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He names the following witnesses to prove continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Horace M. McCormick, of N. M.; Benjamin N. Bell, of Artesia; Whit M. Smith, of Artesia; N. M.; T. Kaykond, of Artesia; N. M.; Howard Leland, Register.

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He names the following witnesses to prove continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Martin Mohr, of Artesia; N. M.; Rufus T. Amis, of Artesia; N. M.; Albert N. Amis, of Artesia; N. M.; Howard Leland, Register.

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He names the following witnesses to prove continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Augustus Newell, of Dayton; M. Ada Hart, of Dayton; N. M.; Al. Newell, of Dayton; N. M.; James E. Newell, of Dayton; N. M.; Howard Leland, Register.

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Will be Incorporated.

At a well attended meeting of the business men of Artesia held at the school house Monday afternoon, important preliminary steps were taken looking to the incorporation of Artesia. Dr. A. L. Nordlet was made chairman of the meeting. Every man present, residing in town, expressed himself as being very much in favor of a municipal government. Even Judge A. V. Logan, (who had expressed some opposition to the idea) said he got a whiff of breeze from a back alley on his way to the meeting that made a shining convert of him. After some discussion, a committee composed of Messrs. Cleveland, Atkeson and Baskin was appointed to find out exactly what was necessary to be done and to take all preliminary steps to incorporation. The gentlemen have since been at work and the machinery will soon be in motion. The incorporation will be under the village act and will embrace the land contained in the four sections which corner on East Main street, about 300 feet east of the railroad.

Messrs. W. E. Baskin, Lee McIntosh, L. W. Story and E. A. Clayton, spent Wednesday in the oil fields. They are members of the Seven Rivers Oil Co.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Byron G. Yount, of Hagerman, N. M.; Robert E. L. Clark, of Hagerman, N. M.; James N. Chester, of Hagerman, N. M.; James H. Baxter, of Dexter, N. M.; Howard Leland, Register.

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He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: Elbert N. Heath, of Artesia, N. M.; John Richy, of Artesia, N. M.; George P. Cleveland, of Artesia, N. M.; Gayle Talbot, of Artesia, N. M.; Howard Leland, Register.

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Still Ranting.

The Artesia Advocate man is this week covered all over with sore spots. But he can't be blamed. When a man attempts to thwart the will of the party of his county as he did at the Las Vegas convention, and receives such a stinging rebuke at the hands of the Territorial Democracy it is a little wonder he is sore. And at the bottom of that funny little protesting telegram he sent to Las Vegas, was a little real estate deal. It doesn't pay to mix personal spite and real estate deals in politics. Our friend down the valley will feel better when the sores heal but the Democrats of the Territory will always remember the little trick he tried to play to prevent an Eddy county man from casting the Eddy county vote in obedience to the will of the Eddy county Democracy.—Roswell Record.

To a man not acquainted with the reckless rantings of the editor of the Record, it might appear that the Advocate editor had committed some heinous offense against the Democratic party, or even sinned against the holy ghost. The initiated can only smile. Because the Democrats of Artesia saw fit to oppose the nomination of Jerry Simpson for congress they receive condemnation from this self-constituted alcalde who mixes his politics as badly as his drinks. A man of more brains and less egotism would hesitate to proclaim himself the "Democrats of the Territory," but Brother Bear never hesitates at anything—not even at running a Democratic and a Republican paper in the same town.

The truth of the situation is this: Ten delegates were appointed to the Congressional convention from Eddy county—one half from Carlisbad and one half from Artesia. No candidate was then in the field and the delegates were left free to vote as they pleased. Later, Mr. Simpson, the well known political contortionist from Kansas, donned his cap and bells and entered the race against Hon. Geo. P. Money, a life-long Democrat of Las Vegas. The delegates from Carlisbad, for political reasons, saw fit to indorse Simpson's candidacy, while the delegates from Artesia refused to swap principle for personal ambitions, and sent their votes to Las Vegas to be voted for Mr. Money. This they had a perfect right to do. They were not instructed and "Eddy County Democracy" had not in convention assembled proclaimed its preference for anyone. Contrary to all reasonable expectations of his friends, Capt. Bujac, the only man present from this county, cast the votes of the Artesia delegation directly in opposition to the verbal and written desire of these delegates. The telegram referred to above was sent to the convention by the delegates from this place, not the editor of the Advocate. It was designed to prevent, if possible, the betrayal of trust that was there accomplished. Why Mr. Bujac chose to use that which did not belong to him we have not been informed. That gentleman has probably satisfied his own conscience in the matter and that is sufficient where a man's ideas of right and wrong are bounded by the precept that the end justifies the means. We have no reason to believe the casting of the votes for Simpson was expressing the "will of the Eddy county Democracy." On the contrary, it was done solely for private political purposes and Mr. Bujac knows as much. The Advocate is at a loss to understand what the Record means by the reference to a real estate deal and personal spite. We have never been interested, even remotely, in any real estate transac-

tion with Mr. Simpson and can have no personal reasons for opposing him. We have found Mr. Simpson a pleasant, jovial gentleman and do not esteem his personal qualities less because of his penchant for political legerdemain. It is perfectly natural that the Record should suppose that there was some commercial consideration that prompted our opposition to Jerry. It never occurs to Democrats of easy virtue that a contest of any kind can be made on the grounds of principle alone, but such is a fact, strange as it may seem to the man who gauges his party fealty by the pulchritude of the pocketbooks of those most interested.

FINE CATTLE.

A Car of Beauties to Be Received at Artesia in a Short While.

Mr. R. W. Yeargin, proprietor of the old Gage farm south of town, is a fine stock fancier and expects to make his alfalfa lands the home of some prize winners in the years to come. He returned last week from a visit to the north and east and while there purchased twenty-one head of red Durham heifers from Cooper county, Missouri, paying therefor \$2100, an average of \$100 each. Two of them cost him \$400 each. They are expected to arrive in Artesia as soon as the quarantine line can be raised.

Every lover of good stock is glad to know the shipment will arrive. What the Valley needs is fewer cattle and better ones. Mr. Yeargin expects to go north next month and buy a registered bull to head the herd.

Dots From Dayton.

Dayton, N. M., Sept. 5, 1904.
Editor Advocate:
Dayton still lives. She is beginning to arouse from her sleep. A new school house has been completed, and Prof. A. A. Kaiser, a graduate of the Kansas University has been installed as teacher with over twenty scholars present the first day of the school.

Rev. J. K. Walling will hold services in our school house next Sunday, Sept. 11, at which time we expect to organize a Sunday School. Some desired Rev. Walling to preach the first sermon here because he had subscribed \$50.00 toward the house, but as he had made arrangements to be present in Artesia at the laying of the corner stone of the M. E. church, Bro. Stovall was invited by W. F. Daugherty to preach in the school house last Sunday, and he gave us a very good sermon on the Resurrection of Christ, quite a number being present.

Two Immigrant Cars.

The Horner Brothers, well known young farmers from Belle Plaine, Kansas, arrived in Artesia Thursday afternoon with two cars loaded with horses, mules, farm implements, wagons, etc., preparing to take charge of the Harry Hamilton ranch 2 1/2 miles east of town. The family consists of Mr. and Mrs. Horner and five sons and they are going to farming and raising stock on a large scale. Two fine Clydesdale stallions will be kept for service. The Horners are under contract to sow 160 acres in alfalfa, forty acres of which are already prepared for the reception of seed.

The republicans of this precinct are called to meet in Artesia next Tuesday. The brethren want to get together, talk over the deplorable condition of the party in the Pecos Valley. We presume that the door of the sanctuary will be thrown open to a scolding Democrat who may have been in the neighborhood.

ARTESIA SCHOOLS.

A Remarkable Increase in Population as Shown by Scholastic Enrollment.

On next Monday, September 12th the second term of public school will open in Artesia. The first session to be held in the town was begun one year ago with an enrollment of 45 students. A house of small proportions was built and it was thought to be adequate for a year or two. The gain in population, as shown by the scholastic rolls, has been something remarkable, and we are confronted with a problem next Monday—where to put the children. Prof. L. W. Martin has about completed the scholastic enrollment this week and has the names of close to 300 students. While the new comers have been many, no one suspected such a startling increase. The board of trustees is doing all in its power to meet the emergency. It will be some months until the contemplated brick building can be put in shape and until that time, emergency methods will be resorted to. It is proposed to erect a large tent adjoining the school house, to be used as a study room. Prof. Martin and assistants will take charge of these apartments and in order to accommodate the students living south of town the red school house, five miles down the railroad was this week bought by the directors and Miss Stella Bradshaw employed to take charge. The school furniture also becomes the property of this district. The new \$10,000 building to be erected on Grand Avenue, will be completed by Christmas, it is thought. It will be of brick and fitted with every modern convenience any comfort.

NOTICE.

Poll tax for District No. 16 is now due and payable to L. W. MARTIN. Please attend to this matter at once so I can get off my report.
Respectfully,
DR. J. F. RHODES,
Clerk District No. 16.

THE STONE IS IN PLACE.

The Methodists of Artesia Formally Dedicate their New House of Worship.

In accordance with the published program, the corner stone of the First Methodist Church of Artesia was laid last Sunday with appropriate ceremonies. At eleven o'clock Rev. J. C. Gage preached the dedicatory sermon, dwelling on doctrinal teachings of the denomination, and at 12 o'clock the audience repaired to the church lot, two blocks distant, and joined in the services led by Mr. Gage. A beautiful manufactured stone had been prepared having on it the inscription:

"FIRST
M. E. CHURCH
SOUTH
ARTESIA, N. M.
SEPTEMBER, 1904."

A receptacle was made in which a handsome bible, church laws and discipline were placed, together with copies of the National Christian Advocate, St. Louis Christian Advocate, Arkansas Methodist and Artesia Advocate.

Some five feet of the walls of the edifice have been erected and it indicates a handsome and solid structure. Work is progressing rapidly and the building will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks.

The Girl and Her Problem

problem may be dealt with in ways. First, you can ignore its existence; secondly, you can summon your moral force and grapple with the best of your ability. The girl had not yet got to the point of doing either. When one of the eighteen one doesn't "ignore" anything, life is too tremendous for her. She is too tremendously fully developed. She tossed her plain, black-ribboned hat, pushed back the curly hair from a very high forehead and surveyed the Problem with troubled eyes.

It was late; the little slum congregation had long gone their devious ways, all but a couple, who lingered at the door to say "good-night." The evil-smelling, flaring oil lamp cast a small room weirdly. At the foot of the "altar," to-wit, a rough bench, squatted the girl and her Problem. The Problem wriggled and writhed, and sniffed, and wiped its eyes, and its bleary eyes on the tail end of a dirty cotton gown; incidentally, too, it smelled horribly of dirt and stale gin.

The girl, from whose round face the Problem had smoothed every dimple, sighed. "Gran, dear," she said hesitatingly. "You know what it is when you come out and kneel here?"

There was no note of hesitation in the Problem's glib "Yis, me dear!"

It was so very glib that the girl shivered again.

It fell upon the little room, not only by the prolonged sniffs of the Problem, but by the Problem's Problem. "I have come to God with all your sins," she said, "and ask Him to wash it away, and help you doing his will?"

"Yis, me dear," answered the Problem, "as before, hunting about for a spot on the gown end."

There was a Problem, and one that would have puzzled wiser heads than the girl's. One of the little girls from home and school, who by an unforeseen contingency had been sent for a week or so at the first stage of her career as a "Christian worker" in sole charge of the tiny congregation. From time immemorial, the Problem, as the one now counting the girl have been the deities of the philanthropic and Christian world of workers since philanthropy first existed.

There it squatted, the Problem perched. More than half a century of living, with a long jail record to be could be laid to the Problem's credit. They had been easy and content years, too; thieving—clever thieving, that is—possesses certain talents and allures unknown to the socially honest citizen. If, as the learned folks assure us, it is difficult to change one's ways of living after forty, what must it be at sixty-six? Impossible? Some would indignantly answer "Yes!"

"Wonder how much she understands," the girl said to herself, looking into the crafty old face with its bleared, blue eyes.

"Gran, dear," she said, bravely tackling the Problem again, "you have made up your mind to give up your life?"

"In spite of the fact that that meant 'livelihood' to the Problem she replied as glibly as heretofore. "Yis, me dear, yis," adding, as a conscious of the monotony of her refrain, "I feels a sight better all I does."

"Whatever shall I do?" thought the little Christian worker to herself. "Under if she knows in the least what conversion really means? Ten to one she'll go straight out and get it again."

The Problem she said, laying a soft hand on the wrinkled, grimy face of the girl.

"Gran, do you quite understand getting converted means giving up your life and living an honest life?"

"Yis, me dear," came the ready answer, with its addenda, "I feels better."

"What are you going to do when you leave here—to-morrow, say?"

"Be any different with you?"

"The first time a glimmer of light flickered in the Problem's bleared eyes, as she said, though in the old easy way, "Yis, me dear, yis, I'll arn me livin'."

"I sprang to life in the heart of the earnest little worker as she murmured to herself, "Thank God, she understands something!" In her usual enthusiasm she jumped up and actually kissed that vilely dirty old face, crying:

"Oh, that's beautiful! Gran! God help you! What will you do?"

"Yis, me dear," grunted and puffing the Problem, struggling to her feet, assisted by the girl. (It is not easy to squat on a hard floor at sixty-six as it is at eighteen.)

"Yis, me dear, yis," she remarked again as she wriggled and painfully sought for balance.

The girl kissed her some more, and the Problem, under her arm, proceeded to lead her safely to the damp, dirty door, which she knew for lack of a more

descriptive name as "home." Ah! well had little curly head learned the seductive and potent influence of a corner saloon!

Had there been a Women's Shelter in those days, the girl would not have lain awake half the night racking her brains over a new aspect of the Problem. To our mind the weak point in the average Christian philanthropy is the unreasoning dividing line made between the soul and the body. There seems to be no middle course between pauperizing the protege, or ignoring its physical claims altogether. Platitudes, even pious platitudes, and good advice never yet comforted, and warmed and filled a human stomach. The average pauper prefers, if not exactly to beg, to get a living easily instead of "grubbing" for it. It is not a case of "root, hog, or die" with them, as with the respectable poor. "Rooting" with the workless, or vicious, stands for one or two things—either there is absolutely no other way of satisfying immediate needs, or it is the first step on a higher plane.

The girl, tossing on her narrow bed amid the horrid babel of a city slum, recognized this last force beginning to work in the case of her Problem. She was an intelligent girl as well as a good one, and had been trained to use her head as well as her heart. The school formula of "use your head, my dear, use your head," when a seemingly abstruse arithmetical or logical problem presented itself came to her aid now.

First, she again studied carefully the question presented to her for solution. Here was an old woman seventy-five or more years old, who, from her infancy, had been trained in evil, and who had never done a day's honest work in her life.

At this, the eleventh hour, she had been led to recognize the evil of her ways—a tremendous step for her. But she had taken yet another step forward, and of her own free will—risen to her old legs to signify that she desired to be a Christian. That she fully understood (thanks to the clear teaching of the sium officers) what this meant was evidenced by her determination to "arn" her own living. The girl, young as she was, was fully of the opinion that "man is largely composed of stomach." The Problem had got to be fed; if she wasn't fed what chance was there for her to keep good? Elijah was a better and more pious man after the ravens had ministered to him. Then, in order to preserve the tiny seedling of self-respect, the Problem somehow or other must feed herself. Hers was not a case of ravens; she must, as she said herself, "arn me own livin'." But how?

How, how, how? That was the question that kept the brown eyes open till far, far into the small hours. Fifty cents would set her up in a little business, the girl said to herself. But she hadn't fifty cents in the world, and the slum finances were as near nil as compatible with a bare living and keeping out of bankruptcy. While she was collecting fifty cents the Problem might be getting drunk, or the Problem's many disreputable friends have lured her to evil.

"O, Lord," she prayed, "help me! Thou knowest I don't know what on earth to do for her; help me!" And in the sweet confidence that "man's extremity is God's opportunity," and that He would not fail her, she rolled over and fell fast asleep.

But she was up at an early hour next morning, and after she had completed her toilet, pulled out her trunk and began to hunt for something of a marketable nature with which to set her Problem up in business. But among all her scanty belongings there wasn't "a mortal thing," as she said, but a couple of shoe laces. That was absolutely and entirely all.

"No use," ninety-nine per cent of us would have said, but not so with my resolute little heroine, who dropped them into her apron pocket, remarking, "Well, thank God, that's something."

Oh, oh, oh! A genuine girlish squeal resounded through the kitchen as on opening the closet door she came upon two or three consumptive-looking oranges—a gift from some friendly buckster. "My!" she exclaimed, "how could I forget these? How splendid! We're getting on, we're getting on!"

A little later, as she put away the remains of her frugal breakfast, some pieces of stale bread suggested a new idea to her fertile little brain, and another squeal, a dance 'round the kitchen ensued.

"Of course, of course!—bread, flour, a cent's worth of suet, another of currants, and I can make one of those flat bread puddings like mother's, and gran can sell it at a cent a slice!"

For the next half hour cookery was the order of the day, and as the girl worked she filled the small room with song. The pudding was a success, as far as such concoctions go, and, packing a basket, she hid her with her solution to the Problem. "Well, Gran, how are you?" she asked, as she entered the dingy room.

"Yis, me dear, yis," repeated gran, as per last night, "I feels a lot better, I do."

The Problem, as is the nature of problems, was reserved and non-communicative, or else she, too, could have told of a sleepless night, haunt-

ed by the question of how to begin life all over again at seventy-five.

"Have you thought out anything yet?" asked the girl, her brown eyes shining with suppressed merriment, and her dimples all to the fore again.

"No, me dear, no!" replied the Problem; "but," and the light of last evening flickered in her eyes, "but I'll 'arn me livin', I will."

The girl set down her basket and clapped her hands, and then she unpacked it and her plans at the same time.

Fortunately, the small basement window was above the street level, and for the next half hour the girl and her Problem were busy cleaning the filthy panes and setting out their wares, which were tempting and appetizing-looking, indeed, to the small fry of slumdom.

Then they knelt down, and the girl asked God to bless this business enterprise so that "gran" might be enabled to live an honest life. And God answered that prayer. The Problem "sold out" that day, and as every cent was pure profit, she had, after providing herself with food, and laying a few cents by "toward the rent," something to invest in new stock. Under the wise financial management of the girl the business prospered, and the Problem was soon a problem no longer, but a respectable, God-fearing old woman, "arnin' me own livin'."

According to my last knowledge of her she was a credit to the little slum corps, of which she was an honorable and respected member.—The War Cry.

A Marriage Fair

A famous marriage fair is held yearly at the village of Menguete, in the oasis on the Wady Jemala, in the Kabyle district of Tunis. There at the end of the harvest season, the men of the country, flushed with money, as money is reckoned thereabouts, think of adding a wife to the other purchases they always make for the ensuing twelve months. In the open space the damsels are ranged ready for inspection in the marriage market. There they face the visitors, separated from the noisy part of the fair, ranged in four separate rows and numbering between 600 and 700. Each damsel is seated on a small bright-colored carpet spread upon the ground, and each has a negafa—a sort of nurse, attendant and duenna combined—seated beside her. Conspicuously displayed in front of each, moreover, is a big roll of woven stuff. This roll of material plays an important part in the marriage negotiations, and is always woven by the girl herself. The young women are attired in the most expensive and richest garments the parents and relatives can secure.

They are painted, patched and powdered, as is the invariable custom of Kabyle belles, and wear sufficient rings, bangles, bracelets, chains and brooches to stock a small-sized jeweler's shop. These jewels are not by any means always the property of the girl or her friends. In fact, they are mostly borrowed or hired for the occasion. The would-be buyer has only to walk up to the carpet upon which the girl he wishes to own is seated, touch with his finger the roll of woven stuff in front of her and ask her price. If the young woman, on looking over the inquiring tribesman, is satisfied with him, she names a very low figure, the small sum of ten pieces, which is agreed upon among the several clans as the equivalent of acceptance.

If not, she merely quotes a high price, something up in the hundreds, and it is then understood that the offer is respectfully declined and a deal is not likely to be effected. The actual money price to be paid for a girl depends upon the standing of her family and the kebal to which they belong. It is fixed moreover, by immemorial usage, so that every young man knows pretty well what he will have to pay for a wife. It should not, however, be supposed that these young Berber beauties are by any means prepared to yield themselves to the first comer who can afford to pay the recognized equivalent to the parents. Kabyle women are anything but the docile and obedient drudges many western readers imagine. They enjoy a good deal more freedom, in many respects, than a European wife in a like rank of life.

A Triumph of Imagination.

Little Mary wanted a red dress. She had two pink dresses, however, and her mother did not think a new one necessary at the time. Mary proceeded to invent for herself a red dress by calling the darker of the two pink ones her "red dress." After awhile her mother got her a bona fide red dress. Upon the occasion of her first wearing it, little Mary smoothed down the folds and said, in tones of deepest satisfaction:

"The other one may be a pink dress, now."

If all wives were mind-readers, the average husband would have to do most of his thinking downtown.

SENTENCE SERMONS.

A cloudy religion brings no rain.

A sour religion never improves with age.

Love is always in the market, but never on sale.

Self-conceit throws salt into the wounds of pride.

A little practice proves more than a lot of polemics.

When faith prays it goes out to work for an answer.

A mosquito calls for more patience than a balking elephant.

The June bug always thinks he is helping out the meeting.

The biggest brain is the one that can think most of others.

Grace does not grow in a child's heart on a gloomy Sunday.

The end seat hog is not a lamb because he sits in a church.

There is no way to save men except by suffering with them.

Too many expect to conquer the devil by concurring with him.

No man holds a principle unless it is the principal thing he holds.

It's no use talking about loving God when your children are afraid of you.

The grave danger of business is that a man shall place his soul on the counter.

Most men would rather be an electric sign for themselves than a light for the world.

It is a good deal easier to talk about feeling good than it is to walk about doing good.

The world is a fearfully noisy place to the man who is waiting for a chance to blow his own horn.

The Christian never serves Satan better than when he raises a dust over a molecule of sin and lets a mountain of iniquity go by.—Chicago Tribune.

WHAT THEY WANT.

It wouldn't take much to make some women "perfectly happy." As for instance:

A No. 2 shoe.

To be married.

To be single again.

A twenty-inch waist.

To have a Grecian nose.

To be three inches taller.

To be three inches shorter.

Twelve new French gowns.

The matinee idol's autograph.

A box of fudge and a new novel.

Naturally curly hair—perfectly weather proof.

A place where there is neither dish-washing nor darning of stockings.

An uninhabited isle to which to retire for a month out of reach of voices and faces.

A patent automatic maid servant who can be made to do what her mistress wishes.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

FIGS AND THISTLES.

Difficulties only increase determination.

The one thing that love hates is hate.

Doubtful methods make dirty money.

Vociferation is not a virtue in prayer.

Anger may strike but it cannot punish.

If you will train your sermon on some target God will take care of the powder and shot.

A little real resolution against evil would do much more good than many written resolutions.

The pessimist is the man who thinks the world is lost because he is not personally conducting it.

Lifting up empty hands when they might be filled is not the same thing as lifting up holy hands.—Ram's Horn.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

Dignity is mostly clothes and bluff.

It is very uncomfortable for a girl to sit three in a buggy seat—three girls.

The way the average man would like to reform trusts would be from the inside.

When a woman lets a man hold the baby it is a sign he is not going to call on her again for a long time.

The way to solve the financial problem of how to keep money in circulation is for everybody to get married.

After a girl gets engaged she acts like a man who has just bought a dog supposed to be able to lick anything in his class.

A girl has an idea a man is crazy over her if he wears a boutonniere that matches some of her ribbons she is wearing where nobody can see them.

What convinces a woman that she is an economical housekeeper is the way she can save on the furnace coal bills in summer and the ice bills in winter.

When a girl tells you she has lost fifteen pounds in weight she always blushes as if you might not know it came off where you wouldn't suspect it had been.

It is very foolish for a man to be married unless he is going to remember to say every once in so often how much better his health has been since he has always had meals he could enjoy.—New York Press.

BY OUR OWN SAGE.

Too many nurses make a specialty of nursing trouble.

If afterthoughts are the best why can't we have them first?

Men want the earth, but women are satisfied with a honeymoon.

Now the festive iceman deals out cold comfort in small chunks.

Wives may be the weaker vessels, but husbands usually go broke first.

God made the country, yet a lot of people sell their farms and move to town.

It takes a nery man to marry the widow of a poor devil who committed suicide.

Onions are said to prolong life; at least eating them strengthens the breath.

Occasionally a man is so anxious to see his name in print that he gets on the delinquent tax list.

A comfortable woman is one who realizes that the world doesn't care a rap what size shoe she wears.

No woman will esteem a man whom she cannot trust, and a man cannot esteem another man who will not trust him.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Be jolly, and people will dub you as "Swift."

Be dignified, and people will call you uppish.

Be honest, and your friends will call you rude.

Be sincere, and people will be sure you have an ax to grind.

A jackass with a megaphone attachment is an awful combination.

Be cold and stately, and people will wonder if you are a victim of remorse.

Be cautious, and people will say "you are no better than you ought to be."

If you get into hard luck, don't be surprised if your friends are afflicted with a loss of memory.

Wear diamonds, and your friends will ruin your reputation by wondering (out loud) how you got them.

A woman always judges another woman by her clothes. A badly tailored woman is found guilty every time.—Kate Thyson Marr.

QUIETLY THOUGHT OUT.

A breach of promise suit takes all the conceit out of a man.

When a woman falls in love, has she met with an accident?

Even the height of folly is sometimes a mighty low business.

The things that we intend to do always give us so much satisfaction.

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ALLEN HEARD.

The Advocate phone is No. 11.

Roosevelt County's new court house is completed. It is built of hollow concrete stone.

Artesia will be incorporated. A committee is now at work arranging the preliminaries.

Clouderoft and Alamogordo are congratulating themselves on an early connection with Artesia by telephone.

A case involving the ownership of one certain heifer yearling was tried in justice court Wednesday. As the First National Bank had a mortgage it held the yearling.

Jerry Simpson is one of the marionettes at the Amarillo carnival this week. Amarillo is a wide-open town for the week and the people are in a particularly good humor.

The Record says the Santa Fe Central is to be built into Roswell in the near future. It will probably parallel the automobile line from Torrence.

E. A. Clayton is to have an artesian well put down immediately on the J. A. Clayton 160 acre tract lying immediately west of town and proposes to cut it up into small blocks for suburban homes and truck gardens.

Mr. J. H. McKinstry, of the Tallmadge Immigration Agency, has spent the week in Artesia listing lands for the company. The first car of investors is looked for next week.

George and Clinton Douglas, two prominent citizens of Jackson, Michigan, are in the city on a prospecting tour and will likely locate permanently in the valley. They will leave this evening for Artesia and will investigate the property in the vicinity of the great artesian wells.—Roswell Record.

W. M. Carson brought a portion of cornstalk in the Advocate office Thursday afternoon that is nothing less than a curiosity. The stalk had two full grown ears on it and at the base of the tassel are five small ears, some of them having well formed grains. It was off the Hunter ranch.

E. N. Heath will set up his new drill on the southwest corner of the Geo. Spencer place as soon as the drill arrives. He has a contract by which he is to furnish water to Geo. and Fred Spencer and Mr. Blair. He believes in helping other people as well as himself.

New houses are going up in every direction but still the supply is not equal to the demand. We saw three new comers Thursday morning hunting for some place to live. They had arrived with their families the evening previous and could not find a vacant house of any description in the town. Any kind of a shack will rent for as much as \$10 per month.

Albert Blake left Sunday morning to take in the World's Fair and to visit his mother back in Indiana whom he has not seen since he left home five years ago to come to New Mexico in search of health. This climate has worked wonders for Blake, but he says he will not risk Indiana very long. He realizes that health is the most precious possession of all.

Mrs. G. P. Cleveland took Thursday morning's train for Coleman to visit her daughter, Mrs. Louise Doss. Little Misses Janie and Louise Cleveland left at the same time for their home in Crawford, Texas. The little folks have spent a couple of months with their father, Dexter Cleveland, and their playmates in Artesia will miss their sunny, happy ways.

Mr. B. Hadley, a well known banker of Cambridge, Ill., who bought the J. S. Morrison place just east of town, is expected in Artesia next week, accompanied by a small party of prospectors. He will build a residence upon his land and sow alfalfa. Mr. Hadley writes that he wants to let a contract for a well as soon as possible.

Dr. Norfleet left Tuesday for Roswell to spend a week or two with his family.

S. W. Gilbert was in town Wednesday and took out a little over a thousand pounds of alfalfa seed for his fall sowing. He will sow about 50 acres within the next few weeks. His summer crops have exceeded his expectations, and he now has faith enough in his well to sow fifty acres of alfalfa. That looks good for a small well.

Mr. E. C. Minton, who has been representing the Oregon Nursery Co. of Salem, Oregon, starts for his home this week. Mr. Minton has sold several car loads of the famous Oregon trees in the Pecos Valley this season. The trees grown in the Willamette valley, Oregon, are especially known for their hardiness and thrifty growing qualities. The Oregon trees have been thoroughly tested in the arid climate of California, Arizona, Colorado and Mexico and gives much better satisfaction than eastern and southern grown trees.

Mr. Minton sells only the one-year-old budded trees on three-year-old roots, which will produce two crops before the piece root trees sold by other nurseries. We would advise our patrons who are going to plant trees in the spring to correspond with Mr. Minton before placing their order. Mr. Minton is a fixture in Artesia so far as tree selling is concerned and he will return again next year to look after the fine business which he has established.

Furniture for Sale.

Restaurant fixtures for sale, consisting of tables, cots, refrigerator, dishes, etc., must be sold. Apply to G. C. Morton or W. H. Christian.

Notice.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to me on account will please call and settle by Sept. 30th. Beginning on that date our business will be conducted on a strictly cash basis. I deem this change proper for various reasons and hope the public may take no offense. Thanking them for the very liberal patronage given me, I am

Most respectfully,
W. L. McDaniel.

Interesting if True.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Portales Herald, in its issue of Sept. 3, says:

The utterance of the Artesia Advocate indicate that that paper has fallen a victim to the Republican grafter.

Frank Brown, of Roswell, is in the city.

J. B. Hancock was doing business with the land department at Roswell Wednesday.

Mr. J. C. Moore and wife, of Charleston, Mo., are in Artesia to spend the winter.

Surveyor Will Benson has spent several days before the Hondo Reservoir Commission this week. It has been a strong legal fight between Roswell and Carlsbad. The end is not yet. This is a case where two people are fighting for the waters of a stream where there is not a drop of water in it. How much better it would be to move to Artesia and bore an artesian well.

Mr. A. G. Turner, of Bowie, Texas, arrived in Artesia Thursday afternoon. He has been taking in the sights and says he has learned a whole lot about the practical use of water since seeing the Pecos Valley. Mr. Turner says he has a well on his farm at home 65 feet deep and the water runs out the top. It has never occurred to him to put it to use, but he says a drill will be put over the hole as soon as he gets back. A big artesian well in the Montagne fruit belt would be worth a mint of money.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The First National Bank

At Artesia in the Territory of New Mexico, at the Close of Business, September 6, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$50,000.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	6,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	4,000.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	6,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	15,000.00
Due from State Banks and Bankers	3,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents	7,000.00
Checks and other cash items	1,000.00
Notes of other National Banks	10,000.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	1,000.00
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$3,085.80
Legal-tender notes	525.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	3,000.00
Total	\$94,000.00

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	2,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	2,000.00
National Bank notes, outstanding	6,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	50,000.00
Cashier's checks, outstanding	3,500.00
Total	\$94,000.00

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COUNTY OF EDDY }

I, R. M. ROSS, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. M. ROSS, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: { S. W. Gilbert,
John S. Major, } Directors.
R. M. ROSS.

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See us when you want

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RELIABLE GOODS—RIGHT PRICES.



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J. G. Welsh for mountain lumber. Dr. Crutcher. Telephone No. 9. School Books at P. V. Drug Co. Prof. and Mrs. A. A. Kaiser were up from Dayton Saturday.

You can get any kind of saddle made at Robin & Dyer's you want.

Miss Millie Davidson left this week for Wichita to attend school.

J. G. Welsh for mountain lumber. Charley Hoffman was in Roswell a day or two this week.

Gunther's candy at P. V. Drug Co. Right now you can get a pair of shoes below cost at Walling Bros.

Master Theodore Martin visited his grand parents in Roswell a day or two this week.

Hot or cold baths at the Hotel Artesia.

Mrs. Florence Bonner is filling the position of stenographer and typewriter in the big establishment of Joyce-Fruit Co.

Those raised stamp saddles that Robin & Dyer makes are beauties.

Mrs. J. P. Church, of Roswell, visited her sister, Mrs. Davidson, this week.

A girl wanted at the Bon Ton Restaurant.

Harry W. Hamilton, of Roswell, is looking after property interests in Artesia a day or two this week.

Logan & Dyer will save you money on dry goods.

There are about twenty-five students enrolled in the Dayton school.

Robin & Dyer uses the celebrated Colorado Menea trees. They will make you a saddle on any kind of tree you want.

Book straps and pencil boxes at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray, living in Artesia Townsite Addition, are the parents of twin boys, born last week. Either is named Parker or Roosevelt.

The Hotel Artesia has fitted up two nice bath rooms for the use of the public. Artesian water, hot and cold.

Bert Roby will build a handsome stone residence on Grand Avenue. Excavations were made for the foundation last week. It is to be of hollow concrete building blocks.

J. G. Welsh for mountain lumber. A nice line of Tablets and school supplies at P. V. Drug Co.

Telephone No. 9. Dr. Crutcher. A girl wanted at the Bon Ton Restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Truitt, of Seven Rivers, and their daughter, Mrs. A. Rheinboldt, of Cincinnati, attended the corner stone laying last Sunday.

See the fine line of dry goods opened this week by Logan & Dyer.

E. B. Kemp, the progressive lumber man, has had additional sheds built this week. J. T. Patrick is the contractor.

Cook Wanted—Apply at Sperry & Chapman's well drill.

Capt. J. M. Chase, the Mayor of Dayton, called around to have his subscription advanced while in Artesia Tuesday.

For a good bath in artesian water, hot or cold, go to the Hotel Artesia. New bath rooms and plenty of clean linen.

The Advocate is requested to announce that Rev. J. K. Walling will preach at the school house in Dayton tomorrow.

Bring your laundry to Munson's barber shop for the Roswell Steam Laundry.

Messrs. Cecill and Brown have returned from their trip to the mountains.

The laundry basket leaves every Tuesday morning for Roswell Steam Laundry.

E. E. McNatt, the druggist, was a Roswell visitor Thursday.

All the latest patterns in dress goods have been received this week by Logan & Dyer.

The Pecos Valley has not had its share of sunshine this week. Every day for the past seven has been cloudy.

Mr. Tom Cox, of Monahans, Texas, is in the city being treated by Dr. Crutcher for appendicitis. It is thought an operation will be necessary.

Messrs. Propst and Weems this week bought a business lot on Main street, opposite First National Bank and three a few blocks west.

John R. Hodges has had excavations made for a stone residence on Grand Avenue, near the Methodist church. It will be forty feet square and two stories high, to cost about \$2500.

Mr. Edwin Baker, of Streeter, Ill., who has spent three weeks thoroughly investigating the valley, bought the Claud Denson 160-acre tract of land three miles southwest of town Monday. He expects to return and make other investments soon.

Dr. Marshall McIlhany, the talented president of Goodnight College, arrived in Artesia last evening.

Rev. J. C. Gage has purchased the residence property of Dr. M. E. Clary on Grand Avenue and will move his family to same immediately.

Roswell Steam Laundry is doing excellent work now. All flat work 30c per dozen.

M. T. Munson, Agent.

1,800 first-class bottom land at \$6 per acre, adjoins good range, will sell all or in smaller tracts. Several smaller tracts of fine land at \$5 per acre. JOHN RICHEY & SONS.

James M. Propst, who recently moved to Artesia from Pomona, California, this week bought Dr. Clary's 320 acre farm southwest of town. He expects to improve the same in many ways.

Money to Loan.

We are prepared to furnish money to erect stone walls for residences or store buildings.

Artesia Stone Company.

The cement foundation is being laid this week on the corner of Grand Avenue and First street for an elegant residence to be erected by John Schrock. The location is fine and the house will be one of the best in the city.

Ladies—I have a nice line of up-to-date samples for made-to-order suits. Samples shown and orders taken at central telephone office. Call and see my samples. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Mrs. J. N. Fenton.

A magnificent crop of Johnson grass has been grown this year on the Johnny Boiles land, west of town, without irrigation. A quantity of stalks ten feet high are on exhibition at the office of Richey & Sons.

Logan & Dyer have this week opened up a large and select stock of fall and winter goods and are prepared to save money to their patrons.

The most complete stock of dry goods ever brought to Artesia have been opened this week by Logan & Dyer, the pioneer merchants. For your fall goods see them.

Mr. Wm. C. Meeker, Sunday School Missionary of the Presbyterian church, arrived in the city Wednesday afternoon. He expects to organize a school at Dayton.

For Sale.

One span of fine mules, one tip top milch cow now giving 3 to 4 gallons per day. Also two desert claims near Artesia at a bargain.

J. Mack Smith.

Mr. Ward, of Roswell, has bought the confectionery business of Theodore Martin & Co. and is a citizen of Artesia. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Ward to the city.

Milk Cow For Sale.

I have a good milk cow to sell, also a refrigerator. Apply to Rev. W. M. Carle.

Mrs. Sallie Robert returned this morning from Santa Fe, where she went to interview Governor Otero on land matters.

Read the statement of the First National Bank, published in another column of the Advocate.

We are now prepared to insure your grain and hay.

Smith & Martin.

One hundred pairs of shoes to be closed out at a sacrifice by Walling Bros. Cost is no object.

F. J. Lukins, Asst. Supt. of The American Well Works Co. of Aurora, Ill., is in the valley for a short time. Those wishing rotary drilling rigs or supplies can meet him by addressing him care Chapman & Sperry.

For mountain lumber J. G. Welsh. His neighbors say that D. J. Hunter will make sixty bushels of corn per acre on his farm south of town.

John Schrock this week bought three residence lots from J. B. Hancock.

Rev. J. C. Gage this week leased the Hotel Artesia to Mr. J. J. Burge of Chilicothe, Texas. This property is a paying proposition and has all the patronage it can accommodate.

A great many people have moved to Artesia recently in order to get the advantage of our splendid school.

500 feet of 7 5-8 new casing for sale by John Richey & Sons.

Mr. J. S. Morrison went up to Roswell Thursday and filed on a section of land in Township 24, 8 miles west of town. He takes it for granted that his land is out of the artesian belt and will sow a large acreage of Johnson grass and trust to rainfall for a crop.

The popular firm of Walling Bros. are this week receiving a large and varied line of fall and winter dry goods. They are going to give the public an agreeable surprise on prices.

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Smith & Martin.

As soon as their new drill arrives, Messrs. E. N. and C. N. Heath will begin the boring of a well on the land of Mr. Geo. Spencer, two miles southeast of town, to be the property of Messrs. Spencer and Blair.

Land for Sale.

160 acre homestead, nearly all fine land, three miles from Artesia. Also 60 acres desert land two miles from town, and two residence lots. Apply to this office.

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Valuable Negro.
"For the ten-thousandth time, how old are you?" began the law clerk in the Creek Land Office last week, as an old negro took the witness stand. "Pears to me, suh, yo'ought to know it, it's in all these heah books," answered the old negro, waving his hand toward the walls lined with records. "As I said befo', I'se knockin' at the doah of 65."

"Tobe" McIntosh is a Creek negro, getting old and grizzled. He holds the record of appearing before the Dawes Commission in the Creek Land Office as a witness more times than any other man. He knows nearly every negro in the Nation and is familiar with his family history. No sooner is an application made by a negro for an allotment than "Tobe" is summoned by one side or the other. He knows all about their ancestors at that critical time when the negroes were released from slavery from the Indians. He has an allotment for himself and each member of his family. He lives in a little old log house in the western part of the Creek Nation and doubtless will die there. He comes from from the family of McIntoshes who, as chiefs and warriors riors played such an important part in the tribal actions of the Creeks in Alabama and since they came West, Tobe was a slave of this family. He

Its Value.
—"Find enclosed money order for 50c, for which please mail one box of Hunt's Cure. It is worth its weight in gold to me."

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July 17, 1904.
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Christians in Japan.
According to the latest and most authoritative reports the total number of Japanese Christians in 1902 was 129,134, of whom 46,000 were Protestants, 26,680 Greek Catholics and 55,824 Roman Catholics. In addition to these are thousands of children who are not included in the reports of the Protestant churches, so that the total number will easily be 200,000 for the whole empire. This, indeed, is only a small percentage in a population of 45,000,000; yet it represents a great achievement when it is remembered that it is the work of a single generation. It is barely thirty years since the law punishing persons for becoming Christians was abrogated, and the public warnings against Christianity as the "wicked set" were taken down from the bulletin boards.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in ¼-pkg. packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

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It is the freezing corner that makes a woman doubtful of her standing.

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A wife provides for the inner man and a husband provides for the outer woman.

No Heaven-bent Mob For Him.
At an evangelistic service at Glasgow the preacher at the end of his address cried: "Now all you good people who mean to go to heaven with me, stand up!" With a surge of enthusiasm, the audience sprang to their feet—all but an old Scotchman in the front row, who sat still. The horrified evangelist wrung his hands and, addressed him, said: "My good man, my good man, don't you want to go to heaven? Clear and deliberate came the answer: "Aye, Awn gangin' but no wi' a pairsonally conducted party!"

CHIEF OF POLICE SAVED.
Newberry, S. C.—W. H. Harris, Chief of Police, of Newberry, says: "I suffered for a number of years with kidney complaint. There was a dull aching across the small of my back that was worse at night and made me feel miserable all the time. The kidney secretions were dark and full of sediment, and lack of control compelled me to rise a number of times during the night. Between this annoyance and the backache it was impossible for me to get much sleep and my health was being undermined. I tried a number of remedies, but nothing helped me until I got Doan's Kidney Pills. The use of this remedy according to directions promptly brought about a change for the better. After using two boxes the backache all left me, the kidney secretions cleared up and the action of the kidneys became normal."

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Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

If a man doesn't acquire the reformation germ when he is sick there isn't much hope for him.

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In selecting a business school select the best, and especially one that has a certified accountant at its head. Toby's Practical Business College at Waco, Texas, has no superior. Catalogue free. For further particulars, address, Edward Toby, President, Waco, Texas.

Many a man who rides in a parlor car would be sadly out of place in a drawing-room.

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For Chills, Malaria and Biliousness Cheatham's Laxative Tablets are certainly very fine. No bad effects as with Quinine. Then they are so convenient, can carry them in pocket and no spoon is necessary. They are an ideal remedy.
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Never put off till to-morrow the friend who is willing to lend you money to-day.

More Flexible and Lasting,
won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

Nothing seems to tickle a homeless cur like a chance to lick the everlasting stuffing out of a curled and scented puddle in silver-plated harness.

No, Cordelia, a poet doesn't necessarily dwell in an attic for the sake of the view.

Although water isn't intoxicating it makes barrels tight.

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If you trace your genealogical tree back far enough you may discover monkeys in the branches.

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When a man's broke, the woman who broke him thinks she's had enough.

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No matter how silly a woman may be, she can always find a man who will let her make a fool of him.

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Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. ENDLEY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

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An Ohio spinster has been arrested for abducting an eight-year-old boy.—Next time she'll know enough to take one of her size.



Miss Nellie Holmes, treasurer of the Young Woman's Temperance Association of Buffalo, N.Y., strongly advises all suffering women to rely, as she did, upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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JOHN EILAND RETURNS.

The Portales Banker Gets Away from the Bandits and Finds Home.

Portales, N. M., Sept. 9.—John Eiland, who was captured by brigands August 6 has returned to his home today, having escaped from the bandits. He is a pitiful looking object and has lost fifty pounds in flesh.

He has made the following statement in regard to the matter: "I was captured by four men August 6th, and they robbed me of everything I had. They carried me to the mountains and I was made to walk every day until the thirtieth day of August when I made my escape. They had me near Oputo, and I was forced to sign the name of George Reese to the letter sent my wife asking for my ransom.

The leader left me in charge of them every day. The desperadoes were armed with thirty-three Marlin rifles and constantly kept me terrorized. At night they tied me with strong ropes. On the night of my escape I secured a sharp rock and cut the rope and escaped. For four days I wandered through the mountains in search of a road and lived on berries, seeds, rabbits and young birds, and finally reached a railroad at a distance of sixty miles from where I started. I took a lumber car and got into Douglas, Arizona, and then went to El Paso, Texas, where I borrowed money on which to come to Portales."

Hotel Artesia

The Popular Hostelry Will Pass Into Other Hands next Monday.

The hotel Artesia, the pioneer hotel on Main street that has proven a hospitable stopping place for travelers and prospectors since Artesia was an infant, will be in the hands of new parties next Monday. Rev. J. C. Gage this week leased the business to J. J. Burge, of Chillicothe, Texas, and N. R. Childress, of this place, the latter gentleman having formerly been in charge of the office.

Mr. Gage, besides being pastor of the M. E. Church, has had other business matters on hand that prevented him giving full attention to the house, but the new proprietors are going to leave nothing undone that will tend to make the Artesia the leading hotel of the city. A full corps of kitchen and dining room help has been employed to take charge next Monday. The very best of dining room service is assured and the table will be supplied with the cream of the market in the way of edibles. New furniture has been added to all the rooms and Mrs. Burge will give her personal attention to the arrangements of the sleeping apartments. The house has recently been enlarged and the trading public can always get the very best of accommodations. The many friends of the house are glad to know of its increasing popularity.

Call to Republicans.

All republicans living in Artesia and vicinity are requested to meet at the office of John Richey next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. It is desired that an organization be effected and such business attended to as may be thought necessary for the campaign. Do not forget the hour.

All kinds of school books at P. V. Drug Co.

School books, slates, pencils, tablets, pens, ink, book straps, lock pencil boxes, composition books, rulers, erasers, in fact everything needed by the scholar, at lowest prices at Pecos Valley Drug Co.

Mr. H. E. Sigman came in from Brownwood, Texas, Wednesday afternoon. Work is progressing slowly but surely on Mr. Sigman's well near Lake Arthur.

Mr. W. L. Stull and family arrived from Sycamore, Kansas, Wednesday to make their home in Artesia. Mr. Stull was formerly in the market business here.

For Sale—A Jersey milk cow. W. T. Munson.

Tom Runyan, returned yesterday from a visit to Carlsbad. He says things are mighty nice and cool and shady and quiet down there these days.

Deputy Collector Martin has receipts for about two hundred poll taxes in Artesia this week.

Rev. Paul Bentley, who has been assisting Pastor Gage in the services at the school house this week, left yesterday to hold a meeting on Seven Rivers.

Rev. J. C. Gage will attend the Annual Conference of the Methodist church at Albuquerque, Sep. 24.

SPECIAL HOMESEAKER'S EXCURSIONS

On September 13th and 27th, the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company will run special homeseaker's excursions from Chicago, Kansas City and intermediate points, and all Missouri River Points, at less than one-way rate for the round trip to all points on the Pecos Valley Lines. These tickets will be good for twenty-one days.

Now is the time to inform your friends in the East of this exceedingly low rate and have them make you a visit and see the Pecos Valley at the time when its orchards are laden with fruit.

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