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TO KICK OR NOT TO KICK!

To Smile and Take Our Medicine, or Rise Up and Swat 'em One, That is The Question.

There has been considerable talk from time to time that our little sister city up the road, Artesia, would put up a full county ticket for the coming primary election. The Sun has always considered this a political zephyr that did not originate under a hat in which there is a political bee. But now that another one of her citizens has come before the people asking for a county job, it begins to look as if the prophets were given a tip and knew whereof they spake.

The Sun concedes to every voter in the county the democratic right to run for any old office that may suit his fancy, yet it believes that it is a bad policy for the people, the county, and especially the politicians to place an Artesia county ticket in the field. It will only serve to prolong the strife engendered between the two places caused by Artesia's noble effort to blossom forth as a county seat during the session of the last assembly. It will cause the lines to be drawn, not between the various candidates on their merits, but between the towns and the free expression of the voters will not be had as to their choice of men. It has been the aim of the best citizens of both places to promote harmony and to pull together in a spirit of unity for the upbuilding of the entire county and forget Artesia's chagrin at her failure to set up housekeeping for herself. There are other towns in the county in which are men that would be an honor to any political ticket, that could be placed in the field, and the Sun believes that the voters of Artesia should not countenance a move looking to the bringing out of an entire ticket, but should be satisfied with her popular candidate for sheriff, J. D. Christopher, and possibly one other. The law does not require a town to have a hundred inhabitants before she can put out a candidate, like it does to have the right to sell liquor, but a man can run for office who is not so fortunate as to live in either place. In fact it might be a good idea to put in a bunch of country gentlemen for a term or two—Carlsbad Sun.

Yep, that's the kind of soothing syrup the Carlsbad gang of politicians have been handing out to their "little sister" until the narcotic has almost lost its power to soothe. Artesia suffereth long, and is kind. Her people are producers, not politicians. They lust not after the spoils of office, nor care for the men who divide the same, so long as they can in good conscience abide the result. We do not mind being run over and knocked down, and, perchance, stepped on, so long as the offending brother does not choose to walk around on our prostrate anatomy. This fact the Sun has every reason to believe, as this part of the county has submitted to almost every kind of legerdemain known to man and made no remonstrance. But simple justice to our own interests compels us to say that patience has ceased to be a virtue in this neck of the woods.

If abject servitude is the price of harmony, Friend Mullane, cut it out.

When the tax collector sent out his requests, a few weeks ago, that Caesar's portion be forthcoming, the property-owners of Artesia awoke to the fact that something was radically wrong—in fact, awfully rotten—down in the big house where justice is supposed to sit enthroned. Notwithstanding the fact that our assessable values have increased two or three hundred per cent within the last twelve months, we were startled to find our rate of taxation had also greatly increased. It was evident at a glance that somebody somewhere was escaping taxation while Artesia's farming lands paid the county's obligations. A meeting of those interested was called and a committee, composed of R. M. Ross, cashier of the First National Bank, and J. C. Gage, president of the Bank of Artesia, sent to the county seat to find

the leak. They found it, and today the tax assessor or the board of equalization of Eddy county stands charged with ignorance or the grossest piece of injustice ever practiced upon a trusting constituency. It will hardly be possible to excuse the guilty ones on the first count and it is interesting to know how they can deny the latter.

Be it understood—before starting on a little expose made by the assessor's books—that Artesia citizens have no kick to make on their assessments. The officer has done his full duty by us, and no one can charge him with having overlooked anything on the earth or under it in this part of the county. The way he has permitted the other fellows to escape is what makes us want to say things.

A comparison of totals, alone, shows that something is palpably wrong, even if we did not care to go further. According to the rolls of this year, there is an increase of \$200,672 in taxable values in Artesia school district alone, yet the same rolls show a grand total increase for the entire county of only \$167,819. Supposing correctly that the Dayton and Lakewood precincts have increased as rapidly as Artesia, which is almost the fact, what under heaven went with the assessable values in the other end of the county? They are evidently not on the rolls. Mr. Emerson's books speak for themselves, and he has not requested the Advocate to make any apologies for them.

The Territorial Board of Equalization fixes the assessable values of every kind of property and there is really no reason why its rolls should be adhered to in the Artesia country and forgotten elsewhere. Yet this seems to have been the rule, instead of the exception. To be sure there is no mistake read the following rates of land taxation as fixed by the Board. Read it again and read it carefully.

AGRICULTURAL LAND.

Agricultural land in actual cultivation with permanent water rights, per acre, not less than \$15.

Agricultural lands actually in cultivation without permanent water rights, per acre, not less than \$7.50.

Agricultural lands capable of cultivation, not in cultivation but in artesian belt, under ditch or otherwise, per acre, not less than \$5.

GRAZING LANDS.

Grazing lands with stock water thereon, by wells or otherwise, so located or situated as to utilize privileges of grazing on government land per acre \$1.25.

Grazing lands so situated or located as to utilize grazing privileges on government land, without stock water, per acre, \$1.

Grazing lands other than above specified, per acre, 30 cents.

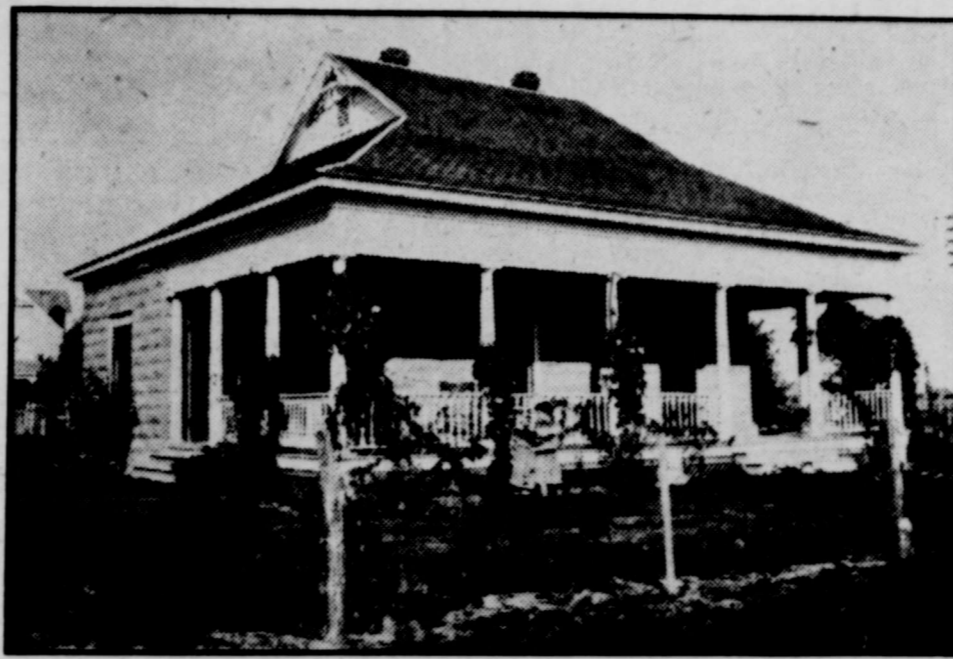
This is plain. A wayfaring man, though he be a tax assessor, need not err therein.

The Pecos Irrigation Company owns adjacent to Carlsbad 27,000 acres of land. Of this, 7340 acres are under the ditch and partly in cultivation. This should be a minimum of \$5 per acre—\$36,700. There are 19,750 acres that should be \$1.25 per acre grazing land at the very least—\$24,662, making a total assessed value according to that classification of \$61,362. What do we find it all valued at on the rolls. The sum of \$23,420, or less than one dollar per acre.

This little discrepancy, however, the Artesia farmers can soon make up at \$15 per acre.

The Holt Live Stock Company owns 5448 acres in the Pecos Valley, all in the artesian belt, but not in cultivation. The rate prescribed is \$5.00 per acre or \$27,240. They are assessed at \$4,112. This cattle company has thousands of acres of free government land to graze their herds

In Fairest Artesia



RESIDENCE OF GAYLE TALBOT.—PHOTO BY MRS. LOWRY.

upon, but they are good fellows and need the money and the Artesia farmers ought to have to pay it anyway, for didn't they have the audacity to want a new county seat once and a change in business all around? These are only two sample cases. There are others.

At the last meeting of the Commissioners Court the county of Eddy was bankrupt, although its assessed values for 1904 were \$1,749,741. In addition to this, it is paying interest on current expense bonds issued years ago. Now with an increased valuation of \$165,819 we are confronted with an increased county and Territorial levy which brings it up to \$3.42 on the \$100.

In the face of such returns as this is it treachery for the producers of the Artesia country to ask for a sayso in the administration of county affairs. Self preservation demands that something be done and done quickly.

As soon as the Artesia farmer gets an artesian well his patented land is immediately put at \$15.00 per acre and a straight levy of \$1000 against his well. There is not a law on earth for this, yet it is done. The writer hereby challenges the tax assessor to show one scintilla of law covering this particular piece of discrimination.

The officials at Carlsbad can expect nothing but dissatisfaction so long as this end of the county is made to carry all the burdens of county government. Artesia is not alone in the fight for equity. Dayton and Lakewood are squirming beneath the yoke of political oppression. This end of the county must name its commissioner next time, and common justice suggests the tax assessor.

Call to the "Long-Horns."

All members of the Ex-Texas Association and all other former citizens of the Lone Star State are requested to be at a meeting to be held at the Cleveland land office next Saturday afternoon. Some very important matters are to be considered.

C. L. HEATH, Pres.

It Means Another Farm.

The enterprising young Texans, Dr. G. P. Stoker and brother-in-law, J. M. Chapman are as happy as Happy Holligan himself this week. They have 320 acres of good land five miles northwest of town and there is flowing over it this week a torrent of water amounting to about four thousand gallons per minute. This of course means a small sized fortune in the Artesian country. Mr. H. E. Mull, local manager for the American Well and Prospecting Company, finished boring a well for Stoker and Chapman Saturday and the flow is about three feet over the casing, depth 740 feet.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Of Artesia Lodge, No. 28, A. F. and A. M. Wednesday Night Dec. 27.

The doors of the Hall of Artesia Lodge, No. 28, A. F. & A. M. were thrown open on Wednesday evening Dec. 27, to the families and sweethearts of the members. Past Master Weems installed for the ensuing year the following officers:

Worshipful Master, John B. Cecill; Senior Warden, Harry W. Hamilton; Junior Warden, Robert M. Ross; Treasurer, John P. Dyer; Secretary, Edwin P. Kemp; Senior Deacon, Edward F. Phillips; Junior Deacon, William C. Marable; Marshal, Royal E. Wilkinson.

Immediately following the installation Dr. Weems, in his usual pleasing and original manner, gave an address on "Free Masonry, Its Origin and Purpose."

Rev. Messer read a paper on "Free Masonry and Religion."

Judge A. V. Logan discussed the "History of Ancient Masonry." His remarks showed a careful and exhaustive study of the subject from both a Biblical and historical standpoint.

Dr. Ross then took up the historical thread and discussed the same subject in its relation to modern history and government. In a scholarly and systematic way he gave the effects of the cardinal virtues (morality, truth and honor) on the moulding of individuals and thereby welding these into a government and nation.

Mr. Edwin B. Kemp in a few well chosen words presented the Lodge with a gavel, the wood of which came from Mt. Vernon, Va., the home of the much revered Mason, George Washington.

Mr. R. V. Kishbaugh presented a chest for the paraphernalia of the Lodge with a few appropriate words. For both the above named presents the Lodge gave a vote of thanks. The Lodge voted Past Master Dyer a Past Master's Jewel in appreciation of his services to this Lodge, which now ranks third in the Territory of New Mexico. He was so overjoyed that it was impossible for him to make a speech.

The literary feast over, the banquet began. The gentlemen of the Lodge deserve to be highly complimented for the good taste displayed in arrangement and service. The empty plates and happy faces spoke for the success of the oysters, etc.

Toast Master Weems (wise man that he was) did not ask the ladies to respond to toasts until the last minute (he knew their failing). But in spite of no previous preparation (judging from the expression of appreciation on the faces of the gentlemen) their remarks at least compared favorably with those lengthy addresses over which the men had pored three long weeks. All were agreed that they had never spent a more enjoyable evening in Artesia. It will always be a pleasant remembrance to those who were present.

League Program.

Topic: The Missionary Call—John 17, Acts 2:23, Isaiah 6:1-8.

Leader, Miss Carroll.

The Call to Missionary Work—Leader.

How the Call Came to J. M. Thornburn—Miss Clayton.

How the Call Came to Mackay of Uganda—Nettie Callaway.

Song.

Mrs. C. D. Cleveland, postmistress for Artesia, has been notified that from January 1st, her salary will be \$450 per annum, with clerk hire, house rent, fuel and money order fees added.

Contests Knocked Out.

Three more contest cases were disposed at the Roswell land office this week and in a manner highly satisfactory to the progressive and law-abiding people of Artesia and vicinity. One Fred Miller, a clerk for Joyce-Pruit Company, at Roswell through his attorney, J. B. Atkeson, filed a contest against the land of J. F. Bowman, southwest of Artesia. No tangible evidence whatever was brought in by the contestant—out side of a covetous desire to get possession of what belonged to another man—and the case was dismissed.

The case of Mrs. Allison vs. Frank Strawn was lost because of insufficient evidence. Wm. E. Friend, a star contestant, through his attorney, D. D. Temple, tried to get possession of Mr. B. Hadley's land east of town, but of course was unsuccessful.

The professional contestant is getting light picking around Artesia these days. He has a hard time finding witnesses to furnish evidence.

Well Rig for Artesia.

The appearance of an oil well rig loaded on two cars in the local railroad yards Christmas morning caused a ripple of excitement among those most interested in the prospective oil field east of town. It was supposed that the outfit was that of the Roswell Oil Company, but an investigation showed that it was billed to Closer & Alford, at Artesia.

Solitude is a place where they neve advertise. — Philadelphia Saturday Post.

The women continue to wear their hair to suit themselves, rather than Mr. Carnegie.

If "Mrs. Warren's Profession" is too tough for New York, it must be almighty tough.

As a small concession to common sense William Waldorf Astor does not wear a monocle.

Sir Frederick Treves says sickness is a blessing. Perhaps he intends to marry the nurse.

Usually when a man reaches the turn in the lane he finds that it turns in the wrong direction.

The duke business in Russia isn't likely to be as profitable in the future as it has been in the past.

That Denver man who has never been kissed is going to disappoint some woman badly one of these days.

The mystery of Edwin Drood has been solved, but we are still searching for the man who struck Billy Patterson.

Stuyvesant Fish has paid one of his wife's bills at last. Oh, these women! They always have their way sooner or later.

In the glorious golden autumn lovely woman waltz a frock, and the frost is on the ballet and the neighbors get a shock.

A Tennessee state senator who led a raid on his son's poker game probably gave the young man the surprise of his life.

The American contractor is to build the Panama canal. There is nothing in this world he is not ready to undertake and execute.

According to the new state census, the population of Greater New York is 4,014,304. This will make Chicago feel worse than ever.

A check for \$32,035,875.50 has just been signed by the assistant secretary of the treasury, but it wasn't drawn on his personal account.

King Alfonso traveled incognito through France on his way to Germany. That's the only way that royalty can have a real good time.

Men are the real slaves of fashion, in Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish's opinion; look at the hats they wear. Well, look at the things called hats women wear.

An eastern poet says: "The morning light is breaking." It may be, however, that it is the cook smashing a few cut-glass finger bowls in the kitchen.

An Omaha man who lost his job at the age of 104 and then tried to commit suicide will be excused for thinking that he had reached the end of his rope.

William Schaus, a scientist, has given 26,000 moths to the American Museum of Natural History. The common practice of donating dollars did not appeal to him.

A Massachusetts man has been appointed to the consulship at Vladivostok—a place that seems very much more attractive now than it did three or four months ago.

A fleet may be sent to compel the sultan to make reforms in Macedonia. In arguing with the more or less sublime porte there is nothing quite so persuasive as big guns.

A Long Island man who is 40 years old and minus a leg bested his 16-year-old son in a race for the affections of a 14-year-old girl. The Osler limit certainly does not apply here.

Now they're asking: "In a football game between college players and pugilists, which would win?" As well ask, in a flirtation between a man and woman which would have the best of it?

When every paper in the country has paid due and proper attention to the fact that toothpicks are not considered good form at the University of Chicago the incident may be regarded as closed.

Eggs laid on Sunday in Cumberland, Ky., will hereafter be devoted to converting the heathen. But the heathen is foxy. He will doubtless meet the emergency by doing his heathening behind a net.—Chicago Journal.

DAIRY NOTES

Is a Silo Expensive?

Some farmers have conceived the idea that the silo is too expensive a structure for them to have on the farm. The men that hold such an opinion have not investigated the matter. A well-built, permanent silo can be put up for about \$1.50 per ton of capacity. That is a cost of \$300 for a silo that will hold 200 tons of feed. This amount of feed will supply 20 cows with all the silage they should have, even if they are big cows and are fed the year around. If the farmer is to build a barn that will hold hay for twenty cows, even for a winter, can he build it for \$300? Not at all. He would have to invest very much more than that sum in a barn to hold the hay for that number of cows. So we see that silage is the cheapest thing possible to feed if we are to consider the cost of the structure that contains it.

The farmer that intends to largely increase the number of his cows will have to put thousands of dollars into a barn structure if he intends to confine himself to the feeding of hay for roughage. It will be far easier for him to extend his stables and build a silo than to construct a stable sufficiently high to hold the hay. When a man is freed from the necessity of providing for bulky feed he can then construct his dairy stable with the one object of getting cleanliness and light. He can build his stable long and low and secure a flood of light from three sides. His structure does not have to be heavy, as it must be if it is to sustain a heavy superstructure.

A silo is thus not expensive, and moreover it is a great encourager of the development of dairying. It solves the problem of how a dairyman can make a living off from 50 to 100 acres of land. That is going to be the great question in the not-distant future, for the farms are already being cut up into smaller ones.

If any man doubts whether or not it will pay him to build a silo let him look into the cost and benefits, by actually getting estimates on the cost of construction.

Building a Milk House.

The milk house is the product of the modern farm and especially of the modern dairy farm. Fifty years ago the man who built a milk house was looked upon as an aristocrat. It was thought that he wished to imitate the princes of Europe who have their own dairies and their own milk houses. In later years it has become recognized that the milk house is a very great help and that it costs little. We have some milk houses which could not have cost more than \$50 and yet are neat, serviceable and even ornamental in appearance. The location of the milk house should be away from the barn and away from the house, that the air may be pure around it. If there is a living spring on the farm through which cool water flows all the summer, it should be located near the spring or should have the water piped to it. The building of such a house is the equivalent of adding a room to the cellar of the house, for it takes out of the cellar all the milk and leaves that place for other uses. There is no reason why the milk house cannot be kept perfectly clean all the time. This does away with the great objection to farm butter, which objection is that it has the flavors of all the vegetables which have been stored in the cellar.—John Stinson, Bureau Co., Ill.

Making Butter on the Farm.

We hear a great deal about creamery butter making. Nearly all the articles that appear in the agricultural papers have to do with creamery butter making. At nearly all of the great dairy conventions where butter making is discussed it is the butter making of the creamery. This is because the butter-makers in the creameries are students of their business and are always eager to discuss it. It is exceedingly rare that we hear a discussion of farm butter-making. We would like to take up the matter in these columns and have our readers who are making butter on the farm give us their experience. We know that to-day more butter is being made on the farm than in the creamery and that there is more need of instruction in farm butter making than in creamery butter making.

Value of American Railroads.

The commercial (market) value of the railroads of the United States is \$11,250,000,000. Pennsylvania stands first in railroad property, having \$1,425,000,000. New York is second with \$899,000,000, and Illinois third with \$896,000,000. Ohio is fourth, Minnesota fifth.

The man who is known as "a good fellow" generally lets other people do the worrying over his debts.

FARM ORCHARD AND GARDEN



[Mr. Wragg invites contributions of any new ideas that readers of this department may wish to present, and would be pleased to answer correspondents desiring information on subjects discussed. Address M. J. Wragg, Waukear or Des Moines, Iowa.]

PREPARE SMALL FRUITS FOR WINTER.

"The fruit grower must be a willing worker, and to be successful he must be a pusher and ever ready to take time by the forelock. He must in advance rather than behind with the work. The mulch for the strawberries and compost for raspberries, blackberries, currants, gooseberries and Lucretia dewberries should now be ready near the garden. As soon as the ground is frozen hard enough to bear up the horses and wagon put the mulch on the strawberry bed. Do not undertake to cover deep enough to prevent freezing, for if this is done the wet snows will pack the mulch and smother the plants. Good judgment is required here.

"Straw of any kind, corn stalks, with or without the blades, leaves, evergreen boughs, swamp grass or any coarse material that is free of seed will answer. This mulch should be left on the bed until all danger of freezing is over. Just before the crowns open, the mulch should be raked off the plants to the space between the rows. If the soil is loamy and light the mulch may be parted over the plants and left in that way to prevent the earth from being splashed upon the fruit.

"For other lines of small fruit compost is preferred to strawed mulch as the latter invites mice, which will gnaw the canes and injure the plants. The compost may be scattered broadcast over the entire surface as the condition of the ground demands, or be placed around the hills. In either case the compost should be worked into the soil by means of a shallow cultivator as early as the ground is in condition for work. To do a perfect job the surface should be worked until thoroughly firmed. Working should be repeated at intervals of six and eight days until raspberries and blackberries are turning red. Small fruits cannot be successfully grown without thorough cultivation and pruning season after season. When the grower becomes experienced the work in the small garden will be considered more of a pleasure than a task."

PUMPKIN PIES IN WINTER.

"How dear to our hearts is the old yellow pumpkin. When orchards are barren of stuffing for pies; When peaches and apples have proven a failure, And berries of no kind have greeted our eyes. How fondly we turn to the rugged old cornfield And gather the fruit we can never despise— The bright golden pumpkin, the savory pumpkin, The sweet, golden pumpkin we make into pies."

One would think farming had made no progress in the last fifty years to look at what the "authorities" undertake to teach in the country schools. The farmer is to spend his life close to nature. Why, then, should he not study nature and natural law?

LATE PLOWING IN ORCHARDS.

Professor King is authority for the statement that late fall plowing and deep cultivation in orchards of fruit trees and in vineyards of small fruits, after the wood is fully matured and growth arrested by the cold weather, will do much toward giving the soil better moisture relations the next spring. In cases where injury from deep freezing is liable to occur, the late plowing will lesson this danger because the loose soil blanket will help to retain the heat in the ground as well as the soil moisture.

In the late plowing and deep tillage there is little danger of increasing the loss of plant food by leaching, because the season is too late and the temperature of the soil too low to stimulate the formation of nitrates.

When ground is plowed late in the fall, just before freezing, it then acts during the winter and early spring as a mulch, diminishing the loss of water by surface evaporation, and at the same time the roughened surface tends to hold the snows and to permit winter and early spring rains to penetrate more deeply into the soil leaving the ground more moist at seeding time than would be the case if it were left unplowed.

LOOK AFTER FARM MACHINERY.

As we traveled through the country about a week ago we still found many, many binders, mowers and various other machines standing in the yard with nothing but a barb wire fence to shelter them from sun and rain. In fact, quite a number did not even enjoy the distinction of being cared for to the extent of standing in a row of fence, but were scattered all over the yard, where apparently it had been convenient to leave them when the busy farmer unhitched late in the evening.

There is perhaps no business where system is so hopelessly lacking as on the farm. A man on a 160 acre farm has perhaps a grain binder worth \$125, a mower worth \$50, a couple of plows worth \$50, harrows worth \$50, and perhaps wagons worth \$100 or \$150. Here we have an investment of \$500 or more, the interest on which is \$30 per year. Will it not pay to take better care of this property? An airtight building is not necessary for the protection of the machinery. Construct a lean-to on the side of the barn, if you can do no better, and board up sufficiently to keep out sun and rain, and you have a place to keep things.

Never put any machinery away that has bright surfaces without a coat of oil. Dry the bright surfaces and coat heavily with oil. Beef suet also makes an excellent material for that purpose. Next spring, or at any other time, when you may need your plow, it will be ready. It will scour as soon as you put it into the ground. That fact in itself may be worth several dollars to you.

The harness needs to be oiled frequently enough to keep the leather soft and pliable. It will last nearly twice as long if well taken care of. The work can be done on rainy days.

In many important European markets receipts of American apples have practically doubled every year for the past years. In 1901 there were exported from this country 1,600,000 barrels of apples. In 1902, 2,200,000 were shipped out. Cold storage and rapid transit have brought the whole world in touch with the Ozark apple grower. Apples have been sold in Hamburg and Liverpool within 18 days from the time they hung on the trees in our Ozark orchards.

BUYING NURSERY STOCK.

The season is again at hand when opportunities to give orders for nursery stock to strangers will be numerous, and when new and wonderful sorts to buy will be abundant. Now, not all stranger tree peddlers are dishonest, nor are all new and wonderful sorts of fruits without merit; but the percentage of dishonesty and want of merit is so large that caution should be observed in patronizing the one or buying the other. The agent who approaches you may be a stranger, but if he represents a well and favorably known nursery he is not likely to deceive you, and if he does you will be protected by his principal. But if the agent and the nursery he represents are both strangers, the safest way is to pass up both. Where the agent, his nursery and the things he offers you are strangers it is best to give the first his dinner, your blessings and nothing more. As for sorts to buy, the judgement of the best fruit growers in the state, usually represented by the State Horticultural society, is the safest guide. All such societies recommend the best tried sorts for their respective regions, and as a rule that recommendation should be respected. If, however, one cannot resist the temptation to buy new things let the purchase be small, so that no serious loss will be sustained if they prove worthless.

Prof. W. D. Carlisle of Chicago, a horticulturist of national fame, who on a recent visit to the great Frisco Orchard Co's site near Lebanon, in LaClede county, secured some of the red soil chemical analysis. He found the red clay soil, so valuable to the apple grower, to have been produced by the decomposition of rock by the large amount of pyrites of iron which it contains. He also found large proportions of lime, soda and potash, all of which, with iron ore make desirable chemical elements for the growth of perfect, finely flavored fruit. He pronounces the soil the best adapted to apple and peach culture of any he ever examined.

THE WINTER DAIRY.

Every farmer in America knows to a dead certainty that to produce winter milk with profit or comfort, he must have two things in abundance, says a correspondent. First, a warm barn or stable for his cows where manure will never freeze or accumulate in unsightly piles. Get at once to work, and bank up your old high-floor stables so the cold winter winds can not whistle under the barn, nor rise up through the cracks of the floor to make balloons of the milk maids when they come to milk the cows.

Put up inside double ceiling to the stables; fill well with straw, shavings or chaff between; shut out the cold as much as possible, and thereby save feed and money both. Remember always, feed is the dire that cattle use to keep warm with, and they are bound to keep warm and comfortable first before they care a snap about your calculations of whether they furnish you a drop of milk or not. Don't toughen your cattle any more by compelling them to eat corn stalks cut on a windy hill or some old meadow you want to revive.

We may live without poetry, music and art;
We may live without conscience, and live without heart;
We may live without friends, we may live without books,
But civilized man cannot live without cooks.
He may live without books—what is knowledge but grieving?
He may live without hope—what is hope but deceiving?
He may live without love—what is passion but pining?
But where is the man that can live without dining?
—Owen Meredith.

CARROTS AS FOOD FOR HORSES.

In Great Britain and also in Canada carrots are much used as a food for horses. Long experience has taught the farmers in those countries that carrots tend to keep in tone the digestion of the horses' and colts to which they are fed. They influence the digestion of horses much the same as turnips and mangles do the digestion of sheep and cattle. The reason why they are preferred to horses over these is that horses are more fond of them than of the other varieties of roots. This at least is one reason why they are preferred.

Suppose grain and roughage are fed to horses in one instance without carrots and carrots and roughage are fed in another instance without grain; in the instance last named the horses will do as well as in that first named, when not at work. If carrots could be fed to horses in this Western country in moderate quantities in the winter season, they would keep in better tone than many of them do. There are no sound reasons why they should rot be had, since they will grow in any part of this Northwest. There is considerable labor in handling them, and that perhaps is the principal reason why they are not grown more.

From now on cuttings of a great variety of trees and shrubs may be made and planted. A large share of our prettiest flowery shrubs may be grown with more or less success from cuttings. Mock Orange, Dogwood, Hardy Hydrangea, all the honeysuckles can be grown in this way. The Catalpa, Basswood and some other trees will root from cuttings but are perhaps better grown from seed. Currants are almost as easily grown as the willow.

HOW TO STORE HONEY?

Honey absorbs moisture, and if kept long in a cool, damp place it will become thin and watery and lose its original flavor. It may not spoil it to freeze if the air surrounding is perfectly dry, but damp cold is injurious. If the honey gathers dampness and then freezes, the combs will crack and the honey run down the outside, and it never looks or tastes quite as nice as it did before.

An ideal place to keep honey is where it is dry all the time and never freezes. The kitchen, a warm room over the kitchen, or the attic is the best place I know of without preparing a special place warmed artificially. Perhaps it is not necessary to hint that mice must be excluded. Extracted honey, too, needs to be kept in a warm, dry place, unless it is in sealed cans completely excluding the air. One reason why more honey is not used is because so few persons know how to keep it in its original excellence.

Bargains! Opportunities!!

I have some big bargains in Real Estate in Artesia

As Lots, Small Tracts of 2 1-2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 40 Acres Each. Also 80 acres choice land. All land with artesian **WATER-RIGHT**, (lots excluded.)

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ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pearson, of Dayton, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beckham.

W. W. Majors this week bought the spacious residence of Mrs. Abbey on Richardson avenue. This is one of the most comfortable homes in the city.

Messrs. J. C. Gage and D. W. Runyan this week bought the Woods farm, at Hope one of the best places on the Pecos. The price paid is private.

J. B. Hancock, the hostling land agent, has returned from a trip to Tennessee.

A. L. Hayes was soliciting money in town Tuesday with which to build a church at Lake Arthur. The needed amount was subscribed.

Shredded Kaffir corn for sale. The very best of feed. Come and get it at \$3.00 per ton or \$5.00 delivered. W. C. McBride.

Rev. E. Ward, the Baptist pastor, preached at the Methodist church Sunday morning and night to a large audience.

J. E. Swepston is in the Bank of Artesia this week, holding down the position of Assistant-Cashier Enfield, who is in Texas.

As to weather, the exception seems to be the rule in the Pecos valley this winter, clouds nearly all the time and rain every few days.

E. N. Heath informs the Advocate that after gathering his corn he finds that his land made a yield of fifty bushels per acre this year. According to these figures, a man can make more off of one acre of Artesia country land than it costs to purchase the land itself. Who says land values are high?

Go to Clayton for town lots. He has most any kind you want, and in any size blocks. In acre property, he has 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 60 or 80 blocks joining the town. So get you an ideal home before they get too high. These properties are bound to increase in value. It will be a pleasure for him to show you what he has.

Heath Brothers & Co. have this week begun drilling on a well for Samuel Myers, southwest of town.

F. M. Duckworth is erecting a commodious residence on his farm south of town. Through an oversight, the Advocate failed to note the fact that a fine 3-foot well was completed on Mr. Duckworth's land a couple of weeks ago. Heath Brothers & Co. were the drillers.

Blaine Richey is spending a few weeks at Carizo Springs, Texas.

Nicely printed envelopes, with a picture of a big artesian well, two packages for 25c, at Advocate office.

J. M. Conn is having his home on Rose Avenue beautified by the building of cement sidewalks.

Rev. M. L. Butler, D. D., of Carlsbad, delivered a lecture at the Methodist church Thursday night. A small admission fee was charged to apply on the church debt.

The Methodist church was filled almost beyond its capacity at the Christmas tree Monday night. The little folks had a joyous good time.

Chas. D. Thomas and Bird Walters were given the initial degree in Pythianism Saturday night.

Taylor Clerk left Sunday to visit his father at Lambert, Okla.

Mr. P. R. Love, of Carlsbad, spent Christmas day in Artesia with his son, Robt. M., the enterprising proprietor of Rose Lawn.

The first New Years resolution of the town trustees should be to see that Artesia has a park this year.

Mrs. J. G. Propst returned from Missouri Monday night.

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Full stock Sherwin-Williams Paint and Varnishes. John Schrock Lumber Co.

Buy your sand for sidewalks from Jim Conner

Miss Mary Greenlee, of Roswell, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Majors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Dent went to Artesia last Friday night, accompanied by Miss Lucile Tate, for a stay of four or five days. From there Mr. and Mrs. Dent will go to Washington, D. C. Mr. Dent has been associated in the law business with Judge Gatewood.—Roswell Record.

F. J. Mobbs, of Hot Springs, Ark., came in on Thursday morning's train.

Mr. Henning, of York, Nebraska, this week bought 240 acres of patented land and a half miles southeast of Artesia and will proceed immediately to improving same. The land is adjacent to that bought by several of his Nebraska neighbors.

A second hand buggy and harness for sale. This office.

A good New Year resolution to put into effect next week—a years subscription to the Advocate for some friend in the old states. It will bring them out here sooner or later.

Fred Clayton, now attending the New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell, spent Christmas with home folks in Artesia.

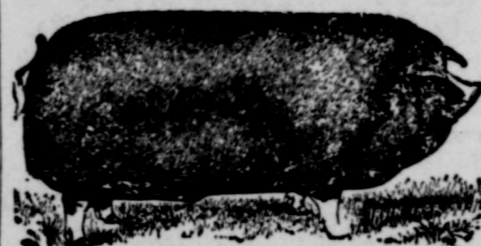
About twenty dollars were realized for the school library by the entertainment given at the Methodist church last Friday night.

The board of town trustees were too busy taking Christmas to meet in semi-monthly conclave Tuesday afternoon.

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Albert F. Martin and Miss Laura Budd both of this city, were married at the Methodist parsonage in Roswell Sunday morning, Rev. S. R. Twitty officiating. Mr. Martin is a well known contractor and has many friends to extend congratulation at this happy hour.

Otto Banner was down from Roswell a day or two this week.

I have \$30,000.00 to loan on good clear patented land. R. M. Ross. Cashier First National Bank.

Jim Conner has plenty of sand on hand,

The only and original J. Walter Day returned this week from a forty days fast (living) in the Lone Star State and paid his respects and his dinero to the Advocate Thursday.

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It used to be considered that only urinary and bladder troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all diseases have their beginning in the disorder of these most important organs.

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If you are sick or "feel badly" begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, because as soon as your kidneys begin to get better they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

I was out of health and run down generally; had no appetite, was dizzy and suffered with headache most of the time. I did not know that my kidneys were the cause of my trouble, but somehow felt that they might be, and I began taking Swamp-Root. There is such a pleasant taste to Swamp-Root, and it goes right to the spot and drives disease out of the system. It has cured me, making me stronger and better in every way, and I cheerfully recommend it to all sufferers.

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Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for many kinds of diseases, and if permitted to continue much suffering and fatal results are sure to follow. Kidney trouble irritates the nerves, makes you dizzy, restless, sleepless and irritable. Makes you pass water often during the day and obliges you to get up many times during the night. Unhealthy kidneys cause rheumatism, gravel, catarrh of the bladder, pain or dull ache in the back, joints and muscles; make your head ache and back ache, cause indigestion, stomach and liver trouble, you get a sallow, yellow complexion, make you feel as though you had heart trouble; you may have plenty of ambition, but no strength; get weak and waste away.

The cure for these troubles is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the world-famous kidney remedy. In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to Nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science.

How to Find Out

If there is any doubt in your mind as to your condition, take from your urine on rising about four ounces, place it in a glass or bottle and let it stand twenty-four hours. If on examination it is milky or cloudy, if there is a brick-dust settling, or if small particles float around in it, your kidneys are in need of immediate attention.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is used in the leading hospitals, recommended by physicians in their private practice, and is taken by doctors themselves who have kidney ailments, because they recognize in it the greatest and most successful remedy for kidney, liver and bladder troubles.

EDITORIAL NOTE.—So successful is Swamp-Root in promptly curing even the most distressing cases of kidney, liver or bladder troubles, that to prove its wonderful merits you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent absolutely free by mail. The book contains many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured. The value and success of Swamp-Root is so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say you read this gener-

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AGRICULTURE



The Study of Soils.

There is no study that will prove more profitable to the farmer than the study of soils. Everywhere agriculturists are coming to realize the importance of this study and are giving to it the attention that it deserves. In nearly every state in the Union the state government has taken up the matter as has also the National Government. When the soil survey work of the United States Government was begun on its present large scale there were many who believed that this expenditure of money was in part unnecessary. They could not see how the mere knowing about the soils should improve its condition. They could not see why drawing maps of states and representing thereon the various kinds of soils could prove of any financial value to the agriculturists of such states. It was only after a year's work and after the soil survey of some states had been partly completed that the real results began to be seen. The first states in which the work has been partly completed is Illinois. Investigations of the different soil surveys has brought to light the condition of the soils in whole counties, and has shown what is needed in these soils to make them valuable. This could not be foreseen by the critics of the soil surveys.

The knowing of the condition of the soils has resulted in the finding out of a way to greatly increase their value. The soil survey in Illinois has demonstrated the fact that there are millions of acres of land only partly productive because of the large amount of acid in the soil. Having learned this fact it was an easy matter for the scientists to find a remedy. They know that it merely requires an application of lime to make these soils double in value. The increased value of Illinois soils alone, due to this discovery, and the application of a remedy, will be greater than the entire expense of all soil surveys and soil studies in the United States.

Weston Sinclair.

Buffalo Co., Wis.

Film Moisture.

Film moisture is the moisture in the soil that just surrounds each particle of sand or soil with a thin coat of water. The film around one particle touches the films of adjacent particles. The attraction of the particle draws the film tight around it and each new particle above that one does the same. When a film of water touches a soil particle above it that dry particle draws the water with great force to cover itself. The film of water is drawn from the soil particle below, but in turn pulls up the next particle film below it, or, rather, the soil particle does that by its attraction. So the water films work up toward the surface of the ground. We call that capillary attraction. When the films covering the particles reach the surface of the soil they become exposed to the air and the moisture on the top of the film is evaporated or turned into gas. The films below push up to supply the need caused by the vacancy in a part of the water film collection. When these films are disturbed by the cultivator the upward movement of the film moisture is stopped till the soil particles have settled back in place and new films have worked around the soil particles once more brought into touch with the film water below. This is why we cultivate ground to prevent the loss of soil water.

Mixed Grasses for Pasture.

I am certain that by the use of mixed grasses in the pastures we can double the yield of our pastures in a few years. I had a pasture that was filled with the wild grasses that have been growing on this continent for ages. I decided to plow around the stumps and put in mixed grasses, and did so. I put in a few acres at a time. In some places the sod was so thin that all I had to do was to run over it with the harrow and sow the seed. The result has been most gratifying. The mixed grasses make a thicker sod than any one single grass will and thus stands the trampling of cattle and other farm stock better. Also the grasses mature at different times and thus when one kind is in decadence some other kind is approaching maturity. The thickness of the grass protects the roots and keeps the ground from drying out. I find that I can pasture a large number of farm animals on a pasture of this kind and not have the sod get thin. The animals do better and require less extra feeding. My red clover, however, only remained in the pasture for three years, and after that time gradually disappeared. I am told by others that have had red clover in the mixture that this is the result. For all of that I would advise to sow red clover in the mixture.—Adolphus Perry, Blackhawk county, Iowa, in Farmers' Review.

Private Farm For Boys.

The late Edward M. Paxson, former chief justice of the supreme court of Pennsylvania, and a large property owner in Bucks county, devised a large part of his landed property there for the establishment of an agricultural institute for poor boys, to be their home from the age of 16 years to 21. Judge Paxson was a wealthy man and it is estimated that his property may reach \$3,000,000. His plan is to have these poor boys properly educated as farmers, etc.

Will Not Eat Eels.

Although eels abound in Scotch waters, and are caught in great quantities, they are not considered fit food. No matter how plentiful and how very fine and large they may be in any district of Scotland, no native will eat one. The objection to the eel is said to be based on its serpentine-like appearance and the fact that it is not voracious as to what it feeds upon. Pons of choice eels for the London market are taken from streams that are not free from sewage.

Idaho Joins.

Fraser, Idaho, Nov. 27th (Special)—Mrs. Martha J. Lee has given for publication the following statement, concerning Dodd's Kidney Pills:

"I was down with Rheumatism three times," she says, "and each time Dodd's Kidney Pills helped me. The last time they cured me, and now I am able to get around and do all my work, though I am fifty-eight, and I can walk to Sunday School every Sunday. Before I took Dodd's Kidney Pills I was so bad I could use neither hand nor foot. I shall keep Dodd's Pills on hand all the time."

Rheumatism is caused by Uric Acid crystallizing in the muscles. Healthy kidneys remove all Uric Acid from the blood. Diseased kidneys cannot remove this Acid which collects in the blood and poisons every vein and artery. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure rheumatism by curing the kidneys; by healing and strengthening them, so that they can rid the blood of all impurities.

History Repeated in Australia.

History has been repeating itself on the Bendigo gold field in Australia. A young man named George Washington was brought before the local bench on a charge of "illegally cutting timber on crown lands." Following his great namesake, he pleaded guilty. The chairman of the bench thus addressed him: "Even though your name be George Washington, you have no right to go into another's orchard and cut down trees. You will be fined £3, with the option of twenty-two day's imprisonment." The accused does not seem to have reminded the bench that his namesake's frank confession secured prompt pardon.

(From the Chicago Journal, Nov. 6, 1905.)

When Commissioner Garfield went to the Chicago packers and asked permission to inspect their books, the condition was made that no information he might obtain therefrom would be used in court proceedings against them.

Mr. Garfield gave this pledge, it is stated, and the packers allowed him to study their business in all its details from the inside.

Now, it is announced, the results of his study have been turned over to the government department of justice to be employed in legal prosecution of the packers.

Commissioner Garfield would not have ventured to give the pledge that was demanded by the packers without instructions from Washington. He pledged, not his own word, but the government's. It is not his good faith, but the government's, that is in question now.

The Journal has no concern for the packers, except as they are citizens of Chicago. If it can be proved that they are guilty of engaging in a conspiracy in restraint of trade, they ought to be punished.

But their guilt, if they are guilty, must be fairly proved. They must be given a square deal.

Since the government has elevated its vision to such a height as to overlook the nest of defiant criminal trusts in New Jersey, almost within the shadow of the capitol dome, in order to fasten itself a thousand miles away upon Chicago, the government and the President cannot be too careful to avoid suspicion that they are more anxious to prosecute western offenders than offenders in the east.

Some of the methods already employed in this case have not been particularly distinguished for decency. When the government breaks into a man's house and steals his private papers, when it drags the wives of packing-house employes into court and puts them under heavy bonds, it is hardly dignified, not to say honorable, nor even respectable.

TWICE-TOLD TESTIMONY.

A Woman Who Has Suffered Tells How to Find Relief.

The thousands of women who suffer backache, languor, urinary disorders and other kidney ills, will find comfort in the words of Mrs. Jane Farrell of 606 Ocean Avenue, Jersey City, N. J., who says: "I reiterate all I have said before in praise of Doan's Kidney Pills. I had been having heavy backaches, and my general health was affected when I began using them. My feet were swollen, my eyes puffed, and dizzy spells were frequent. Kidney action was irregular and the secretions highly colored. Today, however, I am a well woman, and I am confident that Doan's Kidney Pills have made me so, and are keeping me well."

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Both Survived.

Thirty years ago a physician told William Booth, founder and generalissimo of the Salvation Army, that his (Booth's) life work was about done, and he had better retire to a quiet country place, where, if possible, there was good shooting and fishing. "I have had plenty of fishing since—for me," says the general, "and have had good shooting—at the devil."

Beyond Expression.

G. W. Farlowe, East Florence, Ala., writes: "For nearly seven years I was afflicted with a form of skin disease which caused an almost unbearable itching. I could neither work, rest or sleep in peace. Nothing gave me permanent relief until I tried Hunt's Cure. One application relieved me; one box cured me, and though a year has passed, I have stayed cured. I am grateful beyond expression." Hunt's Cure is a guaranteed remedy for all itching diseases of the skin.

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If you are not familiar with the plans of operation of the Local Association, any member will be pleased to explain.

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ARTESIA,

NEW MEXICO.

Hotel Gibson Arrivals.

For week ending yesterday: W. L. Kerr, D. J. Moss, A. A. Hubbs, W. T. Jones, N. F. Hubbs, H. L. Hember, L. Hawkins, R. E. Maxlemyet, A. Ansil, A. T. Sbriver, Tonkawa, O. T.; James E. Fife, S. Kaufman, W. D. Congdor, S. R. Smith, H. M. Smith, Newton, Kans.; E. Chase, S. M. Hendershot, Eddy, O. T.; Alex C. Watson, Albia, O. T.; I. M. Witmer, John Witmer, Barleyville, Kas.; C. S. Reed, Tonkawa, O. T.; E. O. Witmer, Eflingham, Kas.; Peter Balmer, Barleyville, Kas.; George L. True, Roswell, N. M.; W. P. Galloway, Winfield, Kas.; Albert Penny, Las Talos, Cal.; Wm. C. Fletcher, Annie D. Fletcher, Jessie C. Fletcher, C. M. Botts, Carthage, Ill.; H. D. Syron, Winfield, Kas.; C. V. Safford, Santa Fe, N. M.; S. Washler, — Ohio; D. J. Post, Lawrence, Kas.; H. D. Kevan, Chanute, Kas.; D. C. McCornny, Dayton, N. M.; M. Bryant, J. T. Bullock, J. C. Elason, J. E. Busher, Clarendo, Iowa; Thos Sandham, Roswell, N. M.; E. A. Albert, Independence, Kas.; Joc. S. Boyd, Lake Arthur, N. M.; Rev. M. L. Butler, Carlsbad, N. M.; Mrs. V. T. Heffner, Miss Margt Cornwell, Dayton, N. M.

A Pepper Factory.

Mr. Gustave Richter, of New Iberia, La., arrived in Artesia this week with a view of establishing a plant for the growing and packing of pepper and the manufacture of sauces, etc. He informs the Advocate that he has secured ground from Mrs. Sallie Roberts and will proceed at once to the carrying out of his plans. Mr. Richter is experienced in this line of business. He says the soil, water and sunshine of the Pecos Valley makes this an ideal place for the successful growing of pepper. We are glad to see him locate, as the valley needs men who will make every acre of its rich domain produce its quota of earth's necessities.

The Elks of Roswell are preparing to tender Governor Hagerman a splendid reception.

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Womans' Literary Club.

The Literary Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Hamilton. Owing to the inclemency of the weather only six members answered to roll-call. Mrs. Kemp had charge of the program and Alexandria, Virginia, her old home, was her subject. She went back to the inception of this historic old town, 1695, and drew vivid pictures of its fames and fortunes down to the present time. So graphic were her descriptions of the historical points of interest in and about Alexandria that a strong desire was created in the hearts of all to visit the sacred spot so filled with lasting memories of the Father of our Nation and the idol of the Southern heart, Lee. Mrs. Hodges read a description of Mt. Vernon, and Mrs. Atkison of Arlington. By the request of Mrs. Annie Kemp, a touching little poem entitled "Virginia" was read by Mrs. Atkeson which concluded the program.

Souvenir post cards of Alexandria and vicinity were presented to all the members by Mrs. Kemp. Mrs. Albert Blake was elected to membership in the Club and Miss Craven of Carlsbad was a visitor.

The agreeable hostess served coffee and sandwiches and several selections on the pianola were rendered by her little son, all of which were very much enjoyed by the ladies.

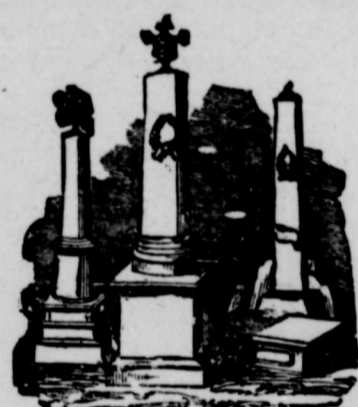
L. R. Sperry visited Roswell Thursday.

Will Side-step to Artesia.

The National Horticultural Society will hold its next annual meeting in Dallas, Texas, June, 1906 and has already arranged its program to include a visit to the Pecos Valley in a body. A member of this society from Iowa notifies the Advocate to this effect, and says he and his neighbors look with especial pleasure to this part of the itinerary. The Artesia country will have on her best Sunday clothes along about that time, and it will be surprising if we do not locate the whole society in a body.

Christian Endeavor.

The Christian Endeavor topic for Sunday evening, Dec. 31, is: Looking backward. What have I learned this year? The lesson is found in Deut. 8:1-20. Leader, Mrs. D. W. Robertson. All are cordially invited to attend.



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Louis M. Brown, of Greens Falls, N. Y., who was recently nominated for justice of the supreme court by the Fourth judicial district Democrats, was a member with President Roosevelt of the Harvard class of '80.

Collecting Leo's Debts.
Pope Plus at present is occupied in collecting the bad debt of the Vatican. It was the custom of Pope Leo to help Roman families who had met with financial distress. In this way several notable families were able to tide over difficulties, but large sums thus loaned have not been returned. One marquis who owes \$25,000 is to be sued. In all departments of the Vatican economy is the order of the day.

Friend of the Abused Bachelor.
Lord Iveagh has been entertaining a number of visitors at the newly finished home for single men which he has built and equipped at Bride road, Dublin. Iveagh house will afford the struggling single men a healthful home and separate sleeping accommodations at a rent of about 75 cents per week, and will be conducted on the principles which obtain at the Rowton houses in London. The house has a frontage of 196 and a depth of 100 feet, and is five stories in height. It contains 516 cubicles and is provided with dining, smoking and reading rooms, free library and shoemaker, grocer and tailor shops.

Smallest European State No More.
An arrangement has been reached between the Berlin and Prussian governments for the cession to Belgium of the neutral territory of Moresnet, in exchange for a strip of land adjoining the town of Eupen, in Prussia, eleven miles from Aix-la-Chapelle, and close to the Belgian frontier. Thus the smallest European state has been blotted out. The existence of Moresnet as an independent state dates from the treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle. Later it was under the joint protectorate of Russia and Belgium. The latter country now takes over the entire sovereignty of the territory.

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"I give it freely to all my children, from the youngest to the oldest, and it keeps them all healthy and hearty." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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Scarcity of Nickles.
Since the Nevada legislature legalized slot machines there have not been enough nickles in general circulation, outside of the slot machine bazaars, to buy 5 cents worth of gum for a 6-year-old schoolgirl. A keg containing \$15,000 in nickles was recently received hot from the factory by a Reno bank.

It Will Stay There.
"In my family medicine chest no remedy is permitted to remain unless it proves beyond doubt the best to be obtained for its particular purpose.
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Decadent English Women.
A writer in the Standard of London boldly asserts that the intellectual level of English women has been lowered in the last fifty or sixty years and bases his conclusion on a statement that English women nowadays read only the lighter forms of literature. They read French novels and plays and sensational English fiction generally. Their grandmother, he declares, used to read Scott's poems and romances, and they also read history for its own sake. Such girls now would regularly read Freeman, Froude, Carlyle and Stubbs.

Commissioner to Resign.
Former Governor Fifer, of Illinois, for the past six years a member of the interstate commerce commission, announces he will resign about January 1st. He is in ill health, caused by a wound received during the civil war, and will return to his Illinois home to practice law.

They Chewed Champagne.
A newly married Swiss couple climbed to the summit of Mount Norn for the wedding breakfast. The champagne was then found to be frozen solid. So the health of the bridal couple was chewed instead of drunk.

A Teacher's Testimony.
Hinton, Ky., Oct. 30th.—(Special.)—It has long been claimed that Diabetes is incurable, but Mr. E. J. Thompson, teacher in the Hinton school, has pleasing evidence to the contrary. Mr. Thompson had Diabetes. He took Dodd's Kidney Pills and is cured. In a statement he makes regarding the cure Mr. Thompson says:
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Many doctors still maintain that Diabetes is incurable. But Diabetes is a kidney disease and the kidney disease that Dodd's Kidney Pills will not cure has yet to be discovered.

Statue Too Heavy.
The equestrian statue of "Physical Energy," made in London, to be erected on the Matoppo hills, South Africa, as a memorial to Cecil Rhodes, has been found too bulky and heavy for the journey. It now lies in an express company's yard until a decision is reached as to what shall be done with it.

"Bobs" a Good Rider.
Among Lord Robert's countless claims to distinction it is little known that he is one of the best and hardest riders in the British army. In his younger days he was nicknamed "Jehu" "because he rideth furiously," and even to-day his staff must be good riders and well mounted in order to keep pace with him.

Duke's Queer Prerogatives.
The Duke of Athol is one of the greatest of Scottish peers, holds nineteen titles and possesses the privilege of presenting a cast of falcons to his sovereign at the coronation. When the reigning monarch visits Blair Athol, ancient usage decrees that the Duke of Athol on bended knee, should present a white rose to his royal guest.

OPERATIONS AVOIDED

Two Grateful Letters from Women Who Avoided Serious Operations.—Many Women Suffering from Like Conditions Will Be Interested.



When a physician tells a woman, suffering from ovarian or womb trouble, that an operation is necessary it, of course, frightens her.

The very thought of the operating table and the knife strikes terror to her heart. As one woman expressed it, when told by her physician that she must undergo an operation, she felt that her death knell had sounded.

Our hospitals are full of women who are there for ovarian or womb operations!

It is quite true that these troubles may reach a stage where an operation is the only resource, but such cases are much rarer than is generally supposed, because a great many women have been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound after the doctors had said an operation must be performed. In fact, up to the point where the knife must be used to secure instant relief, this medicine is certain to help.

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Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—
"I cannot find words to express my thanks for the good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did me. The doctor said I could not get well unless I had an operation for ovarian and female troubles. I knew I could not stand the strain of an operation and made up my mind I would be an invalid for life. Ask Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—A Woman Best Understands a Woman's Ills.

Hearing how Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had saved other women from serious operations I decided to try it, and in less than four months I was entirely cured and words fail to express my thankfulness."

Miss Margret Merkle of 275 8d Street, Milwaukee, Wis., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—
"Loss of strength, extreme nervousness, severe shooting pains through the pelvic organs, cramps, bearing down pains, and extreme irritation compelled me to seek medical advice. The doctor, after making an examination, said that I had ovarian trouble and ulceration, and advised an operation as my only hope. To this I strongly objected—and I decided as a last resort to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.
"To my surprise the ulceration healed, all the bad symptoms disappeared, and I am once more strong, vigorous and well; and I cannot express my thanks for what it has done for me."

Ovarian and womb troubles are steadily on the increase among women—and before submitting to an operation every woman should try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and write Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass for advice.
For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been curing the worst forms of female complaints, all ovarian troubles, inflammation, ulceration, falling and displacement of the womb, leucorrhoea, irregularities, indigestion and nervous prostration. Any woman who could read the many grateful letters on file in Mrs. Pinkham's office would be convinced of the efficiency of her advice and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Japanese Author's Books.
Dr. Lorenzo Nottbe, whose books are widely read in Japan, is a graduate of John Hopkins university. He also spent several years studying in Europe. At present he is connected with the government college at Kyoto.

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(Special Correspondence.)

It is impossible to say when in the age of man guiding lights to prevent mariners from shipwreck first came into use. It is claimed that Virgil had knowledge of lighthouses, and that, according to him, one was placed on a tower of the temple of Apollo. Homer refers to lighthouses, and the Colossus of Rhodes, erected 300 B. C., undoubtedly bore in his uplifted hand a signal light. But the famous Pharos of Alexandria, built about 285 B. C., is the first light of undoubted record. The lighthouse at Corunna, Spain, is the oldest existing one in the world. It was built in the reign of Trajan.

The lighthouse system of this country began with its commerce. The first lighthouse on this continent was built at the entrance to Boston harbor, on Little Brewster island, in 1715.

Of the 6,000 lighthouses in the world, 1,423 lighthouses and 46 lightships are in the United States. These are in charge of 1,525 lighthouse keepers, assisted by 2,879 laborers and crews.

The shape, size, height and material employed in the construction of lighthouses depend largely upon the location, character of the soil and the amount of money appropriated for their erection. Prior to 1840 there were only two forms of lighthouses—conical towers of rubble stone masonry and wooden frame towers, erected upon the roofs of the keepers' dwellings. The lighthouses of to-day are stately, sentinel-like structures and varied in form—models of architectural beauty, affording ideal healthful abodes "far from the madding crowd" to those in charge of them.

Varied Systems Used.

The systems and modes of construction used in building the lighthouses on our coasts and lakes are the iron pile system, of which old Minot's Ledge lighthouse was an example, and the Mitchell screw-pile system, used principally in southern waters, built on coral reefs, of which Thimble Shoal lighthouse is a fair specimen. The use of iron plates for building lighthouses on dry foundations met with little favor in this country at first; but in later years, when the excellence of iron as a material for building purposes became known, it came into larger use. Iron skeleton towers are used on land where the soil affords an inadequate support for a masonry foundation, and when great cheapness is required. An interesting specimen of these iron skeleton structures is the lighthouse on Paris island, South Carolina. It is the most economical structure of its kind. The light itself is simply a locomotive headlight in the form of a powerful parabolic reflector. The structure rests on six circular iron disks, anchored to a concrete foundation. The light is housed by day and hoisted at night to its place by machinery.

St. Augustine lighthouse, Florida, is a conical brick tower, 150 feet high, and visible to the mariner for a long distance. As it might be mistaken by day for any of the other high brick towers, the shaft is colored with black and white spiral bands, giving it the appearance of a barber's pole. It has a fixed white light, varied by a white flash every three minutes.

Penfield Reef lighthouse stands on a reef about two miles from land in Long Island sound, off Bridgeport har-



First Order Lighthouse at St. Augustine, Fla.

bor, Connecticut. Its flashing red light can be seen from a distance of 14½ miles.

Many iron lighthouses have brick or stone towers. The modern lighthouse illuminates by means of a powerful electrical or argand-burner lamp, usually reinforced by some optical apparatus like the Fresnel lens. The

light produced may be steady, revolving or intermittent, the differences being produced by machinery, lenses, reflectors, etc., and enabling the mariner to distinguish individual lights and thus identify the part of the coast he is near.

Lights Seen Afar.

The distance from which the principal lights can be seen is only limited by the horizon. They might be seen sixty, eighty or even 100 miles



Thimble Lighthouse, Hampton Roads, Virginia.

if sufficient elevation could be gained from which to view them.

Instead of lighthouses, ships are sometimes used. These are employed where a lighthouse is necessary, but where it has not been erected because of the great difficulty or expense of such a structure. The lightship should have the permanency of a lighthouse, and to insure it is a matter of great difficulty.

There are forty-six lighthouses of various sizes on duty in the service, of which the best known is the one at Sandy Hook.

Several lightships are provided with fog signals, which are in effect locomotive steam whistles of great size and power.

Each lightship shows either one or two lights, each light being composed of eight reflectors. A fairly typical example of this class is the lightship at Pollock Rip, on Nantucket sound, Mass. This vessel is 120 feet long, and is of 410 tons burden. She is schooner-rigged, with a lighting apparatus upon each mast supplied with eight burners and reflectors. It has been found so difficult to keep this vessel from dragging her anchors that she is now fitted with as heavy moorings as she would have if she were a battleship. In spite of her brilliant lights and her powerful fog signals, she has been repeatedly run into by passing vessels and damaged, as, for that matter, have also most of the other lightships in the service.

Famous Fastnet Lighthouse.

The most famous lighthouse of the world is that of Fastnet. It stands on a rugged and solitary rock, nine miles south of Crookhaven, at the extreme southwest corner of Ireland. It gives the first and last greeting to the transatlantic steamers as they pass to and from the Old World to the New. The rock is eighty feet in height, and the lighthouse towers another seventy feet above, yet in winter gales the Atlantic billows literally bombard the massive structure, and have even smashed in a portion of the lantern at the summit of the erection, the seas frequently sweeping over the rock with tremendous force. Some two or three years ago the stormy weather then prevailing prevented all communication with the rock for many weeks, so that the store of food was consumed, with the exception of some flour. At last a schooner managed to approach sufficiently near to enable a small quantity of food to be dragged through the sea to the hungry men; and, fortunately, the next day the storm moderated, and the stores were once more replenished. Except in very calm weather the Fastnet is surrounded by a fringe of foam, and the only means of landing is by the aid of a "jib," fifty-eight feet in length.

Colt Prompted by the Mare.

Long ago, on the island of Nantucket, while one Nathaniel Worth was showing his mare and colt to his son, who was visiting him, the colt suddenly kicked him, whereupon he began to belabor the mare. "Why, father," exclaimed his son, "the colt kicked you, not the mare." "I know it," was the reply, "but didn't you see her give him the wink?"

In Physiology Class.

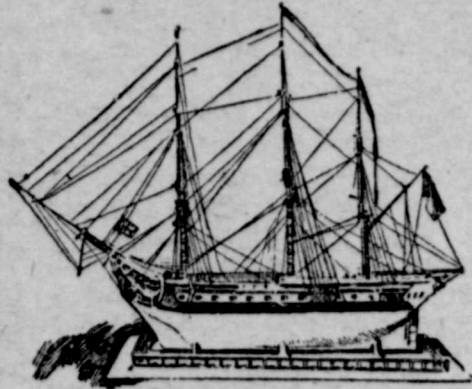
Teacher—What element in sugar is necessary to the human body?
Pupil—Sand.

MODEL OF QUEER CONSTRUCTION

Made of Mutton Bones by French Naval Prisoners.

One of the most striking curios is owned by the Fishmongers' company of London. It is a model of a French frigate. This model was built about the beginning of the last century by French naval prisoners of war, then confined in the prison at Lewes. The frames, plankings, decks, masts and yards are all manufactured from the mutton bones of their rations.

It has been remarked that the materials must have been skillfully selected and most carefully prepared, as its appearance at the present time presents a grain as fine as the choicest ivory. This unique model was pre-



A Mutton Bone Model

sent to the company by Mr. John Hall, and was warden in 1883.—London Graphic.

IS OLDEST CHAIR IN AMERICA

Still in Use, Though Built Before Columbus Discovered Country.

When Gov. Pennypacker in Hanover, Penn., delivered the presentation address at the unveiling of the Hanover battle monument, he occupied on the speakers' stand the oldest chair in America.

The chair is a massive piece of work. It was made in Yorkshire, Eng., in 1430, and represents the style of chair architecture popular in those days. English oak, inlaid with various kinds of wood, was used in its construction. The back is handsomely carved and at the top figures of birds are engraved. The joints are mortised and tenoned and held together with wooden pegs.

Kept as an heirloom, the chair has been passed down from father to son for many generations.

Sixty-two years before Columbus discovered America this chair was built and remained in the town of Bingley, named after the ancestors of the present owner, during the reign of twenty English kings and queens. After a brief stay at Leeds, it was taken to Manchester.

In 1856 the ancient chair was brought to this country in the ship Mary Hale. During the civil war it was in Richmond, Va., when the owner temporarily left it in the care of a friend while he escaped to the north. Subsequently it was sent to Watertown, N. Y., and in 1894 was brought to Hanover.

Many offers were made for the historic relic before it was brought to this country and it has been sought for exhibition in Independence hall. The chair has been taken to public meetings many times and many distinguished men have sat in it.—Philadelphia Press.

A Curious Weapon.

While the goat shown in the accompanying cut bears a close resemblance to the ordinary variety, it possesses one striking peculiarity, and that is the set of curious horns which rise far above the goat's head. These horns, which are characteristic of the



Suleman marauder of A.S.A., gave a massive base from which they seem to twist upward spirally, sometimes attaining a length of nearly two feet. Each pair of horns twists in opposite directions and the tips are curved sharp points of a slightly darker tint than the rest.—New York Herald.

Two Famous Pioneer Trees.

Two of the most famous pioneer trees in the west have a well merited place in history. These were the Lone Jack tree and the Lone Elm.

The first is in western Missouri and the second in eastern Kansas. A good pioneer horseman might have covered the distance between them in a day. At the Lone Jack tree a great battle was fought during the civil war. At the Lone Elm caravans over the Santa Fe trail halted for the night and here were united two branches of the famous old trail.—Kansas City Star.

BLIND MEN SKILLFUL FISHERS

Sport Singularly Suited for Those Without Sight.

Three blind men fished skillfully, side by side, in a launch off Anglesea, drawing in black bass and flounders at the rate of one a minute. They never missed a bite. They never failed to land a fish. Only the captain had to bait their hooks for them—but then the captain baits the hooks of all deep sea anglers as a rule. The sightless trio, smiling, said that blind fishermen were not rare; that in the institution where they lived a full third of the inmates fished. They pointed out that fishing is a sport singularly suited for the blind. To sit still, to catch fish by "feeling" them on the line, is, indeed, the only sport where the blind are at no disadvantage. Fly fishing, of course, is beyond them, on account of the difficulties of the cast. Side by side in the rocking launch, hauling in the bass and flounders briskly, their faces growing redder and redder with sunburn, the three blind men fished and smoked and chatted, and at the day's end it was found that they had severally caught more fish than any other men aboard.—Chicago Chronicle.

Balanced Rock in Colorado.



A naturally balanced rock of a very interesting character is to be seen in the Garden of the Gods in Colorado. The heavy mass is so delicately balanced that the combined strength of two or three men is all that is necessary to start it oscillating from side to side.

Swan Good Foster Mother.

The most interesting example of foster parentage in which a bird was concerned occurred many years ago in Scandinavia, and is a case which has been more than once cited as an instance of animal gratitude.

A peasant found a wild swan frozen fast in a lake. He took the bird home, revived it and made it a domestic pet. One very wild night his wife died. The husband, in despair for his baby's life, remembered his pet swan, which was in the habit of reposing before the kitchen fire. Taking the tiny child downstairs, he placed it beside the swan, which, seeming to understand what was required, spread its wings over the baby and kept it alive and warm for many hours.

Railway Values.

It has been estimated that should anyone desire to purchase the railways of the world his outlay would amount to something like \$42,440,000,000. That sum would represent the entire revenues of Europe for eight years, or one-tenth of the entire money wealth of the world. It is remarkable that in so short a time as the steam engine has been in existence railways should have become so valuable, yet no one source of the world's wealth exceeds the railways in importance, and none is so generally distributed.

A Flatterer.



"Be mine," the fervent Simian said, "And make one jungle life complete; Your beauty may not suit some souls— What if your shoes are full of feet?"

"I like large feet; in fact, delight in features of the Rhino kind— Who has a nose like yours, my love, So saucy and a bit inclined."

Fifty Miles of Hair.

Few ladies are aware that they carry some forty or fifty miles of hair on their heads; the fair-haired may even have to dress seventy miles of threads of gold every morning.

MANY LITTLE SMILES

SOME JOKELETS TO BEGUILLE LIFE'S WEARY WAY.

Skinflint's Advice Evidently of Little Value, Thought the Beggar—Mr. Booze and His Snakes—The Danger That Lurks in Hair Dye.

His Just Due.
"See, here, May," said Jack, to his mannish sister, "I don't mind your inroads upon my haberdashery, but you might at least give me a testimonial letter."
"How do you mean?" she demanded.
"Well, you might say something like this: 'Dear Jack: Since using your shirts and collars I am a new woman.'"—Catholic Standard and Times.

A Different Kind.



Mr. Booze—I never saw so many snakes in my life as there are in the woods back of the barn.

Mrs. Booze—Well, I don't know, but you often said that you have seen them all over the room, while at home.

Fun at the Amateur Show.

The stranger paused before the hall and smiled. The great shrieks and screams of laughter that came from within were contagious. The billboard announced an amateur performance. He approached the box office and said:

"They seem to be enjoying themselves in there. I heard their shouts and guffaws three blocks away. What are they playing?"
"Hamlet."

And So Forth.

"Having discovered a projectile that will pierce any armor," said the seeker for information, "what will the next step be?"

"To find an armor that no projectile will pierce," answered the naval expert.

"And then?"
"We must find a projectile that will pierce any armor."

Nothing Doing.

"Hello, pa," said the college youth on the long-distance phone; "I am beginning to get worried about that check I wrote to you for—"

"Don't worry about it, my boy," replied his father; "it's safe."

"Ah!"
"Yes, safe in my check book. Good-by."

Danger in Hair Dye.

Knott Yette—You mean to say that the use of hair dye is dangerous?

Ben Thayer—I do. Let me tell you something. A dear friend of mine, a happy bachelor, found his hair was turning gray at thirty. Well, he had it dyed a deep black. Four weeks later he was married.—Tales.

Nothing In It.



Skinflint—I have no money, but I will give you a little advice.

Beggar—Well, if yer hain't got no money yer advice can't be very valuable.

Guileless.

"Do you think," she asked, "that there are any girl angels in heaven?"
"I haven't given the matter much thought," he replied, "but I know of one girl angel who isn't there."
"Oh, Tom!" she cried when she could again use her mouth for speaking purposes, "you don't think I said it just to lead you up to it, do you?"

What He Owed.

"Doctor, I owe you my life."
"Oh, no; only for thirty-two visits."

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Announcements.

Friends of Herbert S. Logan authorize us to announce his name as a candidate for tax assessor of Eddy county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

James L. Walling, a well-known business man of Waco, Texas, and a son of J. K. Walling of Dayton, arrived in Artesia this week to interview the board of town trustees on the subject of an electric light plant and ice factory. He proposes to place an application for franchise before the trustees at the next meeting. Mr. Walling has been engaged in this line of business a number of years. If he gets permission to put in the plant he says he is ready to make bond for prompt compliance.

The Artesia Library Association has made application to the Territory for articles of incorporation.

TO OUR FRIENDS

During the past year we have, in this little space, endeavored to tell you why you should have a bank account, outlining briefly the numerous ways in which it will be of service to you. During the year, numerous new names have been added to our list of depositors, and among them are many young men and boys who have never had a bank account before. If what we have said from time to time has influenced the opening of these new accounts, we feel amply repaid for our time and cost of this space, for we feel sure that you will never regret the making of your first deposit. The past year has been a successful one with us, and if your patronage and influence have in any way contributed to our success, we heartily thank you for it. But if you are not now a depositor, we hope to have you with us in 1906. If you have contemplated the opening of a bank account, begin it with the new year, and see how you will be interested in it before the year closes.

Trusting that 1906 may bring you happiness and prosperity, we remain,

Yours truly,
The First National Bank of Artesia.

BY AN OVERSIGHT.

The Board of County Commissioners Failed to Make Levy to Pay Interest on School Bonds.

The board of directors of Artesia school district were very much surprised and chagrined this week to learn that the Board of County Commissioners at its sitting last spring had failed to make a levy of taxes with which to provide interest money and a sinking fund for the \$10,000 worth of school building bonds issued last year. The bonds were issued more than a year ago and the interest and sinking fund should have been provided for, but it was not. County Clerk W. R. Owen writes the secretary of the school board that the levy for Artesia district is only the 75 cents put on for school maintenance purposes and that interest money and bond payment money will have to be paid out of that. This is to be regretted, as it means that the school term will have to be cut short in order to pay interest with current expense money. This will be for this year alone, however, as the commissioners will no doubt do its duty in the premises at the coming spring meeting.

W. O. W. Officers Elected.

The local Woodmen Lodge held an interesting meeting at the hall Tuesday night. Officers for ensuing year were elected as follows: C. R. Echols, C. C.; James Armstrong, A. L.; Ewin Walling, banker; Will Watkins, watchman; Gayle Talbot, sentinel; B. F. Sloane, manager, to succeed A. V. Logan. One candidate was initiated into the order, and the boys gave the last degree to a huge supply of hot tamales, with cigars on the side.

An invitation was accepted from the Camp at Carlsbad to be present at an installation and banquet next Tuesday night.

The Bank in Fine Condition.

Hon. C. V. Safford, of Santa Fe, traveling auditor of the Territory of New Mexico, spent last Friday in Artesia for the purpose of examining into the affairs and condition of the Bank of Artesia, a state institution. Mr. Safford expressed himself as much surprised and pleased to find the young bank doing such a volume of business, especially in the way of loans. He expects to visit Artesia every six months in the future for a like purpose.

Methodist Church.

Sunday school at ten o'clock. Let us have a full attendance at Sunday school. Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor. Subject: "The Stoning of Stephen" and at 7 p. m. "The Flight of Time." All are invited. J. H. Messer, Pastor.

New Drug Store.

The Advocate is requested to announce that the new drug firm composed of E. L. Robertson and V. E. Fathree will open for business in the Brumelsick building next week.

Hon. C. N. Safford, of Santa Fe, who visited Artesia for the first time last week, in conversation with the Advocate, said the young city was a source of wonder to him, and regretted that the inclement weather prevented him taking a drive among the farms.

J. W. Turknott, the pioneer sheep man and owner of the champion artesian well of the world, makes a timely talk to our readers this week on the subject of conserving the water supply. When a man starts out on one of the public roads around Artesia these days he does not know what fate has in store for him. Many well owners seem to have no regard for the welfare of the public, nor existing laws on the subject. Irrigation ditches everywhere are running to waste. This should be stopped by mutual consent. A good New Year resolution would be for every well owner to promise to see that his well did not produce a bog hole for his neighbor.

A case of diphtheria is reported in the family of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Turner, on Grand avenue.

W. G. Dimler, of Dayton, Ohio, is in the valley for the winter and may make Artesia his home. He is a machinist by trade and has been making the National Cash Registers for three years. He says these machines have 6500 parts.

Now is the time to get your street hat clearing sales for the spring millinery. Dress hats \$2 to \$8 with 25 per cent discount. Come and see for yourself. Millinery Store.

Sybel, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Naylor died Thursday with something like pneumonia. The funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church yesterday afternoon at 2:30, Rev. J. H. Messer officiating. The parents have the sympathy of all their neighbors.

Prof. L. W. Martin, of Hagerman, spent yesterday in Artesia.

W. P. Chisum and family and W. J. Chisum and family came down from Roswell Sunday evening to take Christmas with Mrs. Sallie Robert.

Mrs. Annie Scoggins visited Roswell Wednesday.

C. D. Cleveland, T. C. Shoemaker, C. L. Heath, J. C. Maxwell, John S. Major, W. W. Major were Roswell visitors this week.

George Alkier, Lexington, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays with his friends, the Yeagans, on their Penasco ranch.

Get your dress made at the Millinery store. Plain dress \$1. Shirt waist 75 cents to \$1. Thomason & Lawhon.

160 acres of land nine miles northwest of Artesia for sale cheap. For further information call at the Millinery Store.

Joe A. Clayto, the local architect, has this week prepared a pretty design and set of plans for the two-story residence C. D. Cleveland will have erected. Mr. Cleveland has purchased the half block of land on Quay avenue, south of the First National Bank, upon which are planted so many nice shade trees.

A. M. Bowles, of Nemo, Okla., will become a citizen of Artesia, having this week bought eighty acres of land southwest of town.

George W. Christian, one of the very earliest settlers in Artesia, has finally found his nerve and this week filed upon 120 acres of land west of town.

Dr. E. G. Sharp, a prominent practitioner of Guthrie, Okla., this week bought from C. J. Moore eighty acres of patented land three miles northwest of Artesia.

Wanted—A man to gather corn. Two weeks work. Apply this office.

Rev. E. E. Mathes, Presbyterian pastor, will preach at the Christian church tomorrow morning. Everybody invited.

Correctly printed contracts for drilling artesian wells for sale at the Advocate office.

Be enterprising, help advertise Artesia. Use envelopes with a big well printed upon them. Two packages for 25c at the Advocate office.

Get Your Horses Fat.

Now is your chance. Fine green alfalfa pasture and plenty of water. Two miles from town. Rate \$2.00 per month. E. A. Clayton.

Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my diseases, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold under guarantee to do the same for you, by Pecos valley Drug Co. at 50c a bottle. Try them today.

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL. PECOS VALLEY DRUG CO.

While we endeavor to adopt the most desirable methods of modern banking, we propose never to lose sight of these essential qualities:

Safety, Security, Responsibility, Efficiency, Conservatism.

S. W. GILBERT, President,

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

ARTESIA, N. MEX.

Capital Paid Up, - - \$25,000.00

Surplus and Undivided Profits, 5,000.00

The affairs of this bank are governed with that conservatism, combined with enterprise and up-to-date methods, which makes for soundness and satisfactory banking service. Its officers believe that banking connections formed on a basis of good service at a reasonable compensation—and not on sentiment or undue influence—will endure. That a bank which has ample capital and reserve in proportion to its deposit liability, and makes SAFETY THE FIRST CONSIDERATION, and is operated along conservative lines is entitled to and will receive its due proportion of the public patronage.

WE INVITE NEW ACCOUNTS.

We are as Busy as Busy Can Be

Because our work suits the people and our prices are right.

We take time and pains to satisfy our customers and they will come again.

The GALVANIZED IRON TANKS we have been making lately are proving to be the best. If you wish to save some of the cold rain water the coming winter, let us make you a good cistern. We guarantee satisfaction and the cost to you will not be much.

LOGAN & NABERS,

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THE AMERICAN WELL WORKS,

AURORA, ILLINOIS,

Makes High Grade Well Sinking Machinery at Moderate Prices

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Have in stock a large supply of The American Well Works. Engines, Steam and Power Pumps, Rotarys, Hoisters, all kinds of Rotary tools, well supplies, wrought iron line pipe and casing.

Notice to Well Drillers.

I will exchange a desert claim of 160 acres in Section 9, half-way between Lakewood and Dayton, for a well to be drilled upon my land in Section 14. Address F. L. Hopkins, Lakewood, N. M.

Now is Your Chance.

To get a home. I will sell you one acre up to forty, at a reasonable price. See me at once. E. N. Heath.

Go to John Schrock Lumber Co. for White Lead, oil and painters supplies.

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RIGHT PRICES.

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Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

Lumber, Laths, Shingles, Mouldings, Sash, Doors, Lime, Cement, Plaster, Brick and all kinds of

Building Material.

White Pine a Specialty.

Eminent Doctors praise its ingredients.

We refer to that boon to weak, nervous, suffering women known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Dr. John Fyfe one of the Editorial Staff of THE ECLECTIC MEDICAL REVIEW says of Unicorn root (*Helonias Dioica*), which is one of the chief ingredients of the "Favorite Prescription":

"A remedy which invariably acts as a uterine invigorator... means for normal activity of the entire reproductive system." He continues "In Helonias we have a medication which more fully answers the above purposes than any other drug with which I am acquainted. In the treatment of diseases peculiar to women it is seldom that a case is seen which does not present some indication for this remedial agent." Dr. Fyfe further says: "The following are among the leading indications for Helonias (Unicorn root). Pain or aching in the back, with leucorrhoea; atonic (weak) conditions of the reproductive organs of women, neural depression and irritability, accompanied with chronic diseases of the reproductive organs of women, constant sensation of heat in the region of the kidneys; menorrhagia (flooding), due to a weakened condition of the reproductive system; amenorrhoea (suppressed or absent monthly periods), arising from or accompanying an abnormal condition of the digestive organs and anemic (thin blood) habit; dragging sensations in the extreme lower part of the abdomen."

If more or less of the above symptoms are present, no invalid woman can do better than take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, one of the leading ingredients of which is Unicorn root, or Helonias, and the medical properties of which it most faithfully represents.

Of Golden Seal root, another prominent ingredient of "Favorite Prescription," Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., of Bennett Medical College, Chicago, says: "It is an important remedy in disorders of the womb. In all catarrhal conditions... and general enfeeblement, it is useful."

Prof. John M. Scudder, M. D., late of Cincinnati, says of Golden Seal root: "In relation to its general effects on the system, there is no medicine in use about which there is such general unanimity of opinion. It is universally regarded as the tonic useful in all debilitated states."

Prof. Bartholow, M. D., of Jefferson Medical College, says of Golden Seal: "Valuable in uterine hemorrhage, menorrhagia (flooding) and congestive dysmenorrhoea (painful menstruation)."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription faithfully represents all the above named ingredients and cures the diseases for which they are recommended.

Clear up as you work; it takes but a moment then, and saves time afterwards.

No Equal.

A household remedy unexcelled is Hunt's Lightning Oil. Good for all the aches and pains mankind is subject to. Not only good, but better than the best of other kinds.

If we all received vot ve ding we deser der would be nudding left for der udder fellow.

Do not use newspapers to wrap about anything eatable.

Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease. "I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently and have just bought another supply. It has cured my corns, and the hot, burning and itching sensation in my feet which was almost unbearable, and I would not be without it now."—Mrs. W. J. Walker, Camden, N. J." Sold by all Druggists, 25c.

The oven can afford to wait for the cake, but not the cake for the oven.

Duchess' Stories For Children.

The Duchess of Buckingham and Chandos is publishing a book of stories for children which are a tradition in her family history. The tales are real children's stories which have been handed down from generation to generation. The author, who says she can remember them word by word, has written them down as they were told, first to her grandmother, then by her to the duchess' mother, who in turn passed them on to her children and grandchildren.

CONVINCING EVIDENCE

That Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Will Cure Rheumatism.

"People can cure themselves of a good many common ailments at a very small cost if they go about it the right way," said Mr. Hoar, recently. "For instance, I have just cured myself of a very painful disease. I might have begun to treat it sooner, that's all the mistake I made in the matter. But I found the root of the difficulty and I picked out the right remedy without the aid of a doctor."

"It was really all in my blood. I first felt a twinge in my left foot and ankle in the middle of last January, following exposure to cold. I realized I had rheumatism and I knew that really comes from bad blood. Cold simply develops it. Then my hands and feet were cold and clammy even in hot weather, and numb a great part of the time. I concluded that my blood was thin and poor and the circulation sluggish."

"After a time my feet and ankles swelled so badly that I could only tie my shoes half way up. My legs swelled terribly and I could walk only a short distance before giving out completely."

"When I read of the cures of all kinds of blood diseases, that had been effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I was convinced that they were just the remedy for my case, and so it proved. I could see that they were benefitting me before I had quite used up the first box. The improvement was decidedly marked after I had taken two boxes. Three more boxes restored my hands and feet and legs to natural size and feeling and then I stopped taking medicine and have since been perfectly well."

Mr. F. LeRoy Hoar lives at No. 132 Constitution street, Bristol, R. I. Any one can get convincing evidence that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured anemia, rheumatism, erysipelas and other serious diseases of the blood by simply writing to the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

A healthy soul is always an affectionate soul. When you feel good yourself you feel good toward everybody.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

A woman never thinks that a man thinks she talks too much.

ATTRACTIVE YOUNG LADY agents wanted in every Town and City.—Complete outfit furnished free. We guarantee that you can make from \$1.00 to \$4.00 per day. Address P. O. Drawer No. 999, Buffalo, N. Y.

An ounce of flattery goes farther with a woman than a pound of sympathy.

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

If patience is a virtue, and virtue is its own reward, patience really doesn't cut much ice.

It Does.

Hunt's Cure is not a misnomer. It does cure Itch, Ringworm, Eczema, Tetter and all similar skin diseases. A wonderful remedy. Guaranteed.

A bachelor farmer says that the quickest way to remove weeds is to propose to a widow.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.*
In Use For Over 30 Years,
The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Mrs. Cornelius Chauerbat talks so much dot she has no speaking acquaintances—only listeners.

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 4-pound 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.

A man's sins may find him out, but dey chenerally sit on der doorstep and wait till he comes back.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. W. A. RORER, KINMAN & MARTIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Rich Patron of Grand Opera. James Stillman, the New York banker, has established a new record as patron of opera, having obtained for the coming season two parterre boxes for a total of 101 performances, which, at the rate of \$100 a performance, makes a total output on the part of the banker of \$10,100 for the pleasure of witnessing grand opera from the "diamond horseshoe." The owners of the celebrated first row of boxes—those upholstered in red plush and supplied with gold chairs—are, with a few exceptions, kind enough to allow certain of their friends to occupy their precious vantage points—for a consideration—and that consideration is \$100 per performance.

Cures Blood, Skin Troubles, Cancer, Blood Poison. Greatest Blood Purifier Free.

If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scrofula, eczema, itching, risings and lumps, scabby, pimply skin, bone pains, catarrh, rheumatism, or any blood or skin disease, take Bontan Blood Balm (B. B. B.) according to directions. Soon all sores heal, aches and pains stop, the blood is made pure and rich, leaving the skin free from every eruption, and giving the rich glow of perfect health to the skin. At the same time B. B. B. improves the digestion, cures dyspepsia, strengthens weak kidneys. Just the medicine for old people, as it gives them new, vigorous blood. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special free medical advice also sent in sealed letter. B. B. B. is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases of impure blood and skin disease, and cures after all else fails.

Throuble alwez comes quickest where he's expected an preparations is ma-made fr 'm.

Hundreds of dealers say the extra quantity and superior quality of Defiance Starch is fast taking place of all other brands. Others say they cannot sell any other starch.

The religion of a healthy mind is simply the religion of childhood continued into mature life and glorified.

Dealers say that as soon as a customer tries Defiance Starch it is impossible to sell them any other cold water starch. It can be used cold or boiled.

Ever find a child that was looking for fire to descend from the sky and burn up the apple blossoms and the robins?

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. Made of ripe, mellow tobacco, so rich in quality that many who formerly smoked 10c cigars now smoke Lewis' "Single Binder." Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Git rich if yes can do ut widout thradin' yer happiness fr money.

Try It.

Off in the stillly night a racking cough doth rob us of that sweet sleep which nature seeks to give. Simmons' Cough Syrup is an infallible cure; untroubled sleep and pleasant dreams it doth assure. Guaranteed.

Christianity is not only the religion of a healthy mind but the religion that makes and keeps the mind healthy.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption, has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

If the good old times could come back they might spoil their fine reputations.

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At Druggists, 25c., 50c. and \$1.00 per bottle.

It's cowardly to hit a man when he is down—but it's usually safer.

Job was a patient man, but he has no record as a successful fisherman.

Don't you know that Defiance Starch besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in package and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

If love were really blind age would have fewer terrors for the fair sex.

A pessimist is a man who is miserable when he is happy.

THE DISCOVERER

Of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, the Great Woman's Remedy for Woman's Ills.



No other female medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles or such hosts of grateful friends as has

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

It will entirely cure the worst forms of Female Complaints, all Ovarian Troubles, Inflammation and Ulceration, Falling and Displacement of the Womb, and consequent Spinal Weakness, and is peculiarly adapted to the Change of Life.

It has cured more cases of Backache and Leucorrhoea than any other remedy the world has ever known. It is almost infallible in such cases. It dissolves and expels tumors from the Uterus in an early stage of development.

Irregular, Suppressed or Painful Menstruation, Weakness of the Stomach, Indigestion, Bloating, Flooding, Nervous Prostration, Headache, General Debility quickly yield to it. Womb troubles, causing pain, weight and backache, instantly relieved and permanently cured by its use. Under all circumstances it invigorates the female system, and is as harmless as water.

It quickly removes that Bearing-down Feeling, extreme lassitude, "don't care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, irritability, nervousness, Dizziness, Faintness, sleeplessness, flatulency, melancholy or the "blues" and headache. These are sure indications of Female Weakness, or some derangement of the Uterus, which this medicine always cures. Kidney Complaints and Backache, of either sex, the Vegetable Compound always cures.

Those women who refuse to accept anything else are rewarded a hundred thousand times, for they get what they want—a cure. Sold by Druggists everywhere. Refuse all substitutes.

THE EXTERNAL USE OF

St. Jacobs Oil

is the short, sure, easy cure for **Rheumatism and Neuralgia**

It penetrates to the seat of torture, and relief promptly follows. Price, 25c. and 50c.

Soopnoodle vent abroad for sefen veeks and learned enough to make me sick listening for sefen years.

Many an otherwise sensible man is troubled with the quick-lunch habit, after he once starts down hill.

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A Timely Talk.

To the Well-owners of the Valley:
Seeing what I have seen, I wish to say a few words in regard to the great waste of water that I think is going on here. In the first place, it's the water that puts the value on our land, and without it our lands would be nearly worthless. Now we are letting that valuable water waste, and sooner or later we may know to our sorrow what we have done. And the waste of the water is not all. When running loose, it swamps the land and will cause sickness. Besides, we know there are a great many people who make their living by freighting and hauling over the roads. We need these people; they are brothers. How can we expect them to haul loads over these muddy and boggy roads and lanes? Now, neighbors, I would be glad that you give this some thought. I own a well and I am not trying to play good myself. We got these wells to irrigate the land, not waste.
J. W. TURKNETT.

Earl Cobb, who has been the able and genial manager of the Joyce-Pruit Company establishment at this place ever since its location, will sever his connection with the house in a few days, and return to his former home in Canyon, Texas, to engage in business for himself. His place will be filled by Mr. Olin Ragsdall, who has moved his family here and become a citizen. Mr. Cobb has been an able man in the place and has proven himself a live, progressive citizen under all circumstances and he will be missed by a large circle of friends in Artesia. He is an exceptionally fine business man for one of his age and we predict a successful future for him.

Important to You.

Owing to the fact that a few tickets were unsold at the time named for the drawing of the china set, I have been compelled to extend the date a short while. Only comparatively few tickets are left and one goes with each cash sale of \$1.00. As soon as they are gone, the handsome set of Haviland China will go to the holder of the lucky number. First come, first served.
J. P. Dyer.

Thomas J. Showver, of this place, has filed on 160 acres of land in Section 6, T. 18, R. 25.

Dr. Martin Merrill of Carthage, Mo., is the guest of his brother, T. A. Merrill. He will probably locate to practice his profession.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church, will meet with Mrs. B. F. Brown, Wednesday, Jan. 3, at 2 p. m.

His friends say that the coming of Old Santa rattled Hugh Alison so badly that he didn't know his own horse and buggy. He bought his wife a pair of shoes and put them in another man's vehicle. He has been mightily pestered about it ever since.

It is said that arrangements are complete for extending the Santa Fe Central from Torrance to Roswell.

For Rent—All or part of the stone building in Artesia. Good location for any business. Write S. E. Russ, Roswell, N. M.

Ethel, the four year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Henderson has been quite sick with bronchial pneumonia, but is much improved at this writing.

Artesia's markets displayed a fine assortment of Christmas turkeys and dressed pigs.

Old Santa Claus came down the chimney sure enough at the Christian church Monday night—and he was greeted by a housefull of children. All present were entertained with a nice musical and literary program.

Rev. E. Ward, pastor of the Baptist church, will conduct services at the Christian church Sunday evening. All are invited.

There came near being a serious fire at the residence of Will Benson Monday night. Some lace curtains became ignited from a nearby lamp. By heroic work, Mr. and Mrs. Benson extinguished the flames before serious damage was done.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Chas. Davis on Richardson Ave.

Alvin Hancock, Frederick, Okla., has purchased eighty acres of good land west of town and will become a citizen of Artesia. He is a brother of J. B. Hancock, the well known real estate agent.

Torture of a Preacher.

The story of the torture of Rev. O. D. Moore, pastor of the Baptist church, Harpersville, N. Y., will interest you. He says: "I suffered agonies, because of a persistent cough, resulting from the grip. I had to sleep sitting up in bed. I tried many remedies, without relief, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which entirely cured my cough, and saved me from consumption." A grand cure for diseased conditions of throat and lungs. At Pecos Valley Drug Store: price 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

Notice.

All persons are warned not to take sand from my land, N. W. ¼ Sec. 27, T. 15, S. R. 25 E., unless authorized by Lake Arthur Lbr. Co. or Kemp Lbr. Co. B. F. Dewey.

For Sale.

As I intend to go to Missouri in a few days, I offer the cobblestone house for sale. Two lots and two water-rights. Price \$4,400.00, which is several hundred dollars less than it cost. C. J. Moore.

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To the Public.

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Notice for Publication.

HOMESTEAD APPLICATION No. 3054.
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico, Dec. 19, 1905.
Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed no ice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on February 2, 1906, viz:
Robert E. McNally, of Roswell, New Mexico, for the north East Quarter of Sec. 8, T. 18 S., R. 25 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
William P. Lewis, of Roswell, N. M., Frank Wyckoff, of Hope, N. M., Charles Willburn, of Hope, N. M., Stone J. Willburn, of Hope, N. M.
Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.
United States Land Office, Roswell, New Mexico, November 21, 1905.
Notice is hereby given that Frank L. Strickland, of Felix, Chaves county, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 875, for the S1-2 of the NW1-4 of section 8, T. 17 S., R. 18 E., before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on Thursday, the 4th day of January, 1906.
He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:
William A. Rewes, of Elk, n. m., James J. Rewes, of Elk, n. m., Hester Powell, of Lower Pecos, n. m., Frank Wallace, of Lower Pecos, n. m.
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