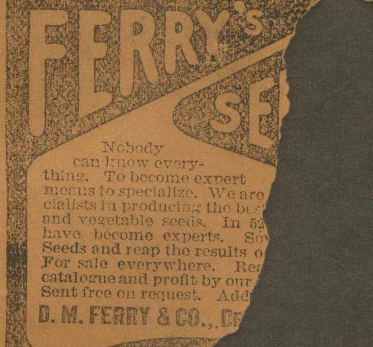
According to the scientific authorities, the average female oyster deposits at least 16,000,000 eggs during a single spawning season, and it is said to be no uncommon occurrence for an individual oyster to have 50,000,000 and even 60,000,000 to her credit. Comparatively few of these eggs, however, reach the fertilization stage, and of those that do few survive it, for many and fatal are the dangers that threaten. Sudden changes of temperature, cold rains, greedy fish—all contribute to further the ends of nature. An oyster egg has less than one chance in two millions of reaching maturity.—National Magazine.

Her Lost Piano.

"I just left a young woman friend of mine weeping over her lost piano," said the man. "It was like this. She was engaged to a chap who was awfully fond of her. He sent her up a piano as a birthday present, also for their flat later on. After awhile the engagement was broken off for some reason or other. You know how those things are. Well, any way, my friend thought she had her piano. "But that was just what she didn't have. In about a week some piano people called for it and took it away with them. The chap had made one payment on it only."—New York Press.

The Dangerous Palo de Leche.

In Mexico there is a plant known by the name of palo de leche. It belongs to the family of euphorbia. The Indians throw the leaves into the water, and the fish become stupefied and rise to the surface and are then caught by the natives. In this case the effect of the narcotic soon passes off. The milk of this plant thrown upon the fire gives out fumes that produce nausea and headache. The milk taken internally is a deadly poison. It will produce death or insanity, according to the size of the dose.



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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Sutton County, Texas, will at its February term, 1909, receive bids or proposals from any banking corporation, association, or individual banker to act as County Depository of the funds of said Sutton county for the two years beginning with the month of February, 1909. Said bid or bids shall be under seal, shall state the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association, or individual banker making same offers to pay on the funds of the said Sutton County, and shall be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid be accepted that he will enter into a bond as required by law. Said bids will be opened at a session of the Commissioners' Court on the 21st day of February, 1909 at 10 o'clock.

CIDERETTES.

An apple in the cider mill Is just the thing to fill the bill. —Baltimore Sun
An when the cider's in the jug It's just the thing to fill the mug. —Indianapolis News
And when the mug is drunken down The thing is then to paint the town —Nash American.
And, having done so near the edge, to sign the pledge. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch
Godd's cider's just the thing Nor throw'd No use to

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SUBSCRIPTION \$2 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

Entered at the Postoffice at Sonora second-class matter.

SONORA, TEXAS, Jan. 16, 1909.

A. F. Clarkson, the Lost Lake ranchman was in Sonora Thursday

Mrs. James Tarver left for Del Rio Thursday, on a business visit to her mother Mrs. Walton.

Bert Bellowa has the contract to make repairs, repaint and paper the Commercial Hotel.

G. M. McDonald made a short pleasure trip to San Angelo this week.

G. W. Stephenson who ranches 12 miles north west of Sonora was in town Thursday.

Kodol for dyspepsia and indigestion will digest any and all food at any and all times Kodol is guaranteed to give prompt relief. Sold by the Allison Pharmacy.

W. A. Glasscock left for the Territory last week to attend to some business.

Aug Meckell whose ranch joins the town on the east left for Mason county this week to visit his brother who is very sick.

Hall Bros. the Buggy Boys of San Angelo, will be in Sonora next week with a string of buggies and packs.

Good for cuts, burns, bruises and scratches, but especially recommended for piles—DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve. Sold by the Allison Pharmacy.

In our notice last week of the attendance at the Woodmen's supper, we accidentally omitted the names of S. H. Stokes and J. D. Lowrey.

For health and happiness—DeWitt's Little Early Risers—pleasant little liver pills, the best made. Sold by the Allison Pharmacy.

Geo. S. Allison, one of the Sonora Country's successful diversified stockmen, was in town Wednesday on business.

Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They are for weak back, backache, rheumatic pains and all kidney and bladder troubles. Soothing and antiseptic. Regular size 50c. Sold by Allison Pharmacy.

James Cornell went to San Angelo, Thursday, to receive the "Jackson" car recently bought by Cornell & Wardlaw through E. F. Vander Stucken Co., Sonora.

John A. Ward who ranches west of town, has been having a time fighting off the grip and working with the goats.

The temperature at the hottest on Sunday in Sonora was 75 degrees and fell to 14 during the night. A light snow covered the ground Monday and at sundown the register showed 18, and during the night fell to 10 degrees. The highest it got Tuesday was 26. There was no mistake about it being cold in Sonora Tuesday.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup tastes nearly as good as maple sugar. It cures the cold by gently moving the bowels and at the same time it is soothing for throat irritation, thereby stopping the cough. Sold by the Allison Pharmacy.

D. K. McMullan whose ranch is 35 miles south of Sonora, was in town Thursday and reports having found near one of his tanks, this week, a human skull. Mr. McMullan cannot account for it unless it was the skull of a Mr. Scott, a carpenter from Greenville, who three years ago while at work on the ranch, disappeared. Search and enquiries were made for him at the time but no trace was ever found. His mind was deranged the time he left the ranch and is now supposed he lost his life and died in the hills.

Mrs. J. C. McDonald, owner of the Commercial Hotel, returned Saturday from a visit to her sister Mrs. Ouis Mitchell at Pecos. Mrs. McDonald was accompanied by her daughter Estelle and son Arthur attending school in Austin.

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THE JUNIOR LEAGUE.

The Junior League was organized Sunday Dec. 20th, 1908, with the membership of forty five and the following officers. Prof. R. E. Thomas superintendent, Rector Casenbary president, Lois Gilbert secretary, Winnie Davis organist. The League meets every Sunday afternoon and has been growing in interest and numbers since its organization.

Ben Casenbary, Jr.,
Press Reporter.

NOTICE.

I wish to thank my patrons and the public generally for their patronage in the past and hope they will continue to do so during this month while the dairy is in charge of Dug Dean. I will be home again on February 1st and again give the business my personal attention.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Grace Tarver.

Try It Once.

There is more actual misery and less danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment, Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

MEXICAN SCHOOL.

The trustees of the Sonora Independent School district, have engaged Miss Willie Crouch of Grapeville to teach the Mexican children and the session began Monday. The school will last 4 months and it is hoped the children of the Mexicans will take advantage of this chance.

W.O.W.

The officers of the Woodmen of the World installed on the night of January 2, 1909, were: J. O. Roundtree, C.C.; W. B. Hayes, A. L.; R. F. Halbert, Banker; J. A. Hegerland, Clerk; A. F. Bellowa, Escort; J. A. Ward, Watchman; W. P. Roundtree, Sentry; P. H. White, Physician. S. H. Stokes was installing officer.

Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or cold. It may lead to croup or pleurisy or pneumonia—then to something more serious. Ballard's Horehound Syrup will cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by J. Lewenthal.

County Treasurer J. E. Grimland will receipt you for your road tax. Pay \$3 now and save \$2.

Sam Nicks Jr., of Schleicher county, was in Sonora Wednesday for supplies.

Judge L. J. Wardlaw left for St. Louis Thursday, on professional business.

J. W. Pincham who ranches 4 miles south of Sonora was in town Tuesday trading.

D. J. Wyatt returned this week from a months pleasure and business trip to San Antonio, Fort Worth and Mineral Wells. Mr. Wyatt thinks the prospects for good prices for cattle better than in years.

Kodol digests all the food you eat. If you will take Kodol for a little while you will no longer have indigestion. It is pleasant to take, acts promptly. Sold by Allison Pharmacy.

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Old Folks Service.

On the second Sunday in Feb. if nothing prevents, we will have an "Old Folks Service" at the Methodist church. Tell all the "old folks" to come. This is for their comfort and encouragement. The pastor of the Methodist church has a great love for the old folks.

Men's Greatness; God's Greatness.

A great text; a great subject; Isaiah 57: 15—"For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is holy. I dwell in the high and holy place. With him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite. Come out and hear about true greatness.

Subject for night will be found in Luke 13; 29

The other services at the Methodist church for Sunday are Union Sunday school at 10 a.m. Union League 3 p.m.

Hours for preaching 11 a.m., and 7:15 p.m.
C. T. Davis, Pastor.

Pay J. L. Grimland \$3 and save \$2 on the road tax for 1909.

Mrs. W. C. Bryson and children returned from a visit to relatives at Brady Saturday.

M. S. Middlemiss has commenced painting the front of the E. F. Vander Stucken Co., store and warehouse.

E. F. Stucken has let contracts for the painting and remodeling of his residence and also for the building of three additional rooms.

Tom Nolan, county clerk of Crockett county and editor of the Ozone Kicker, was in Sonora last week for his little daughter who had been on a visit to her aunt Mrs. E. S. Briant.

Mrs. G. E. McCarney and family of Balinger, are in Sonora the guests of Judge and Mrs. L. J. Wardlaw. Mrs. McCarney is a sister to L. J. and C. B. Wardlaw.

W. B. Smith the cattleman who ranches on the old Gillespie place was in Sonora Monday, on business.

Mrs. Arthur Stuart and children returned from Brady Saturday. Miss Lela Jackson, Mrs. Stuart's sister accompanied them and will remain for an indefinite visit.

KELLEY-SHARP.

The friends of Miss Hoshell Kelley and Henry V. Sharp were surprised to learn of their marriage at Eldorado on Friday Jan. 8, 1909. Judge J. A. Whitten officiating. The happy couple have gone to San Angelo and other points on a visit. The News extends its best wishes and congratulations. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Kelley of the Owenville country, and the groom is a well-known young stockman of the Sonora Country.

Claude Hudspeth is in Austin as senator from this district and apart from being one of the committee to notify the House that the Senate was ready for business, offered a resolution to order 5 daily papers for each member. Claude never forgets the pencil-pushers—even if most of the boys pay for their "type writers" at 15 cents per diem (that is the country press in Claude's district) but knowing that the country press is behind him on his wild animal bill, and knowing from past personal experience that the "country press" is always behind the country development, knew it was not necessary to add in the list the county papers, and then the appropriations would not stand it, but the News believes that the country press will support the Wild Animal Bill even if each member of the Legislature does not get five copies of their choice. Daily papers will be so numerous in Texas after the development resulting from the Wild Animal Bounty Bill that there will be no need to buy papers for their representatives.

Stock News.

Hides and furs bought by E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

A. T. Stuart got home Tuesday with the cattle recently purchased from Irve Ellis of Menard county.

We will buy your hides and furs E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

J. J. Ford is here to attend to his shearing of goats which he has dated for the 20th.

The biggest price paid for hides and furs at
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

C. B. Wardlaw of the commission firm of Martin & Wardlaw of Sonora, sold 500 Angora stock goats to J. W. Pincham at \$2.75

Bring your hides and furs to us we will pay highest price for them E. F. Vander Stucken Co.

T. J. Stuart & Son of Sonora, sold 137 head of Durham stock cattle to John Schaeg of Brady at \$16 per head.

W. T. C. Holman of Sonora, sold 300 steers, coming threes and up, Sam Butler of San Angelo, at an average of \$30. One hundred of these steers will be put on feed for a finish and the others go to the Territory.

North & Hamilton bought the property on Main street occupied by them from T. L. Benson of El Dorado for \$1500. J. A. Cope Commission Co., made the deal.

The News has a few blanks on which cattlemen may make application for Government Black Leg Vaccine.

Sam Butler of San Angelo, reported this week that Chas Broom of the "City of Angels" bought from S. E. Couch of Crockett county 400 steers, coming threes and up at \$25 and 200 cows at \$15.

Roy Hudspeth, the handsome young ranchman of Sutton county, says if we have a good spring he will feel like getting married. Roy has a string of steers, from coming ones to fives for sale in parts or parcels to suit buyers. He "feels it in his bones" that the prices for cattle will be better and would like to hold his stuff till just before the sign was in the feet. Roy was here this week.

H. Spruce shipped one car of horses to Nacogdoches Wednesday morning—Contractor Joe Ford is building a nice \$5,000 residence for Mr. Spruce two miles west of town.—Marathon Eagle

Hazelstein Cattle.

W. A. Glasscock of Sonora is owner of the Hazelstein cattle and anyone knowing the whereabouts of any of these cattle will confer a favor by notifying

W. A. GLASSCOCK,
16th Sonora, Texas.

Dont worry about the railroad. Build your home in Sonora. There is no place better.

The Orient or any other railroad that passes through Sutton county, will come to Sonora if the people will stay with the News boys.

Come right into town and buy a home; make Sonora your headquarters. There is no better town on or off the map.

You may depend on the News doing the right thing at the right time. Build your home in Sonora.

The survey for the Orient railroad is through Sonora on a seventh grade and Sonora is bound to get it—if we put up, and that's what we always do. Sonora is noted for that spirit of progress.

The rain fall in Sonora for the year 1908, was just three points more than 22 inches. This is the lowest total in six years in Sonora Country with the exception of 1904 when the rain was 21 1/2 inches.

COATMEN!

The sudden change in temperature Sunday night has made the advisability of raising phoning to the Daily Standard. That paper will give service re-

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