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## WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8, 1901.

The latest scheme of the republican leaders is to take advantage of the popularity of the Nicaragua Canal project to push the ship subsidy bill through the senate—they have only to issue orders to have anything put through the house in short notice. The scheme provides for combining the two by accepting the amendment to the subsidy bill, offered by Senator Clay, of Georgia, providing for the construction by this government of the Nicaragua Canal, and then to inform the democratic senators that unless they vote for the two in one the Nicaragua Canal project will not be legislated upon at all. Senator Hanna is credited with being the father of this scheme and it is further said that he claims to have promises from a number of southern senators that they will vote for the bill so amended. Meanwhile the night sessions are on in the senate and the democrats and populists, aided by the advice of Hon. Arthur P. Gorman, whose success in heading off the force bill some years ago has not been forgotten, are giving the republicans all the fight they can handle. A few days will show whether this scheme is really to be carried out or is only put out to make talk. The senate passed the bill reducing war taxes this week.

Senator Teller made a short but vigorous speech just before the senate adopted a resolution calling on the secretary of war for a statement of the facts in the case of G. T. Rice, the American editor who was banished from the Philippines for commenting upon the rules and regulations concerning pilots and pilotage, as enforced at Manila. Mr. Teller read the editorial and then said:

"The deportation of an editor is not a simple matter, to be whistled down the wind. I regard it as a grievous offense against the liberty of an American citizen that he can be taken, thrown in to jail, and then deported under the pretense of the charge that he is a dangerous incendiary and menace to the military situation. There is no such offense known to the laws of our country or in the criminal statutes of any state. It is not known in any republic in any free country in the world. He is but one man, to be sure, but he is a citizen of the United States. The offense against him is an offense against every citizen of the United States. I do not make any apologies for pleading his cause here. I would feel justified if this was the last hour of the session and an extra session should ensue through failure of an appropriation bill in standing here and calling the attention of the country to this outrage upon a citizen of the United States.

The bill appropriating \$5,000,000 for the St. Louis exposition has been favorably reported to the house, and Speaker Henderson has promised that it shall be voted upon which is equivalent to a promise of its passage.

Representative Griggs, of Georgia, made the post office appropriation bill the text for a speech full of common sense the tendency on the part of congress to increase the salaries of federal employees. For instance, the following truth of which every one must acknowledge: "I undertake to say that there is not an employee of the government, who devotes his whole time to its service, who does not receive greater pay than he would for like service in private life. There is not an employee in the government service to-day who did not better his or her condition financially when he entered it. There is not one who, if he could better his condition in other service, would not resign tomorrow. Then why this paternal interest in government employees? All of them are free men and women, and of full age. Why should we make them wards of the nation? How is this fatherly interest of legislators, so lately aroused, in what seems to me a cancerous growth eating its way to the very vital of the American body politic, to be accounted for?" Mr. Griggs answered the last question by citing the growth of associations of various classes of government employees organized ostensibly for other purposes but actually used to lobby for a congressional increase of the salaries of their members.

Among those nominated to be brigadier generals in the regular army were two captains—J. Franklin Bell, now serving in the Philippines as a brigadier general of volunteers, whose promotion jumped him over 1,032 officers, and Leonard Wood, now serving as a major general of volunteers and military governor of Cuba, whose promotion jumped him over 507 officers. Fred Grant, another one of them who is serving in the Philippines as a brigadier general of volunteers, owes his

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appointments to his name rather than to any distinguished service he has rendered as a volunteer officer. He had a failure in every civil occupation he had tried and it was felt by some of his father's old friends that he ought to be provided with a life time job, where the salary was certain.

General E. S. Otis, who is in Washington, is said to be much disgruntled because he had been led to believe that he, and not General Nelson A. Miles, would be nominated for lieutenant general of the army. It is said that one of the reasons why Mr. McKinley took the unusual course of asking the cabinet to decide by ballot which of the major generals should be nominated for lieutenant general was his desire to allow Otis to think that his nomination had been prevented by a majority of the cabinet. It is said that Otis has been promised that Miles will be compulsorily retired by Mr. McKinley when he reaches the age of 62, which will be next August, and that the place will then be given to him.

### Delinquent Taxes.

An act relative to the collection of delinquent taxes is the title of a bill introduced in the house by Representative B. M. Read. It requires county boards to meet on the third Monday in June, 1901, remaining in session ten days, for the purpose of compromising all taxes due up to the first day of July, 1899, but no reduction shall be made lower than 50 per cent. of the total amount due, and then only when the party or parties delinquent shall pay the amount found to be due within thirty days after the compromise is effective.

From the above we take it that Representative Read is not in touch with the people of the territory, for if he was he would understand that this compromise iniquity is just the thing that is not wanted. A great forward step was made in the enactment of the Duncan law which, though not perfect by any means, is a move in the right direction.

The term compromise has become odious to the people. They have been robbed by it beyond the limit of toleration. Fair men, usually men who pay high taxes on small properties, are disposed to pay their taxes without making trouble and all others should be forced to do so without leniency. Mr. Read's bill will have but one effect—that is to exempt rogues and tax dodgers. Justice and public policy condemn such laws.—Raton Gazette.

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The Czar of all the Russias has made it a point to spend three hours a day with his children. Thomas Jefferson's happiest hours were spent in working and playing with his children and grandchildren. Charles Dickens found his best recreation in the same way. Abraham Lincoln soothed anxieties of war days by romping with his boys in the White House. And New England's grand old man, Edward Everett Hale, has kept young in spite of a long life of hard public labor by cultivating the society of his children and their children. Wherever, indeed, you find a truly wise father you will discover him taking and giving benefits in loving, studying and appreciating his children. —New York World.

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### Australian Voting.

It is a commonplace of observation that elections and nominations do not certainly reveal the real will of the people, but frequently result in the success of candidates whom the majority of voters do not want in office, through the clever manipulation of politicians in making minorities win victories. Under our present system of voting pluralities elect. The manifest inconvenience of holding new elections when nobody has an actual majority forbids general resort to the majority vote required in many foreign countries and in a few places here. Nevertheless the plurality rule has its decided disadvantages. It puts a premium on efforts of a minority to divide a majority on non-essentials and so slip into power. It gives to political wirepullers undue advantage of the rank and file of the voters.

Never was this more clearly shown than in the municipal election of 1897. Then undoubtedly a large majority of the citizens wanted an anti-Tammany mayor yet the anti-Tammany vote was split into two parts, and, though the great bulk of each faction wanted the other to win rather than Tammany, and thousands chose between them according as they thought one of the other had the best chance to win, yet the minority took possession of the city, simply because there was no method for men to make their real wishes surmount obstacles artificially created.

In Queensland, however, they have a system which does surmount these obstacles. It was invented here, and has been before our state legislature several times, but, like most reforms, appeared too radical at first sight to suit lawmakers. As we have adopted the Australian secret ballot and found it workable and useful, in spite of contrary predictions, it may be worth while at least to examine the system of alternative choice in voting which operates so well in Queensland. It is by many believed to offer a solution of the trouble we are in from our overgrown political machinery, which frequently makes voting among us a sort of Hobson's choice that it is mockery to call an expression of the popular will.

We have hitherto explained this and hope to illustrate its workings in tabulating the returns of the votes for mayor which our readers are casting. To outline it briefly once more, we may suppose that A, B, C, and D are running for office. A gets 4,000 votes; B, 3,000; C, 2,000, and D, 1,000. Nobody has a majority. We look at the second choice of D's 1,000 supporters, and per-haps find they stand 500 for A and 500 each for B and C. This would make the vote: A, 4,500; B, 3,500; C, 2,500. Still no choice. We then eliminate C and make effective the second choice of his 2,000 supporters between the candidates one of whom must be chosen. If all of these votes went to B they would elect him in spite of A's original plurality. Thus the real wish of the majority in the alternative would count and not be defeated because scattered in their earlier favor for candidates eliminated from the contest. It will be noted that the votes which went to C as second choice was was'ed at the end. This is because for simplicity the plan as outline provides no third choice. In Queensland, we believe, there is a progressive choice, and all the votes are redistributed as may be necessary to give each citizen a voice in reaching the final result.—New York Tribune.

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### WAR ON THE WOLVES.

The lower house of the territorial assembly has passed a bill giving a bounty of twenty dollars for lobo wolves. This is a bill of vital interest to the sheep and cattle industries, and it is hoped that the council will forget and forgive the slaughter of the "drift fence memorial" by the members of the house, and concur in this bounty provision, that it may become a law without delay.

There is no method of determining the value of a lobo scalp to a cattleman or sheepman, but all will agree that the present lawful bounty of five dollars is no inducement for hunters to devote the necessary amount of time and skill to the destruction of the common enemy to all ranges. As much as fifty dollars has been paid for lobo scalps by private bounty; and this may be taken as a fair value of the removal from any range of a full grown lobo. But this amount is the exceptional offer rather than the rule, ten dollars for an old wolf and five dollars for the pup being the average private bounty.

With this inadequate reward upon his head the lobo is lord of his kingdom, and is seldom molested, except in cases where he puts himself in the way of some person armed with a gun. He is little hunted. If the legislature passes this bill, the cattle and sheep owners generally should come forward promptly and make a like private bounty for every grown lobo wolf. If they do not, those who seek to take advantage of the territorial bounty will make it a business to destroy the litter of pups, rather than to strike at the real source of the damage by killing the old he and the bitch. Almost any one who knows the habits of this animal can capture the litter in the season, which is now almost here, and as the litter number as high as ten in many instances, few persons will make any effort to kill the father and mother. After the young are weaned it is indeed difficult to catch the old one. And even a bounty of twenty dollars would not interest many hunters of the wary animal.

The extermination of young wolves removes so many future destroyers, but does not lessen the number now at work. If every cowboy on the ranges, every sheep herder and every hunter were incited to make a vigorous war on the wolves, old and young, for the next six months, there would result much lasting widespread benefit. The effects of a wholesale slaughter of the grown beasts would extend far into the future as well as relieve the present evil being wrought. That the number of lobo wolves is increasing cannot be doubted. We know of at least one instance where a citizen of this country was compelled to move his herd from one range because of the number of cattle killed by the lobos. Travelers have stopped at watering places where as many as thirty dead carcasses testified to their destructive presence.

We hope to have the pleasure of announcing the passage of this bounty bill, ere the legislature adjourns; but even if it should be defeated, large private bounties should be offered on all the ranges. Money expended in this way constitutes and investment that will pay a very large dividend in the course of time. Certainly if the people as a whole are so much interested, the stockmen should be more so, as individuals.

There is a probability that our district will have an attorney, and that Mr. Prichard, of White Oaks, will be the appointee.

U. S. BATEMAN introduced a bill fixing the regular terms of court so as not to interfere with the legislative session. It passed the house without opposition, and as a telegram has been received announcing that the regular term of court for Eddy county has been set for April, it is presumed the bill is now a law.

ANTICIPATING the repeal of the state wolf bounty law, a number of stockmen in the Bad River section of South Dakota have contributed a handsome sum from their own pockets, and will keep up the warfare. The state has expended \$300,000 for wolf scalps, and the present legislature is not expected to make a further appropriation.

THERE is an amusing story going the round of the territorial newspapers, in connection with the new law giving the governor power to fill vacancies in all county offices. Early one morning last week this bill was introduced, and the manner in which the republicans took hold of it betrayed the fine Italian hand; and the minority made but little resistance to this bold infringement on home rule. One representative joyously interrupted the headlong proceedings with the query if any county official had died the preceding night. It developed that on the day before a telegram had

been received announcing the serious illness of the sheriff of Socorro county. It required but a few minutes for the proposed bill to pass both houses. But later in the day came a second message saying the sick man was rapidly recovering. The republican steering committee evidently temporarily lost sight of the fact that New Mexico is a health resort. However, the future belongs to them, and they may yet reap the benefits of this law.

DOWN in Cuba the constitutional convention is in a wrangle over a clause which makes General Gomez eligible to the office of president of the republic. Such news causes people to wonder if there is any reward for one's service to his country, independent of a political pull.

THE army bill places eighteen hundred appointments in the hands of the president. With such an amount of federal patronage it will not be difficult to convince many people that prosperity is due to the administration, while they at the same time are drawing all their support directly from the war.

GOVERNOR OTERO strongly recommends a traveling territorial auditor. Such an office will not likely be created; and if it should be, it will amount to a sinecure, for three fourths of New Mexico counties are suffering from republican misrule, and the party managers will not agree to have such an official were he clothed with any degree of authority. An auditor is just what they want. But if the "boss" insists, he will be forthcoming, with instructions to travel over the country and look wise. If such an official were given the authority to correct the mistakes of county officials he would throw up his job before he ever got through with Santa Fe county, a republican stronghold.

It seems that the principal objection to the bill providing that the judges of the territorial supreme court should fix the terms of courts of the different counties is that it would give the judges too much power. In the debate, which resulted in the defeat of the bill, it was urged that this objection was not well taken, as the present law permits the judge to allow a regular term to lapse and then call a special term. Doubtless the necessity for some form of excuse to thus let a regular term lapse is what prompted the proposed change, the author of which was Judge McMillan, our new district judiciary. The legislature has acted wisely in casting a negative vote upon this measure; and they should now go a step further and amend the present regulation so that when any county is prepared for a term of court in accordance with the dates fixed by law, the same shall be held forthwith. In practice our judges have the power which the McMillan bill would have conferred. Are our officials intended for servants or masters of the people.

No question before the legislature is of more interest to the people than that of a just jury law. Perhaps more letters are being sent to Santa Fe, protesting against the present jury law, than have ever been received from this community. The consensus of opinion indicates an almost unanimous desire for a change in the method of selecting a grand or petit jury, but when it comes to the question of qualification opinions widely differ. And in response to this sentiment against packed juries, the legislature is in the mood to make provision for fair and impartial means of filling the jury box. On the other hand the new bill to be introduced will more than likely provide that any qualified voter may serve as jurymen. It is far better that the present law be not disturbed than that this slight qualification be in effect. As the regulation now is the jury commission have it in their power to select "twelve men good and true," if they are so disposed. With a system of procuring a child to draw from a box, as will be proposed in the new bill, no injustice will be wrought in the selecting of the jury, unless it be by the legislature in permitting the names of unqualified jurors to go into the box. For there may be as much injustice done to a citizen in fixing the qualification as in a "packing," premeditated. The legislature should feel this responsibility and meet it.

In the matter of health local conditions continue to improve, owing to the vigorous and painstaking campaign inaugurated by our health officers several weeks ago. These gentlemen are modest, therefore do not rush into print to repel an unfair attack upon themselves. This paper believes in saying good things about our own citizens, when they are due, and does not seek to carry personal animosities into its columns simply because of the fact that it can speak with hundreds of tongues as against one. The fact is that work has been done by our local physicians within the last few weeks, that were it proclaimed from the house tops, would make them heroes in the eyes of all the community. Because they go quietly about their missions they must endure the censure of those who "have it in for them," and happen to occupy a position where they can "promote publicity," as they choose to call it. There is more in the newspaper business than promoting publicity. Dispensing truth, for instance.

HERE is a bill introduced by Councilman Hughes:

Be it enacted by the legislative assembly of the Territory of New Mexico: SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of each justice of the supreme court to designate a particular newspaper within the limits of the judicial district over which he presides, in which all summonses by publication against non-resident defendants, and other legal notices of suits, causes or proceedings pending in the court presided over by him, shall be published for the same length of time and in the same manner as is now provided by law for such notices in the several counties; and to be in addition to such notice so published in the county newspaper; such designation to be an order made in open court and entered by the clerk of record, and such newspaper to be known and designated as the official newspaper of such district.

It requires but little thought to penetrate the mask of this bill. Either the republican papers of the territory are not self supporting, or else it is the object of party managers to establish one more republican newspaper in each district for the good of the cause. The provision here made for printing is wholly unequalled for, a reply adding more expense to the public in order to bolster up newspapers "of the faith." No price is fixed upon the said printing. The bill is vile, so vile that many of the republican representatives cannot stomach it, and although it will likely pass, it will not have a large majority.

In the lower house the "drift fence memorial was opposed by the sheepmen. It is indeed deplorable that the stock interests cannot get together. If they do not it will be to the detriment of both.

### Japanese and Chinese Symbols.

The many symbols which decorate ceramic ware in Japan and China are interesting to those familiar with them, and by means of them a test is furnished which distinguishes the ware of the two countries. For instance, a three-clawed dragon is Japanese, while a five-clawed dragon indicates Chinese art. In Japan the crane, turtle, pine and bamboo are emblems of longevity and do not appear in Chinese decoration. The sacred symbols of Japan—the mirror, the sword, the jewel—appear only in Japanese art. The chrysanthemum, the iris and the lotus are sacred flowers. The gods are different, and a little study will make it impossible for one to mistake the pottery or decoration of one country for that of another if a sacred subject is painted. Happiness is symbolized by a white stag; strength by the pine; the tortoise indicative of long life; the tortoise stands for riches; a hawk for courage; a bear in the snow endurance, and a carp swimming upward is the emblem of perseverance.

### For the Young Cook.

Seasonings are the making of the dish—the trimmings or the last touch—and consist of a variety of vegetables having a decided flavor rather than the addition of salt and pepper. Carrots, turnips, onions, garlic, shallots and in the spring chives, just a suspicion, add to the dish an unmistakable flavor and test not obtained in any other way.

In garnishing a dish, too, there must be variety. Do not always garnish by sticking a little piece of parsley here and there or by putting a wreath round the dish. Group the parsley, and in between the curly leaves place a tiny but-ton radish cut into a tulip, or a quarter of a tomato or a bit of lemon.

Spinach badly drained and not sufficiently chopped, turned into a dish and served without any garnish robs one of the idea that spinach is a dainty vegetable. Cook it carefully but a few moments that it may retain its brilliant green, chop it fine, press it through a sieve, reheat with a little cream to enliven its color and add butter, salt and pepper. Dish it in a round dish, heaping it into a mound. Edge the base of the mound with tiny triangles of toast and make a large star of cut hard boiled eggs in the center of the mound. You will then eat it even if you are not hungry. The sight of a dish garnished in this way is appetizing.

### A Question Settled.

Fashion decrees this year that color harmony must reign between skirt and waist. No longer can one be strictly a la mode wear a bright, dashing waist and a dark hued skirt. One color tone must prevail, or the waist in some way must be brought in touch with the skirt and give the effect of a carefully designed costume. How was this to be done? Woman vowed she would not give up the shirt waist and tailor suit. Yet how secure a waist in tone with her tailor gown? Silks for morning wear were tabooed. A cloth waist of the same fabric as the tailor frock and worn under the coat was not to be thought of. It was a problem. And it has perplexed many. But now it seems solved.

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Unleavened Bread.  
The Black Douglas.  
Seats of the Mighty.  
The Reign of Law.  
The Master Christian.  
The Redemption of David Corson.  
Robert Orange.  
Black Rock.  
I, Thou and the Other One.  
Boy.  
Ione March.  
On the Heights.  
The Bow of Orange Ribbon.  
Ramona.  
The Cardinal's Snuff Box.  
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Boots and Saddles.  
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Little Saint Elizabeth.  
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Swiss Family Robinson.  
Hans Brinker.  
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Ruth Friskins Crosses.  
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If you want to see an up-to-date meat market please come and examine the U. S. Meat Market in the Osborne block. Their decoration for Xmas will beat anything in the territory. We came here to stay and we are going to stay. We give you more satisfaction than any shop that has ever been here.

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### Notice Taxpayers.

The first half of the taxes for the year 1900 are now past due, and a penalty of one per cent has been added. If not paid before the first day of February, 1901, an additional penalty of four per cent must be added according to law.

Yours truly,  
JOHN D. WALKER,  
Treasurer and Collector.

The O. K. blacksmith shop has secured the services of an expert painter and are prepared to paint your carriages, buggies or anything that needs painting. They are also prepared to do fine sign painting at very low rates and on short notice. When you need anything in that line don't fail to call at the O. K. shop or telephone No. 58.

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Leave Pecos at 1:15 p. m.  
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Leave Carlsbad at 8:15 p. m.  
Arrive at Roswell at 11:30 p. m.  
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SOUTH BOUND.  
Leave Amarillo at 5:30 a. m.  
Arrive at Roswell at 8:45 p. m.  
Arrive at Carlsbad at 11:30 p. m.  
Leave Carlsbad at 1:30 a. m.  
Arrive at Pecos at 4:30 a. m.  
The south bound train lays over night in Carlsbad.

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WOODMEN OF THE WORLD, Eddy Grove, Camp No. 5.—Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. D. H. Sutherland, C. C.

C. W. MOORE, Clerk.

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## Local News.

The attention of advertisers is called to the fact that it is impossible to reach a majority of the people of Eddy County through any other medium than the **CURRENT**. Investigate this matter to your own satisfaction.

Lookout for the Steam Laundry. C. P. Cochran returned Thursday from a trip to Arizona.

Don't forget the Steam Laundry at opera house, February 22nd.

Hugh Wells, formerly sheriff at Midland, is now a resident of Carlsbad.

Doe Hellyer of Seven Rivers was here one day this week getting supplies.

The Steam Laundry will be at the opera house Feb. 22nd, one night only.

W. I. Holt and wife left for Dallas, Tex., the first of the week, there future home.

"Red" Seely, who killed Bob Hall received a sentence of fifteen years in the penitentiary.

George Wilcox is seriously ill with pneumonia at his ranch on the Penasco. The **CURRENT** hopes for his speedy recovery.

Richard Robertson of Jacksonville, Ill., is a new addition to the colony of health seekers, sojourning in Carlsbad.

Gilbert O'Neal returned from old Mexico this week. He expects to return soon to the state of Chihuahua and go into the sheep business.

Rev. Abe Mulkey, the Texas evangelist, began a meeting at the Methodist church last night. The services will be continued during the next week.

Fred Higgins sheriff of Chaves county was in Carlsbad Thursday. He reports that Hendrick, the man who killed Will Rainbolt, has not yet been caught.

John Cantrell has been confined to his bed, severely ill, for several weeks. The **CURRENT** extends sympathy and hopes to hear of his early restoration to health.

Adolph Norborn died at Capitan, N. M., February 7th, of consumption. Mr. Norborn spent several winters in Carlsbad and is remembered here by many friends.

"Five kind of pennies," will be Pastor Powell's Sunday morning talk, to the boys and girls. The theme for the regular sermon is "A ripe fruit of a rich character." Welcome.

Miss Mary G. Keith, a sister of J. C. Keith, and well known to many of our readers died in Dallas on February 7th, 1901, aged 64 years. The **CURRENT** extends condolence to Mr. Keith in his sad bereavement.

The citizens of Carlsbad who have attended the lectures delivered by Father Brannan, at the court house this week have enjoyed a literary treat. He is an able and fluent speaker, and a thorough scholar.

H. Weiland died at Hotel Schlitz on Wednesday of consumption. Deceased was from Chicago, and arrived in Carlsbad a few days ago. The remains were shipped to Chicago Friday for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Smith left for their home in Buffalo, N. Y., Tuesday. They came here for Mrs. Smith's health but it was too late, and she has given up all hope of being restored to health, and desired to pass her last days at home with her family.

B. G. Stegman, on Monday, sold the electric light plant to C. H. Klauder and M. Rauch, owners of the telephone system, terms were private. It is safe to say that the new services will be all that can be desired as Messrs. Klauder and Rauch are experienced electricians. They take charge March 1st.

Will Rainbolt, deputy sheriff of Chaves county, was killed in Roswell last Friday night. We are not in possession of the facts, but understand that Rainbolt had arrested a man by the name of Hendricks at a dance; when he started to jail with his prisoner, a brother of Hendricks shot him.

Lee Bell sold his home in Rio Vista to Spence Jowell of Midland. He will give possession at once, and Mr. Jowell will become a citizen of Carlsbad. Mr. Bell will move to Midland, to reside in the future. He and his family have the best wishes of many friends made during their residence in Carlsbad.

Pastor Hermon J. Powell, wishes to announce, that all the members of the Baptist church, are urged to be present at the regular Sunday morning service. The Sunday and Wednesday nights services will be omitted to unite with the Methodist revival services. Let us do our part to bring Christ to Carlsbad and Carlsbad to Christ, the coming week.

The Steam Laundry is coming to Carlsbad.

Try Purina Health flour, at Pendleton & Gamble's.

The "Chinese must go," for the Steam Laundry is coming.

There was no school Monday on account of the inclement weather.

Carl Roberts is the proud father of a baby girl born Thursday morning.

The fanciest lemons ever seen in Carlsbad are at Lavery's, the leader.

Mrs. H. J. Hammond left for Clayton, New Mexico, Monday to join her husband.

Major Howell, collector and treasurer of Chaves county, was in Carlsbad Monday.

Try Pearl meal very fancy, you can get it in any quantity wanted at Lavery's—the leader.

W. H. Merchant, the genial manager of the Tax ranch was in town the first of the week.

If you need a notary public telephone no 16 or call at the **CURRENT** office. Always there.

Hugh Freeman returned Sunday from a trip to Santa Fe and other points in New Mexico.

The Eddy Drug company has a tasty display of valentines in the show window, this week.

Have you a chance to win the fine sewing machine the **CURRENT** is going to give away?

Remember J. T. Cooper, manager of the New Saddle store, carries a full line of guns and ammunition.

A seed catalogue free, at Tracy & McEwan's. Call and get one and inspect their line of bulk seeds.

A fourteen pound baby boy was born to the wife of Peter Corn last Saturday night. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Sheriff Stewart attended the funeral of Deputy Sheriff Will Rainbolt, at Roswell, Sunday and returned home Monday.

Carlsbad **CURRENT** and New York Weekly Tribune \$2.25 per year; and a chance in the Sewing Machine drawing thrown in.

A Telegram from U. S. Bateman, received this week announced that the Eddy county term of court would be held in April.

To insure fresh garden seeds and get full value for your money, buy your seed in bulk, of Tracy & McEwan, who handle Plant Seed Co.'s seeds.

Gez whiz, but that Elite shaving parlor is the most elegant place in the southwest. And the barbers are up to date; we know, we have been there. Opposite postoffice.

Albert Tenny and Bob McCaully who have been drilling wells out in the flat ranch, were in town the first of the week getting supplies and taking in the sights of Carlsbad.

Lavery offers to his fancy grocery trade, Rayston health club whole wheat flour. He will also continue to keep in stock the Purina health flour for those who like this flour and have been buying it of him for the past three years.

Down at the U. S. Meat Market they sell, pickled pigs feet, weiner sausage, bolona, fresh head cheese, corned beef, pickled pork, sour kraut and fresh salt water fish every Friday, also the best meats that the country produces. You ring the bell and they do the rest. Telephone No. 24. 513

In last week's issue the **CURRENT** intended to announce that a company playing one night stands with a play called "The Steam Laundry" would be in Carlsbad soon. It seems that the language was ambiguous, as many people thought a steam laundry was to be established here, and one man wanted to rent a building to be used for that purpose. We offer this in explanation and are now sure of the date, it will be Feb. 22, at the opera house. Tickets on sale at Eddy Drug Company.

**A Card.**  
The many friends who so kindly assisted during our late bereavement, the death and burial of Mrs. Mullane, have the heart felt gratitude of her husband and three children.

**WM. H. MULLANE.**  
A Missouri editor who went on a vacation left a minister in charge of his paper. A day or two later a letter from "a wayback" subscriber came, which read: "You know—well I paid my subscription the last time I was in your town. If I get any more such letters I will come down and maul hell out of you." The minister answered: "I have been trying to maul that thing out of the editor for ten years, and if you really do come down and maul it out of him, then, my dear sir, I have twenty members of my church you can operate on."—Ex.

The death of Baron Rothschilds is another reminder that money, however powerful in life, is of little value at the grave. There is one debt—the debt of nature—for which gold is not a legal tender.—Commoner.

If you want to buy a good and cheap shot gun, call at the New Saddle store.

Try Purina Health flour, at Pendleton & Gamble's.

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## Obituary.

DIED: Friday evening Feb. 8th, 1901, at 7:10. Mrs. Ellie Mullane, beloved wife of Wm. H. Mullane, aged 40 years 4 months and 11 days. The funeral occurred Monday at 10 a. m. from St. Edwards, the great sacrifice of the Church, a requiem high mass was offered, Rev. Albert Wagner, celebrant, Mrs. H. B. Illingsworth, singing the responses. After mass the Rev. P. F. Brannan, of Weatherford, Tex., delivered a funeral sermon, replete with sound sense and strong argument for the care of the soul, saying that the life of the deceased was a sermon in itself. The weather was very rainy, but despite this a large number followed the remains to the cemetery, where Father Albert concluded the last sad rites of the Church.

Mrs. Mullane, whose maiden name was Moran, was born in Cornish, New York, Sept. 27th, 1860, of Irish parents, who came from County Tipperary, in 1845, being married about that date in Cornish. When the deceased was about six years old her parents moved to Fond du Lac, Wis., where her father was a machinist in the railway shops. There she attended both the public and sisters schools. In 1877, the Moran family moved to Pottawattamie county, Iowa, where Ellie taught in district school for some four years. During this period she met her future husband, and during the years from '78-'82 they met quite frequently. In February 1883 the Moran family moved to Plankinton, Dakota, and on March 29, 1883, Miss Moran and Wm. H. Mullane were married by Rev. Father Hennessey at Mitchell, Dakota, leaving at once for their home in Neola, Iowa where her husband owned the Reformer. In 1885 the family moved to Ogalalla, Nebraska, coming to the Pecos Valley in 1892. Four children were born to her between 1884 and 1890, Bernard Francis, James Hugh, Florence Philomene and Helen Claire. Helen died in 1893.

During her life she was a constant sufferer, from a fall down a cellar door way, when only three years old, which fall injured her spine. Consumption commenced to develop from the effect of a severe cold, taken when her family moved to Dakota in 1883 and her health had been growing steadily worse since. She was a devoted Christian and had an abiding faith, impossible to comprehend by many. Her last moments were smoothed by the sacraments of the Church, and prayers of her family and friends and she passed away in joy and peace with her family all at her bedside, as well as the priest of the Church. She loved to live her religion and most freely forgave all injuries, and was loved and respected by all wherever her lot was cast. She was conscious to within a few moments before she drew her last breath, even smiling and doing her best to make her family bear up during the last trying moments. May her soul rest in peace.

An incident in the consideration of the army bill in the house was the adoption of an amendment prohibiting what is known as the "army canteen." This amendment was proposed and pushed by Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, and it abolishes the sale of intoxicating drinks at all army posts. The argument urged in favor of the army canteen is that it provides a restricted system which avails largely to keep soldiers from the excessive use of adulterated and dangerous drinks, as sold at saloons in the neighborhood of all army posts. Some of the men who voted for Mr. Littlefield's amendment, notably Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, declared that they did not believe that the canteen system ought to be abolished, and that they agreed with the army authorities that the existing system promotes temperance and decency in the army, but that the agitation against the canteen had brought about a state of public opinion which could not be instructed or enlightened on the subject. The "Outlook" strongly condemns the abolition of the canteen, pronouncing it "a measure intended to promote temperance, but certain to promote intemperance." If the house measure passes the senate, the people who have demanded this change of the law will be remiss if they do not provide with the utmost liberality for the immediate multiplication and enlargement of the facilities at all army posts as are now provided, to some extent, by the Young Men's Christian Association. The soldiers will go to the vile resorts that cluster about every army post, unless attractive substitutes for the canteen are abundantly provided. Such places should be genuinely comfortable, well supplied with newspapers, periodicals, and books, and with facilities for writing letters and playing games; and they should also serve such light refreshments and drinks, at a low price, as may be desirable.—Review of Reviews.

## Feeding Babies.

There has been a great change for the better in the feeding of little children in the last score of years. Far more children who are deprived of their mothers' milk thrive on artificial feeding than formerly. This is chiefly due to the process of sterilization. All milk fed to infants or little children who live largely on milk should be sterilized. This should be done to destroy impurities which the milk may receive from contact with the air and from vessels which hold it, as well as to destroy germs of typhoid fever, tuberculosis or other diseases which may be received from the cow. The importance of sterilization, therefore, cannot be insisted upon too strongly. Apparatus is sold for this purpose, so that it may be easily accomplished in any kitchen with little trouble. Formerly the milk of one cow was insisted upon. Some authorities object to this, preferring a child should be fed from a mixture of the milk of different cows. There is more salt and sugar in human milk than in cow's milk. A very little loaf sugar and a little salt should be added to milk given to an infant. A safe rule for feeding little infants is to boil a teaspoonful of powdered barley and a little salt in a gill of water for fifteen minutes. Strain the mixture through a fine strainer which is kept for the purpose and sterilized every time it is used. Add to this mixture as much cow's milk and a little sugar. This preparation can be taken from a bottle. Sometimes oatmeal must be substituted for barley. Use oatmeal in place of barley if the child's bowels are not so open as they should be. For the very young physicians generally recommend cow's milk, weakened only with water. If it sours on the stomach, as it may, make a very thin, transparent mucilage of the best gum arabic and milk, sweetened and flavored with a little salt, and give the child a little. It is a simple, harmless medicine.—New York Tribune.

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"Well, give me a bottle," said the baldheaded man. "But, say, come to think of it, why don't you use it? You're pretty bald yourself."

"I can't use it. You see, I'm the 'before using' clerk. The 'after using' clerk is out at lunch. You should see him."—Philadelphia Press.

**Shakespearean Authority.**  
"This expression of yours, Miss De Muir," said the teacher of the class in rhetoric, who had been examining her essay, "is exceedingly faulty. You say 'It made the very air sick.' How can you think of the atmosphere being 'sick'?"

"It seems to me," replied Miss De Muir, "I have read somewhere of an ill wind."—Chicago Tribune.

## Ancient Cast Steel.

The manufacture of cast steel in India can be traced back for over 2,000 years, while there are also examples of wrought iron work nearly as old. Near Delhi, close to the Kutub, there is an enormous wrought iron pillar which weighs ten tons and is thought to be over 1,800 years old.—Chicago Chronicle.

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It is hereby certified that the American Central Insurance Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Missouri, whose principal office is located at Saint Louis, has complied with all the requirements of the laws of New Mexico, so far as such laws are applicable to said company, for the year 1901.  
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C. T. ADAMS.

**Notice.**  
In the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the Territory of New Mexico, sitting within and for the county of Eddy.  
Morgan M. Davis, administrator of the estate of E. L. Russell, deceased, vs. Nancy A. Russell, Una My Russell, Esq., next Eddy Russell and John Clyde Russell, heirs at law of E. L. Russell.  
WHEREAS a proper affidavit has been filed in the office of the clerk of said court showing that the above named defendants reside out of the Territory of New Mexico, and can not be served with the process of this court in New Mexico; and, therefore, in accordance with the statutes in such cases made and provided, notice is hereby given to said defendants, Nancy A. Russell, Una My Russell, Esq., John Clyde Russell and John Clyde Russell, by publication that Morgan M. Davis, administrator of the estate of E. L. Russell, deceased, has filed in said court his petition, praying for an order to set aside said estate subject to the Fifth county, New Mexico, via the S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 21 Tp. 4 S. R. 24 E. and the water right appurtenant thereto, for the purpose of realigning lands with which to pay the debts of said estate against the estate of said E. L. Russell, deceased. And said defendants are hereby given notice that unless they appear before the said court, at the February, A. D. 1901 term thereof, to be begun and held in the county of Eddy, Territory of New Mexico, on the 25th day of February, A. D. 1901, and answer said petition and show cause why the same should not be granted, the said petitioner will apply to the court for the relief demanded.  
Witness my hand and the seal of said court on this 21st day of January, A. D. 1901.  
JOHN E. GREVITH,  
Clerk of said Court.  
By S. L. Roberts, Deputy.

**Contest Notice.**  
Department of the Interior,  
United States Land Office,  
Roswell, N. M., January 22, 1901.  
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Morgan M. Davis, contestant, against homestead entry No. 679 made Sept. 25, 1880, for the N. 1/4 of the SW 1/4, section 5, and the N. 1/4 of the S. 1/4 of section 6, township 18 S., range 23 E., by Sidney Jackson, contestee, in which it is alleged that the said Sidney Jackson has wholly abandoned said tract, and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry, and next prior to the date hereof, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law, and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or mariner during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged; said parties are hereby notified to appear and respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 2, 1901, before the register and receiver at the United States land office in Roswell, New Mexico.  
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 25, 1901, set forth facts which show that after due diligence person, al service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.  
HOWARD LELAND, Register,  
DAVID L. GUYER, Receiver.  
First publication Feb. 9, 1901.

Several weeks ago the **CURRENT** announced the death of Rev. J. W. Crooks, well known among the Baptist people in the valley, and now we announce the death of his wife, who died one week later, leaving five children.

**For Sale.**  
A good well of water, 12 miles southwest of the Hat Ranch; good range, fine water and no loco. Write me at Carlsbad.  
JOHN H. STEWART.

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Progressive in Nearly All Other Fields of Human Endeavor, Our Highways Are Abominable—Automobiles May Hasten Improvement.

The Chicago Inter Ocean has been promoting the great automobile meet and exhibition held in Washington park this month in the belief that the interests of the horseless vehicle can be best served by a thorough demonstration under best conditions of the good qualities of the autos. In addition to being a demonstration of the automobile the meet served to emphasize to the farmer and the country residents the great importance of good roads.

It will no doubt be slow work to teach the farmer that his best interest lies with better roads and that the present system of construction and occasional repair will not meet the requirements of future methods of transportation. The owners of automobiles have already found it to their interest to take a hand in this good work, and with their help extensive additions to the decent highways of this country may be expected within a few years. "What is needed," says a writer in The Hub, "is a stiff law in every state putting a premium on smooth roads and a tax on bad ones, establishing a system of rebates from the county taxes on all wagon tires three inches or more in width and providing the necessary machinery for the uniform enforcement of such a statute. Even the most enlightened community can appreciate the logic of a road tax, and with intelligent, honest supervision to see that the road work is properly done most of the abominations now called country roads should soon give place to hard, smooth, well kept highways, bringing business to the farmers and opening up the country to a higher state of settlement and profitable operation."

Regarding the great question of economy in good roads, the following statistical matter from The Scientific American is significant:

"There is food for thought in the report of the Maryland geological survey for 1900. In the first place, we are told that the people of Maryland have expended during the last ten years upon the so called construction and repair of their own roads the sum of no less than \$2,000,000. It seems that the greater part of this money has been frittered away in the attempt to repair roads which have been poorly laid out in the first place and for the lack of certain necessary engineering qualifications can in the nature of things never be made into good roads. As an instance of this it may be mentioned that many of the common roads have no natural drainage. We are told that most of them are in a poor condition for a part of the year and some of them for the whole 12 months.

"As the result of a careful estimate made by the survey it is shown that the farmers of the state of Maryland expend \$2,000,000 a year more on their hauling over the present poorly built highways than would be necessary if the hauling were done on first class roads. These figures are to be compared with the information collected by the department of agriculture in 1895, when, as the result of data received from over 1,200 counties in various parts of the United States, it was ascertained that the average cost of hauling one ton for one mile over country roads was 25 cents, which was just three times as much as the average cost of hauling over the improved macadam roads of six European countries. If this large sum of money represents the loss to the state of Maryland from poor roads, it is easy to say that the total loss throughout the whole United States represents a figure so great that it must have an important bearing upon the prosperity of the country at large and practically upon the farming interests as such.

"At first sight it seems incredible that in a country so progressive as ours the condition of the common roads should be over a half century behind that of the old world. It is true that the vast extent of the United States and the great mileage of our roads in some states relative to the density of the population may be offered as an excuse for our backwardness, but while this plea may hold good as regards the thinly populated western and southern states it cannot be applied to the older, more populous and wealthy sections of the country."

### Cost of Roads.

The introduction in recent years of improved road building machinery has enabled the authorities in some of the states to build improved stone and gravel roads quite cheaply. First class single track stone roads nine feet wide have been built near Canandaigua, N. Y., for \$900 to \$1,000 per mile. Many excellent gravel roads have been built in New Jersey for \$1,000 to \$1,300 per mile. The material of which they were constructed was placed on in two layers, each being rolled and thoroughly rolled and the whole mass consolidated to a thickness of eight inches. In the same state macadam roads have been built for \$2,000 to \$3,000 per mile, varying in width from 9 to 20 feet and in thickness of material from 4 to 12 inches.

### Cost of Telford Highways.

Telford roads 14 feet wide and 10 to 22 inches thick have been built in New Jersey for \$4,000 to \$6,000 per mile. Macadam roads have been built at Bridgeport and Fairfield, Conn., 18 to 20 feet wide for \$3,500 to \$5,000 per mile. A telford road 10 feet wide and 12 inches thick was built at Fanwood, N. J., for \$2,500 per mile. Macadam roads have been built in Rhode Island, 16 to 20 feet wide for \$4,000 to \$5,000 per mile.

## PENNSYLVANIA ROADS.

A Growing Feeling That Permanent Highways Are Necessary.

It would be useless to deny that the people of the interior of the state want good roads, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. Their newspapers are strenuous advocates of such improvement, and they hold few conventions in which that advance is not recommended. They know themselves the folly of the system now prevailing in a majority of the counties. It has been demonstrated to them in the short lives of their horses, the repairs to their wagons and in their road tax bills for the roads which brought about those combined costs.

Proofs of the theory that they would extricate themselves from their present



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expenditure for a worthless article is also to be found in the fact that they are more eager than formerly to have the state build good roads and in the further fact that every proposition toward a permanent system of such roads is closely scrutinized by them in their general gatherings and at their firesides.

The Inquirer has not the slightest hesitation in saying that when the finances of the state warrant it Governor Stone will be found leading all the aid in his power to the good road movement, but pending that time the work should not halt. Unless the townships, counties and towns move in the matter it must be many years before there will be anything like a system of roads adequate to the needs or greatness of the commonwealth.

Montgomery began the work of improvement some years ago, and quite recently Northampton also took it up, their action being that the roads hereafter to be built ought to be permanent. The usual repairs will be put upon the unimproved roads in both of these counties, but as fast as the authorities there are able they will replace the mud paths by the rock bed roads, which, once being properly laid, will ever after prove smooth, economic and profitable.

It is with this thought of permanency that the counties all ought to approach this question. The first cost may be a little large, but in the end it will surely prove profitable.

### WANT BETTER ROADS.

Pennsylvania State Commission Seeking Information.

In accordance with instructions given by the legislature the Pennsylvania road commissioners are gathering information throughout the state upon which to base a road measure to be submitted to the legislature of 1901. The method adopted bids fair to place in the hands of the commission valuable data as to the condition of roads throughout the state and the wishes and needs of each section.

Circulars have been prepared and copies have been sent to the State Grange, the Farmers' Alliance, creameries, county and local agricultural societies and others throughout the state. These contain blank spaces to be filled in with the desired information. The commissioners want to know what kind of road is desired for the country, what number of miles of good road there is in each locality, opinions as to the best means of obtaining good roads, the system in use in each locality and similar information. The effort will be made to frame a measure that will be satisfactory to the masses of the people, and it is believed that the replies as to present conditions and the other questions asked will greatly aid the commissioners.

### Good Roads Found to Pay.

Farmers of Camden, Burlington and Gloucester counties are finding out the worth of good roads. They haul their produce to Philadelphia and get better prices than when they sold at the railroad stations. More farmers' wagons cross the Camden ferries than ever before.

Warren county is waking up to the importance of good roads. For a long time the citizens have pointed to the fine highways in other counties and complained of the lack of the progressive spirit in their own section, one of the most delightful in the state.

Now a citizen has offered to give \$2,000 toward building a macadam road between Hackettstown and Allamuchy and to pay that part of the total tax chargeable to the owners of abutting property.

The board of freeholders has accepted the offer and has saved the people about \$5,000. With the allowance made by the state added the cost to the county will be small.

This is believed to be the beginning of an era of road building in Warren.

### Binding Material.

Binding material to produce the best results should be equal in hardness and toughness with the road stone. The best results are therefore obtained by using screenings or spalls from the broken stone used. Coarse sand or gravel can sometimes be used with impunity as a binder, but the wisdom of using loam or clay is very much questioned. When the latter material is used for a binder, the road is apt to become very dusty in dry weather and sticky, muddy and rutty in wet weather.

## Juliet Got the Light.

At a small seaport town a star across the third magnitude appeared as Juliet.

"I cannot do justice to myself," she said to the manager, "if I do not have a limelight thrown on me when I appear at the balcony."

"We ain't got no limelight, miss, but I think we could get you a ship's blue light," replied the obliging manager, and to this the lady agreed.

The lad who went to the shop to buy the blue light brought back a signal rocket, which was given to him by mistake. The prompter took the rocket in good faith.

Romeo—He jests at scars who never felt a wound.

(Juliet appears. Prompter lights a match.)

"But, soft! What light through yonder window breaks?"

(This was the match lighting the fuse.)

"Arise, fair sun!"

The sun—or rather the rocket—did rise with a terrific hiss. Juliet was knocked off the balcony, the fly borders were set on fire, and the theater was filled with a sulphurous smoke, while the audience, which was fortunately a small one, made a stampede to the doors.

Since then "Romeo and Juliet" has always been looked upon in that town as a dramatic work that could not be witnessed without personal danger.—New World.

### Two Pointers as to the Goat.

"You may go into the goat business and educate the people of the middle west to eat goat meat," said Wiley O. Cox yesterday, "but you will not learn from books what my father learned from experience." And then Mr. Cox gave away a trick of the trade.

"The man who goes in for Angoras will find that it is true they will jump anything under 100 feet high and climb a sapling. They will get at the neighbor's wash as sure as it goes on the line, and there will be lingerie to pay for. But if you would be on the safe side and keep the billy there turn him up and cut away the little creeper that you will find at the bottom of the hoof. It will not hurt him to lose it, but it ruins his ambition as a mountebank. It will save lots of trouble to have a chiropodist get at the Angora with a nail trimmer."

Goat meat cannot be distinguished from mutton ordinarily. In every car of sheep that comes from New Mexico there are sure to be from two to a dozen goats in the lot. They all go to the same block at the packers, and the good wife who takes home goat's chops for lamb chops is never the wiser. Nor is the butcher. A goat is only a goat when he has his pelt on. After that he is a sheep.—Kansas City Journal.

### Cheaper Than a Funeral.

In a certain North Dakota town there are two physicians, one with a long record of cures and the other popularly rated as "no good."

The favored doctor found his services in great request, but as payment was not always forthcoming he made a rule that a certain class of his patients should pay in advance.

One winter's night he was roused by two farmers from a hamlet ten miles away, the wife of one of whom was seriously ill. He told them to go to the other doctor, but they refused, saying they would prefer his services. "Very well," replied the medico. "In that case my fee is \$10, the money to be paid now."

The men remonstrated, but the doctor was obdurate and shut down his window. He waited, however, to hear what they would say. "Well, what will we do now?" asked the farmer whose wife was ill. And the reply that was given must have been as gratifying as it was amusing to the listening doctor. It was: "I think you would better give it. The funeral would cost you more."

### Shakespeare in the Title.

In Shakespeare's name lies the key to a wonderful cryptogram. The spelling "Shakespeare" was the poet's nom de plume, while "Shakespere" was his name, an evident change from "Shakespeare." In each of the two spellings last given are ten letters—four vowels and six consonants. Combine these two figures, and we have the number 46, the key to the mystery.

Turning to the Forty-sixth Psalm in the revised version, it is found that the psalm is divided into three portions, each one ending with "selah." Remember the number—46.

Counting 46 words from the beginning of the psalm, one reads the word "shake" in the first portion, and counting 46 words from the end of the psalm one reaches the word "seper." There is "Shakespere" as plainly as letters can make it.—London Answers.

### Siberian Luxuries.

The three great luxuries in Siberia are churches, theaters and museums. Even the smaller villages can usually be sighted from afar by means of the white walls and the towering, dome shaped cupolas of their churches. These are all amply supplied with bells whose rich tones roll in majestic harmony over distant hill and vale and break the monotony of the peasants' lullaby toll. Inside these churches are highly ornamented with paintings, and they are presided over by married priests, who take a deep and genuine interest in even the poorest of the flock.

### An Amateur Critic.

Here is a schoolboy's criticism of Sir Walter Scott in an examination paper which the New York Commercial Advertiser vouchers for: "Walter Scott was a great poet. When he was dying, he felt it coming on, so he wrote sum tuching lines which he meant for himself:

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