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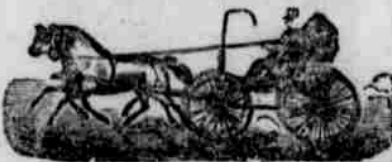
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The Maryland legislature has disfranchised the state's forty-four thousand illiterate voters, eighteen thousand of them being whites, and mostly democrats, and, twenty-six thousand blacks, and nearly all republicans. The legislature's reason for this sweeping ballot law is the claim of this class of voters had to be assisted in casting their ballots, and, without a secret ballot, there was no other way than by disfranchisement to prevent bribery. The republicans, of course denied, that this reason is valid, and declares that it is a political yarn to deprive them all chance to carry the state hereafter. If congress does not interfere, such states as Kentucky and west Virginia are likely to enact similar ballot laws. To the onlooker, it seems remarkable that, in these enlightened days, eighteen thousand adult white citizens should be found in a single state who are unable to read and write. Maryland is plentifully equipped with schools, and there surely exists sufficient pride among these disfranchised ones to attend them for a period long enough to wipe out the disqualification, and make the legislation null and void. Let us hope that this will be the solution.

**TO THE DEAF.**—A rich lady, cured of her deafness and noises in the head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave \$25,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free. Address, No. D941, The Nicholson Institute, 780 Eighth Avenue, New York.

## WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, April 19, 1901

Denials have been entered ridiculous by press dispatches from Manila giving names and details, war department officials now confess that there have been extensive frauds in the commissary branch of the army in the Philippines, and announce with a flourish of honesty and virtue that an official investigation is now being made with a view of exposure and punishment of all those who have been guilty of wrongdoing. This announcement would have carried more weight with the disinterested public had it not been accompanied by another saying that the conduct of the investigation had been placed in the hands of Adjutant General Corbin. Gen. Miles is commander of the army, and as such should have directed that investigation and if the truth and the whole truth, regardless of whose toes might be trod on, had been sought, it would have been allowed to remain in his hands where it properly belonged. He had proven his fearlessness in uncovering fraud in the embalmed beef cases. But if the object of the investigation is to whitewash the guilty officers who have republican political pull, and to make scapegoats of those who have not, the choice of Gen. Corbin to direct it was wise. He has a record of political partisanship never equaled by any holder of a major general's commission in the United States army, and there have been some radical partisans in the army, too, while Gen. Miles has never been a partisan and is suspected of believing in democratic principles. Major George B. Davis, one of the officers said to be implicated in the frauds, is now in Washington on sick leave. He has been connected with the commissary branch of the army for several years, and was regarded as Gen. Eagan's right-hand man when he was commissary general. Major Davis was at the war department this week and was questioned by Commissary General Weston. He denied the charge made from Manila that the books of Evans & Co. government contractors showed that sums of money had been paid him and other officers; also that he had any knowledge of wrong doing on the part of either officers or contractors and announced his willingness to return to Manila at once and assist in the investigation. He might be able to render valuable assistance in the whitewashing.

Mayor Carter Harrison, of Chicago, whose third election to that office has caused his name more or less to be talked of in connection with national politics, spent the most of this week in Washington quietly resting. Asked the blunt question, whether he had any intention of entering the national political arena, Mr. Harrison, replied: "I am not fooling with national politics. It is enough for me now to attend to my duties in Chicago." When asked what the Illinois legislature was likely to do, Mr. Harrison said: "The republicans in that body have done almost nothing outside of a discussion of apportionment bills. They have a quarrel among themselves over the subject and I would not be surprised if the legislature adjourned without passing any measure for the apportionment."

That the Philippines must necessarily be a large and continuous source of expense to the United States has been evident that from the day Spain gold-bricked us into the becoming their owners. A board of naval officers, under orders from Secretary Long, are now engaged in preparing plans for a \$5,000,000 naval station, which is to have a \$1,000,000 dry dock, at Olongapo, Subic Bay, Luzon. Those plans will have to receive the approval of congress before they can be carried out.

Senator Coghren, who was met coming out of the White House, where he had just had a talk with Mr. McKinley on the subject, and of the coming visit to Washington of a committee of the Cuban constitution convention: "The Cubans do not apparently fully grasp their status. They are not now a government. They have no power to treat diplomatically with the United States. The present constitutional convention was called into being through our agency. It only has power to submit to the United States for approval a plan or constitution for the representative government. If we reject it out right the extensive status continues. They can do nothing. But if the modifications and conditions which we propose are accepted then they can proceed to organize a representative government. And until such a government is organized the troops of the United States, in my opinion, cannot be completely withdrawn. I am firmly convinced that the convention, after it hears the report of the commission which it has sent here, will accept the

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platt amendment. I believe that the members of the commission will learn much of value to Cuba on their visit here, and that soon after their return the constitution convention will take favorable action."

Every republican president from Grant to McKinley has had dreams of establishing a respectable white republican party in the south, but every effort to make the dream a reality has miserably failed. For that reason Mr. McKinley's effort in that line, in South Carolina, is more amusing than alarming to the southern democrats. Senator McLaurin, who has been for all practical purposes an administration senator for several years, although he only actually withdrew from the democratic caucus just before the adjournment of the last session of congress, is expected to act as Mr. McKinley's assistant in the present attempt to turn the dream into a reality. The first open move was the appointment of John G. Capers, a gold democrat, to succeed a republican as United States district attorney of South Carolina. The next is awaited with more or less curiosity.

### Two Hundred Herefords.

The largest consignment of high toned bulls that ever came to El Paso is down at the stockyards. They are from the Riverside Hereford company, Ashland, Nebraska, and they are going to the McCutcheon Brothers ranch in the Davis mountains near Fort Davis. There are 23 of them and they are all registered, Hereford yearlings and two years old. They have stood the long journey well and are in first class condition. W. J. Cox, the energetic manager of the Riverside Hereford company, is as proud of the new arrivals as a boy with a new suit.

This consignment of cattle is the result of the big deal that was made by the McCutcheon Brothers and the Riverside Hereford people a short while ago. Under the terms of that transaction the Riverside company purchased 4000 head of cattle from the McCutcheon Brothers and sold them in return these Hereford bulls. The McCutcheon Brothers have some 30,000 cattle on their ranges and it is their intention to turn these registered bulls in among the cattle with the view of improving the breed.

The cattle they now have is of a superior grade, and with the addition of these bulls they will have in time the finest herd of cattle in the state of Texas. Part of the agreement between the two parties is that the Riverside Hereford people take all of next year's yearlings and the yearlings of the following year from the McCutcheon brothers. In return the Riverside people ship to the ranch next year 100 more bulls next year and 100 the following year.

The cattle as they now stand bring about \$15 a head but improved as the breed will be by these registered bulls it is expected that such improved stock will be worth fully \$25 a head. The present consignment are as fine a lot of cattle as can be found in any part of the country and are worth a visit to the stockyards.—El Paso Herald.

### A Raging, Roaring Flood.

Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Ellis, of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cold and cough. It grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oklahoma, Neb., Sioux City and Omaha said I had the consumption and could not live. I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles." Positively guaranteed for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles by Eddy Drug Co. Price 50c.

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The discovery of oil in apparently inexhaustible quantities in California and Texas, within the last year, emphasizes America's first place among the people of the earth, in treasures. Oil is to be the fuel of the furnaces of this twentieth century, and with it to burn in our ships, we can steam the seas with light tankers and without having to stop every few days for fuel. A navy steaming on oil, with no coal-station to protect, should be twice as effective as one guarding coaling stations. But not before have we had oil for such a purpose. Charles Sumner Young writing to Success about the California oil fields in the Kern river district, says the oil sands are four hundred feet deep, throughout 10,000 acres and from every acre there will come 200,000 barrels of oil, a gross output of 2,000,000,000 barrels which at fifty cents a barrel, will be worth over \$1,000,000,000. This dwarfs in importance the yield of gold and silver of the comstock lode. Mr. Young does not hesitate to say that California oil is worth more than all the gold and silver she has produced, or ever will mine. The oil discoveries in the Beaumont district, of Texas, do not promise so much, but a geyser spouting 19,000 barrels per day was recently utilized. The district is an extensive one, and the oil sands are estimated to be from five to fifteen feet in depth. Oil in smaller quantities has been found elsewhere. The problem has been for small operators to build pipe lines to get the oil to markets. The California owners have made it plain that the Standard Oil company might do well to invest with them and the Texas owners may, perhaps, reach the same conclusion. At all events, the people of the Pacific states and southwest will profit by the discoveries.—Success.

Many, indeed, of those who now deprecate the gigantic growth of some of the chief industrial monopolies, hold to the view that there would have been true conservatism in the government ownership of the railway from the very beginning. Their argument is that the railway rebates and other unfair transportation advantages were, in point of fact, the real foundation for the up building of a number of the most conspicuous of the so-called trusts; and they claim that if there had been public ownership of railways, with equal advantages to all shippers, there could not—at least in our day—have grown up any such aggregation as the Standard Oil Company, the great iron and steel amalgamation, of the American Sugar Company, the anthracite coal combination, and several others that might be named. The advocates of government ownership—some of them at least—believe that everything is moving so rapidly in the direction of their convictions and desires that they have only to stand aside as spectators and look on. They are especially well pleased with the seemingly swift growth of something like a scientific unity in the railway system of the country. They are glad to see harmony and stable equilibrium in the mining and transportation of anthracite coal, for example. With every successive step in the adjustments which are bringing order and system out of chaos in the railway world, these advocates see a plainer and easier path to the transfer of the railway business from private to public control, which they desire.

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The end of trust movement will come only with the government ownership and control of all natural monopolies.

ARE you going to get in the line and work for the July carnival? If not, you had better take a vacation. Things will be too lively about here for you.

WHILE you are talking about the other fellow's taxes, just remember, will you, an ancient proverb. Something about "people," "glass houses" and "stones."

If any person really desires to determine who is paying too little taxes in this county, let him go to the records. They cannot lie; and if they make mistakes it is easily found out.

ARE we going to have the Carnival? Why, certainly. And we are going to begin work on the first of May instead of the first of June as heretofore. Nothing succeeds like success, and success always gets up early in the morning.

THE CURRENT knows three business men who will put up \$200.00 between them for the Carnival. Each one of them is willing to increase his last year's subscription by \$25.00. Doesn't that look like the carnival is a good thing?

ONE man renders but a third of his steers. Another renders a house and lot at \$200, which at the time is paying him a net income of \$100, 50 per cent of the assessed value. Which, do you think, is privileged to call the other a tax-dodger?

EL PASO papers have been much exercised of late because the Colorado (Texas) Clipper made the assertion that the bubonic plague had broken out in the past city. It is devoutly to be hoped that the Times and Herald, while in the frying pan themselves, had time to remember some very unkind remarks that have been made about Carlsbad. "Chickens will come home," etc., you know.

JUST so long as one class of tax-payers "dodge" will every other class follow suit. This is human nature, and cannot be changed. The remedy lies in moving up a notch all along the line. And the commissioners should at their July session take steps to shake up the laggards. The great majority of our tax-payers need but an indication that they will not be imposed upon in order to induce them to lead out in the matter of raising their conditions.

THE negro voter no longer enters into the calculations of national republican leaders. The all-important work now on hand is to build up a white republican party in the south, and significant action is now of frequent occurrence. Hereafter federal appointments below the line between democratic and republican states will be filled by white republicans and gold democrats. It remains to be seen whether the southern people can be baited by a few "crumbs," which the republican managers are liberal enough to scatter here and there, while the bulk of the pie will continue to be distributed where it always has been.

The people of Eddy county are very much pleased at the result of the recent term of court, presided over by Judge McMillan. There is not a prisoner in the jail. Even democrats of that variety acknowledge that it was the best and most successful term of court ever held there, one of the democratic papers acknowledges that an "imported judge" can be a good judge, although not a democrat. New Mexican.

An "imported judge" should be of superior quality, else where is the reason for importing him? And it is the fact that the federal appointee very seldom comes up to the expectation that causes people of all political beliefs to unite in praising the "imported judge" of real merit. The New Mexican attributes the use of its pet phrase, "although not a democrat," to a democratic paper of this county, which must be the CURRENT. The expression, "although not a democrat," never appeared in these columns; only political fauulties are addicted to its use, and the editor of this paper is not in that class.

**NOW FOR THE CARNIVAL.**  
The CURRENT has been feeling the pulse of the citizens generally with regard to holding the carnival again this year, and the sentiment is almost unanimous for a repetition of our celebration of last year. The benefits of such an entertainment are manifold, especially to a community like this, which draws many, many thousands of dollars from tourists annually. One illustration of the good our last carnival did us may be taken from the words of a late addition to our bustling business men, who asked recently if he attended the carnival last year. His reply was: "No, I did not attend the Carlsbad carnival last year, but I never got through

hearing about it." His former home was 700 miles from here.

In conversation with a citizen this week he used these words: "While I am in business here, the carnival last year brought me directly very few dollars. But I have property interests in the town and community and know that such a gathering of people in Carlsbad cannot but result in great benefit to every interest I have in the welfare of our town and county. I subscribed \$20 last year; this year I will cheerfully put up \$50 as my share of the expenses of providing just such an entertainment as was given last July."

Three other business men have voluntarily told the writer that they would gladly increase their donations of last year, and there is little doubt but that it will require much less effort to secure the necessary amount this time. In canvassing the business men but one individual was found who took a discouraging view of the question, and, strange to say, he made at least several hundred dollars profit from the crowd that was here at the last carnival. It is useless to say that this man would not know a gold mine if he were to stumble on to one. It is also doubtful if he would know a "gold brick."

Sentiment is almost unanimous for the July celebration. The next step is to crystallize this sentiment into an organized movement at once. Now is the time to begin operations. Those who are familiar with the details of the carnival management last year know very well that it was a mistake to put off the organization until four weeks prior to the date of the "big show." There is no need to repeat this mistake, and there is no reason why steps should not be taken at once to get through with the preliminary work, and leave plenty of time for arranging details. Two months is not too much time. Let us begin now.

### "EQUAL RIGHTS TO ALL, SPECIAL PRIVILEGES TO NONE"

Two weeks ago this paper said some plain words concerning the efforts of a few individuals to fix the blame for high taxes upon the owners of live stock, while totally ignoring the gross neglect of some of our real estate owners in the matter of rendering improved property. The remarks then made have created no little consternation among a class of tax-payers who are nervous in contemplation of the fact that the commissioners will doubtless, at their July session, make an effort to equalize matters between the various classes of property owners in the county. The CURRENT took the position that the owners of live stock are rendering their property as truthfully, as a whole, as other tax-payers are, basing its opinion upon the assessment rolls as they are to-day. After a more careful examination of the records, the opinion expressed formerly is strengthened by other facts disclosed.

The CURRENT is not in the least disposed to criticize anyone, or to protect those who are in the wrong. What is here said is actuated by the conviction that the effort to publicly condemn the stockmen will have a disastrous effect upon the financial affairs of this county. For the past five or six years conditions have been gradually improving in the matter of county expenses, but the assessable valuation of the county has not increased. As a whole, the tax-payers desire to remedy the evils of low assessments in order that each may pay his full proportion of the taxes and nothing more nor less. But every reasonable man will endorse the statement that no good can come from the methods lately adopted. The grand jury, in its report, censured the owners of live stock for making untruthful returns; the republican organ immediately took up the slogan of the grand jury and issued its manifesto, "A Word to the Wise," to the stockmen, threatening them with prosecution by the next grand jury. Nothing was said about the open untruthful returns made by any other class of citizens. Such action is not only an injustice, but a slander, the effects of which cannot now be estimated.

It is not more "untruthful" for a man to render one half of his cattle, than it

is for the owner of a house and lot to render it at a ridiculously low price. Some people, and the Argus in particular, advance the theory that it does not excuse the stockmen to say that real estate owners are in the same boat with them. Now, theoretically this argument may hold good, but this is no time for a metaphysical discussion of the question of taxation. The citizens of this county are confronted with a condition of affairs to which theories will not apply as a remedy. The great majority of the tax-payers are making low renditions because they know the other man is doing the same thing. The true remedy is not to be found in shifting the burden from one class to another, but in a forward movement all along the line. How shall this be accomplished? Certainly not by the methods the last grand jury would apply. Such methods have a tendency to destroy confidence between tax-payers. And confidence is what is most needed at this time.

The great majority of the tax-payers of Eddy county are willing to do the fair thing so long as they think they are not being imposed upon. Now the theorist would here advance the argument that one low assessment does not excuse another, but this argument will not accord with the facts. One low assessment is excusing another continually in this county. We need a remedy, and must have it, and knowing that the theorist cannot give us assistance we must seek elsewhere. Conditions as they are must be remedied, and there is no occasion for discussing Adam Smith's theories of taxation.

One class of tax-payers has been called to account. Now then, let the commissioners, at their July session, take the assessment rolls and see to it that every owner of improved property, or any kind of property, is assessed at his proportionate valuation. If they will do this confidence will, in a measure, be restored and there will be far less tax-dodging. The CURRENT assures the honorable commissioners that a careful examination of the assessment rolls will demonstrate the fact that the owners of live stock are, as a rule, making as truthful renditions as any other class of tax-payers. They have been put on record otherwise. The assessment rolls will solve the problem.

#### Benson's Young Bulls.

Sunday the CURRENT man saw a bunch of bulls recently sold by General Benson to Arizona parties, and the sight was enough to make any citizen of the Pecos Valley swell with pride. The bulls are from 9 to 17 months old, and were taken from the range in January, since which time they have been in the pens, feeding on alfalfa. While they lack some of the finish of the staff fed animals that have been imported into our community, for weight and general appearance they are far superior to any ever sold here, and the quality of blood is guaranteed by the strains of their sires and dams, purchased by their present owner from one of the finest Hereford and Durham markets in the world. This sale is an auspicious one for our stock interests, and augments the fact that there is no limit to the possibilities of stock-raising in Eddy county. The entire herd, 135 in number, were delivered this week.

A nice cup of Mocha & Java is the best out for headache; 3 lbs. for \$1.00 at Hess Bros.

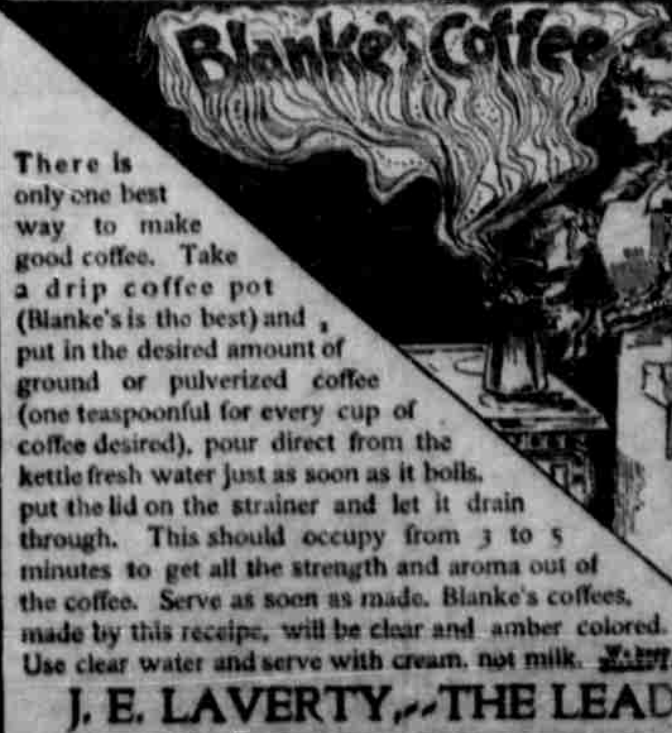
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**J. E. LAVERTY, THE LEADER.**

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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.

Regular worship at the Baptist church Sunday.

J. C. Peck, of Roswell, registered at the Schlitz Thursday.

Remember the ice cream on the court house lawn April 30.

Jno. L. Emerson went to Roswell Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Sam B. Smith is recovering from a severe spell of sickness.

W. W. Gatewood has been in Roswell since Sunday attending court.

Sam B. Smith has been dubbed the "oil king" of the Pecos Valley.

Tom Barfield went to San Angelo, Texas, Sunday morning for a visit with relatives.

Miss Emit Peterson visited Pecos several days this week, returning Tuesday afternoon.

B. F. Patterson, the horse man from the Guadalupe, was in town several days this week.

Joseph Smith, of Dallas, special insurance agent, called on McLenathen & Tracy Wednesday.

Mrs. R. W. Tansill returned from Chicago yesterday, accompanied by Dr. Chas. A. Williams.

L. Duckworth, representing the El Paso Piano Co., turned several pianos in Carlsbad this week.

A. D. Greene, of the Argus force, has been confined to his bed several days the first of this week.

S. T. Bitting is fitting up two houses for rent in the block north of the court house, on Canal Street.

The good morning greeting is now invariably followed by the query, "What's the price of oil stock?"

E. L. Shelleck, Wells Fargo route agent with headquarters at Amarillo, checked up the local agent here Thursday.

Mrs. Anderson and children, from the Guadalupe, visited at the home of Mrs. Laura Anderson in La Horta this week.

The Hope country is suffering terribly for want of water. A great deal of the stock has been moved over to the river.

Miss Tola Matheson arrived in Carlsbad last Thursday, to make an extended visit at the home of her brother, John F. Matheson.

James Miller and Miss Alice Pratt were married in Roswell this week. Miss Pratt is well known in Eddy county having formerly lived at Hope.

C. O. Hoffman is the champion amateur photographer of Carlsbad. He has the best collection of real good kodak photos we have ever seen in the valley.

A prelude on our "oil wells" and sermon on "Behind Closed Doors," the themes for Sunday evening worship at the Baptist church, 8 p. m. Pastor Powell will speak on "Our Covenant" at 11 a. m. Welcome.

Dr. Williams, of Chicago, visits the Valley as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tansill, for the purpose of investigating the climatic condition of Carlsbad, and the advantages offered here for the establishment of a sanitarium.

The literary social of the Young People's Union, at the residence of C. W. Cowden, Thursday evening, was well attended. The program embraced music by Miss Nellie Merrifield and Hugh Freeman, and readings by Miss Gilson and Professor Ellis. It was reported to be a very successful entertainment all around, thanks to the hospitality of Mrs. Cowden, and the efforts of those on the program.

Elliot Hendricks hiel himself away for a few days recently, and was not heard of until Tuesday last, when he returned, his face wreathed in smiles. It is impossible to determine whether he has made a "strike" in Beaumont oil stock or whether his good humor is occasioned by some fair one. Incidentally we heard of him at Midland while he was away. But then there is no oil excitement in Midland.

Miss M. R. Andrews, of Chicago, representing the Ferndell goods, has been in Carlsbad since last Friday afternoon. On Monday she served Ferndell coffee free to any person who happened into the store of Pendleton & Gamble, who are the local dealers in the goods she represents. It was an unique advertisement. Miss Andrews also canvassed the town and community personally. The result of this work will be a large increase in the trade of Pendleton & Gamble. Judicious advertising pays.

## "Black Jack" Paid the Penalty.

A telegram to the **CURRENT**, received as the paper goes to press, gives the information that "Black Jack" was executed on schedule time at Clayton yesterday. The drop fell at 1:25 p. m., and his head was torn off. He was a large man physically.

Big lot of sorghum seed for sale at Pardue's.

Showers of rain fell at Rocky Arroyo and McMillan this week.

You can't order your ice too early or too late for A. R. O'Quinn.

Cotton seed for sale at actual cost by the Tracy McEwan Hardware Co.

The El Paso white onion, the best onion that grows. For sale at Pendleton & Gamble's.

O'Quinn's Royal Root Beer is the most healthful, non-intoxicating drink of the season.

We learn from reliable authority that there will be more fruit on the Rocky Arroyo farms this season than ever before.

"You'll have to hurry" if you want to drink O'Quinn's Royal Root Beer. The demand is great and the supply is limited.

The new awning of the First National Bank is neat and convenient. It was mounted by J. P. McMillan in his usual skillful manner.

The "Elite" barber shop, always up-to-date, now has the finest boot black that ever struck the Pecos Valley. Opposite the postoffice.

William Simmons, sent to the territorial penitentiary from Chaves county last year, was shot and killed by the guards, last week, while attempting to escape.

"You will have to hurry" if you want Dr. Bearup to fix your teeth as his "white" ranch is right in the middle of the Carlsbad oil fields and he is likely to retire as soon as they strike oil.

S. E. Townsend this week sold to H. G. Purcell a fine shorthorn bull calf at \$300. Nero of Midland goes on the fine fellow's registration paper, and he is out of 2nd Rosemond Flower and sired by the famous prize winning shorthorn, Lavender Viscount.—Midland Reporter.

Candy, oranges and bananas, at Hess Bros.

The wide awake firm, Tracy-McEwan Hardware Co., have responded to the demand of the lower valley farmers by promptly ordering a supply of cotton seed for planting. In as much as they are selling this seed at actual cost, their efforts to accommodate our farmers will be appreciated and remembered.

Try Bates & Biggers' Legal Tender restaurant for good meals.

The attention of our county officers is called to the fact that certain parties are using dynamite for the purpose of killing fish. As this is the direct violation of the law, and disastrous to the interests of the whole people it should be promptly stopped by prosecuting the offenders at once.

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 and 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.

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.

## MY SPRING LINE

of Sallies Walking Hats and Ladies Shirt Waists are now opened EVERYTHING OF

The Latest Styles!

My line has never been more complete than this season. Come and see for yourself.

ELLIOTT HENDRICKS

## OIL.

The one great question now agitating the minds of the enterprising Carlsbad citizen is whether or not those barren hills, which have for so long mocked our inherent belief that every element in nature contributes to the welfare of the human family, are about to give up untold wealth. The sole topic of discussion is "oil," not the Beaumont article, but a home product. Every other subject is of minor importance. And manifestations of interest are not confined to idle talk. The streets of Carlsbad have been practically deserted this week, owing to the fact that many of our citizens have visited the locality known as "Hackberry Draw", for the purpose of locating claims and taking in the general situation. The number of claims filed upon are too numerous to mention.

Carlsbad has the oil fever. And it all came about in this way. Last Monday it became generally known that some California parties had filed claims upon about 400 acres of land in "Hackberry Draw." Upon investigation it developed that C. A. Richer, an oil expert, was engaged in constructing some roadways, at no insignificant expenditure of money, which lead to the above mentioned claims. The quiet and business like manner in which this representative of the California parties pursued his plans convinced a large number of our people that there was a significance attached to such preparation, and there was immediately a hurried scramble for claims. Very little else has been thought of or talked about since. Speculations are many and varied. When approached upon the subject Mr. Richer plainly stated that he represented a company and that he was here for business strictly; that he and his backers would put in at least one experimental oil well upon one of their claims and that actual work would begin as soon as machinery could be brought here and placed in position.

This is not the first time by any means that oil has been talked of at Carlsbad. It has been known for years that oil existed in these regions in a greater or less quantity; but this is the first indication that anyone has ever had sufficient confidence in discovering a paying quantity to justify them in boring. Considering that it will require an outlay of at least \$10,000 to make the experiment, and the fact that actual preparations for commencing active operation have been made it is evident that capital is deeply interested in the prospect at "Hackberry Draw."

At least a dozen local companies have been organized, the largest one being the "Syndicate," with forty members. As the most representative business men of the town are in the front rank of the organizations, it is evident all mean business. The **CURRENT** believes that the interest now aroused will result in the ultimate discovery of valuable oil deposits somewhere in the valley. That it exists in these regions there can be no doubt, though many believe that there are more favorable prospects below and above the present location. In fact the claims being taken up now are closer to the river than the first locations, many preferring to get down into the low lands. The search for oil has begun in earnest.

Meanwhile everyone is on the "give."

Try the new private boarding house at the Downes property. Everything first-class. Mrs. Wm. Groves.

O'Quinn's Royal Root Beer is the leading spring drink.

Try a five cent loaf of bread. Fresh every day at the Legal Tender Restaurant.

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Bates & Biggers, the enterprising bakers, have decided to put a five cent loaf of bread upon the market. Fresh every day. Also fancy cakes, pies, etc. Don't forget it is a Legal Tender Restaurant where you can get the best.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Highest Honors, World's Fair Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

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IN **DRY GOODS**, Notions, Boots, Shoes, Gents' Furnishings of all kinds, no one who has been in the commodious and well appointed quarters will doubt for a moment that they are thoroughly in touch with the eastern markets in the matter of styles in every department. They are now equipped with the handsomest and most stylish assortment of everything that goes to make up a thoroughly up-to-date stock of General **DRY GOODS**.

They are anxious to compare prices with any reputable concern that can come in competition.

## Cane Seed!

The only genuine small grain seed; one bushel goes as far as two of any other variety. For sale by

A. J. CRAWFORD, At Lynn's Paint Store.

## Souvenir Edition.

On July 1st the **CURRENT** will issue an elaborate souvenir edition. It will be in magazine form, handsomely printed and bound, and contain no less than 21 pages, with many illustrations of county enterprises. This edition will be constructed upon the **CURRENT's** ideas of what such a work should be, containing nothing but matter of general interest and omitting the customary personal write up, which is made the basis of so many similar efforts. Beyond question there are multitudes of people abroad who are interested in the industrial life of Eddy county, and a truthful illustrated description of what is here will result in lasting benefit to every enterprise. Special attention will be devoted to the stock interest; the attractions for the tourist will form the second feature. No roseate pictures will be drawn. The compiler will confine himself to facts and realities.

The **CURRENT** force is thoroughly prepared for this work. In fact actual preparations for issuing this edition has been in progress for months past. It is not a sudden venture but has been carefully planned; many of the details have been discussed with the stockmen and merchants, some of them have endorsed the project with promises of hearty cooperation. It will be at once the most comprehensive and elaborate edition descriptive of Eddy county ever issued.

## Estray Notice.

Taken up in the neighborhood of Carlsbad, an excellent team of buggy horses. One bay, about 15 hands high, branded H9; one iron gray, about 6 years old, 15 hands high, branded T J on left shoulder. Both had on halters; also both were shod in a peculiar manner with rubber lined shoes. Owner can locate same by calling at this office and paying for this advertisement.

## To Be Given Away.

J. S. Crozier has inaugurated a voting contest. The young lady receiving the highest number of votes between now and May 9th, will receive the handsome Crescent bicycle now on exhibition at the Tansill block. The young lady receiving the second highest number of votes will become the owner of a beautiful woven horse-bridle, valued at \$15.00. The commendable feature of this contest is that the net proceeds go to the benefit of the Tansill band, an organization that is worthy of support in every respect. The small sum of 5 cents entitles any person to vote for a candidate, and the result of each day's voting will be announced at 6 p. m. on the bulletin board at Crozier's store. The result will be watched with interest.

## Wanted.

At Legal Tender Restaurant, spring frying chickens.

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Authorized Capital \$50,000  
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Accommodations First-Class.  
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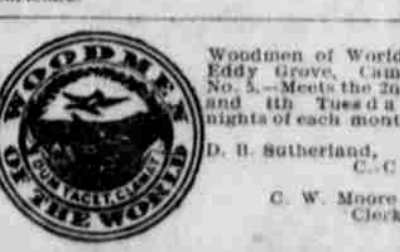
NORTH BOUND—CENTRAL TIME  
Leave Pecos at 1:15 p. m.  
Arrives at Carlsbad at 4:50 p. m.  
Leave Carlsbad at 5:15 p. m.  
Arrives at Roswell at 8:15 p. m.  
Arrives at Amarillo at 5:30 a. m.  
SOUTH BOUND.  
Leave Amarillo at 5:30 a. m.  
Arrives at Roswell at 8:20 p. m.  
Arrives at Carlsbad at 5:50 p. m.  
Leave Carlsbad at 6:15 p. m.  
Arrives at Pecos at 11:35 a. m.  
The south bound train lays over night in Carlsbad.

## Eddy Lodge No. 21, K. of P.

Meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All visitors are welcome.  
J. B. HARVEY, C. C.  
JOHN BOLTON, R. E. & S.  
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S. E. ROBERTS, W. M.  
E. S. GUTMAN, Secy.

## I. O. O. F. Eddy

No. 21 meets every Friday evening in Masonic hall. Visiting brothers in good standing cordially welcome.  
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TO US and you know by past experience that they will be filled right and with pure drugs. We do not SUBSTITUTE, and if we cannot fill your prescription we will tell you so. We are never undersold.

## EDDY DRUG CO.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS.

Cotton seed for planting for sale by Tracy-McEwan Hardware Co.



## STATE AID FOR ROADS

PROGRESS OF THE MOVEMENT FOR IMPROVED HIGHWAYS.

What New Jersey Has Accomplished—How the Expense Is Divided. Massachusetts' Good Work—Advances in Connecticut.

More than half the states have passed new and progressive road laws, and many hundreds of miles of good roads have already been built under the influence of the new conditions of administration, finance and construction. The general trend of legislation enacted in these states is as follows: More rigid provisions for carrying out the old systems without radical change in the systems themselves, more liberal tax levies, substitution of money tax instead of labor, local assessment, according to benefits, for the construction of new roads; construction by townships, counties and districts, with power to issue bonds; state highway commissions, provisions for working convicts, regulations compelling and encouraging the use of wide tires, state aid to road building and construction of state roads.

New Jersey was the first state to take any radical step toward the improvement of her public highways. Her state aid law was passed in 1891. It provides that on petition of the owners of two-thirds of the lands bordering any public road not less than a mile in length asking that the road be improved and agreeing to pay 10 per cent of the cost the county officials shall improve the road, one-third of the expenses to be borne by the state if the road is brought to the standard fixed by the state commissioner of public roads and the balance (66 2/3 per cent) by the county. The state's expenditures for such improvements in any one year are limited to \$150,000, while the county is limited to one-fourth of 1 per cent of its assessed valuation. At this rate the law makes possible the expenditure of \$450,000 a year, and at \$3,000 per mile this builds 150 miles of road. Ten miles of road were built in 1892, 25 miles in 1893, 69 miles in 1894, and since 1895 the applications for new roads have been far in excess of the limit prescribed by law.

Under this law about 450 miles of improved road have already been built in New Jersey, the state's portion of the expense being about \$715,000. The counties and towns have built out of their own treasuries 450 more miles, which brings the total mileage of improved roads for the state up to 900. These roads cost at first about \$6,000 per mile, but on account of the reduction in the price of materials and the increase of labor saving machinery the cost has been reduced to about half this amount. The farmers, who at first strongly opposed the law, are now equally enthusiastic for it, and more roads are being petitioned for than can possibly be built in many years out of the limited state appropriation. The system seems to be popular with all classes, and it is being carefully considered by the legislatures of other states. Its principles have been adopted by Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York and California. These laws of which state aid is the principal feature are regarded by the active advocates of road reform as affording a satisfactory solution of the problem.

Massachusetts, like New Jersey, also has adopted a system of road improvement which it is believed will result in a few years in securing to that state highways that will be second in excellence to none in the United States and equal to some of the best in the old world. The state has a permanent highway commission consisting of three persons. Each year this commission is allowed to spend \$500,000 for building and maintaining roads, which are called state roads. The law provides that not more than ten miles of road can be built in any one county in a year; and that within six years after the construction of any state road the county in which the road is situated must pay to the state one-fourth of the money expended. Nearly 300 miles of excellent roads have been built in Massachusetts under this new system, the average cost per mile of which was about \$9,000.

Connecticut has made rapid progress in building highways during the last five years. It now has a highway commission, which was provided in 1890 with \$450,000 and in 1897-8 with \$400,000 for road improvement. In 1895-6 the state paid one-third the expense of constructing the roads, the town one-third and the county the remainder, but in 1897-8 the state increased its part of the expense to one half, the other half being borne by the towns.

Although the Rhode Island commissioner of highways does not favor state aid as adopted in the adjacent states, the legislature has at his suggestion passed a law which enables him to build a half mile sample of good macadamized highway in each town. These permanent object lessons are of great benefit to the towns where good highways have not been built and are conducive to more liberal appropriations for new roads as well as more thorough construction when the local authorities choose to carry the work forward.

The legislature of New York passed a bill last year which provides that the state's share in the improvement of highways shall be 50 per cent of the cost, the county's share 25 per cent and the town's share the remainder. The boards of supervisors are given the right to decide what roads, if any, are to be improved, thus making the matter of road improvement entirely optional. No new offices were created, the state engineer being placed in charge of all road work. The law seems to give satisfaction. Several miles of new roads have been built, and work is still in progress under its provisions.

**A Jockey's Sensation When Riding.**  
"If you ride with your head down—that is to say, bent slightly, so that the wind does not beat right on to your face—you can breathe easily, but if you hold your mouth wide open and let the air beat right in your face then you will have great difficulty in breathing, and if the race is a long one you will become exhausted by the end of the ride." So said a well known jockey when questioned on the subject of what his sensations were when riding in a race.

"A mile race on a good horse is run in about 1 minute and 40 seconds. A mile in 1 minute and 40 seconds is at the rate of 36 miles an hour, so, you see, a race horse travels at train speed. "If you want to know how it feels to go through the air at race horse speed, just hang your head out of a railway carriage window, turning your face toward the way the train is traveling. At the same time imagine that you are sitting in a saddle and have to hold on to your horse and guide him on to victory if possible, keeping him from being run down or interfered with.

"It is no easy task to ride a horse in a race. The jockey must have all his wits about him. He does not have much time to think how he feels. When riding in a neck and neck race down the home stretch, I forget everything except that I must strain every nerve to pass the other horses. No thought is then given to the plaudits from the grand stand."

### The Gentle Reader.

What has become of the gentle reader? asks Samuel M. Crothers in *The Atlantic*. One does not like to think that he has passed away with the ages, and that henceforth we are to be confronted only with the stony glare of the intelligent reading public. Once upon a time—that is to say, a generation or two ago—there was a very highly esteemed. To him books were dedicated with long rambling prefaces and with episodes which were their own excuse for being. In the very middle of the story the writer would stop with a word of apology or explanation addressed to the gentle reader or at the very least with a nod or a wink no matter if the fate of the hero be in suspense or the plot be intricately involved.

"Hang the plot!" says the author. "I must have a chat with the gentle reader and find out what he thinks about it." And so confidences were interchanged, and there was gossip about the universe and suggestions in regard to the queerest of human nature until at last the author would jump up with: "Enough of this, gentle reader; perhaps it's time to go back to the story."

### Miss Kingsley and the Gorillas.

On the Gabon river Miss Mary Kingsley's guide one day called to her to creep quietly through the bushes and then she saw a family of five gorillas—an old male, three females and a young one. The guide sneezed, which alarmed the gorillas, and they fled with a bark and a howl, the old male swinging from bough to bough like an acrobat on a trapeze.

On another day Miss Kingsley and her two guides came suddenly upon a solitary male gorilla, who, as usual, had appropriated a forest glade as a park for his private enjoyment. Furious at the intrusion, the brute, instead of fleeing, came shambling toward them, growling fiercely. "Shoot him," whispered Miss Kingsley. "I dare not," said the guide, "until he comes quite close. I have only one gun. The other is out of order. If I miss, he will kill us." The gorilla came nearer. Rearing himself on his hind legs he beat his breast and roared, just as Du Chaillet described long ago. Then, running forward, he stopped and roared again and again ran forward until quite close. Then the guide fired and the gorilla dropped dead.—*Chambers' Journal*.

### How to Make Cheese Soup.

Cheese soup is an agreeable change where soup is a daily affair. Put a quart of milk on to boil with a blade of mace, a carrot and an onion. Rub two tablespoonfuls of butter and two tablespoonfuls of flour together, strain the milk, add the butter and flour, and stir until thick. Add three large tablespoonfuls of grated cheese, take from the fire, add the beaten yolks of two eggs, with salt and cayenne to taste. Serve it once with grated parmesan cheese.

### How to Avoid Pimples.

Keeping the body scrupulously clean is one of the best remedies in the world for such complexion disorders as pimples and blackheads. The glands of the face being the most sensitive of any in the body, the poisonous matter collects there. If the pores of the body are free and in a healthful state they will throw off the worthless secretions, and it is not likely to gather on the face and neck. While the complexion brush will cleanse the pores of the face—when it is used with pure castile soap and plenty of warm water every night—the good work will progress at double the pace if the body is gone over quickly every day with a firm bristled flesh brush. With soap and water and good rough towels that catch hold well any woman is possessed of superb beauty making accessories. They are of far more importance than the lotions and the cream, although these, where assisted by health and cleanliness and a nutritious diet, will do their share of the work conscientiously and with credit.

### How to Curry Tomatoes.

Cut tomatoes in slices, bake them, grate an apple and chop an onion fine, and fry these in butter till quite tender; add a heaping teaspoonful of curry powder, four tablespoonfuls of gravy or rich soup stock; simmer all together for a few minutes. Add the tomatoes and a teaspoonful of milk, a little lemon juice and a little chutney.



## THE PEACH CROP.

How It Is Graded and Packed by a Successful Michigan Grower.

A wagon filled with the round peck picking baskets, each basket full of peaches just as they came from the tree, drove up to the barn door. The pickers use a strap that hooks on to the baskets and then goes over the shoulders, leaving both hands free to work with. When a basket is filled it is taken to the wagon and exchanged for an empty one, unhooking and rehooking being an easy matter. Thus



GRADING PEACHES BY MACHINERY.

the fruit reaches the barn without being rehandled. When the wagon reached the barn one man lifted the baskets from it and carefully poured the fruit, as desired, into the hopper or upper end of the grader.

Another man sat on a stool and worked the foot treadles which keep the screw feeders in motion. There are two of these revolving feeder rods, one on each side, and their mission is to keep the peaches moving steadily along down the incline. As the fruit passed before the treadle man he guided it with his hands to prevent jamming or crowding, at the same time throwing out into the small basket at the top all overripe or imperfect peaches.

Passing downward, the smallest fruit drops through an opening and rolls out of the first (or upper) canvas spout, into a hushed basket beneath; the next largest falls into the next basket, and so on down to the end—the largest specimens making the entire journey and then rolling into a fifth basket (not shown in picture), placed at the lowest end of the machine. Now, counting backward (or up hill), we have, first, "selects," then No. 1, No. 2, No. 3 and culls. In packing, each is, of course, packed separately, and the various numbers are designated by crosses: One cross for No. 3, two crosses for No. 2 and three for No. 1. The big peaches are marked "selects" or "fancy"; the culls are largely fed to pigs and the soft fruit is sold locally. It took only ten minutes to run the entire wagon load of peaches (eight bushels) through the machine. Still more surprising, the graded fruit did not appear bruised in the least by the operation.

"It's all owing to how you pick them," explained the grower. "To grade or ship decently, peaches must be taken from the trees while still hard—that is, when they have fully matured, but have not yet started to soften." Rural New Yorker, giving an illustrated account of a paying Michigan orchard, in which occurs the foregoing, further says that for shipment the regular fifth bushel basket, with slat cover and red tarlatan beneath, is used. Dealers seem to prefer the tarlatan covering; they object if it is not used. Putting on the tarlatan and covers is done at a separate table fitted with several revolving trays, the latter being something of a novel idea. When the workman takes up a filled basket, he sets it down on one of these trays, puts on the tarlatan for the covers, fastens one end, and then, instead of lifting up the basket and changing ends by muscular effort, he simply gives the handle a whirl with his fingers until the desired end swings into position. It is hard work to turn filled baskets all day long by man's strength; this little revolving tray saves both effort and time.

Formerly it was thought necessary to sew down the tarlatan, now they simply tuck up the four corners under the basket rim—and there you are! That saves time too.

### How to Save Trouble.

To prevent salt from caking add a little arrowroot.

Mixed mustard will keep a better color if a pinch of salt is added.

To remove quickly the maver from the bottom of a cake hold it in front of the fire.

When an oven is too hot for the proper baking of its contents, put a basin of cold water inside.

Never slam an oven door when anything is baking. Such a proceeding will ruin the contents.

To cut hard boiled eggs in smooth slices dip the knife in water.

The corks of bottles or jars containing substances apt to be sticky should be dipped in salad oil before being replaced.

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