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The National Campaign.

As the weeks pass by, it becomes more and more apparent that Mr. Harrison has the advantage in the contest. The Third Party from which our Democratic friends expected indirect aid to the extent of throwing the election into the House of Representatives, has effected nothing in the north, has been counted out by the Democrats in Alabama and Arkansas, and scores its only success in South Carolina. The hopes expressed by the democrats leaders, that though the diversion of votes to Weaver, the election could be thrown into the House was substantially a confession of Clevelands weakness, and was accepted as such by the country.

Many of the men who might under other circumstances have cast their lot with the Third Party, were not prepared to go the length of contributing to the election of Mr. Cleveland.

The democrats press kindly demonstrated, that the diversion of votes to Mr. Weaver could not have any other result: Therefore these men have remained in the political combinations to which they originally belonged.

The Republican Silver men have not seen in the subserviency of the present democratic majority in the House to Mr. Cleveland, or in his well known views upon the silver question any inducements to break away from their party.

Republican tariff reformers in the west, do not see in the attitude of Mr. Cleaveland any encouragement in that direction. It is well known that the democratic platform does not represent the present views of Mr. Cleveland upon the tariff question. If Mr. Cleveland was again in power, they might expect the democratic majority in the House, —if it exists— to be as subservient to him on the question of tariff reform, as it was on the question of free silver.

The democratic party chose deliberately to ignore the most pressing and important issue of the time; to battle upon an issue upon which its candidate had been once defeated, and upon that question to present a platform which said one thing, and a candidate which said another.

The party will pay the penalty of its blunders. Eight months ago the democratic party seemed to be upon the eve of a great victory. Large numbers of republicans were disgusted with the blunders and shortcomings of some of the party leaders. Some of the great northwestern states were not unlikely to cast their electoral votes against the party, if the democracy offered any positive measures of relief. The democratic leaders deliberately abandond every position which gave them an advantage. Every principle which they should have maintained they abandoned to promote the fortunes of an individual. The result is that the republican column has closed up, the great states of the Imperial north-west, are as solidly republican now, as they were twenty years ago, and the election of Mr. Harrison is as certain, as any future event can be.

Law Reform.

The Bar Association of New Mexico has sent out circulars inviting suggestions for amendments to the statutes of New Mexico, to be presented to the next Legislature by the association.

We have no quarrel with the Bar association, or its head. Their action may serve a very useful purpose. But the people of the territory must bring about the much needed reform in our legislation if it is to come about at all. If the people of New Mexico will send to the legislature men at once capable and willing to do the work, it will be done irrespective of recommendations by the lawers.

In our past legislatures we have had men capable of doing the work but either because they were unwilling, or too indolent, the work has not been done. It is apparent upon examination of the work of the two last legislatures that the committees of those bodies have not even attempted to perform their duties. Many of the defects and absurdities of our laws are just such as a competent and industrious committee will remove. And are precisely such as will appear in any bill largely amended in the Houses, and then reported by an incompetent, careless or lazy committee.

A sixty days session affords very little time for performance of the work so badly needed. But if the people will send competent men, willing to forego, social pleasures, and schemes for individual advancement for sixty days, the work can be done.

During the past week Lincoln was enlivened by the visits of most of the candidates of the two parties upon the county tickets.

The poll taxes were very generally paid thoughout the county before the expiration of the legal date for such payment.

It is probable that the vote in November, will be heavier than usual. Much interest appears to be felt by our people in the local election, and candidates are being freely discussed. From such discussion the republican ticket can not but profit, and we have every reason to feel confident that our ticket will be elected by handsome majorities.

The Third Party.

On Saturday last, the representatives of the Third Party in Lincoln county, met at the Court House and organized by the choice of W. L. Breece as chairman and A. C. Storm as secretary.

After a full discussion it was decided to appoint a temporary county committee of one from each precinct which committe should meet on the 1st of October next to decide upon the future action of the party in the county.

Editor Republican.—At a meeting, called by some of the representatives of People's Party to meet at Lincoln on the above date, the following proceedings were had:

W. L. Breece was called to the chair and A. C. Storm to the desk.

The objects of the meeting were briefly stated by the chair and interpreted by Dometro Perea, People's platform as adopted by the Omaha Convention, was then read and interpreted, and all who endorsed same, were then asked by the chair to participate in the further deliberations. Remarks being in order; A. C. Storm, Geo. W. Coe, J. V. Tully and J. W. Coe were heard.

On motion, the chair appointed the following committee from the respective precincts:

Isaac Ellis	No.	1.
J. V. Tully	"	2.
Martin Chaves	"	3.
Geo. Saunders	"	4.
J. M. York	"	5.
Thos. Copeland	"	6.
Hague Lusk	"	7.
John M. Keith	"	8.
John Hunter	"	9.
Jose M. Aguilio	"	10.
J. G. Connell	"	11.
Jesse Rogers	"	12.
Dick Young	"	13.
———	"	14.

The duty of said committee will be to labor in the interest of the People's Party meeting, by posting notices of same, and in any other manner promulgating the news in and out of their respective precincts.

On motion, call for a People's Party meeting, as per notice prevailed.

Resolution then prevailed, that the Sec'y forward copy of call and proceedings to the county papers for publication. W. L. Breece.

A. C. Storm, Chairman
Sec'y Pro. Tem.

NOTICE.

All persons favorable towards a "People's Party" organization are requested to meet at the Court House, in Lincoln, N. M. Saturday October 1st '92, at 2 p. m. There to complete a permanent organization of the People's Party in the county and if thought advisable to nominate a ticket for the coming election. W. L. Breece.

A. C Storm, Chairman.
Sec'y.

Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT ROSWELL, N. M., August 24,

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver, at Roswel, N. M., on Wednesday, October 12, 1892, viz.:

IRA SANGER,

pre-emption D. S. No. 62 (R. S.) for the N. W. ¼ N. E. ¼, and N. ½ N. W. ¼, and S. E. ¼ N. W. ¼, Sec. 35, Tp. 16 S., Range 17 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz.:

R. W. Salazar, of Lower Penasco, N. M.
S. O. Crane, of " " "
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The Ill-Fortune That Attended My Musical Efforts.

My parents both died in my boyhood, leaving me nothing but their blessing and myself as a legacy to a rich and eccentric aunt. She, having already adopted an orphan girl and not wishing to be plagued with a pair, promptly packed me off to a boarding-school. Here I remained, holidays included, till I attained my eighteenth year. Not till then did Aunt Matilda condescend to receive me.

She did not greet me with much warmth. She kissed me and then rewarded a fat poodle which nestled in her lap with the same attention.

"You have grown very much like your fool of a father."

"Pardon me, auntie," said I, astounded at this introductory remark, "you mentioned—"

"Your father, blockhead!" she snapped. "Whatever my poor sister saw in such a motch passes my comprehension. Nothing but a no'er-do-well, good-for-nothing—"

"Excuse me, aunt," I remonstrated; "but hadn't we better change the subject? The weather is very sultry."

She laughed outright.

"I am pleased to find you are not the same easy-going fool he was. I suppose you are right. We will let the poor man rest," which remark was very charitable, considering poor dad had been at rest for eight years. "Come," she continued, "I want to introduce you to Louise, your future wife."

I stood open-mouthed with amazement.

"Don't stand staring there, you booby."

"My wife?" I gasped.

"Yes; I suppose you may as well know first as last. I will leave you my fortune—twenty thousand pounds in consols—but only on condition that you marry Louise, you understand."

"Yes, aunt," I responded, feebly. Following her I was introduced to Louise and at once felt in [illegible] proposals. She was lovely. I [illegible] thought it would have made [illegible] fortune an incentive to fa[illegible] in love with her. [illegible] splendid brown eyes, [illegible] and pure [illegible] skin [illegible] a picture of youth and [illegible]. She received me graciously, and I could see that my aunt was pleased with the impression she had made. A [illegible] after Aunt Matilda broached in [illegible]

"I don't want to see you [illegible] house idly wasting your time, [illegible] "You must adopt some profession. Now, to what do you incline?"

Protest [illegible] useless and my aunt had her own way. So shortly after I passed my examination and became a member of her majesty's civil service. I had my own quarters, which a decent allowance from my aunt enabled me to keep up, and I occasionally visited her at the snug little Hampstead village.

Out of my first quarter's allowance from Aunt Matilda I lent a fellow clerk, Jack Denton, five pounds, for which he promised handsome interest. I waited patiently but in vain for its return. At the end of two years—although by that time I regarded it as a bad debt—I ventured to remark that I should like to see the principal, and would willingly waive all claim to the interest.

"My dear fellow," was his reply, "I would pay you with all the pleasure in the world, but unfortunately I am completely stranded."

I saw no chance of its recovery, but determined to press him a little.

"Couldn't you manage to pay so much a month?"

"Vague improbability, old chap. I have mortgaged my next three-months' crow. But—a good idea—I have a French horn, a regular beauty, worth ten guineas, and dirt cheap at that. Now, take it, like a good fellow, and cancel the debt."

"But what on earth do I want with a French horn? It's of no use to me."

"Then create a use for it. Add to your many accomplishments that of musical amateur. You've a splendid lip," he continued, artfully; "just the cut for the instrument. Now, old chap, make me eternally grateful by accepting. A magnificent bargain, I assure you."

I took the instrument, and from that date my trouble began.

Up to this period the course of my love had been perfectly smooth, when who should turn up but a cousin of Louise's, Tom McIrom. He had been sent to Australia to try his fortune, but after a sojourn of five years in that land of promise had returned with just sufficient to pay his cab fare from the dock to my aunt's, where he was hunting till he found something better [illegible].

I was jealous of this Hercules—he stood six feet in his stockings. Whenever I paid a distinct visit to Louise I was bound to come upon the couple in some interesting position—poring over sketch books or albums. Aunt was confined to her bed and could not watch over my interests and so my rival had the field to himself.

I determined to warm up my flagging love's waning affections, and with this object I practiced assiduously on the French horn a lovely German [illegible] I had purchased at a cheap music stall.

I taxed my patience to the utterment and many people within a large public radius of sound. If I endeavored to make a crescendo on a certain note I invariably cracked it or split it into two or three.

But by laudable perseverance I got over these little difficulties so far as the serenade was concerned. [illegible] determined on the first fine moonlight night to give it a practical trial and see what romantic effect would do in the cause of Cupid.

At length the auspicious night arrived and I set out for Hampstead, arriving there quite two hours before the time I had arranged for the serenade—midnight. So I adjourned to the shelter of the nearest public and fortified myself with several stiff tumblers of whisky and water until [illegible]. This I knew would be bad for my intention on the French account, but I needed bracing [illegible]

Unfortunately for me, though I was unaware of the fact, Aunt Matilda had an inexplicable prejudice against music in any shape or form. German bands visiting the vicinity, as I afterward learned, were always sure of a rich harvest—to take themselves off, and Italian piano and organ grinders from the purlieus of Saffron Hill and Seven Dials were amazed at the open-handed generosity which preceded a threat of the police if they came again within five hundred yards of the place.

Arriving there I stationed myself under the window of Louise's bedroom, extracted my instrument of torture from its green baize cover and placed it to my lips.

Just then I felt something sniffing about my legs, and looking down beheld my aunt's fat poodle. It had been locked out by accident by the servants. I conciliated the brute with pats and caresses, and it lay down contentedly on the grass at my feet.

I had started the serenade. It went beautifully. I didn't think the instrument was capable of such pathos. I had got half-way through it when the window of the bedroom was opened and I dimly saw a white figure half-hidden by the ivy which embowered it. This gave me fresh courage. Louise was looking at me. I poured my young soul through the silver-tipped mouthpiece. I had got to the last note when a mournful and discordant howl came as an accompaniment. I raised my foot and sent the poodle spinning five yards away.

"You wretch!"

Horror! I had mistaken the window. Aunt Matilda stood there in wrathful indignation. Here was a pretty predicament. I had nearly killed her pet, which lay alternately howling and whining under some holly bushes.

"Poor Flossie! Don't dare to show your face within these walls again. My darling pet! I knew there was no good in such stock. My precious treasure! After being a second mother to you!" and the window went down with a bang, while from my uncomfortable position I could hear a bell violently ringing. Utterly crestfallen I repacked the now hateful cause of my troubles. As I passed the corner of the house I heard a suppressed tittering and a window was hurriedly closed.

"Fair and false," I bitterly thought as I recognized the dark locks of my inamorata.

Slowly and sorrowfully I retraced my steps homeward and with a dull foreboding of the consequences to follow. Nor was I wrong. I lost half a day with the intention of apologizing to my aunt but was refused admittance.

While I stood at the door, uncertain how to act, Mr. Raymond, my aunt's lawyer, made his appearance. This looked ominous and I turned away with a heavy heart. As I reached the garden gate Louise came out of the drawing-room and ran after me. She begged me to enter, and as the servant did not oppose her I followed, noticing that her eyes were red with recent weeping.

"What is the matter, Louise?"

"Your aunt is much worse," she replied. "She caught a chill through that foolish freak of yours. I am afraid she will never forgive your cruelty to her dog."

"Hang the brute!" I ejaculated angrily.

"With all my heart; but you know how fond she is of it. She has sent for Mr. Raymond."

"Yes," I responded, moodily. "I suppose you will benefit by any alteration of her will."

"Don't suspect me of any mercenary feelings, Bob," she entreated.

"It's rather hard to be robbed both of fortune and wife by that lout of a cousin of yours."

"You are ungenerous and ungentlemanly," she replied, flushing.

"It is difficult to act the gentleman under such circumstances. But I heartily apologize if I have wounded you."

"Then we are friends once more," she said, taking my hand.

"Louise," I said, huskily, "I read by your altered manner that I no longer hold a place in your heart. I can't part with you without a pang, for if I have not grown to love you you are at least dear to me. Let us remain friends. I am sure I wish you all happiness."

The poor little thing hung her arms around my neck.

"You are very good," she sobbed. "I could not help it. I tried to think only of you, but I couldn't help loving Tom. You believe me, don't you?"

"I am sure no one could accuse you of heartlessness. Now, good-by; just one kiss for the last."

A fortnight later Aunt Matilda died. I attended the funeral and listened to the reading of the will. It left me sufficient to buy a mourning ring. Everything went to Louise.

I returned home, and taking the French horn from its case I jumped on it till it was past recognition. I then pitched it into the lumber attic. And this is the end of my bright visions of the future. I shall end my days in the work house, in all probability, or some equally disagreeable and disreputable—

Rat-tat!

The postman. Another bill, I suppose, to keep its dissociate brethren company.

"Two letters for you," breaks in the maid, handing me an important-looking blue envelope and a smaller white one.

I tore the former open impatiently. What's this?

"We beg to inform you that the sum of ten thousand pounds sterling has been placed to your credit by Miss Louise Hawthorne. Awaiting your instructions, we are, sir, your obedient servants, CLINTON & CO."

I opened the smaller envelope. It contained but a few words, but how tender and welcome:

"DEAR BOB—I could not rest in the enjoyment of the entire fortune your aunt left me. She always intended we both should enjoy it, and in giving it with you I feel I am only carrying out her wishes. Tom and I are to be married as soon as circumstances will permit. I am sure you wish us happiness. I do this with his knowledge and sanction. Ever yours in friendship, LOUISE."

—Sport Monagle.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M., May 19th, 1892.

Not[illegible] hereby given: [illegible] the following-named settler [illegible] filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, N. M., on July 2, 1892, viz:

PERRY KEARNEY,

La Luz, N. M., who made Hd. Entry [illegible] for the N. W. ¼ Sec. 21, Tp [illegible] R. 10 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

[illegible] of La Luz, N. M.
[illegible] of " " "
[illegible] of " " "
[illegible] of " " "

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M., June 13, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, N. M., on July 20th, 1892, viz:

JOHN F. HANSEN

of Pine Spring, N. M., who made Homestead No. 1751 for the W. ½ S. E. ¼, S. E. ¼ S. E. ¼ Sec. 23 and S. W. ¼ S. W. one-fourth Sec. 24, Tp. 15, S. R. 14 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

Jacob Beaver, of Pine Spring, N. M.
John P. Bell, of " " "
Geo. W. Henderson, of " " "
Charles O. Walker, of " " "

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT ROSWELL, N. M., July 23, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on Saturday, Sept. 17th, 1892, viz:

WILLIAM H. ANGELL,

Homestead No. 1167 (L. C. S.) for the S. ½ N. E. ¼, Sec. 6, and N. ½ N. W. ¼ Sec. 4, Tp. 18 S. R. 16 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

[illegible] R. Sim[illegible], of Weed, N. M.
[illegible], of Roswell, N. M.
[illegible] J. Neath[illegible], of [illegible] Penasco, N. M.
[illegible] W. Neath[illegible], of " " "

WM. MCD. S. CHISHOLM, Register.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT ROSWELL, N. M., August 4, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver, at Roswell, N. M., on Wednesday, October 12, 1892, viz:

WM. A. ANGELL,

Homestead D. S. No. 6218, for the S. W. ¼ N. E. ¼ and N. ½ N. W. ¼ and S. E. ¼ N. W. ¼, Sec. 35, Tp. 16 S., Range 16 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

[illegible] W. Sh[illegible], of Roswell, N. M.
[illegible] Bivens, of " " "
Henry S. [illegible], of " " "

WM. MCD. S. CHISHOLM, Register.

Notice for Publication.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, LAS CRUCES, N. M., August 8, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, N. M., on September 7, 1892, viz:

WARREN O. SHELY

La Luz, N. M., who made Hd. Entry No. 2181 for the N. ½ N. E. ¼ Sec. 28, S. ½ S. W. ¼, Sec. 21, and N. E. one-fourth N. E. one-fourth Sec. 20, Tp. 16 S., R. 12 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

James W. Bullard, of Las Cruces, N. M.
James McDougall, of La Luz, "
Dionicio Carillo, of " "
Noah Bullard, of Las Cruces, "

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by said claimant.

SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M., August 9, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, N. M., on September 24, 1892, viz:

FELIX E CHAVEZ

of Tularosa, N. M., who made D. S. No. 429 for the N. E. ¼ S. W. ¼, Sec. 19, Tp 14 S. R. 10 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

Rafael Guitierrez, of Tularosa, N. M.
Rafael Aguilar, of " "
Pablo Chavez, of " "
Isidro Galvez, of " "

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

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LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M., June 23, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, N. M., on August 19, 1892, viz:

CLARK W. LEWIS,

of Weed, N. M., who made Hd. Entry No. 1906 for the S. ½ N. E. ¼ and N. ½ S. E. ¼ Sec. 2, Tp. 18 S. R. 11 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

[illegible] D. Aud[illegible], of Weed, N. M.
[illegible] Miller, of " "
George W. [illegible], of " "
Elijah M. Cook, of " "

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M., July 12, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, New Mexico, Aug. 20, 1892, viz:

ABLE T. HYATT of Pine Springs, New Mexico who made D. S. No. 3884, for the N. ½ N. E. ¼ Sec. 9 and S. E. ¼ S. E. ¼ Sec 17 Tp. 16 S R 14 East.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

O. Grove, of Pine Spring, N. M.
James H. Bullard, Las Cruces, N. M.
Silas E. Kennedy of " "
John G. Baird, of Upper Penasco N. M.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

7-15 SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register.

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Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that a certain document in writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Antonio Torres, late a resident of the county of Lincoln Territory of New Mexico, now deceased, has been filed for record and recorded in the office of the Probate Clerk of the said county of Lincoln, and probate of the same has been applied for.

Now, therefore, all persons interested will take notice, that Monday the First day of August A. D. 1892, before the Hon. M. Romero, Probate Judge of Lincoln county, at his office in the court house at the town of Lincoln in the Territory of New Mexico, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. has been fixed as the time and place of proving said last Will and Testament.

By order of the Probate Court,
GEO SENA
Probate Clerk.

Lincoln, N. M., July 5th A D 1892.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M., June 27, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver, at Las Cruces, N. M., on August 13, 1892 viz:

JOHN L. McAFEE

of Hilton N. M, who made D. S. No. 6844 for the S. ½ S E ¼, N W ¼ S E ¼ Sec. 3 and N E ¼ N E ¼ Sec. 11 Tp. 18 S. R. 11 E.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

Charles Williams of Las Cruces, N. M.
R. S. Davis, of El Paso, Texas.
John Fridenbergen, of " "
A. C. Stephens, of " " "

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and the regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

6-8 SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register.

Notice.

In the District Court, County of Lincoln Territory of New Mexico.

Divorce.

Jesse Rogers, Complainant,
vs.
Eva Rogers, Defendant.

The said defendant, Eva Rogers, is hereby notified that a suit in chancery has been commenced against her in the District Court, for the county of Lincoln Territory of New Mexico, by said complainant, Jesse Rogers, wherein said complainant prays for an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony existing between them, and for the care, custody, nurture and education of their minor children, and for general relief, and that unless you enter your appearance in said suit on or before the first return day thereof, to-wit, not less than thirty days after the expiration of this notice by publication, to-wit, on or before Monday, the 3d day of October, A. D. 1892, a decree pro confesso therein will be rendered against you.

J. W. GARRETT,
Clerk and Register in Chancery.

D. J. M. A. Jewett,
Solicitor for Complainant.

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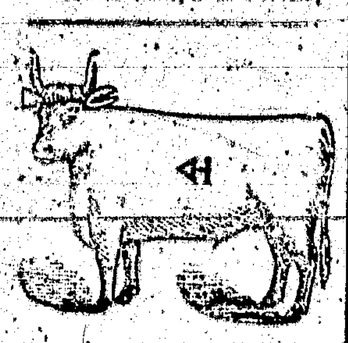

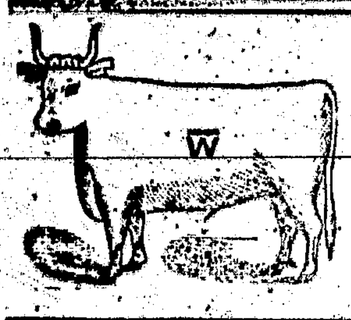

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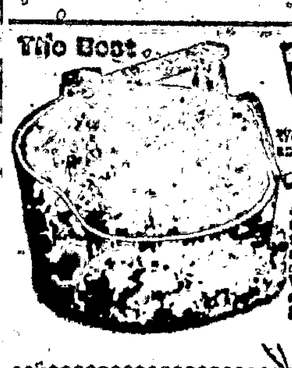

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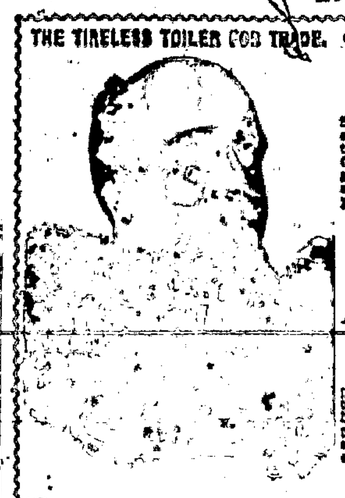

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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Col. Cronin is at home again.

J. J. Dolan and J. B. Mathews are at White Oaks this week.

Editor Jas Kibbee, of Roswell, is down with scarlet fever.

J. A. Alcock, was down from White Oaks the first of the week.

Mable Thornton, who has been under the skillful treatment of Dr. Banister, is fast recovering.

Mr. Sena, wife and son, went to the Fort Monday.

Mrs. William Norman, and little daughter are on the sick list.

Mr. Gilmour of Bonito and Capt. Paul of Penasco took a peep at Lincoln this week.

J. V. Tully come down to the county seat Sunday last, from Fort Stanton.

Mr. Beljean is having one of his houses plastered and papered. W. R. Ellis is doing the painting.

Mrs. Sargent Arnold and daughter Miss Grace, of Stanton spent a few hours in town Monday.

Mr. Chas. Weidman has gone to Raton, and Mr. John Ritter has been left in charge of the store.

P. G. Peters, a leading merchant of Nogal, came down from that busy little burg, last Saturday.

Lincoln visitors—Mr. Bryan, Penasco, J. C. Stine, Stanton, Sant'l Basot, R. C. Stewart, Socorro, Jas. Welch, T. F. Glonner, White Oaks.

A Schinzing, a prominent citizen of White Oaks was in the city Friday and left for his home Saturday.

Mrs. McGinnis has gone to Albuquerque.

R. *Michaelis* of the firm of Michaelis & Co. is going east soon to lay in a stock of fall and winter good, and his handsome partner B. Flesher will be left in charge of the business.

The editor of the Roswell Record, is lamenting over the fact that he is still living in single blessedness. The supreme folly of trying to advise such people is only equaled by their persistence in following out their own whims.

A Remarkable Parrot.

A gifted parrot is owned by John Sewey, of Noank, Conn. The bird was captured in a Mexican forest thirty-five years ago by its present owner, and brought to this country. It speaks English fluently, and is so respectful that when it has cause for anger a foreign tongue is chosen to express its indignation. In other words, it fears to offend polite ears by swearing in English. It therefore relieves itself by cursing vigorously and vehemently in Spanish. It takes its place at the table with the family, in a chair that just fits it, and, with a napkin under his neck, feeds itself with a spoon held in one claw, while it rests on the other. Its favorite diet is ice cream.—Yankee Blade.

THE DARK CONTINENT.

A TREE which supplies butter grows in Ashantee, western Africa.

IN the Kalahari desert, in south Africa, the bushmen are able to discover water by digging in the bottom of dried-up river beds.

IN Cape Colony the negroes are coming into citizenship so fast that the people have raised the property qualification for votes from £25 to £75, and the voter must be able to write his name and address clearly.

A DISCOVERY of great importance to South Africa is a stone capable of being burned into a natural cement of good quality. The deposit covers one thousand acres, and varies in thickness from ten to twenty feet.

IRRIGATION is working miracles of redemption in north Africa. About one-half the area of Algiers, which comprises 139,000 square miles in the bounaries of Italy, is being put under successful cultivation by means of artesian well irrigation.

AFRICA is 3¼ times as large as the state of New York. It is the most remarkable of all the countries as regards its natural distributions. Out of a total of 565 known species, 472 of them are to be found in no other country.

ROYALTY ACROSS THE POND.

EMPEROR WILLIAM, with the assistance of a well known German artist, has invented a new crown for himself—one more glittering in diamonds and precious stones.

THE Duke of Edinburgh is said to have a fleet of miniature silver ships. He has a fleet of fifty now and adds to it whenever he sees one which strikes his fancy.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S golden wedding presents to the king and queen of Denmark were a marble vase, nearly five feet in height, and a cask of Lochnagar whisky twenty years old.

THE king of Italy, attended by the court, has assisted at the inauguration of a monument erected at Turin in commemoration of the Italian soldiers who took part in the Crimean war.

DUKE MAX, of Bavaria, the youngest brother of the empress of Austria, has just returned to Munich after a journey round the world, during which he maintained the strictest incognito.

OUR SOUTHERN NEIGHBORS.

CHILI is said to number among her population more poets per capita than any other nation in the world.

THE river approaches to Lake Nicaragua abound with the only species of fresh water shark known to scientists.

ONLY citizens who are able to read and write have the power to vote in Bolivia and several other South American republics.

THE first coins made in this country were in Mexico in the mint established there in 1535. The coin was called the real. They are now worth from $1.50 to $6 apiece.

A STRANGE custom is followed by Mexican farmers. They use oxen of one color in the morning and another

Not Quite the Same.

Slight mistakes in speaking a foreign language, or in understanding it when some one else speaks it, are commonly nothing more than amusing, but a member of the Alpine club mentions an instance of a more serious nature. He was climbing one of the Alps with a guide, who, as he says, persisted in talking bad English instead of indifferent French. My guide had just crossed a snow bridge over a wide crevasse and turned to await me on the farther side. I asked him if it was weak; he answered: "No strong." Naturally I attempted to walk across it instead of crawling. I had almost reached the other side when the bridge gave way, and after a delirious scramble to save myself I subsided helplessly into the crevasse. However, I did not go far, and when I had crawled out with snow down my neck and up my arms and in all my pockets I discovered that my friend meant "Not strong." I strongly enjoined him to reserve his English henceforth for use in the valleys.—Pearson's Weekly.

The Professor Wasn't in Error.

Prof. Truman Henry Safford of Williams college is one of the most remarkable lightning calculators now living. A gentleman who had heard of his power and wished to test it said to him one day: "I have a little problem for you, Prof. Safford. I was born August 15, 1853, at 3 in the afternoon. This is June 20, 1893, and it is just 9 o'clock. Now can you tell me my age in seconds?" The great man frowned, bent his head and began to walk rapidly up and down, twisting his mustache and clasping and unclasping his hands in his nervous way. After a moment or so he returned the answer, which was somewhere in the billions. The gentleman produced a paper containing the problem worked out, and said, with a superior smile: "Well, professor, I'll give you credit for great genius, but you're several thousand out." The professor stretched out his hand for the paper, and, running over the calculation, said, contemptuously: "Humph! You've left out the leap years."—Boston Traveller.

Cow and Chickens Intoxicated.

A farmer living near South Charleston reports a funny experience with a drunken cow and poultry. He began cutting wheat, and took out a jug of whisky for the hands and placed it in the corn crib. In some way the jug got broken. A cow that got some of the corn juice began acting strangely, and acted like a man when under the influence of liquor. This first attracted the farmer's attention. He next noticed a number of chickens having a hilariously good time.—Investigation showed that they were simply drunk. The jug was empty and the corn saturated with liquor. The chickens turned somersaults and performed all kinds of acrobatic feats.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Leap Year Conversation.

Mrs. Gasket—Why don't you marry, Miss Keedick?

Miss Keedick—Well, Mrs. Gasket, the fact is, I can't find a husband who can cook well.—Detroit Free Press.

Mixing the Roosee.

We know it was bound to come in the course of time. H. L. Ross of the Old Abe Eagle, has been to Denver, and a Sun reporter corralled him and wrote a half column interview "with a man who made history. Ex-Gov. H. L. Ross, of New Mexico, is in the city." Everybody in the territory knows that ex-Gov Ross, of the Deming Headlight does not dare to leave the country long enough to go to Denver. His last outing proved so disastrous to the editorial columns of the Headlight that he has been kept busy ever since explaining how it happened. Judge Ashenfelter is the very essence of "sweetness and light," but his Uncle Edmund G. knows better than to give him the reins again.—Albuquerque Times.

Notice.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,
ROSWELL, N. M., SEPT. 3, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the approved plats of Townships 7 and 10 South Range 14 East, and 8 South, Range 15 East, have been received from the Surveyor General, and will be filed in this office, October 25, 1892, in accordance with the instructions of the General Land Office, after which date filings therein will be received.

Township 10 South, Range 14 East, is the Township which lies west and south of the Fort Stanton Reservation.

WINFIELD S. COBEAN,
Register.

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Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT LAS CRUCES, N. M.,
August 5, 1892.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at Las Cruces, N. M., on September 17, 1892, viz:

JOHN COPELAND,

of White Oaks, N. M., who made Hd. Entry no. 1030 for the N. E. ¼ N. W. ¼, S. W. ¼ N. W. ¼ N. E. one-fourth, E. ½ N. W. one-fourth N. E. one-fourth N. W. one-fourth S. W. one-fourth N. E. one-fourth and E. ½ S. W. one-fourth E. one-fourth, Sec. 20, Tp. 10 S. R. 11 East.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz:

David M. Easton, of Mescalero, N. M.
Andrew Wilson, of " "
Thomas Stagland, of " "
Andrew Crawford, of Tularosa, N. M.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reason, under the law and regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above-mentioned time and place to cross examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant.

8-13 SAMUEL P. McCREA, Register

Notice of Suit

In the District Court, Lincoln county Territory of New Mexico.
Camilo Nunez, Complainant,
vs.
Benaislada. Nunez, Defendant.
No. 853. Divorce.

The said defendant, Benaislada Nunez is hereby notified that a suit in chancery has been commenced against her in the District Court for the county of Lincoln Territory of New Mexico, by said complainant Camilo Nunez, wherein the said complainant prays for an absolute divorce from the bands of matrimony existing between the complainant and defendant, for the cause of abandonment, and that unless you enter your appearance in said suit, on or before the first day of the next term of said court, commencing on the 10th day of October A. D. 1892 a decree pro confesso therein, will be rendered against you.

J. W. GARRETT,
Clerk and Register in Chancery,
By Annie H. Martin, Deputy.

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