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Sonora, Texas. - Sept. 25, 1909.

#### New Game Law.

Every person hunting in counties outside of his place of residence or the adjoining counties is required under the revised law to register his name and secure a permit from the State game commissioner and pay a fee of \$1.75. Permits will be issued by the county clerk of each county.

A synopsis of the game law made by the game, fish and oyster commissioner is as follows:

You may kill 25 quail or doves in any one day only from November 1st to February 1st of each year. You may kill three buck deer only from November 1st to January 1st of each year.

You may kill three wild turkey only from December 1st to April 1st of each year.

You may kill in all seasons of the year duck, geese, robins, wild pigeon, snipe, jacksnipe, curlews, Mexican pheasants or chachalacs; bag limit 25 in any one day.

You may kill rabbits, squirrels, fox, opossum, coons, bear in any number, all seasons.

You may ship or transport to your home such game as you have lawfully killed by making proper affidavit.

You must not buy or sell any of

the wild game or game birds, or kill, catch or destroy the eggs or have in possession, living or dead any wild song bird, except hawks, crows, buzzards, owls, English sparrows, rice birds, and black birds.

You must not hunt for any game or birds at night with a lantern, hunting lamp or any other light.

Any person may hunt or kill any game during the open season when it is lawful to kill game, in his county of residence, or in the counties adjoining the county of his residence, or any land owned or controlled by him, without procuring a license; but they must not hunt beyond the boundaries of their adjoining counties without this license.

Sol Mayer of Sonora, is in the city en route to his ranch near Sonora. Mr. Mayer has been spending the past two months in Colorado with his family. The family returned with him to Kansas City and then he started for the ranch. Mr. Mayer says San Angelo looks good to him and that he is always glad to get back here. —San Angelo Standard.

#### The Road To Success.

has many obstructions, but none so desperate as poor health. Success to-day demands health, but Electric Bitters is the greatest health builder the world has ever known. It compels perfect action of stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels, purifies and enriches the blood, and tones and invigorates the whole system. Vigorous body and keen brain follow their use. You can't afford to slight Electric Bitters if weak, run-down or sickly. Only \$1.00. Guaranteed by Nathan's Pharmacy.

#### Eye of the Camera is Keen.

Often the eye of the camera will decipher documents of which the writing had been substantially obliterated by age, says a writer in Van Norden's Magazine. I have successfully copied with the camera the utterly faded photograph of a classmate of 40 years previous.

Changes in the pigment of the skin, undiscovered by the eye, appear with distinctness on the sensitive plate, and it is said that ample warning of approaching disease has been thereby given.

The camera takes pictures of subjects which cannot be made to appear on the ground glass and of those which the eye of man has never seen. The human eye can penetrate space no further in an hour than in a single instant. Yet the eye of the camera will gaze in to the sky for hours, looking deeper and seeing more with each second that passes.

Through this attribute of the camera a great chart of the heavens is now being made. In this work distinguished astronomers and photographers throughout the world are co-operating. Yet not one in a hundred of the stars already pictured by them was ever seen by the unaided eye of scientists.

#### Hoppity Hop.

Are you just barely getting around by the aid of crutches or a cane? Unless you have lost a limb or have a deformity—if your trouble is rheumatism, lumbago, sprain, stiff joints, or anything of like nature use Ballard's Snow Liniment and in no time you can throw away your crutches and be as well as anyone. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by all druggists.

#### Breeding Harness Horses.

No matter what your belief may be regarding the different theories and systems of breeding; whether you believe or disbelieve in developed sires and dams and the use of a near infusion of thorough-bred blood, or in fact, in any of the many ideas advocated by horsemen in breeding, you cannot fail to see that now is a good time to breed trotters, says Breeder and Sportsman.

All during the business and financial depression of the past two years or more, when all lines of business were in a state of unrest and disorder the trotting horse business held its own, and the demand for good horses was strong and steady, and fair prices prevailed. There is no business which held its own as well as the trotting horse business, and now that all the signs point to a revival of business in all lines, the trotting horse industry is certain to enjoy a season of great prosperity.

There are not enough horses to supply the present demand, and the financial revival has but just begun, surely the demand will grow greater as the business reviveth grows. There is no branch of live stock breeding which holds out such promising inducements as the breeding of high class harness horses, and no man need fear to engage in the business. It should be borne in mind, however, that it pays to breed only the good ones, and the experiences of the past should teach breeders how to breed in order that the greater percent of the horses they breed will come up to the standard demanded by the buying public. The great horses of to-day have been produced by breeding along certain well defined lines and others equally as good can be produced by following these lines.

If you are riding a hobby and it has not led to the production of good horses, get off your hobby and ride the one used by your neighbors, which has produced good horses. Do not be disturbed by the writings of enthusiasts and theorists who advocate many things just for the sake of winning an argument, but look up a line of breeding for yourself which has produced fast trotters and good individuals. Get the Year Book when it appears, and look up the families which produced the finest individuals with the most speed and class as race horses, and you will be able to determine how to breed along lines which will bring the best results. It is the great horses of today which must produce the great horse of the future and not their remote ancestors.

The living stallions have more influence on the speed of their colts than do this stallion's great grandsire or great grandam. While good ancestry helps both stallion and mare, and they should be taken into consideration in the selection of breeding animals, too much should not be expected from their ancestors. Unless a stallion and mare have class as individuals and are good gaited, and good headed, they should not be used for breeding purposes, regardless of the fact that their ancestry is made up of some of the great horses of the past. By the use of common sense in the selection of breeding animals, breeders can produce the kind of animals always in demand, and with perfect confidence that they will find buyers for them at good prices. The outlook was never brighter for the trotting horse breeders of the United States.

#### Night Off Bald Mountain.

On a lonely night Alex Benton of Fort Edward, N. Y., climbed Bald Mountain to the home of a neighbor, tortured by Asthma, bent on curing him with Dr. King's New Discovery, that had cured himself of asthma. This wonderful medicine soon relieved and quickly cured his neighbor. Later it cured his son's wife of a severe lung trouble. Millions believe its the greatest Throat and Lung cure on Earth. Coughs, Colds, Croup, Hemorrhages and Sore Lungs are surely cured by it. Best for Hay Fever, Grip and Whooping Cough. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Nathan's Pharmacy.

#### THE WORD "ANKLE."

Its Root Shown in Many Words of Many Different Tongues.

We are not likely to think that "ankle" and "anchor" are closely related, but etymologically they are full sisters, having had the same mother, and that mother has a large family of daughters, who are to be found in all of the branches of the Aryan tongue. And neither "anchor" nor "ankle" has any relation to its uses, but entirely to its form.

This mother of the two words was born at least a hundred centuries ago in some place likely not far from the north shore of the Caspian sea, when the roots of the Aryan language were planted and began to put forth shoots. When that people began to lay the foundations of a dozen tongues they found a little word the sound of which we express by "ank," and they applied it to what was bent from a straight line or what we call an angle.

So it is that we use that little root in most of our words that imply what is bent or curved. The ankle is at the bend of the foot, and for that reason we base its name on the old root "ank." With "anchor" we do the same thing because its arms are bent at angles from its shank.

Though our word "hook" has come to us through a different channel, when we use a hook for fishing we say that we are "angling" because we use an instrument that is made on an angle. Then we call it an "angle" for the reason that our first known ancestors said that what was bent was "ank."

Our more immediate ancestors, the Anglo-Saxons, made their word "angel" out of this same root and applied it to their fishing hooks. The same word with the same meaning is in the Danish and German.

When the Frenchman talks about an anchor he says "ancree," and in Latin it is "ancora," from "ancus," which means having a crooked arm. In the Greek it is "ogkos," meaning a bend, from which comes "agkura," an anchor. From the same root "ank" our Hindoo brothers get their "anch," which in Sanskrit means a bend.

This little root shown in many words of so many different languages, all pointing far back to a union of tongues, is one of the links in the chain that leads to the knowledge of the once sameness in now widely separated tongues.—New York Herald.

#### Another Moving Job.

"Moving again, Fitz?" asked Pullet as Fitzgoober came out of the gate with a washtub tightly clasped in his arms and trailing a mirror behind him.

"Yes," moaned the afflicted man, mopping his perspiring brow, "I'm going to leave this hole."

"What for? Don't you like the neighborhood?"

"Oh, no, not that. The neighbors are all right."

"Water not good, maybe?"

"No better can be found."

"The rent hasn't been raised, has it?"

"No. That's the reason I'm going to seek another house."

"What!" exclaimed the surprised Pullet. "Moving from a place because the rent has not been raised! Surely you don't object to that, Fitz?"

"No, I do not," sadly replied Fitz as he started back for the kitchen set of furniture, "but the landlord does, you know."—London Answers.

#### She Got Her Holiday.

A bright girl in a large school applied to her teacher for leave to be absent half a day on a plea that her mother had received a telegram which stated that company was on the way.

"It's my father's half sister and her three boys," said the pupil anxiously, "and mother doesn't see how she can do without me, because those boys always act so dreadfully."

The teacher referred her to the printed list of reasons which justified absence and asked if her case came under any of them.

"I think it might come under this head, Miss Rules," said the girl, pointing as she spoke to the words "Domestic Affliction."—Exchange.

#### Difficulties of Womanliness.

To be a man is the simplest thing in the world—he has only to be as nature has chosen—but the strenuousness of a girl's life begins when she is quite little. At all ages woman must keep up appearances, but the over present necessity to be better looking than she really is and to maintain some illusion about herself is only one of the difficulties of being a woman.—Sydney Australian.

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STAGE leaves Sonora Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock a. m. arriving in San Angelo that night.

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DRESS GOODS, UNDERWEAR, HATS,  
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Sonora Ready With Bonus For  
First Railroad.

"Sonora is playing no favorites  
in the great railroad race. The  
first road into that place will get a  
total \$30,000 and the right of way,  
making a total of about \$100,000.  
At \$20 each that means that the  
citizens are willing to contribute  
5,000 head of steers merely for the  
privilege of being connected with  
San Angelo and the world."

It is in this manner that Ira  
Word, the Sutton county ranch-  
man and honk-honk operator, has  
been talking. Word is a big fellow,  
mentally and physically. He was  
in San Angelo Tuesday en route to  
Fort Worth, where he goes to visit  
the two princes of the blood, Eddie  
Crowley and Lee Russell.

"But before I get a head of my  
story permit me to remark," continued  
Col. Word, "that in honk-honking  
into San Angelo Monday night, I felt  
the gentle rains come with great  
force all the way between Panther  
Bluff and the eleven mile culvert.  
It was just the kind of rain to give  
a fellow a cold and add to his cold  
cash. Since reaching here I have  
learned that I am about \$10,000  
better off because it has rained  
gallinipers and geewhizzes on my  
ranch. Allah and others be praised."

"Now back to Sonora and the  
railroad. Sonora will sign up with  
anyone. The people of that place  
are not caring two whoops in a  
hot place who builds a railroad  
there. What they want is a rail-  
road there. What they want is a  
railroad, a real railly kind of a  
road. One with plenty of ties and  
lots of steel, or even iron rails.  
And they are going to have it, for  
they are able to pay for it and  
being able to pay for it, they are  
simply going to buy one."

"Let me tell you something, there  
are literally dozens of children  
now in Sonora who are crying to  
see a railroad. They are thousands  
of babies in that country yet  
unborn, who perhaps in ten years  
from now will still be unborn, who  
are waiting to enter this world of  
tears and politics and the such at  
a place where there is a railroad.  
Being of an extremely patriotic  
disposition they prefer to be born  
in Sonora and to be born there  
after a railroad reaches that place."

"If there is any truth in the ax-  
iom of where one sees smoke there  
is bound to be fire, these patriotic  
babies will not have long to wait  
before the smoke and the smoke  
will be there as a reasonable rain

make the grass, as sure as fat  
steers are a good thing to have,  
Sonora is destined to get a railroad  
at an early date. We have been  
filled with railroad builders at-  
tracted by our \$100,000 and our  
vast undeveloped but developable  
possibilities now weeks past. San  
Angelo imagines she is the Queen  
city of the great empire of the  
west. She may be, but Morgan  
Jones had to come to our midst  
before he would make a proposition  
to this place. Col. Morgan  
came and saw and questioned and  
was conquered by our latent and  
yeasty possibilities. He viewed the  
great scope of country around  
Sonora and felt the thrill of an  
empire building at once. He made  
up his mind to get our money  
and we are in a receptive mood  
to get his railroad. So then he  
comes to San Angelo and says  
'cough' and the way San Angelo is  
wheezing is to make us all proud  
of the place.

"You can just put this in your  
pipe and smoke it. Sonora will  
build a railroad. And when she  
does, she will be the first in the  
west to have a railroad. Word is  
keep up with her, for we are sure-  
ly going to break all records in  
setting the pace. Keep an eye on  
us."—The San Angelo Press-News

### Orient to Sonora.

Like a thunderbolt dropped in  
the midst of the railroad workers  
of San Angelo came a telegram  
from E. Dickinson, vice president  
of the Orient railroad to M. L.  
Mertz, president of the San Angelo  
National Bank, Tuesday afternoon  
to the effect that the Orient rail-  
road will endeavor to make an ex-  
tension "south of west" from San  
Angelo as soon as possible.

It is a well known fact that the  
Orient, as well as the Santa Fe  
and other large systems, have  
been fighting on a line that would  
draw tribute from the vast terri-  
tory that lies between San Angelo  
and Sonora. In fact, officials of  
the several roads have in the past  
few weeks been over the very  
ground in question and they have  
not given out any statement what-  
ever as regards their motives.  
They have left it to the surmise of  
the citizens of San Angelo and the  
general surmise has been a rail-  
road to Sonora, with many roads  
in a Marathon to cover it.

While he does not say so in as  
many words, Vice President  
Dickinson leaves a decided im-  
pression to the effect that his road  
will be built to Sonora, thus pro-  
tecting San Angelo forever from  
any invasion to the south from  
roads that will cut off any portion  
of its tributary trade.—San Angelo  
Press.

## International Fair

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Nov. 6 to 17, 1909

A very comprehensive plan is  
being worked out by Director Dur-  
and of the Census Bureau so that  
the stock farmers and the farmers  
of the country can have all the in-  
formation jotted down in little  
books when the enumerators call  
around about the middle of April  
next year. The meager informa-  
tion has crept out that each pro-  
ducer of live stock and tiller of the  
soil will be asked to keep a record  
of all the live stock they own, in-  
cluding dogs and Thomas cats,  
bees and poultry. The farmer  
will be asked to keep an account  
of what he has sold as well as the  
number and value of what he has  
not sold. When he has done this  
he will be permitted to amuse  
himself by keeping a careful record  
of the quantity and value of all  
eggs, honey and wax produced on  
the farm in 1909. He must also  
tell what he paid for farm labor,  
for food for live stock, for fertiliz-  
ers, and he may also tell how  
much he spent when he went to  
town, and why; what his average  
was in the selling bees; what he  
does with his leisure time; his age,  
sex, color, previous condition of  
servitude politics; whether he is  
an anarchist or a Presbyterian;  
the amount of tobacco he smokes  
and chews; whether he loves his  
wife or whose; whether he likes  
farming better than banking; if he  
believes that Dr. Cook buried that  
brass tube under the North Pole;  
how long he sleeps, and whether  
pumpkin pie is inductive to rest  
or nightmare, etc., and then etc.  
The Census Bureau people are out  
for information and they want it  
for the benefit of the farmer him-  
self. When they get it a few  
thousand clerks, more or less, will  
be kept busy for ten years compil-  
ing it, and then it will be printed  
and stored away in warehouses in  
Washington, just as the census re-  
ports (still incomplete) of nine  
years ago are being stored away  
now.

### Railroad Talk.

J. S. Allison, one of the pioneer  
citizens of Sonora, dropped in the  
city with the rain Saturday after-  
noon, and after putting his hok  
hok machine in the garage, stop-  
ped long enough to talk about the  
railroad news of Sutton county,  
and the fine grass that the county  
has this year.

"Yes, we are going to have a  
railroad and do not care which one  
it is, just so it gives railroad con-  
nection with the outside world,"  
said Mr. Allison.

"We have a nice, fat hock hung  
up for some road, and the first one  
that submits a reasonable propo-  
sition can get it. We will accept  
sure. We are going to get a rail-  
road and be a city one of these  
days."

"As to rains, why we have had  
plenty of them, and I never saw  
the grass in better shape. The  
cattle are just as fat as they could  
be, and all we ranchmen are just  
as happy as possible."—San Angelo  
Daily Standard.

### West Texas Developing.

"There is nothing in administra-  
tive circles at the present time  
that would work a hardship on  
railroad development," remarked  
President A. J. Davidson of the  
Frisco lines, as he sat in his pri-  
vate car last night and talked to a  
Post representative. "As a mat-  
ter of fact railroad development in  
Texas now is a matter of being  
able to go ahead and being able to  
get on the ground. The present  
administration seems most friend-  
ly to the railroad interests, and  
most of the avowed candidates for  
governor have expressed them-  
selves as friends, so I see nothing  
in the political atmosphere that  
should make railroads afraid."

"We have no special plans for  
any extensive building. We have  
plans, of course, that have been  
pigeonholed from time to time, to  
be taken out only to be put back  
to await the time when conditions  
were favorable for their maturity.  
Conditions have been rather un-  
favorable for a couple of years, not  
only here but the question of re-  
trenchment has been a leading one  
with most of the railroads."

In view of the fact that the  
Santa Fe interests were announced  
as considering the proposition of  
pushing their line from some point  
between Lampasas and Brown-  
wood as far as the west side of San  
Saba county, and then perhaps  
west to El Dorado or Sonora, Mr.  
Davidson was asked if the Frisco  
would take up a counter move and  
build into this territory. He  
replied:

"I want it understood that there  
is no conflict between the Frisco  
and the Santa Fe. Of course,  
there are competitive territories in  
which both roads are interested,  
but the road building in West  
Texas will not be done as a mere  
matter of territory grabbing. We  
have had in mind the extension  
from Brady for over a year and  
will go to work on this proposition  
at once, building perhaps to Me-  
nardville. From there we do not  
know just what direction we will  
take, but it is of course, under-  
stood that we will work in a south-  
erly direction. As to what the  
direction of the Santa Fe will be  
as relates to our line I can not  
say. We are building regardless  
of other lines, and only have in  
mind the development of that terri-  
tory south of Brady."

"If anyone has an idea that the  
Western country is a land of liz-  
ards, a trip such as we took would  
convince him to the contrary. We  
took an overland tour through  
Tom Green, Menard, McCulloch,  
San Saba and Llano counties, and  
I want to say that all they need is  
transportation. They have the finest soil I  
have ever seen and the rainfall is very  
good. Of course, some of the  
farmers there are merely bent on  
raising feed for their stock at the  
present time, but with transporta-  
tion facilities the country will  
come to the front very shortly.  
Why, we have cotton hauled into  
Brady now from a distance of 100  
miles. If there were any facilities  
to get the products of this country  
to market there. There is much  
land there that is productive with-  
out irrigation, and then again  
there is country that must be irri-  
gated; but the San Saba country is  
especially adapted to a very eco-  
nomical form of irrigation."

"It is our intention to reach this  
country as fast as the conditions  
best known to ourselves will per-  
mit, but can not report anything  
definite right now. We will not  
go to work on the San Antonio  
proposition now. We are not ready  
for it."

While it is stated by President  
Davidson that there is no intent of  
building in a manner to conflict  
with the Santa Fe, yet it is diffi-  
cult to see how their interests will  
not conflict if they carry out their  
proposed programs. If the Santa  
Fe comes westward from a point  
between Brownwood and Lam-  
pass to El Dorado it will need  
sarily cross the Frisco proposition  
somewhere near Menardville, and  
as a matter of fact if the Frisco  
builds southwest it will practically  
parallel it some place in the San  
Saba valley. It is known that  
both of these roads are endeavor-  
ing to get a stable foothold in  
Western Texas and find some  
point from which to begin ramifi-  
cations. President Davidson  
would not deny that the annexa-  
tion of the country was very desir-  
able, and insisted that the irri-  
gation propositions afforded were far  
superior to many in the southern  
part of the State.—Houston Post

# NOTICE!

To Sonora Friends and People of Sulton Co.:

We have purchased the business of the  
Wylie Hardware Co., and are receiving  
new stock of

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TEXAS

## NOTICE.

On and after October 1, 1909, we  
the undersigned, will not do any  
more credit business only with  
those who pay their accounts on  
the first day of each month.

To those who know themselves  
to be indebted to us we take this  
means of asking them to pay their  
accounts at once. Our reasons for  
the above action, are, that we have  
to pay our bills every thirty days,  
and unless we pay, or have the  
goods to show, it places us in a  
very embarrassing position with  
those who credit us. Their motto  
is: "Pay us or show us that you  
still have our goods in stock."  
Thanking you for your patronage  
in the past and asking a contin-  
uance of same.

We are very truly yours  
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### San Angelo, Texas Fair.

The always popular annual San  
Angelo, Texas Fair will take place  
Oct. 5 to 9. The Association is  
this year adding more than \$25,  
000 for purses and premiums.  
They have just completed their  
large general exhibit hall and ex-  
pensive improvements. In addi-  
tion to very extensive agricultural,  
horses, mules, cattle, hog, goat,  
sheep, poultry and other exhibits  
of the products of the great Concho  
Country, there will be a splendid  
race program, both horse and  
automobile, broncho busting, jack  
rabbit and wolf chasing, chariot  
races, rideless and guideless races,  
carnival, etc. Come out and see  
the great southwest. Low rail-  
road rates.

See your railroad agent.

George Hagelestein,  
Pres. Fair Assn.

Said Abdel-Kader: A thorough-  
bred horse is one that has three  
things long, three things short,  
three things broad, and three  
things clean. The three things  
long are the ears, the neck and  
the forelegs. The three things  
short are the dock, the hindlegs  
and the back. The three things  
broad are the forehead, the chest  
and the croup. The three things  
clean are the skin, the eyes and  
the hoof. Also: "If a horse,  
when drinking from a stream that  
flows level with the ground, can  
remain upright on all fours with-  
out bending either of his forelegs,  
be assured that his form is perfect,  
that all parts of his body harmon-  
ize and that he is thoroughbred."

### NOTICE.

All parties interested in the Dr.  
C. F. Simmons, Atascosa county,  
Land Subdivision are requested to  
meet in Sonora Saturday Oct. 2, at  
the court house to appoint delegats  
to look after land interest.

### John Simmons is Killed.

Temple, Texas, Sept. 17—  
News was received here today of a  
tragedy enacted last night at  
Vilas, a small village seventeen  
miles southwest of Temple, in  
which John Simmons Jr. was stab-  
bed, dying a few hours later from  
his injuries. The causes leading  
up to the affair could not be de-  
finitely ascertained, but a neigh-  
borhood dispute is thought to  
have been responsible for the oc-  
currence. A neighbor of the dead  
man named McKnight has been  
arrested.

### Gambling.

Your life against 25 cents is just  
exactly what you are doing if you  
neglect a cough or cold on the  
chest instead of treating it with  
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25 cent bottle of this splendid  
remedy will cure an ordinary  
cough, heal the lungs and act as a  
tonic for your entire system. Sold  
by all druggists.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 11.—  
Governor John A. Johnson, three  
times elected governor of Minne-  
sota, candidate for the Democratic  
nomination for President of the  
United States in 1908 and looked  
upon by many throughout the  
country as the probable Democra-  
tic national standardbearer in 1912,  
died at St. Mary's hospital here at  
3:25 o'clock this morning following  
an operation last Wednesday.

### To Be Happy.

You must have good health. You  
can't have good health if your  
liver is not doing its duty—slow  
but sure poisoning is going on all  
the time under such circum-  
stances. Ballard's Herbine makes  
a perfectly healthy liver—keeps  
the stomach and bowels right and  
acts as a tonic for the entire sys-  
tem. Sold by all druggists.

A Dallas Jewelry firm advertises  
"another advance in diamonds."  
Now wouldn't that "Cook" you?

### NOTICE.

By authority of my position of  
Administrator of the Estate of J.  
Lewenthal, deceased, I hereby  
give notice to all who are indebted  
to the said estate, to pay such in-  
debtedness to me. In the interest  
of the estate, I desire prompt pay-  
ment and to avoid the necessity of  
placing said accounts in the hands  
of attorneys for collection.

E. F. HALBERT,  
Administrator of the estate of J.  
Lewenthal, deceased  
Sonora, Texas, July 21, 1909.

### Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all  
trespassers on my ranch, cutting  
timber, hauling wood, working  
stock, gathering pecans, or hunt-  
ing or hunting of any kind or fish-  
ing, without my permission will be  
prosecuted.

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Bicycle—the best made. Ask for  
particulars, free outfit, and circular  
telling "How to Start." Ad-  
dress, "The Bicycle Man," 29 31  
East 22d Street, New York City,  
N. Y.

Thomas Bond, the sheepman of  
Sonora, Sutton County, is in the  
city for a day or so on business.  
He went out there in 1880. He  
has just finished shearing his 3000  
sheep, but is not in a position to  
say how much money it will turn  
into his coffers, for he has not  
figured with the buyers yet. "We  
had some dry weather during the  
summer," said he yesterday, "and  
good rains fell in Edwards County  
the first of the week and I hope  
we have had some by this time."  
—San Antonio Express.

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Success Magazine Building, New  
York City, N. Y."

### Shot at Fredericksburg.

Fredericksburg, Texas, Sept.  
20—Harry Stokes was killed here  
today at noon on the main street  
by a pistol shot fired by John  
Owens of Mason. Stokes died a  
few minutes after the shot was  
fired. Owens was disarmed and  
placed in jail by Dayton Moses,  
the District Attorney, who was the  
first man to reach the scene immedi-  
ately after the shooting.

Owens is the owner of a small  
Wild West show, and became as-  
sociated with Stokes last July in  
this place during the reunion.  
Several weeks ago complaint was  
filed against Stokes by Owens  
charging theft of money at Marfa.  
District Court convened here to-  
day and Stokes was present in the  
city to answer the charge against  
him. Owens was in the city as a  
witness. It is alleged by Owens  
and others that Stokes had threat-  
ened the life of Owens previous to  
the meeting today.

The tragedy resulted from a  
meeting on the streets here at  
noon, Owens was standing near  
Carter's barber shop and Stokes  
approached in a manner that  
Owens considered threatening and  
he fired at Stokes, the shot taking  
fatal effect. The bullet passed  
through Stokes' head.

The body of Stokes is being  
held for advice from relatives, but  
he whereabouts of his family are  
unknown here.



E. R. JACKSON, W. L. ALDWELL, E. F. VANDERSTUCKEN,  
President. Cashier. Vice President.

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second-class matter.  
SONORA, TEXAS. Sept. 29, 1909

Tom Bond and sons Tommie and Frank were in from the ranch Friday.

Judge L. J. Wardlaw is in Austin on professional business.

J. F. Tandy, of Eldorado, was in Sonora Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Clarkson were in from their Lost Lake ranch Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Cornell returned from a visit to Junction Wednesday.

Hall Brothers the well drillers were in Sonora Monday trading.

Joe Berger has finished the Roy Hudspeth residence near the school house this week.

Joe Wallace the well known young sheepman, was married at Rock Springs on Tuesday Sept. 21st. to Miss Mattie Fleischer.

Miss Winnie Clements who is teaching school at the Bond ranch was a visitor in Sonora this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Yaws and Mr. and Mrs. Oud Yaws and C. C. Yaws Jr. were in from their ranches in the Middle Valley country Friday visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Evans of Menardville were in Sonora several days this week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Allison.

Uncle Bob Peacock was in Sonora several days this week from the Peacock & Savell ranch. Bob had just returned from a trip to Hot Springs, Ark. and is very much improved in health.

**Attend to Your Liver.**  
No organ in the human body can give as many different kinds of trouble as the liver when it is not right. Simmon's Liver Purifier makes it right and keeps it so.

Bishop Johnson will visit Sonora on Sept. 30. He will preach at the Episcopal Church at 8 p. m. The public cordially invited.

Ward Brooks of Ozona will give a dance at that place probably October 1st, and extends an invitation to all the Sonora people to attend. If nothing interferes Oct. 1st. will be the date but is probable the announcement appears elsewhere.

The dance at the court house Friday night last was attended by a large crowd. Many of the ladies wore new costumes and the success of the evening was due principally to the excellent music furnished by Prof. Springers band from San Angelo. The committee was fortunate in getting this band.

**Co With A Rush.**  
The demand for that wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney cure, Dr. King's New Life Pills—is astounding, say they never saw the like. It is because they never fail to cure Sore Stomach, Constipation, Indigestion, Biliousness, Jaundice, Sick Headache, Chills and Malaria. Only 25c at Nathans Pharmacy.

**THE ORIENT WANTS 100,000 BONUS AND THE RIGHT OF WAY FROM THE SUTTON COUNTY LINE TO SONORA.**

At a meeting of the Sonora Business Club at the First National Bank Friday morning, the following proposition was submitted by W. C. Blanks, attorney of San Angelo and R. S. Barnhart representing the Orient.

That Sonora subscribe \$100,000 and right of way from Sutton county line to Sonora. They expect to extend their line from Mertzon to Sonora. President Aldwell appointed a committee composed of Messrs Jas. Cornell, E. S. Briant, T. J. Stuart, D. B. Cusenberry and E. F. Vander Stucken to see the people and get their ideas on the subject. The committee are hard at work getting in touch with the non-resident land owners, as they have only twenty days to work on.

Ira Glascock was up from his ranch Tuesday trading.

J. J. Ford returned from a trip to San Antonio Monday.

Mrs. Claud Stites is visiting her mother Mrs. Geo. S. Allison this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Briant arrived home Tuesday from a pleasure trip to San Antonio.

What about having a stock show racing dancing etc. during the Christmas holidays.

Am Savell of San Angelo is visiting his brother Theo. Savell this week.

Erie Cloude the ranchman from the Telegraph neighborhood on the Llano, was in Sonora Monday on business.

Mrs. A. R. Cuthorn and son Bill were in from the ranch Tuesday trading. Bill says they had a good rain.

Mike Murphy of the News, left for Mineral Wells Monday, and expects to be away about three weeks.

W. L. Aldwell cashier of the First National Bank of Sonora, returned Tuesday from a business trip to San Angelo.

M. E. Jopling the Sewing Machine man will be in Sonora in a few days. Will be glad to have your order for Machine or Supplies.

D. H. Kirkland the saddler bought out the tin shop business from Clyde Windrow this week. Mr. Windrow will have charge of the business till Jan. 1st.

Mrs. W. L. Aldwell and daughter Miss Ida left for San Angelo Monday. Mrs. Aldwell will visit friends and Miss Ida will go to Austin to resume her studies.

Miss Isaac F. Standerfer of San Angelo, arrived in Sonora Tuesday to take charge of the machinery display for Miss Jessie Deaton of the Bazaar of San Angelo.

Miss Nannie Caraway who has been visiting her sister Mrs. I. N. Brooks left for her home at Robert Lee Tuesday. Miss Nannie will visit friend and relatives in San Angelo until after the Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ward and family, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Brooks and family, Miss Birtha Williams, of E. Dorado, Miss Nannie Caraway of Robert Lee, and Rubay Davis spent Saturday Sept. 18th. at the Felton cave 12 miles south of Sonora. They arrived at the cave just at 12:30 and enjoyed a fine picnic dinner before going into the cave. Every one present reported that they had a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Hagerlund arrived home Wednesday from a few days visit to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Williamson on the ranch.

R. F. Halbert and G. W. Stephenson attended the directors meeting of the Wool Growers Central Storage Co. at San Angelo this week.

W. A. Glascock left for the Territory Saturday to see how his cattle are doing up there.

Miss Cora Rountree arrived home last Friday from a visit to her sister Mrs. Jas. Bromley and brother Anania Rountree at Colorado, Texas.

There will be preaching at the Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11:30 a. m. and Sunday night at 8:30 p. m. by Rev. C. T. Davis, September 25th.

J. J. Colwell and J. H. Woodard have leased the lower stable, and will run it in good style. They ask the public for a share of patronage.

Theo. Corder was in Sonora several days this week on business. He left for his home in Sanderson Thursday by way of Juno.

Mrs. E. Vander Stucken and daughter Miss Sophie and Miss Adela Maier of Fredericksburg who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander Stucken for the month left for Menardville Saturday. Felix Vander Stucken and Ben Wyatt went over with them in Mr. Vander Stucken auto.

**THEY CAME  
THEY SAW  
AND WERE  
CONQUERED.**

**THE SAN ANGELO TRADES PEOPLE WERE DYALLY ENTERTAINED BY SONORA PEOPLE**

**ALL HAD A GOOD TIME.**

The San Angelo trades excursionists arrived in Sonora Friday about noon and were given the time of their lives. A fine barbecue dinner was served on the Court House square after which speeches were made by Jas. Cornell of Sonora, C. T. Paul Mayor of San Angelo, G. T. Paul Mayor of San Angelo, G. T. Paul Mayor of San Angelo, G. T. Paul Mayor of San Angelo. At night a dance was given to them at the Court House and they all seemed to have had a good time.

The following is a list of San Angelo's business men:

Nick Snow, retired transfer man and ranchman, driver; W. P. Humphree, President of the Concho Lumber Company; J. D. Creath, of Walker-Suth Co.; J. F. Ross, manager of the Alfalfa Lumber Co.; Will Rau, of Findlater Hardware Co.

Shorby Johnson, driver; Norman B. Taylor, proprietor of the J. B. Taylor grocery; J. O. Henderson, of Henderson drygoods Co.; Elias Keeton, groceryman; J. F. Cosgraves, of Cos-Hart Drug Co.

Jess Bailey, driver; D. C. McCaleb, of the Press-News; C. B. Rives, assistant cashier of the First National Bank; and Lawson O. Dalley, a real estate man.

Dr. LeGear driver; W. H. Holman, of Dabney Land and Live Stock Company; Squire Boon, of March Bros; Raymond Hoff, city editor of Standard.

White, driver; Walter Foreman, representing Paul Abstract and Title Co; J. G. Murphy, publisher afternoon Standard; Ross, the architect; and William Hemybill, of Baker-Hemphill Co.

Lester E. Ogg, of Hay & Ogg, Real agents, driver; Jerry Y. Raet, of the San Angelo Telephone Co; C. T. Paul, head of Paul Abstract & Title Company and mayor of San Angelo; W. T. Bartholomew, of Broom & Bartholomew, attorneys; and Colonel J. R. Nasworthy, capitalist. This party joined them at Sonora Friday.

Will Savell, owner and driver of car, one of the proprietors of Big Springs-San Angelo auto line; J. J. Goodfellow, surveyor; J. D. Johnson, manager Waters-Pierce Co; Arthur Martin, of Crowther Hardware Co; and A. C. Waters, of Easton Elevator Company.

Hayden, driver; B. G. Kilgore, of Kilgore, Hayden, Hollifield Company; H. E. Everheart, Santa Fe agent at San Angelo; Walter S. Robertson, of Robertson Paint Company; and Shelton, of Sherwin-Williamson Paint Company.

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G. E. Huntington, Enfla, Ala.

Roy Glascock was up from the ranch near Juno Wednesday trading.

Miss Pearl Owens is teaching school at the H. Diebetsch ranch.

G. C. Erwood was in from his ranch Wednesday with a load of

**A Burglar in Town.**  
his name is "bad enough." He doesn't care for gold or silver but he will steal your health away. If he appears in your house arrest him at once with Balkard's Horse and Syrup, it may mean consumption if you don't. A cure for all coughs, colds and chest troubles. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

**For Sale.**  
A ten foot Samson windmill and four. Mill good as new.  
See C. J. LEWIS.

Now is the time to see Windrow the Tinner about your stove pipes and flues. Dont wait for the rush but attend to it right away.

**Stock News.**

C. S. Holcomb traded 275 head of stock cattle to Sid Gilbert for the latter 4 section ranch.

J. L. Sheen of Radd bought about 600 dry cows from Verg Brown of Edwards county at p. 1 Ope made the trade.

**FOR SALE.**  
200 head of stock cattle Herefords for sale, only a few calves. For further particulars see or write me at my ranch eight miles north of Rock Springs on the Sonora road.  
R. L. HATCH,  
Rock Springs, Tex.

**RAMS FOR SALE.**  
250 French Merino Rams for sale. 1 to 4 year old. No scab. Price \$8.00 Wool on.  
Can be seen at my ranch.  
THOMAS BOND,  
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**Billocks for Sale.**  
Six well bred billocks for sale cheap. From 2 to 4 years old  
AUGUST MECKEL,  
791f Sonora, Texas.

**BUCKS.**  
I have for sale 100 Native Delaine-Merino Rams for sale. One and two years old. See them before you buy.  
80-1f T. D. WORD,  
Ranch 25 miles West of Sonora Post office, Ozona, Texas.

**DAIRY BUSINESS FOR SALE**  
The only MILK business in Sonora is for sale with as many cows as the purchaser may need. The business is a paying one but I wish to engage in other business. Apply to,  
JAMES L. TARVER.

**A BARGAIN IN BUCKS.**  
I will be in Sonora about the 20th. of Sept. with one hundred and fifty (150) head of fine bucks. Sheepmen: I have a bargain to offer you and it will be to your interest to see me before you buy.  
BARNIE CURRIE

**FOR SALE**  
All of my stock horses, except Standard breeds. All increase from colts to four year old, sired by the following stallions: Joror Campbell, 2:15, pacing; and he by George Campbell, 2:17, pacing; Elbin, grandson of Old Election; John P. Nasworthy, he by Parole, 2:16, trotting. All the above stock are nice smooth stock and will develop into fine drivers. All the above sired are Standard and registered. For further information address,  
R. A. Williamson,  
Ozona, Texas.

J. A. Whitten sold to S. A. Williams of San Angelo 1250 1 and 2 year old ewes at \$5.

J. A. Whitten bought from E. A. Nail 100 one year old steers at \$16.75.

J. A. Whitten bought from Clyde Mills 1000 yearling ewes at \$3.50 and will receive them on 23 of this month at Silver Lake in Edwards county, and will have them brought at once to his ranch 4 miles northwest of Eldorado. This bunch of sheep are from the same flock as those sold to S. A. Williams and are among the best bred sheep in this part of the state.—The Eldorado Times.

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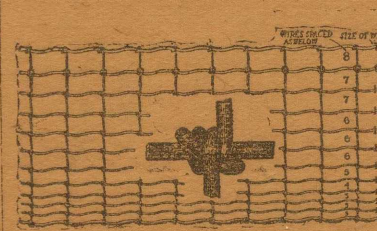
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Will you need to buy bucks this fall. I have 100 fine large well-wooled, ranged raised fellows, from registered dams, sired by bucks that cost me from \$140.00 to \$300.00 each. I am going to make an introductory price on this bunch and now is the time for you to get in. I will sell you a good buck for \$10.00. A better one for \$15.00. A CRACKER JACK for \$20.00. Satisfaction guaranteed.  
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THE PEAFOWL.

A Hardy Bird That Lives in the Open—All the Year Round.

Peafowls were undoubtedly the first birds used by man for ornamental purposes, and to this day there is nothing more gorgeous in nature than a flock of full plumaged specimens strutting about the lawn of an estate.

The Java or green species is noted for beautiful metallic coloring, the sexes being plumaged alike. Although this bird is lacking the long train of the former mentioned varieties, it is considered by many to be the most beautiful bird in the world.

The white peafowl is an exquisite bird; when spreading is lace-like train it resembles a huge fantail pigeon and forms a pleasing contrast with the colored birds. It looks especially charming on a well kept lawn.

Few people realize what a hardy bird the peafowl is. My flock is never housed summer or winter, even with the temperature below zero and snow and ice on the ground.

In the spring of the year the hen will wander off in search of a nesting place. When a suitable spot is found she will deposit six or seven eggs and immediately settle down to incubation.

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A Simple Expedient.

It was the custom of Mr. Cameron to fall into an easy attitude wherever he might be. This habit led to an occasional dialogue of a spicy nature, and the dialogue of a small, square package.

"Those, my dear," said Mr. Cameron, "are for you to attach by the small pin on the underside of the various sofa cushions, chair backs and unoccupied wall spaces in this house."

"Well, Uncle Zeb," said his neighbor, "your boy's come back from college, and I reckon he's got a good education."

A Thrilling Sport.

The few sportsmen who visit the Massachusetts coast in the summer for big fishing become acquainted only with the sea bass and the shark, while the swordfish, remaining always in the open sea, is left to the tender mercies of the men who fish not for sport, but for a livelihood.

Japanese Way of Smoking.

The Japanese have a curious manner of smoking. The pipes have very small metal bowls with bamboo stems and metal mouthpieces and hold only enough tobacco for three or four whiffs.

IMITATING COQUELIN.

One Time That the Great Actor Disappointed His Audience.

The great French actor, Coquelin, used to tell with glee the following experience in which he himself played the leading part:

"I was tired out and so made up my mind to leave the theater for a time and go and vegetate in some isolated country place. I went right into the center of France and soon found myself nicely settled in a homely yet comfortable commercial hotel. I did not want to be known, so I signed myself in the book, 'Frederick Febvre, traveler for wines, spirits, etc.'"

"At the table d'hote I soon became acquainted with those staying at the hotel. My neighbor on the right traveled for a firm which specialized in table delicacies, my neighbor on the left was in the drapery line, another dabbled in oils, another for a novelty in babies' feeding bottles.

"During dinner all went pleasantly. A certain little traveler, full of life and conceit, commenced to give us a few recitations and imitations, some of them fairly clever, I must confess. He was applauded tremendously, and filled up with confidence and wine, he said:

"Now I am going to imitate a few celebrated actors, etc. He imitated Mounet-Sully as Hamlet, he imitated Sarah Bernhardt in 'La Tosca' and then finished by saying: 'I am now going to give you an imitation of Coquelin. Pay great attention, and you will all swear that it is Coquelin himself.'"

"He gave us this imitation, and when he had finished I rose and said:

"Yes, you did that fairly well; but, although I may appear conceited, I really think I can give you a better imitation. I will try, however."

"I commenced. I gave something from one of my favorite pieces and, as I really think, quite excelled myself.

"Do you think they applauded me? Not at all. They smiled and said, 'Thank you,' and almost appeared as though they felt sorry for my ridiculous attempt. Later on, when all except the little conceited traveler had retired, he came up to me and said:

"May I offer you a little friendly advice, sir? You are a young hand at the traveling game, I plainly see, and perhaps wished to make yourself agreeable this evening. Never, however, try to imitate a great actor whom you have never seen. To imitate Coquelin one must have seen him act. You did your best, I dare say, but, oh, dear!"

Cruel Woman!

The tramp narrated to a fellow wanderer the story of an intensely cruel woman. "Yus," he said, "one day I was in front of the house, nicely kept, and it looked a real good chance for getting a bit of honest sympathy. So I walks in, gets down on me 'ands and knees and starts chewin' the grass. Out comes as kindly looking a lady as I ever seed and wanted to know wot I was doin'."

Origin of Word "Cockney."

The old catch about the peacock (of my neighbor) who came into my garden and laid an egg is recalled by the derivation of "cockney." A cockney was originally a small or malformed egg, which the ignorant were wont to imagine was laid by the cock. From this it came to be applied derisively to a child suckled long, and hence to a milk-sop, whence it passed to the townsman, who was supposed to be less hardy than his country brother.

A Failure.

"Well, Uncle Zeb," said his neighbor, "your boy's come back from college, and I reckon he's got a good education."

FULL PARTICULARS.

Deafness is Ofttimes an Embarrassment, as Ehud Will Aver.

The young minister temporarily officiating at Hankins Falls for the summer met Ehud Leflingwell as he was walking to church on Sunday morning.

"How do, Mr. Leflingwell?" he cried cheerfully. "Going to church this beautiful morning?" "Hay?" asked Ehud, who was pretty hard of hearing. "Hay?" "Are you coming to church?" roared the minister.

"Nuh," Ehud responded. "Look in fer my cow. She must 'a' got out of the barn las' night. Unhooked the hasp, I callate, an' jest strayed."

"Come on to church," the minister shouted cordially, "and after preaching I'll tell the congregation, and they'll help you. You'll get your cow much quicker."

"B'jocks! I'll go ye," said Ehud heartily, and he fell into step with the young minister. At the church door he was overcome by modesty and declaring that he didn't have his Sunday go to meetin' clothes on, insisted upon sitting in one of the most distant pews.

He didn't hear the sermon at all, but he could tell when it was over by seeing the young minister fold up his manuscript and put it away. This done, the young man began to make announcements. Ehud raised his right hand in a great leathery scop behind his ear, but still he heard nothing.

"My dear friends," said the minister, "it affords me great pleasure to tell you that on Tuesday evening next at the hour of 6 o'clock there will be celebrated at the home of Mr. Edward Stoutenboro, one of our most esteemed and promising young men, and that charming, estimable young lady—as beautiful as she is good—Miss Mehitable Dodswoth."

As the minister ceased everybody was astonished to see Ehud Leflingwell arise in his pew. "An' ye might add, parson," he shouted, "that her eyes ain't mates, an' she's a little mite lame in the off hind leg."—Harper's Weekly.

Man at Various Stages.

At twenty-three he thought fate was making a special effort to keep him down. At thirty-five he thought he might have done great things if his wife had not been such a handicap.

At forty he believed he would have been a great man if his children had not made it necessary for him to cling to the sure things. At fifty he was positive that there was a conspiracy against him on the part of his fellow men.

At sixty he felt that if he could have been thirty-five again nothing could have stopped him. At seventy he began to believe that he had failed because of a lack of courage and inability to make the most of his opportunities. At eighty he was almost sure of it.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Set In Her Ways.

Sweet Mary Jane sat fourteen days and wouldn't deign to rise, although her folks tried every way to make her realize that it was quite unadvisable to sit all day and night and never change her attitude or rouse her appetite. They coaxed and teased and threatened her, and still she would not stand, and when they tried to raise her up she bit them on the hand. They didn't want to do her harm or call in the police, and yet they sorrowed at the thought of Mary Jane's disease. But Mary Jane knew what was best. She wisar was than men. She sat until she'd had her set, for Mary was a hen.—St. Louis Republic.

Low Forms of Life.

The readiness with which low forms of life accommodate themselves to altered environment shows that they are capable of being trained or educated to a certain extent. Stahl has shown that a certain plasmodium flees when sprinkled with salt, but if the salt be added to the medium gradually the organism accommodates itself to the new medium. Purposeful action is manifested by plants as well as by animals and by both unicellular and multicellular.—Exchange.

Egg Cutlets.

Boil six eggs hard and make a white sauce as follows: Melt one tablespoonful of butter and stir two tablespoonfuls of flour in the melted butter, then pour one pint of milk and stir while cooking, and cook until it thickens. Then chop the eggs as fine as peas. Pour the white sauce over them, add a few cracker crumbs and salt and pepper. Then mold in the shape of an egg and roll in cracker crumbs and fry in butter.—National Food Magazine.

They Should.

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MEASURING A TREE.

Different Ways in Which Two Boys Accomplished the Task.

"Near the end of the season our boy announced the height of our tall maple tree to be thirty-three feet.

"Why, how do you know?" was the general question. "Measured it." "How?" "Footrule and yardstick." "You didn't climb that tall tree?" his mother asked anxiously. "No'm. I found the length of the shadow and measured that."

"But the length of the shadow changes." "Yes'm. But twice a day the shadows are just as long as the things themselves. I've been trying all summer. I drove a stick into the ground, and when its shadow was just as long as the stick I knew that the shadow of the tree would be just as long as the tree, and that's thirty-three feet."

The above paragraph appeared in one of the daily papers which come to our office. The item was headed "A Clever Boy." Now, we do not know who this advertised boy was, but we knew quite as clever a boy, one who could have got the approximate height of the tree without waiting for the sun to shine at a particular angle or to shine at all, for that matter. The way boy No. 2 went about the same problem was this: He got a stick and planted it in the ground and then cut it off just at the level of his eyes. Then he went out and took a look at the tree and made a rough estimate of the tree's height in his mind, and, judging the same distance along the ground from the tree trunk, he planted his stick in the ground. Then he lay down on his back with his feet against the standing stick and looked at the top of the tree over the stick.

If he found the top of the stick and tree did not agree he tried a new position and kept at it until he could just see the treetop over the end of the upright stick. Then all he had to do was to measure along the ground to where his eye had been when lying down, and that gave him the height of the tree.

The point about this method is that the boy and stick made a right angled triangle with boy for base, stick for perpendicular, both of the same length, and the line of sight the hypotenuse or long line of the triangle. When he got into the position which enabled him to just see the treetop over the top of the stick he again had a right angled triangle with tree as perpendicular, his eye's distance away from the trunk, the base, and the line of sight the hypotenuse. He could measure the base line along the ground and knew it must equal the vertical height, and he could do this without reference to the sun. It was an ingenious application of the well known properties of a right angled triangle.—Railway and Locomotive Engineer.

Willing, but Weak.

Commercial travelers find most of the natural curiosities along the lines of travel. This is a story told by one after a trip through southern Canada. "Being impatient to get out of a sleepy little town, I ascertained the time of the outgoing train and hurried down to the station. After awhile an object slowly emerged from the distance and slunk up alongside. I boarded the solitary coach, and after a tedious wait the engine began to gasp feebly, the old coach creaked a little, but the train did not move. I was about to get out to see what was the matter when the forward door of the coach was suddenly flung open and a head popped in. 'Hey, you,' said the engineer, leaning at me, 'climb off till I git a start, will y'?"

In Default of a Stone Breaker.

The new boarder shyly took his seat at Mrs. Skimpin's table. "May I ask, sir," said the old boarder, "what your occupation is?" "My occupation?" repeated the new comer. "Oh, I'm a sculptor!" "You carve marble, do you?" pursued the veteran.

"Then," concluded the other, "I see you will be a valuable acquisition to this happy house. Do you mind coming up to this end of the table a moment and carving the fowl?"

Joe Miller's Intention.

"But I can't see," said the friend to old Joe Miller after the latter had shown him the manuscript of his "Jest Book," "why you ever took the time to collect all these old jokes." "I didn't mean to do so much of it," explained Joe confidentially. "At first I started out to arrange the scenario of a musical comedy, but learned that the time was not yet ripe for such a production."

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