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still the gay party lingered on the veranda. There had been a fortnight of "getting settled" at the new post, preceded by a month of marching that had brought the battalion from distant service to this strange Texan station The new comers had been hospitably welcomed by the officers of the little garrison of infantry, and now, in recognition of their many courtesies, the field officer commanding the arriving troops had been entertaining the resident officers and ladies at dinner. The colonel was a host in himself, but preferred not to draw too heavily on his reserves of anecdote and small talk, so he had called in two of his subalterns to assist in the pleasant duty of being attentive to the infantry ladies, and just now, at 11:45 p. m., he was wondering if Lieut. Perry had not too literally construed his instructions, for that young gentleman was devoting himself to Mrs. Belknap in a manner so marked as to make the captain, her lawful lord and master, manifestly uneasy.

Mrs. Belknap, however, seemed to enjoy the situation immensely. She was a pretty woman at most times, as even her rivals admitted. She was a beautiful woman at all times, was the verdict of the officers of the regiment when they happened to speak of the matter among chemselves. She was dark, with lustrous eyes and sweeping lashes, with WHITE OAKS, LINCOLN Co., N. M. and a way of glancing sideways from coral lips and much luxuriance of tress, under her heavily fringed eyelids that the younger and more impressionable men found quite irresistible when nocorded the rare luxury of a tete-a-tete. Belknap was a big and boisterous man; Mrs. Belknap was small in stature, and soft-very soft-of voice. Belknap was oither brusquely repellent or oppressively cordial in manner; Mrs. Belknap was either gently and exasperatingly indifferent to those whom she did not care to attract, or caressingly sweet to those whose attentions she desired.

> cers soon found that unless they wished to be involved in an unpleasantness with Belknap it was best to be only very moderately devoted to his pretty wife, and those to whom an unpleasantness with the big captain might have had no terrors of consequence were deterred by the fact that Mrs. Belknap's devotee among the "youngsters" had invariably become an object of coldness and aversion to the other dames and damsels of the garrison. Very short lived, therefore, had been the little flirtations that sprang up from time to time in those frontier posts wherein Capt. and Mrs. Belknap were among the chief ornaments of society; but now matters seemed to be taking other shape. From the very day that handsome Ned Perry dismounted in front of Belknap's quarters and with his soldiery salute reported to the then commanding officer that Col. Brainard and his battalion of cavalry would arrive in the course of two or three hours, Mrs. Belknap had evinced a contentment in his society and assumed an air of quasi-proprietorship that served to annoy her garrison sisters more than a little. For the time being all the cavalrymen were bachelors, either by uctual rank or "by brevet," as none of the ladies of the -th accompanied the battalion on its march, and none were expected until the stations of the regiment in its new department had been definitely settled. The post surgeon, too, was living a life of single blessedness as the early spring wore on, for his good wife had betaken herself, with the children, to the distant east as soon as the disap-

pearance of the winter's snows rendered staging over the hard prairie roads a matter of no great danger or discomfort. It was the doctor himself who, seated in an easy chair at the end of the veranda, first called the colonel's attention to Perry's devotional attitude at Mrs. Belknap's side. She was reclining in a hammock, one little, slippered foot occasionally touching the floor and imparting a gentle, swinging motion to the affair, and making a soothing swishswish of skirts along the matting underneath. Her jeweled hands looked very slender and 'ragile and white as they gleamed in the soft light that shone from the open windows of the parlor. They were busied in straightening out braid and tassel that was fastened in a clumsy, man like fashion to one of the "And you have never seen any of buttons at the side; he, seated in a camp them?" chair, was bending forward so that his kandsome, shapely head was only a has any one of the officers, except Dr. trifle higher than hers, and the twohers so dark and rich in coloring his so fair and massive and strong came about the inmates and why they keep rather too close together for the equa- up this policy of exclusiveness?" nimity of Capa Belknap, who had es-

saved to take a hand at whist in the par-

One or two or the ladies, also, were I obably, absurd. At all events, Capt. slight observers of the scene silent as to I wrence has told me he did not wish the scene because, being in conversation in to repeat what I had heard, or to be no the tane with brother office s of Lieuz, concerned in any way with the stories Perry, they were uncertain as yet how affect, so you must ask somebody else. comments on his growing flirtation might | Try the doctor. To change the subject. be received. That their eyes should oc- Mr. Perry, Tree you har a lost that myscasionally wander towards the hammock | terious little silken braid and tassel you and then glance with sympathetic sig- wore on your cap button. I fancied nificance at those of some fair olly and there was some romance attached to it, intimate was natural enough. Bu, when and now it is gone." it became presently apparent that Mrs.

Belknap was actually unfastening the little silken braid that had hung on Ned where I got that tassel, will you tell me Perry's cap ever since the day his ar-rival—all the while, too, lookin shyly Ranch?" up in his eyes as her fingers worked; when it was seen that she presently de-

tached it from the button and then, half hesitatingly, but evidently in compliance with his wishes, handed it to him; when he was seen to toss it carelessly-even contemptuously—away and then bend down lower, as though gazing into her shaded eyes, Mrs. Lawrence could stand it no longer.

Mer. Graham," said she. "isn't your friend, Mr. Perry, something of a flirt?" "Who?-Ned?" asked Mr. Graham, in well feigned amaze and with sadden glance towards the object of his inquiry. How on earth should I know anything about it? Of course you do not seek exsuppose to adapt himself to circumstances. But why do you ask?"

"Because I see that he has been inducing Mrs. Belknap to take off that little tassel on the button of his cap. He has worn it when off duty ever since he came; and we supposed it was something he cherished; I know she did."

Graham broke forth in a peal of merry laughter, but gave no further reply, for just then the colonel and the doctor left their chairs, and, sauntering over to the hammock, brought mighty relief to Belknap at the whist table and vexation of spirit to his pretty wife. The flirtation was broken at a most interesting point, and Perry, rising suddenly, came over

and joined Mrs. Lawrence. If she expected to see him piqued or annoyed at the interruption and somewhat perturbed in manner, she was greatly mistaken. Nothing could have been more sunshiny and jovial than the greeting he gave her. A laughing apology to Graham for spoiling his tete-atete was accomplished in a moment, and then down by her side he sat and plunged into a merry description of his experiences at dinner, where he had been placed next to the chaplain's wife on the one hand, and she had been properly aggrieved at his attentions to Mrs. Belknap on the other.

"You must remember that Mrs. Wells is a very strict Presbyterian, Mr. Perry; and, for that matter, none of us have seen a dinner such as the colonel gave us this evening for ever and ever so long. from the east-and long leave. Perhaps it is the fashion to be all devotion to one's next door neighbor at dinner."

"Not if she be as repellent and vener able as Mrs. Wells, I assure you. Why thought she would have been glad to leave the table when, after having refused sherry and Pontet-Canet for upwards of an hour, her glass was filled with champagne when she happened to be looking the other way."

"It is the first dinner of the kind she has ever seen here, Mr. Perry, and I In their own regiment the young offidon't suppose either Mr. or Mrs. Wells has been up so late before in years. He would have enjoyed staying and watching whist, but she carried him off almost as soon as we left the table. Our society has been very dull, you know-only ourselves at the post all this last year, and nobody outside of it."

"One would suppose that with all this magnificent cattle range there would be some congenial people ranching near you. Are there none at all?'

"Absolutely none! There are some ranches down in the Washita country but only one fine one near us; and that might as well be on the other side of the Atlantic. No one from there ever comes here: and Dr. Quin is the only living soul in the garrison who ever go within the walls of that ranch. What he saw there he positively refuses to tell, despite all our entreaty."

"You don't tell me there's a ranch with a mystery bere near Rossiterin exclaimed Mr. Perry, with sudden interest. "Why, I do, indeed! Is it possible you have been here two whole weeks and haven't heard of Dunraven Ranch?

"I've heard there was such a thing; I saw it from a distance when out hunting the other day. But what's the mystery? -what's the matter with it?"

"That's what we all want to knowand cannot find out. Now, there is an exploit worthy your energy and best efforts, Mr. Perry. There is a big. wealthy, well stocked ranch, the finest homestead buildings, we are told, in all ment among its occupants-but the own- the commanding officer. er only comes around once or twice a boorish, discourteous lot of men you ever | In a few seconds a faint gleam seemed or twice a year some very ordinary looking men arrive who are said to be very the kinks in the gold cord of his forage distinguished people—in England; but "Come," she said, plucking at his cap and in rearranging a little silken they remain only a little while, and go sleeve, "come away; it is the doctor." away as suddenly as they came.'

"Never, except at a distance. Nor

Quin." "And you have never heard anything

"We have heard all manner of things mysteriously tragic, and all of them, cell mer

Perry laughed, his blue eyes to nkling with fun: "If I will tell you how and

"I cannot, unless Capt. Lawrence withdraws his prohibition. Perhaps he will, bough, for I think it was only because he was tired of hearing all our conjectures and theories."

the captain to say he has no objection?" persisted Perry. "I will to-morrow—if you will tell me

about the tassel to-night,"

"Is it a positive promise? You will tell me to-morrow all you have heard about Dunraven Ranch if I will tell you tonight all I know about the tassel?'

"Yes-a promise." "Very well, then. You are a witness to the compact, Graham. Now for my pert testimony in asking me. He tri s, I | confession. I have worn that tassel ever since our parting ball at Fort Riley. That is to say, it has been fastened to that button ever since he ball until tonight; but I've been mighty careful not to weat that cap on any kind of duty.' "And yet you let Mrs. Belknap take it

off to-night?" "Why shouldn't I? There was no sentiment whatever attached to it. I haven't the faintest idea whose it was, and only tied it there for the fun of the thing and to make Graham, here, ask questions."

"Mr. Perry!" gasped Mrs. Lawrence. And do you mean that Mrs. Belknap knows-that you told her what you have just told me?"

"Well, no," laughed Perry. "I fancy Mrs. Belknap thinks as you thoughtthat it was a gage d'amour. Hallo! look at that light away out there across the prairie. What can that be?"

Mrs. Lawrence rose suddenly to her feet and gazed southeastward in the direction in which the young officer pointed. It was a lovely, starlit night. A soft wind was blowing gently from the south and bearing with it the fragrance of spring blossoms and far away flowerets. Others, too, had arisen, attracted by Perry's sudden exclamation. Mrs. Belknap turned languidly in her hammock and glanced over her pretty white shoulder. The colonel followed her eyes with his and gave a start of surprise. The doctor turned slowly and composedly and looked silently towards the glistening object, and then upon the officers We are quite unused to the ways of of the cavalry there fell sudden astonish-

> 'What on earth could that have been?" asked the colonel. "It gleamed like the head light of a locomotive, away down there in the valley of the Mones, then suddenly went out."

> "Be silent a moment and watch," whispered Mrs. Lawrence to Perry. 'You will see it again; and-watch the doctor." •

Surely enough, even as they were all looking about and commenting on the strange apparition, it suddenly glared forth a second time, shining full and lustrous as an unclouded planet, yet miles away beyond and above the fringe of cottonwoods that wound southeastward with the little stream. Full half a minute it shone, and then, abruptly as before, was hidden from sight.

Perry was about starting forward to foin the colonel when a little hand was laid upon his arm.

"Wait; once more you'll see it." she whispered. "Then take me in to Capt. Lawrence. Do you see that the doctor is leaving?"

Without saying a word to any one, the posteurgeon had very quietly withdrawn from the group on the veranda. He could not well leave by the front gate without attracting attention; but he strolled leisurely into the hall, took up a book that lay on the table, and passed through the group of officers scated smoking and chatting there, entered the sitting room on the south side of the hall—the side opposite the parlor where the whist game was in progress-and there he was lost to sight.

A third time the bright light burst upon the view of the gazers. A third time, sharply and suddenly, it disappeared. Then for a moment all was silence and watchfulness; but it came no

Perry looked questioningly in his comwhite, and he felt sure that she was shivering.

"Are you cold?" he asked her, gently, "No not that; but I hate mysteries, after what I've heard, and we haven't this part of Texas. They say it is beautern that light in ever so long. Come tifully furnished—that it has a fine here to the corner one moment." And library, a grand piano, all manner of she led him around to the other flank of things indicative of culture and refine- the big wooden, barrack like residence of if I don't put myself in arrest, or confine

"Look up there," she said, pointing to year, and is an icoberg of an English a dark window under the peaked dorner and hops and such things. Then I can man. All the people about the ranch roof of the large cottage to the south. ere English, too, and the most repellent, "That is the doctor's house."

saw. When the Eleventh were here to preep through the slate. Then the just can't wake up." they did everything they could to be slats themselves were thrown wide open, civil to them, but not an invitation a white shade was lowered, and, with would they accept, not one would they the rays behind it growing brighter evextend; and so from that day to this ery instant, a broad white light shone none of the officers have had any inter- forth over the roof of the veranda. Ancourse with the people at the ranca, and other moment and footsteps were heard presently approached them along the

> "For what reason?" he answered. "That would seem like hiding. No. Mrs. Lawrence, let us stay until he comes."

But the doctor passed them with brief and court ous salutation; spoke at the beauty of the night and the balm of the summery air, and went in again by the main door to the colonel's quarters.

Then Perry turned to his partner: Well, Mrs. Lawrence, what does it all -some of them wildly romantic, some meant is this part of what you had to Mr. Perry would settle on somebody, be-

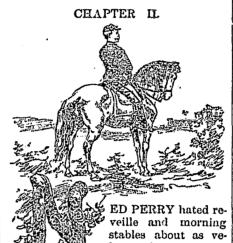
"Don't ask me now. I-I did not want to see what we have seen, but I had heard queer stories and could not believe them. Take me in to Capt. Lawrence, please. And, Mr. Perry, you won't speak of this to any one, will your Indeed, if I had known. I would not have come out he of for the world; but I didn't believe it, even when she went away and took the children."

Who went away?" "Mrs. Quin-the doctor's wife. And she was such a sweet woman, and so devoted to him."

'Well, pardon me, Mrs. Lawrence, I don't see through this thing at all. Do you mean that the doctor has anything to do with the mystery?"

She bowed her head as they turned back to the house: "I must not tell you any more to-night. You will be sure to hear something of it all, here. Every-"Well, will you tell me if I can induce body on the piazza saw the lights, and all who were here before you came knew what they meant."

What were they?" "Signals, of some kind, from Dunraven



he said. hemently as was possible to a young fellow who was in other 'Of course you can go-go wherever you

respects thoroughly in love with his profession. A fairer type of the American cavalry officer, when once he got in saddle and settled down to business, one would hardly ask to find. Tall, athletic, slender of build, with frank, laughing blue eyes, curly, close cropped, light brown hair, and a twirling mustache that was a source of inexpressible delight to its owner and of some envy to his brother subalterns. Mr. Perry was probably the best looking of the young officers who marched with the battalion to this far away station on the borders of the Llano Estacado. He had been ten years in service, counting the four he spent as a cadet, had just won his silver bar as the junior first lieutenant of the regiment, was full to the brim of health, energy, animal spirits and fun, and, barring a few duns and debts in his earlier experiences, had never known a heavier care in the world than the transient and ophomeral anxiety as to whether he subject he had not so much as looked at, or "hived" absent from a roll call he had lazily slept through.

Any other man, his comrades said,

would have been spoiled a dozen times over by the petting he had received from both men and women; but there was something essentially sweet and genial about his nature-something "lacking in guile about his perceptions," said a cynical old captain of the regiment—and a jovial, sunshing way of looking upon the world as an Eden, all men and all women as friends, and the army as the profession above all others, and these various attributes combined to make him popular with his kind and unusually attractive to the opposite sex. As a cadet he had been perpetually on the verge of dismissal because of the appalling array of demerits he could roll up against his name, and yet the very officers who jotted down the memoranda of his sins-omission and commission-against the regulations were men who openly said he "had the making of one of the finest soldiers in the class." As junior second lieutenant -"plebe"-of the regiment, he had been welcomed by every man from the colonel down, and it was considered particularly rough that he should have to go to such a company as Capt. Canker's, because Canker was a man who never got along with any of his juniors; but there was something so irrepressibly frank and contrite in Perry's boyisls face when he would appear at his captain's door in the early morning and burst out with: "By Jove, captain! I slept through reveille again this morning, and never got down till stables were nearly over," that even that cross grained but honest troop commander was disarmed, and, though he threatened and reprimanded, he would never panion's face. She had turned a little punish-would never deny his subaltern the faintest privilege; and when promotion took the captain to another regiment he bade good-by to Perry with eyes that were suspiciously wet. "Why. blow it all, what do you fellows hate Canker so for?" the youngster often said. "He ought to put me in arrest time and again, but he won't. Blamed myself to the limits of the post, and do something, to cut all this going to town stick to the troop like wax and get up at reveille: but if I'm out dancing till 2 or B in the morning it's no use, I tell you; I It was always predicted of Ned Perry that he would be "married and done for" "ithin a year of his graduation, Every new face in the five years that

followed revived the garrison prophecy, "Now he's gone, sure!" but, howthe holdiers know very little more. Once | along the doctor's porch, footsteps that ever devoted he might seem to the damsel in question, however restless and impatient he might be when compelled by his duties to absent himself from her side, however promising to casual observersperchance to the damser herself-might be all the surface indications, the absolute frank ess with which he proclaimed his admiration to every listener, and the fact that he "had been just so with half a dozen other girls," enabled the cooler

"I do wish," said Mrs. Turner, othat

rather hard to tell who he belongs to." of the -th, and one to whom the young officers were always expected to show much attention, her whimsical way of describing the situation was readily understood.

But here at the new station—ac far away Rossit -- matters were taking on a new look. To begin with, the wives of the officers of the cavalry battalion had not joined, none of the ladies of the -th were here, and none would be apt to corre until the summer's scouting work was over and done with. The ladies of the little battalion of infantry

were here, and, though there were no maiden sisters or cousins yet at the post-(rest assured that more than one was already summoned), they were sufficient in number to enliven the monotony of garrison life and sufficiently attractive to warrant all the attention they cared to ceive. It was beginning to be garrison chat that if Ned Perry had not "settled on somebody" as the ultimate object of his entire devotion, somebody had settled on him, and that was pretty

And though Ned Perry hated reveille and morning stables, as has been said. and could rarely "take his week" without making one or more lapses, here he was this beautiful May morning out at daybreak when it was his junior's tour of duty, and wending his way with that youngster out to the line of cavarry staoles, booted and spurred and equipped

The colonel had listened with some surprise to his request, proffered just as the party was breaking up the night before, to be absent from garrison a few

hours the following morning. "But we have battalion drill at 9 o'clock, Mr. Perry, and I need you there,"

"Oh, I'll be back in time for that, sir. wanted to be off three hours or so before breakfast." The colonel could not help laughing.

like at those hours, when you are not on guard; but I never imagined you would want to get up so early.' "Neither I would, colonel, but I've been interested in something I heard about this ranch down the Monee, and

thought I'd like to ride down and look "Go ahead, by all means, and see whether those lights came from there. It made me think of a play I once sawthe 'Colleen Bawn'-where a fellow's sweetheart signaled across the lake by showing a light in her cottage window just that way three times, and he answered by turning out the lights in his room. Of course the distance wasn't anything like this; and there was no one here to turn down any light- Eh! what did you say?" "I beg pardon, colonel. I didn't mean

elbow, while a little hand on Perry's arm gave it a sudden and vigorous squeeze but Capt. Lawrence has called me twice -he will not re-enter after lighting his cigar-and I must say good night." "Oh, good night, Mrs. Lawrence. I'm sorry you go so early We are going to

reform you all in that respect as soon as we get farly settled. Here's Perry, now, would sit up and play whist with me an hour vet.' "Not this night, colonel. He has promised to walk home with us" (another

squeeze), "and go he must, or be a faithless escort. Good night. We've had such a lovely, lovely time." And Ned Perry, dazed, went with her

to the gate, where Capt. Lawrence was awaiting them. She had barely time to "You were just on the point of telling him about the doctor's lights. I cannot forgive myself for being the means of

seeing it; but keep my confidence, and keep-this until everybody is talking about it; it will come soon enough." Naturally, Mr. Perry went home some what perturbed in spirit and all alive with conjecture as to what these things could mean. The first notes of "assembly of the trumpeters"—generally known as "first call"-roused him from his sleep. and by the time the men marched out to dulity and wonderment and trouble all the stable: he had had he plunge bath, a vigorous rub and a chance to think over his plans before following in their tracks. dressed for his ride. The astonishment of Lieut. Parke, the junior of the troop, was something almost too deep for words

when Perry caine bounding to his side. "What on earth brings you out, Ned?"

was his only effort. "Going for a gallop-down the Monee: that's all. I haven't had a freshener for

"Gad! we get exercise enough at morning drill, one would think, and our horses too. Ohl"- And Mr. Parke stopped suddenly. It flashed across him that perhaps Perry was going riding with a lady friend and the hour was her selection. If so, 'twas no business of his, and remarks were uncalled for.

When its mounted and rode away from the stable Mr. Parke was outside at the picket rope, and basily occupied in his duties, supervising the fastening of the fresh, spirited horses at the line, for the troop commarder was a man intolerant of disorder of any kind, and nothing more offended his eye than the sight of two or three of his charges loose and plunging and kicking up and down the stable yard. On the other hand, there was no one exploit that seemed to give reached the other side. the younger animals keener delightnothing that made the perpetrator a bigger hero in his own eyes or the object of greater envy among his fellows—and as a consequence every device of which equine ingenuity was master was called into play, regularly as the morning came around, to break loose either from the controlling hand of the trooper or from the taut and straining picket rope. The first care of the officer in charge of the troop sergeants was, therefore, to see that all the horses were securely lashed and knotted. Not until he had examined every "halter shank" was Mr. Parke at heads of the regiment to decide that the leisure to look around, but when he did time had not yet come-or at least the his comrade had disappeared from view.

And over this broad level, horizon cause, just so long as he doesn't, it is seen. Far away, in little groups of three toon Inderground's.

And, as Mrs. Turner had long been a or four, black dots of grazing cattle reigning bolle among the married women marked the plain, and over in the "breaks" of the Monee, just beyond the fringing cottonwoods, two or three herds of Indian ponies were sleepily cropping their movning meal, watched by the little black imp of a boy whose dirty red blanket made the only patch of color against the southern landscape. Later in the day, when the sun mounted high in the heavens and the brisk westerly winds sent the clouds sailing swift across the skies, all the broad prairie seemed in motion, for then huge shadows swept its face with measured speed, and distart cattle and neighboring nony herd appeared as though calmly and contentedly riding on a broad platform, Nature's own "observation car." taking a leisurely journey towards the far away

But the sun was only just up as Mr. Parke came back from his inspection of the halter fastenings and paused to look across the low valley. Far down to the southeast the rays seemed glinting on some bright objects clustered together within short range of the shadowy fringe, and the lieutenant shaded his eyes with his gauntlet and looked fixedly thitherward as he stood at the stable

"Some new tinning down at that English ranch they talk of, I suppose," was his explanation of the phenomenon, and then "wonder why Perry hasn't ridden to cultivate the acquaint\_nce of those people before this. He was always the first man in the -th to find out who our neighbors were."

Pondering over this question, it occurred to Mr. Parke that Perry had said he was going down the Monee that morning; but nowhere was there a speck in sight that looked like loping horseman. To be sure, the trail bore close to the low bluffs that bounded the valley on the north by the time one had ridden a mile or so out from the post. He was probably hidden by this shoulder of the prairie, and would continue to be until he reached the bend, five miles below. No use watching for him then. Besides, he might not yet have started. Mr. Parke recalled the fact that he half suspected a while ago that Ned was going to ridean early ante-breakfast ride-with a lady friend. Mrs. Belknap had her own horse, and was an accomplished equestrienne; Mrs. Lawrence rode fairly well, and was always glad to go, when somebody could give her a saddle and a reliable mount. There were others, too, among the ladies of the infantry garrison who were no novices a cheval. Mr. Parke had no intention whatever of prying into the matter. It was simply as something the officer in charge of stable duty was entitled to know that he turned suddenly and called:

"Sergt. Gwynne!" He heard the name passed down the dark interior of the stable by the men sweening out the stalls, and the prompt and cheery reply. The next instant a tall young trooper stepped forth into the blaze of early sunlight, his right hand raised in salute, and stood erect and motionless by the lieutenant's side.

"Did Mr. Perry take an extra horse. sergeant?"

"No. sir." "I thought possibly he meant to take Roland. He's the best lady's horse in the troop, is he not?

"Yes, sir; but Roland is at the line

now." "Very well, then. That's all. I presume he has just ridden down to Dunraver." And Mr. Parke turned to look once more at the glinting objects down the distant valley. It was a moment or two before he was aware of the fact that the sergeant still stood there, instead of

returning to his duties. "I said that was all, sergeant; you can go back to your reeding." And then Mr. Parke turned in some surprise, for Sergt. Gwynne, by long odds the "smartest" and most soldierly of the non-commissioned officers of the cavalry battallion, for the first time in his history seemed to have forgotten himself. Though his attitude had not changed. his face had, and a strange look was in his bright blue eyes-a look of increcombined. The lieutenant was fairly startled when, as though gathering himself together, the sergeant falteringly

"I beg pardon, sir-he had ridden-

"Down to the Ranch, sergeant-that one you can just see, away down the valley."

though dazed, then, with sudden effort. saluted, faced about, and plunged into the dark recesses of the stable.

For an instant the sergeant stood as

"I know, sir; but-the name?"

"Dunraven Ranch."

TO BE CONTINUED. Thought it Was Twins.

There was a large delegation of Episcopalian clergymen aboard the City of Paris, who were returning from a visit to Jerusalem, and the joke they played upon a young Englishman was the subject of great mirth. An Englishman from Manchester was sent over by his employ. ers to represent them in this country. In the exuberance of his feelings he communicated to disferlow passengers before he was a day out the fact that he would be a father by the time he

He was to receive a cable at quarantine, which, in the event of a girl being born, would read simply, "Mary," and in case it was a boy it would be "James." The clergyman found a blank cable dispatch, and wrote upon it the word "James," and when the pilot came alongside, off Sandy Hook, they instructed a cabin boy to hand the dispatch to the gentleman, and to say it was a cable for him. brought down by the pilot boat. The Englishman received this bogus disnatch at the sand time with unother genuing cable, which read, "Mury," "By Jove, twinst he exclaimed --

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TELIABLE CORRESPONDENCE FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY SOLICITED.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 1890.

THAT Pecos Valley must be prolific country, sure enough. Roswell and Eddy are both tickled half to death over twins.

railroad—that's certain. And after be if overproduced. one comes, others will come. Real estate investments anywhere in Lincolu county are good investments.

Lincoln county is gradually coming to the front. Her varied and valuable resources will finally pull her through all right. And it will not be many mouths before important changes are inaugurated.

THE Albuquerque Democrat is respectfully requested to ponder over the public school report of Lincoln county. Our public school law as not very good, but it is less black than the Democrat paints it,

THE Albuquerque Citizen announces that "stock of all kinds, especially sheep, is dying for want of water" in Lincoln county. Truly you have to "go away from home to hear the news." The fact is that five bodies have been recovered and the condition of stock in Lincoln, one large gang of men working on wounded in the left arm and right thigh, of their herd to this magnificent range. generally speaking, was never better, at this time of the year, than right now.

We want no politics in our schools. Let us have free, non-sectarian American public schools, and let molitics and religion take care of thomselves .- New Mexican.

. Hon. Jas. J. Dolan is rejoicing over the fact that his successor, Quinby Vance, has been appointed disease. In one year out of 3,500 and qualified, and will be here to relieve him very shortly. Mr. Dolan has made an excellent officer, and is personally so much liked that our people will greatly regret his departure, even while congratulating themselves that his place will be so well filled as it fortunately will be arteries. It usually occurs in perby Mr. Vance.--Mesilla Valley Democrat.

piling the mineral output of the Territory for the secretary of the indulgence in alcoholic drinks, and treasury, reports to the Enterprise that mine owners are very dilatory in furnishing him with the figures. This is an important matter, as New Mexico has never had a correct statement of her output. Mine owners should give the matter their immediate attention and see if they that is, by over brain work. They can't raise the Territory a notch or are like mechanics who have been two in the list of precious metal producing States and Territories. Make as good a showing as you can, amount of work and that they can boys, and attend to it immediately. keep on and on studying and work-. \_ Enterprise,

Winfield S. Cobean, now postmaster at Fort Stanton, has been appointed Register of the land office of rest and lots of care. And those at Roswell, vice John H. Mills, deceased. Mr. Cobean has been several years a resident of Lincoln time, without giving it proper rest, county, to which section he went from Ohio and settled with his family. He is a thoroughly upright man, a progressive citizen and can count every man his friend who is acquainted with him. He is entirely competent to fill the position, for which he had strong endorsements when the office first opened, and to every well to try and rest their brains as resident of the district who favors an honest and business-like administration his appointment will be received with great satisfaction.—Ex.

fairly under way.

LATEST NEWS AND NOTES.

Senator Reagan has introduced a oill to provide for a great system of eservoirs for irrigating the arid lands in the west.

Disastrous storms swept the coast of China and Japan about a month ago, by which from trhee to four thousand fishermen with their boats were driven out to sea and lost.

The disaster at the Walnut Grove dam, Arizona, is more terrible than at first reported. One hundred persons probably lost their lives, and the loss to property is more than \$3,0000,000.

When the statue of Robert E. Lee reaches Richmond it will be placed in a wagon and dragged to the site of the monument by thousands of men and women who will take hold of a rope a mile or more

Never prop a fruit tree, says the Homestead. If the load is too heavy this the fruit, and make what Lincoln county will soon have a is left better than it could possibly

TERRITORIAL TALK.

Arizona has (wenty-two volumes of cattle brands in her Territorial

Judge James O'Brian has been confirmed as Chief Justice of New

Delegate Joseph has introduced a bill to appropriate \$15,000 for the agricultural experiment station in the Territory of New Mexico.

Rush Bowe, a former cattleman of the Black Range, is organizing a company for the purpose of prospecting and trading in Africa.

Rev. Henry Forester has been put in charge by Bishop Kendrick, of the Episcopal church in Albuquerque and will take up his residence there shortly.

greater than first reported. Twentya flume are still missing.

Abuse of the Brain.

Dr. John T. Nagle, of the bureau of vital statistics, says:

cases of apoplexy out of 3,000 cases diseases or disorders. Apoplexy almost other day. deaths, 845 were caused by apoplexy, 598 convulsions in children and 578 by menigitis. Paresis is a slight, incomplete paralysis effecting motion, but not sensation. Softening of the brain is cerebral hemorrhage, or obliteration of the celebral sons from fifty to eighty years of the Agricultural Wheel of Texas age, and is usually caused by intense have consolidated. intellectual exertion, or by severe Walter C. Hadley, who is com- and protracted emotional disturbance. It is also caused by over it usually ends in death. Sometimes when young persons are attacked with this malady who have been temperate in their habits and have good constitutions, the chances for their recovery are very favorable. Men occasionally die from overwork; overtaxed and break down. A great many think their brain will stand any ing without any ill effect arising from so doing. In this they make a great mistake. The brain is the most delicate organ. It wants lots without fear of punishment. who, when they are young, tax it too much or try to work for too long a will suffer for it in after years. The brain must have plenty of rest are sorry to refer to this state of facts, and brain workers must have lots of we think that it is our sacred duty to do so. sleep and recreation. Students must not use their brains for more than

On or about August 27th last were stolen from the ranch of Davis & Las Cruces note: The spring Lesinsky, at San Augustine, Dona fights have commenced. On Satur- Ana county, three horses, branded claret which he will endeavor to introduce day evening Martin Lohman, one with a small hat brand on the left into Colora to. It is manufactured on of our most prominent merchants, rump; one light bay, one dark bay scientific principles and is declared by and Charles Metcalf, editor of the and one gray. About two weeks Republican, got into an altereation ago another gray gelding carrying which quickly led to an exchange of the same brand. About a week ago blows. They were promptly separ. a buggy team of one gelding and sted by friends before the fight got one buy similarly branded. All these horses also carry other brands. prices in large lots.

with continuous hard study, and

merchants and business men will do

much as they possibly ean,"

LAS ORUCES LOCALS.

from the Rio Grande Republican, Mar. 1. Buled alfalfa is selling at \$14 per

Tom Williams came in last night from the Sacramentos with Alex. some time ago, and when he began assault to kill.

Colonel Pat Coghlan came down from Túlarosa Monday. He drove a bronco team and made the distance of 90 miles in 13 hours.

Gen. B. H. Grierson, U. S. A. having been east as far as Illinois. on account of sickness in his family, his way back to his department by. neadquarter at Los Angeles, Cal. Col. R. Hall, the Inspector General of the department, also arrived the same day. General Grierson does not, by any means, consider it likely that Selden should, or will be abanconed; or even that its prospects are carefully prepared by Denver architects, necessarily dimmed by recent action have been sent on here for inspection and in favor of a new post at El Paso.

John A. Hagans has sold his stock of cattle to Van Wincle & Casad, of Mesilla.

Col. W. L. Rynerson arrived from Washington Monday.

week to see his uncle, Col. J. S. Stidger. Mr. and Mrs. Wolff have been making a tour of Mexico and return laden with curious and valuable articles gathered in that famed

from Mexico, the silver value of the Several years ago Mr. White conceived ore admitting of its treatment.

WHITE OAKS WHISPERS.

Whispered by the Interpreter Feb. 28. Ed. R. Bonnell is suffering greatlyduring the past few days, a change for the anxious about him

M. W. Parker died at Bonito on Sun-The Walnut Grove dam disaster day morning, Feb. 23d, 1890, from an atin Arizona proves to have been tack of typhoid pneumonia. He was that furnish water enough for from ten born in 1829, at Keen, N. H., served for ito fifteen thousand head of cattle. Each three years in the the 106th Mass. artilland received a small pension; resided in | Mr White says that while their losses along Boston, Mass.; emigrated to Missouri, and the Pecos river will reach nearly 50 per came to Lincoln county, N. M., in 1881, cent. the losses on the plains are not only located a homestead on the Bonito in 1883 | nothing but their cattle are fat and strong where he has since resided. He leaves a for early driving. widow and one son, Sidney M. Parker of "The most prevalent disease or this place. He was a conscientious and lisorder of the brain is apoplexy. | consistent member of the Congregational Last year there were in this city 600 | church, an upright citizen, and his death

Page Otero returned to the Jicarillas to cause more deaths from his trip to Las Vegas, on last Satur-

TEXAS TIDINGS.

Paint Rock is to have a \$15,250 bridge across the Concho river.

Fort Worth has 190 artesian wells which furnish the finest freestone

The Texas Farmers Alliance and

Governor Ross, General Stauley and others are hunting wild turkeys and quail down on the Frio River.

It appears that the fatal epidemic of meningitis or spotted fever that has been raging at Aurora, was caused by filthy streets, and Dr. Beall of Forth Worth being called inaugurated a general cremation of filth, infected bedding, clothing, etc.

Following is part of the Grant county grand jury report:

We would call the attention of the court to the fact that crime seems to be on the increase in this county and we consider the cause is the very few convictions made by the petit juries, and that our petit jurors are too lenient with criminals and it has become notorious that any man may violate the law in this county

The tax payers are groaning under taxstion in order to keep and feed the prisoners in jail, and it is a by-word that the era of law and order in this county has

passed into oblivion. It is a bad state of affairs and while we

We also find that the unlawful branding of stock is carried on to a considerable extent in the various parts of the county five or at the most six hours a day but we have not been able to get sufficient evidence in but one case to warrant flud-

ing a true bill.

Charles Durieux, of Las Cruces, who, by the way, is the man who invented the nickle-in-the-slot business, now all the rage throughout the country, left here last night for Denver, where he goes in the interest of the Mesilia valley wines. He has some 25,000 gallens of superior table connoisseurs to be superior to the same

make of California wines. - New Mexicaan; Corn and Oats.

300,000 pounds of choice oats, and about same amount of corn, for sale by Resential & Co., Lincoln, N. M. Special ROSWELL BACKET.

Raiced by the Register, Feb. 27. Col. H. Milne returned from his visit to New Orleans, Tuesday.

D. J. Gorman has been quite ill for some days. He was taken with la grippe Burleson, who was wanted for an to get well, exposed himself so as to contract a severe cold, and he has pneumonia

Judge I. Friedrich, a prominent Lincoln business man, spent several days in town this and last week; he left the possessor of a warrantee deed to three choice lots in Ovard's addition. The Judge is "on to" the best bargains in the country.

The brick hotel is going up gradually. The Eddy people can come up and see arrived at Fort Selden Feb. 24, on our house to get a pattern to build theirs

> While here Mr. Curry purchased six lots in the popular Ovard's addition to

The educational board of the Baptist church has decided to establish a school at Roswell, and the plans and specifications for the buildings, which have been approval. The main building is a beautiful stone structure, three stories high, of modern style of architecture.

In conversation with Mr. J. P. White

manager of the Littlefield Cattle company, we learn this enterprising company expects to send off from their range two large herds, by the first of April. Mr. H. G. Wolff, of Denver, accom- White says their attle are now fat, and panied by his wife, stopped here this that their losses, out from the river, will be little or nothing this year. This is said Bancroft. probably the best range in the country, and limited only by the amount of water; Grummet. "Why the whole floor it extends from the sand hills east of the was put down new three years Texas line, in Lincoln county. The ago. country is almost perfectly level, so much so that you could see a man at a distance sued Bancroft. "He's got a car-In the year 1889 the Organ mines of twenty miles r more, if the eye could see so far. It is unbroken by draws and produced two million pounds of lead hills, and covered by a thick mat of and this with free lead coming gramma grass, a most nutritious feed. the idea of utilizing this country for grazing by drawing water from the ground by the use of windmills; when he undertook to open the range in that way the stockmen of the country told him it would only be a matter of time till he would break the Littlefield Cattle company. worse has taken place. His friends are Believing that he could find water by digging a reasonable depth, he went to work, and now he has sixteen wells, with windmills and large reservoirs attached, year they add additional wells, and in a ery during the rebellion, was severely short time will be able to take the whole

> SAVING PUPILS' PENNIES. The Excellent School Bank System in

Long Island City. All the school children of Long Isl and City have an excellent opporturity of putting into practice the old axiom that "Economy is wealth." Three or four years ago the banking system was introduced into the various public schools in that city. Collections are made every Monday morning, and those pupils who are saving and careful of their money find great pleasure in responding to the question "How

much have you got?"

Each pupil is furnished with a neatly printed card on which the deposits are credited. These cards are highly treasured. They bear these inscriptions: "Good principles and good habits are in themselves a fortune. "The habit of saving is an essential part of a true, practical education." On the last page are these mottoes: "Take care of the pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves.

"The masses know how to earn better than how to save.' When the school opens on Monday morning the teacher takes out the roll book, and, as she calls the names, the pupils call out the amounts of money ey want to deposit, each in turn stepping up to the desk with the money, and records the amount on the card and in her own book. After the collection each teacher delivers the money to the principal, who deposits it the same day in the Long Island City Savings bank in the name of each depositor. One cent or upward can be received by the teacher

When a pupil has a deposit of \$1 or more a bank book will be given free of charge from the bank. The pupils are requested not to with draw deposits until the amount reaches \$3, except in cases of sickness or removal from the city; but if the deposit should be withdrawn and the amount has been less than \$3, the bank will charge ten cents for the bank book. Deposits of \$1 and over bear interest, The bank books of the pupils are kept by the principal as long as the children attend school. If they want to leave the school or at vacation the book is given to them and they can withdraw their money, but they will require the presence of their father or mother and the signature of the principal. During the summer vacation of the school de posits may be made or money with

drawn from the bank direct, the cashie acting during that time for the teacher. Only about ten minutes' time is consumed in making the collections ir each school, so that it cannot be ob jected that it materially interferes with the regular work of the public school. This ten minutes each Monday morning has more excitement in it for the children than the events of all the rest of the week put together. Their eyes sparkle and their faces glow with excitement. Five cents is the average deposit, and the pupil who has more than that amount and nounces it in a voice that plainly de-

notes satisfaction. The lad who deposits half a dollar, or possibly a dollar, is regarded with admiration by his fellow pupils, who look upon him as a future millionaire. As the amount grows the boys and girls become more eager to save. Many have some specific object in view. Although the girls outnumber the boys as depositors, the latter have the largest amount to their credit. It is in the primary and intermediate grades that the largest collections are made. The higher the grade of school, the fewer the depositors.—Brooklyn all over it. He had two dug length- a science and he must be a man of

JOHN WALTON'S FARM.

"Hadn't you better subscribe for

"I tell you no. I havn't the money to spare. And, if I had, I haven't got the time to waste over newspapers," said Eben Sawyer with some emphasis.

"But you will gain much information from it in the course of a year, sir," pursued John Walton. "I tell you I don't want it!"

This was spoken so flatly and bluntly that Walton said no more, but folded up the prospectus of a periodical which he had with him and then turned away,

Lbben Sawy or and Ben Grummet were two old farmers-that is, old at the business, though they had only reached the middle age of lire -and after their young neighbor had gone they expressed their opinions concerning him.

"He'll never make a farmer," said Sawyer with a shake of his bead. He spends too much time over those papers and books of his. He's a leetle mite above farmin', in my opinion."

"Those are my sentiments," responded Grummet. "I tell you, Eben, the man that thinks to make a livin' on the farm in this section has got to work for it."

At this juncture Sam Bancroft came along. He was another old native of the district.

"We was just talkin' about young Walton," said Sawyer. "He's rippin' his barn floor up,"

"Rippin' the floor up!" repeated

"The tie-up floor I mean." purpenter from the village and his two hired men are helpin'.

"Whow! I guess he'll make a far-

And so they all guesed-with a reservation. In short there was something highly ridiculous in the thought of a man's thinking to be a farmer and a student at the same

John Walton was a young man and though he had been born in the neighborhood, yet much of his life had been spent in other sections of the country. His parents having both died, John had married, and now turned his thoughts to making a living out of the old home-

Ben Grummet had a curiosity to see what was going on in Walton's barn, so he dropped in there. He found the whole of the floor where the cattle stood had been torn up and they were digging a by this means, and turn it .o good wide deep trench the whole length account; and instead of throwing

of the tie-up.

asked Ben. "Why," returned Walton, who up with good muck, and thus save to make a livin' at farmin'." the liquids which have heretofore been lost. I think by proper management, I can get full double the quantity of manure which others

have got on this place." "I)o ve?" said Grummet sarcastic-

"Yes," resumed the young man. It is a fact that the liquid manures, could they be saved, would fully equal the solids, both in bulk and value, and when combined with rotted muck, and some other articles which shall take up and retain all the more volatile parts, I feel sure that they will afford more fertilizing chard is a large one, as yours is; and powers and properties than the solid

nanures can.' "You don't say so! Where dy'e

larn all that?" "Partly from reading, and partly from observation," answered John, smiling at his good neighbor's sar-

"I don't s'pose it costs anything to lo all this?

"O, yes it will cost me considerble before I get through."

"Yaas: I should rayther calkilate t would. "I swan!" Ben Grummet cried a

ne met Sawyer shortly afterwards. 'Jonn Walton's a a reg'lar hifalution. He's jes' about as nigh to beın' crazy as a man can bel' "Eh?-crazy, Ben?"

"O-I don't mean raily upsot. ike folks who are sent to the insane asylum; but he's got his head full of all kinds of nonsense."

"But what in nature's he goin' to "Why-he's goin' to save

iquids, as he calls 'sm! An' he's he vol-voluntary parts." "Voluntary parts what are they

know. I s'pose he jest used the an' this year he cut more'n forty outlandish word so's to get me to ask him what it meant an' then he'd show off his learnin'. But I wa'n't so green.

"I wonder if he thinks he's comin' here to show us old farmers seat by the fire. "I hope you have how to work?" said Sawyer, rather found nothing had to say of me." indignantly.

Grummet. "Then I guess he'll find out his nistake," added the other. "Jes" you mark my words, Ben: He'll be ful?"

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New Mexico.

were quite deep and broad, and into stones that could be found in the

"A pooty expensive way of getting rid o' rocks," remark ad Grum-

"It's a better place for them than on the surface, isn't it?" returned Walton with a smile. "Mebbe. But what on airth are

ye doin' it for?" "Why I'm going to see if under-

draining wont timprove the land "Under draining What's that?" "It is simply drawing off the water from the surface. This land

is cold and wet; but if I can get the water to drain off among these rocks, the sun may warm the surface, and give me a good riece of soil here." But it looked very foolish to Ben Grummet. He believed that "what was the nature of the sol couldn't be g'tered." However, the young mar made his trenches-tumbled in the rocks-filled in on top with the loam he had originally removed; and then left it to work for itself a while. A month later he plowed up two acres of it, and he could see that the soil had already changed wonderfully. After this was done he cut his way to the muck-swamp, and went to hauling out that article which he deposited in various places, as he deemed proper.

"That's a cur'us contrivance," said Sam Bancroft. He and Ben Grum met had been at work for Walton at hauling muck. He alluded to a large vat back of the house, into which ran a spout from the sink. county 8 per cent. bonds, Nos. 14, 15, 16, This vat was capable of holding sev- 17 18 and 19, each for \$1,000, will be paid cral cart loads of stuff, and was al- on presentation at my office in White ready half full.

"That's a compost vat," exclaimed Walton, who had overheard the remark. "All the slops from the house-the soap-suds and such stuff -which most people wasted, I save away refuse matter I put it in here "What on airth is all this for," and let it rot and ferment and make manure.

was busy superintending the work, marked Ben, alter Walton had left and also in working himself, " I am them; "but let me jest tell you, it having a place fixed here for making | don't pay! He'd better let sich manure. I mean to fill this trench fandangles alone if he ever expects

Before the ground froze up Walton threw out most of the muck back of his tie-up which had become well saturated, and filled the trench up anew. When spring came Walton went to some of his neighhim and send for some good scions to engraft upon their apple trees. He explained to their just the plan he had formed for his own orchard. "How much will it cost you?" ask-

"Why," returned Walton, "I'm going into it thoroughly. My orthe trees are mostly thriftly and vigorious-or could be made sobut with poor fruit. I mean to make a thorough thing of it, and shall expend a hundred dollars this

"What! A hundred dollars! In your orchard?"

"Jewhitaker an' broomsticks! When I git money enough to play with I'll try it."

A little while later, and the grass pegan to spring up on the twentyacre lot as it had never sprung up

"Good gracious!' ejaculated Ebner Sawyer, as Ben Grummet and Sam Bancroft came into his house one cool autumn evening, "have you heard about John Walton's apples?"
"Yes," returned Ben. "I was
there and heerd the whole on't—so

know-I never would ave thought it. An orchard turn out like that!" goin' to put in somthin' to take up field," said Bancroft. "Five years "And jest look at that twenty-acre ago it wouldn't hardly pay for mowin'. It didn't bear much else but podgum. Now look at it. Think 'o It was vol somethin'. But I don't the corn an' wheat he's raised there;

> tons of good hay from it!" "We was jest talkin about you Mr. Walton," said Sawyer one day as John came into his house. "Ah," returned Join as he took a

"Not a bit of it We was talking guess he thinks so," returned about the wonderful improvements you've made on the old place, and

of the money you made." "And do you think it is wonder-

a "But aint it?" Autumn carse and after John know about that; but I'll tell you Walton had mowed over a twenty what I do know: I know there is acre field, getting hardly hay no class of people in the world who enough to pay for the labor, he set may read and study to better ad-dent men at work digging deep trenches vantage than farmers. Farming is take

wise, running up and down the more than ordinary capacity who can slope; and then he dug quite a master it II. In short, there is no number running across these. They branch of industry in the world which may not be followed to better them he tumbled nearly all the advantage without a good education. But farmers must not be afraid of newspapers and books. They won't if they are wise, follow every advice which experimentalists give, but they may study and reason and experiment for themselves. So I have done and so I mean to do."

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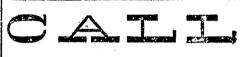
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Oaks, N. M. Interest will cease on these bonds after

July 1st, 1890. G. R. YOUNG, Treasurer Lincoln Co., N. M.



## VIDITION IN TONIAL T TINCOTA COOMIX JAIL WARRANT

To All Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given that Lincoln county Jail Warrant No. 5, for \$2,000 will be paid on presentation at my office in White Oaks, N. M. Interest will bors and asked them to go in with cease on said warrant after 30 days from the publication of this notice.

G. R. YOUNG, Trensurer Lincoln Co., N. M. Jan. 31, 1890.

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Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln before; and as time went on John was continually studying were stolen in the recent robbery of the how to improve his farm.

"Good gracious!' ejaculated Eb. hereby warned against purchasing said Olerk of Lincoln county. Lincoln, N. M., Feb. 7th, 1890.

# LITERARY NOTE

-FROM THE LADIES'HOME JOURNAL PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Mrs. Harrison's Daily Life. The brother of President Harrison's private secretary, Mr. A. J. Halford, has written for the March number of the Philadelphia Ladies' Home Journal, an article on "Mrs. Harrison's Daily Life In The White House," prepared with the consent and assistance of Mrs. Harrison. A new portrait of the lady of the White House, especially taken for this arricle, and a view of the up-stairs family rooms of the Executive Mansion, are among the illustrations which will accompany Mr. Halford's first magazine effort.

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- " Eddy, - Fred V, Piontkowsky

We republish the first chapter of "Dunraven Ranch," this week, in order to have a proper start of the story in another big lot of sample White Caks. copies which we are sending out. This tale of frontier army life is well worth the time you will spend in readingit.

The opening of the public school was postponed one week on account of a delay a short business trip. in repairing the school house. If we can raise enough putty in Lincoln county to replace the broken window panes, we will have school next Monday, sure.

We will not allow any house in Lincoln county to undersell us. Still greater reductions made on Provisions and Dry Goods. Give us a call. R. MICHAELIS & Co's.

The county jair has put on a beautiful new coat (of plaster). Geo. Peppin was the tailor, and he made a good job of it. Best tank coal oil, 150 test, only 40 cen

per gallon, at WHELAN & Co's. · Every farmer should read carefully and ponder upon the article published in this issue entitled "John Walton's Farm." It is copied from that excellent family weekly, the New York Ledgor.

Rose nthal & Co. are away ahead of al competitors when it comes to a complete stock and bed rock prices.

Probate Court was in session several days this week, Judge Lucras presiding.

Ladies' Hats, trimmed and untrimmed for spring and summer, at prices to suit everybody, just opened up at R. MICHAELIS & Co's.

A. C. McDonald, deputy sheriff at Wood, came in to the county seat on business on Sunday, and is spending a few days here. - Democrat.

Go to Rosenthal & Co's for your cloth- cating a desert land claim. ing. Largest and finest stock.

Alfalfa, as a forage, is attracting attention in the eastern states. Mr. York City. The freight of the same will be \$180, but Mr. Anderson can per ton, which is even cheaper than which came on suddenly Sunday afteris to be fed to milk cows as an experiment, and as it is the best milk producing food known, it is thought that a new market has been opened to the west for alfalfa. B. U. Dye ing here at that time about five hundred & Son. of Rocky Ford, shipped \$10,-000 worth of alfalfa seed to the sea board last week .- Stock Grower.

your seeds st Whelan & Co's.

A. Z. Huggins, a former well known resident of the Mesilla Valley, died at the Golden Eagle hotel, in San Francisco, on November 30th last, and was buried by the Masons of that city. Before he died Mr. Huggins asked a friend to notify the Mesilla Valley Democrat when Le passed away. This friend being away from San Francisco only learnt of Mr. Huggin's death a few days ago, when he at once notified us .-Democrat.

Just received, an immense stock of children's and men's Hats at R. MICHAELIS & Co's.

Messrs. C. B. Eddy, E. G. Shields and W. A. Hawkins left to-day for Eddy, New Mexico.-El Paso Herald. Feb 26.

Rosenthal & Co. have now on exhibition one of the largest and best assorted stocks of men's and boy's clothing ever offered in Lincoln county.

On March 11th the agricultural college at Las Cruces will be formally opened. Speeches will be made by Gov. Prince and several prominent citizens of the Territory.

For cleanliness, comfort and first-class fare, go to Whelan & Co's. Hotel.

Geo. B. Loving reports active movements in live stock trade. The northern buyers are coming here now that the winter is about past to make spring purchases. Three prominent buyers left yesterday for Arizona to invest in stock to be taken north.-El Paso Herald.

Blank notes, blank receipts, warranty THE INDEPENDENT office.

November train 10acs of new goods at Her husban was a democrat, but fore buying from old shelf-worn stocks. he is ded.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Smith, of Roswell, is visiting her us. Lincoln friends. Miss Tillie Fritz is in from the ranch

visiting friends. Joe CunIffe, of Las Cruces, arrived in

town Tuesday evening. Hon. Frank Lesnet started back to Roswell Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Jas. R. Brent arrived from Eddy this week on a visit to relatives.

Frank Bennett is now assisting behind the counter at Michaelis & Co's.

Win. Slane, of Ruidoso, was among the visitors at the county seat this week. Hon. F. M. Cockrell left for Washing-

ton Sunday, his son, Jno. J., accompanying him. U. Ozanne came in Monday evening

from Roswell, and went on Tuesday to over. J. F. Hancock, deputy sheriff for Lin-

coin county at Weed, is here on business Wednesday. Jas. J. Dolan and family are expected to

return to their Lincoln home sometime about the lass of this month. Dr. W. S. Block and J. H. Canning of Fort Stanton, passed through town Wed-

nesday afternoon en route to Roswell on Uncle John Newcomb was in from his

Ruidoso ranch Monday. He has been quite, ill from rheumatism for the past two months, but is now gradually improv-

A. W. Puitt, Roswell; Wm. Slane, Ruidoso; W. C. Brown, Ruidoso; Ed. Rebstock, St. Louis; U. Ozanne, White Oaks, were among the arrivals at the Lincoln Hotel during the past week.

W. C. Brown, the new J. P. L. Ruidoso, Joe Wingfield, the new constable, and Chas. Wingfield, road supervisor, were all in town this week "proving up" on their official claims. They succeeded in finding bondsmen without much trouble.

S. M. Folsom, President of the Albuquerque National bank, was in town again Monday on his return from a trip to Roswell. While there Mr. Folsom perfected arrangements for opening the Roswell bank, a private institution with \$50,000 capital, in which will be interested some of the best and strongest citizens of Roswell and Albuquerque. The bank will be opened as soon as the new hotel building, now in course of construction, is completed, which will probably be about May 1st. The bank will be located in spacious quarters on the first floor of the new building. The establishment of this concern will be a great boon to Roswell and the surrounding country. Mr. Folsom is highly pleased with the outlook for the city on the Pecos, and showed his faith

### Sudden Death.

by investing \$800 in town lots, besides lo-

On last Sunday afternoon W. W. Holcomb, a young cattleman who is well W. E. Anderson of Rocky Ford, known in Lincoln county, died in our that does not pass Temptation. Colorado, has received an order for town. He had been here for several days a car load of baled alfalfa from New previously, suffering from an attack of "la Texas with a wife. Though his condition was not thought to be serious, as he was not confined to his bed. The immediate cause lay it down in New York for \$19 of his death was an attack of heart trouble timothy hay there. The alfalfa hay noon. Dr. Block was sent for and came down from Stanton as quickly as possible, but when he arrived poor Holcomb had just died and was past all relief.

Mr. Holcomb came to Lincoln county about three years ago from Texas, bringhead of young she cattle, and ranching in favor of a free-for-all race. them in the Capitans about twelve miles from Lincoln. He has relatives at San telegraph of his sudden death. The fun-eral took place Monday at 1 o'clock. Sheriff D. C. Nowling was authorized by her last, and her vonnous daughter. Sugice Plant a garden. Call early and select eral took place Monday at 1 o'clock. Sheriff D. C. Nowlin was authorized by the Probate Court to look after Mr. Hol-

> J. T. Eubank, road supervisor, has been attending to his duties in that line in a lively manner this week.

administrator can be appointed.

Every day new goods arrive at Rosen-thal & Co's.

W. S. Fletcher is in receipt of a letter from Col. Lee H. Rudisille, ago. of White Oaks, senior vice department commander G. A. R., saying that the annual encampment for New Mexico will be called to mee: in Socorro sometime in April. The date will not be set until Gen. Alrer, the commander in chief, is heard from, as he is expected to be present .- Optic.

Our motto: "Small profits and quick returns" will be carried out to the letter. R. MICHAELIE & Co.

The following touching petition, written by the applicant herself, is said to have been recently circulated in Southern Texas: Too his excellency honor, Mister Harrison Esquire Presd't of the Younited States.

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WE SHOULD REMARK That the wind and la grippe stay with

That it's now time for our youngaters to March off to school.

That there was a nice, quiet little dance

in town last Sacurday night. That it's time you were arranging mat-

ters to "come to Lincoln to court again." about completed. The plasterers finished That the Lincoln c. unty jail is now the their work Tuesday. handsomest public building in the county. That the festive wood hauler is the

main kicker at the mild winter we have on him and dislocating his left shoulder. been having. That it's pratty tough that we can't He is reported as doing well. have enough lum in in Lincoln to bury a

man decently when he dies. That political rumors are beginning to float around. The pot is simmering, and of copper, and copper stain bearing gold. \$183.00 and costs. I rof. McCrea was will boil in good fashion after court is The lead is just west of town. Information has been received announ-

home in Kansas.

### EDLY ECHOES.

Special Correspondence to THE INDEPENDENT. EDDY, N. M., March 1, 1890. This town is improving very rapidly, and a great n...ny eastern people are com-

Mr. Eddy, who has been in the east for about a month, is expected home very soon, accompanied by several influential eastern people interested in the valley. Railroad talk is growing strong. Look

out for some R. R. news soon that will amount to something .-The new hotel is going up as fast as possible. The brick work on the first

story is already done.

News reached here a few minutes ago from Bradbury's rock camp at the Lig dam that while two Mexicans were warming up some giant powder the stuff "went off," killing one and seriously (if not fatal ly) wounding the other.

W. A. Hawkins, our attorney, left for Silver city the other day to attend to some business. He is expected pack in a day

E. G. Shields is in El Paso.

Caught from the Argus, Feb. 22.

Chas. W. Greene has been successful in securing the capital for the San Luis Rey undertaking, and work is in active progress there.

A child was born to Mr. ank Mrs. Hudman Tuesday.

Sam Smith yesterday struck water at a depth of seventeen feet. Anothor evidence that Eddy is grow-

ing. She is beginning to smell bad. The Garrett & Brent livery stable is so nearly completed that it has commenced advertising in the Argus.

No somer had T. B. Wilson recovered was quite sick but is about. Many other from the prevailing epidemic than F. D. cases of more or less severity are reported. Baze, his partner, went to bed.

Mrs. Geo. E. Russell, who has been ill for over two months, died Monday night and was buried Tuesday morning.

The town company is thinking seriously of opening a road to the flume and dam

Ed Scoggins returned Monday from Although there are no saloons in Eddy, there are several citizens who occasion-

ally arise in the morning with a dark blue taste in their mouth. R. H. Pierce is the proud father of twins-a boy and a girl. They were born Tuesday night, and are doing well. So is

the mother-and father. Some of the candidates for office in this county are in favor of party lines be ing drawn. But the great majority are

Mrs. T. Powell, who had been ill for some time, died Bunday night and was Antonio, Texas, who were notified by buried Tuesday afternoon. Her death her last, and her youngest daughter, Susie, was delirious with disease. Mr. Powell comb's property until such time as an was sent for and arrived in time to attend his wife's funeral and see his daughter It is the official paper of the county, and

expire. Miss Susie was buried Friday. Mr. H. S. Church's new brick residence will be ready for occupancy within the

next ten days. Everybody asks: "Why don't Jim publishes more genuine fresh reading, Tomlinson complete his building?" We matter than any other two papers in the answer that he can't get his glass front. | county combined. He ordered it from Pecos two months

W. W. Paul, the corn king of New Mex- It may save you many dollars by keeping ico, was in town this week with a load of you posted, on all legal and land adverhis celebrated product. By the way, we | tisements. saw him in conversation with McLenather There is only one inference to be drawn

from that. Mr. Paul must have bought some more lots.

From our Lookout correspondent: "Mr.

There is only one interested will be published all the county estray notices required by law to be published in a paper at the county seat. McCullough has finished his residence The lumber is on the ground for the schoolhouse, and work on the building commenced Monday. Judge It is neatly printed and you therefore Peitz is re-surveying the townsite."

Full line of garden seeds at Whelan &

A rumor is floating around that Wiley gratis for nothing," a year's su'scription Rainboldt, formerly of Lincoln county, recently killed two men at Silver City, but lar subscription price of which is one dolthe report is not, as yet, confirmed.

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NOGAL NOISE. Made by the Liberty Banner, Feb. 27.

The Nogal public school has suspended on account of the Illness of Prof. Reesa. Mr. T. H. Ray has gone to the railroad to meet his son, who is on his way to

On Tuesday last Mr. J. E. Sligh, of

Nogal, accompanied by Mr. McCarty, left

Nogal in a buggy for White Oaks. They

had proceeded but a short distance, in

fact, were just beyond Jose Vega's, when

they noticed two parties, Richardson and

James, whose first names we are unable to

give, approaching at a rapid rate. Know-

ing the evil intention of these parties,

sented, and which proved to be a villain-

James. It seems Mr. Sligh had procured

was stopping, and fired into the house,

shooting off the door knobs and bursting

in the door, only to find that Smith was

not at home. They then shot up the

stove and bedding, after which they came

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L. Ulrick, are in pursuit.

Special Correspondence of The Independent. SILVER CITY, N. M., Mar. 1, '90.

The past week has been a busy one for the court here, and in fact the same may be said of the term thus far. There has been 28 defaults taken. Of these, eight were against the Gypsy Queen Mr. P. G. Peters' adobe residence is

SILVER CITY SIFTINGS.

Mining Co. Every opportunity there has been a jury trial, and the case of the Ty. vs. Robert Redding, for murder, occupy-Mr. Ed. Gilmore was badly hurt last ing two days of the court's time; the Mc. Saturday. He roped a bronco and was Orea case one day, the case against Mr. ierked from his saddle, his horse falling Parker one day, &c.

8. P. IcCrea vs. Silver City Independent School District, being a suit for bal-Messrs R. J. Nugent and Len Puckett ance of salary as Superintendent of report the last discovery in Nogal mining Public Schools, Silver City. Resulted in district. They here some fine specimens a verdict in favor of Prof. McCrea for called away on urgent business, about six weeks before the end of the 1839 school cing the death of C. Sidney Chick, at his term and put a substitute in his place for one day, at which the school board took offense, and discharged the Professor without giving him a chance for a hearing in the matter. This verdict is a vindication of the Professor, and the case was a hotly contested one. Messrs. Fielder & Fielder appearing for the plaintiff, and Hon. J. D. Bail for the school district. Case of Jas. S. B. ook vs. Curran & Pier-

son, venue changed to Dona Ana county. Case of Patrick Coghlan vs Carizozo Sligh and McCarty whipped up and got Cattle Ranch Co., brought here on change into the house occurred by Jack Weldy, of venue, continued. closely followed by their pursuers, who

Mariano Barela vs. S. M. Ashenfelter; with arms presented demanded that ir. continued by consent. Sligh sign a statement which they pre-

There are 45 civil cases on the docket yet to be disposed of.

ous document acknowledging that Mr. Sligh had lied about said Richardson and Hon. T. B. Catron has been entered as associate coun el with Messrs. Pickett & warrauts for the arrest of these parties and Snyder & Skillicorn, involving the Pacific and others, while at Socorro recently. No. 2, and the Pacific outh extension charging them with cattle stealing, and mines at Pinos Altos. This will undoubttheir purpose was to have revenge. After edly be a hotly contested fight as there is leaving Mr. Sligh, the parties proceeded valuable property involved. to John McMurchy's place, where Bill

James Revnolds, murder, venue changed to Sierra county.

Robert Redding, for the murder of Geo. W. Hanley, at Central City, Oct. 3d, 1888, tried by jury and acquitted. Pleas to Nogal, where they remained till 9 was self defense.

Helene Arnold, singing and playing o'clock Wednesday morning. They showed Mr. Thomas Henley the document signed by Mr. Sligh, and stated below affirmed and defendant fined. Leonard Lee, wife beating, from Central when leaving, that they were going to

City, tried by jury and acquitted. Andy Mays'. They also stated that they Rafael Trivino, Manuel Hernandez, did not aim to be arrested. Deputy Sher-Epiminio Ortega, for murder of a Chinaiff Langston, accompanied by constable man, and also for assault with intent to Thomas Gallatin, Jim Nabours and Geo. commit murder, set for trial second Wednesday, but not reached set. Venue will La grippe has a strong hold on Nogal just now. Mr. D. F. Brown and wife of probably be changed.

Wm. Parker was tried by jury for enthe Placer Hotel, have been suffering for tering a dwelling house with intent to more than a week. Mr. Walter Church commit felony, at Central City, Oct. 30ta last, and was given six months in the penitentiary for so doing. The witnesses were nearly all colored people, as is also Parker, and considerable amusement was caused by their persistent efforts to give their testimony in their own way and language.

> S. H. Taylor was granted divorce from Luciua Taylor.

Maria Wagner was adjudged insune, and her husband, Peter Wagner, was ap-There yet remain 82 criminal cases for trial, and several cases for violation of Sunday law, which will probably be

prend guilty to. All the court officials are kept ousy a as well as most of the attorneys.

Annual Report.

of the Superintendent of Public Schools Lincoln County, Territory of New Mexico for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1889:

No. private schools in the county,

" School districts in Lincoln county, Public schools taught in the Co., ' Moaths school has been taught, · Pupils enrolled

Teacners employed · Cuildren enumerated Districts reporting in full · District Treasurers reporting

' New Dist's formed during the year,

'New " not included in Dec. Apportionment School houses in county Average shary of teachers per

month Amount apportioned for the year enging Dec. 1st, \$11,130.70 Per capita per year, Am't in hands of Dist. Treas, '88, \$253.55

Amount received from other sources Total am't during the year 1889, \$12,180.44

Total disbursement during the year 1889. Balance in hands of District

Treasurers Dec. 1st, 1889, \$3,154.72 Branches taught: Algebra, Arithmetic, Grammer, History, Physiology and Hygiene and Reading and Writing.

The new law requiring School Directors to be elected on the third Moncay of January of each year, causes a great deal of misunderstanding and unlimited amount of trouble, and should be repealed. There are many changes to be made in the school law of the Territory before it is adequate to the increased population, advancement and progress of the people

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ACTION AND WM. S. RYAN, NOTICE OF OF ATTACHMENT vs. P. Roberts & Co. ET. AL. Preston Roberts and Edwin Roberts

and the firm of P. Roberts & Co., of El Paso County, Texas, defendants in the and battered plates. We announce this above entitled cause, are hereby notified that an action of trespass on the case in assumpsit with attachment has been brought against them by William S. Ryan of Lincoln County, New Mexico, to recov-Teachers and school directors should er the sum of Seventy-five Dollars and

we find the Public School fund is Lincoln, in said Lincoln County, New No experience required. Canvassing cut-used for the advancement of education Mexico, and heretofore conveyed by deed fits now ready. Sead immediately for throughout the county and that consider- to said defendants by said plaintiff, and illustrated circulars and terms free, or, to small children.

She is also a widder and poor, but hilly edgueated, and we do certify an' say that we think she is fooly the same.

It would be a real charity far har in the county of the same.

She is also a widder and poor, but hilly edgueated, and we do certify and the thrilling incidents surpass anything known in modern the same.

She is also a widder and poor, but hilly edgueated, and we do certify an' say that we think she is fooly and the thrilling incidents and the county, or own able progress has been manifested in our property in the county, or own able progress has been manifested in our public schools by the school directors and the property of the property of said defendants by said plaintiff, and millions of property in the county, or own able progress has been manifested in our public schools by the school directors and the property of the property and the trouble and county, or own able progress has been manifested in our public schools by the school directors and the property in the county, or own able progress has been manifested i which land is known as the "Cordoba land," has been attached as the property Money refunded if not satisfactory. Aderable interest has been manifested in our land," has been attached as the property public schools by the school directors and of said defendants, and that unless they dress There are 90 other good reasons, which are maintained and supported in each rendered against them therein and said every paid up subscriber can easily dis-community. WILLIAM S. RYAN.

> Plaintiff. Lincoln, N. M., March 5th, 1090.

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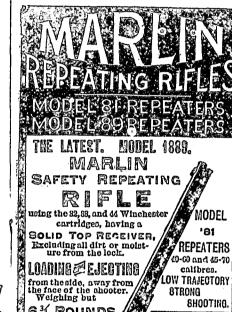
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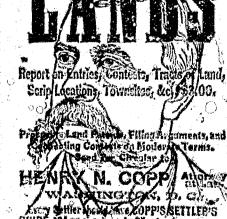
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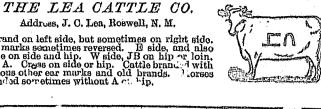
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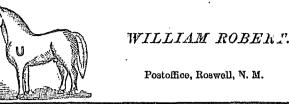


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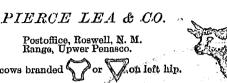
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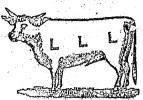


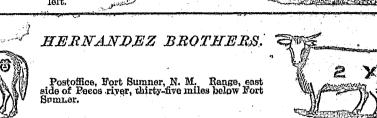


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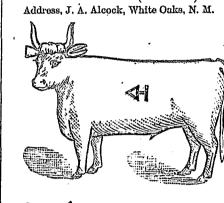
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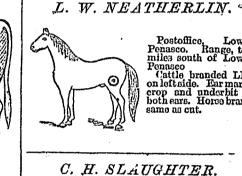
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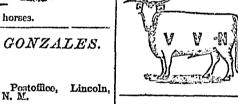
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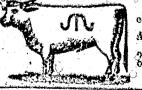
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