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## SONORA SIFTINGS.

### Summary of Happenings in the State Over the Week.

Dr. Ismael Padilla has sold out his real estate business at Santa Ana, and will take up his residence in Nogales where he will go into business.

Dr. George Beebe and wife of San Antonio, are at Hermosillo, expecting shortly to go to Baviacori, where Beebe has mining interests.

The bottled beer made by the Cerveceria de Sonora, at Hermosillo, is of a most quality, and for table and only use grows rapidly in popularity.

Beefsteaks recently coming from the Moctezuma and Arizpe districts report copious rains over in that region and plenty of grass on the cattle ranges.

Mr. Diego Escalante of Hermosillo, a well known mining engineer, has a week returned from a business trip to Santa Rosalia and other points in Lower California.

At Hermosillo Don Rafael Ruiz, the well known merchant and banker and president of the new Bank of Sonora, is perfecting plans for an elegant mansion which he will erect in the near future.

Mr. J. M. Wilson, the Minas Prietas surveyor is at Hermosillo resting up after a long and steady tour of duty. He will go out into the mountains for two or three months on a mining and prospecting trip.

March 1st the new Hotel Cambusino was opened on calle Don Luis, in Hermosillo. The new hostelry is a large and elegant structure on the principal thoroughfare in the capital city, and is kept in the best of style.

Two miles north of Placeritos, near Nogales, in the Moctezuma district, the Sonora Land Co. have erected a substantial house for the use of the mining manager, and the officer of the company who come from the east every winter.

Mr. E. Luketich of the Railroad Hotel at Hermosillo, is building a large addition to his structure, which will make a number of guest rooms, extending greatly the facilities of that popular caravansary for entertainment.

Monday there were received at Hermosillo from the Zaragoza mine, Sonqui Grande (the property of Messrs. Henry S. Knapp and Pablo Sherman) nine bars of silver bullion, 60 lbs. weighing seventy-five pounds each.

Doctor George Goodfellow, Tom Kelly of San Francisco, and Frank Smith, are at Hermosillo preparing for a trip into the interior. Mr. Lester is not unknown to old Arizonians as chief of scouts in the Geronimo campaign.

Messrs. Wadsworth and Wilbur have taken a working bond on Homer Trickett's Sevillano mine, near Willard station, on the Sonora railway between Hermosillo. They are to work the property steadily, with the privilege of purchasing at \$12,000 in gold.

Mr. Max Mueller, the manager of the new Bank of Sonora, is a very busy gentleman, but withal has time cordially entertain callers whether business or otherwise. All coming in contact with him feel that the

bank has the right man in the right place.

At Hermosillo a company with ample capital has been formed to establish and maintain a cracker factory and valuable concessions have been granted it. A gentleman named Ward, from the east, is the chief stockholder, but a large share in the enterprise has been taken by local capital.

The Sonora Land Co. have turned upon their ranges on the Moctezuma and Arizpe districts one thousand head of heifer calves, this being the third season they have turned out a lot of young stock. The company import high grade bulls for breeding purposes, and expect to have a large herd of graded cattle within a very few years.

Last week Doctor F. J. Tousaint of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who has been operating on the Yaqui river near San Antonio de la Huerta, in conjunction with Mr. Wm. Schuckman, went east to buy another dredging gold saving machine. Their company has had one dredger at work more than a year, and it is reported to have been successful.

The Grand Hotel at Hermosillo is crowded with Americans and other foreigners. If one wants to find a man visiting the city he will always go to the Grand, for he is sure to come around in a little time—if he is in the city. Both Barney and Harry Cohen exert themselves to please their guests, and by their affability and universal courtesy are ever adding to the steadily increasing popularity of the house.

This week Mr. William Schuckman has come in from San Antonio de la Huerta, on the Upper Yaqui, and has visited at Hermosillo several days. He will leave in a day or two for a visit at his home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. So well have resulted Mr. Schuckman's operations in working the bed of the Yaqui for gold that he has decided to put in another dredge boat, and is now en route to the east to have one made.

El Globo, the leading mercantile establishment in Sonora, (Louis Poschly y Cia., Sucesores, at Hermosillo) is in receipt of a fine and elegant new stock of spring goods in every variety. In the tailoring department this heavy establishment has a finer and better stock than ever of broadcloths, cassimeres, tweeds, chevots, etc., and their suits made to order are of the latest styles and best workmanship and finish.

At Hermosillo Mr. Sam Kraft has recently opened a new music hall, named the Electric Light saloon and music hall. It is located at the corner of calles Don Luis and Guerrero, is one of the largest and finest halls in the state and the only one of its kind. It is elegantly fitted, with a fine bar and short order restaurant. In the summer season concerts will be given nightly, and it will prove a very popular place of resort.

Monday Mr. James Rankin of Hermosillo came into Santa Ana from San Antonio, in the Altar district, about thirty miles from the gulf coast, where the recent placer discoveries were made. He reported that some very good ground has been developed in the vicinity. Ledge mines are also looking well. The Mammoth mine,

about twenty miles northwest of Altar, operated by Messrs. Gage, Franck and associates of Colorado Springs, Colorado, is reported showing up splendidly.

Sunday, March 13, Estrella de Sonora lodge of Free Masons held a memorial service in honor of the Masons who were lost in the unfortunate disaster to the Maine in the harbor of Havana. The ceremony was conducted by Master Alejandro D. Ainslie, assisted by Past Master F. Monteverde, and is described by those who enjoyed the rare good fortune of witnessing it as of the most impressive and solemn significance. Brother Miller photographed several of the scenes presented.

Recently Mr. J. Schueble of the Sonora brewery, sent to San Antonio, Texas, samples of Hermosillo brick and adobe, to have their strength tested in a machine made for that purpose. The report at hand states that a force of sixty-two tons per square inch was exerted to crush the brick, and thirty tons to the square inch for the adobes. The safety factor is placed at one-sixth, which would give the bricks a safety strength of ten tons per square inch and the adobe five tons.

Mr. Jas. H. Brent is still worrying along with the litigation over his Casita mine. He says he has favorable decisions in all the courts, but still he don't get the property. He relates that when the litigation arose arbitration was proposed and accepted; but the other man wanted all the arbitrators, naming his own brother-in-law, a brother-in-law of that gentleman, and the two to select some other relative. Mr. Brent demurred, proposing Governor Corral, General Torres, and ex-Governor Izabal, who were rejected by the other party, and the litigation was resumed.

At Hermosillo work has commenced on the new structure for the big brewery the Cerveceria de Sonora will add to their plant. Mr. Otto P. Kroeger of San Antonio, Texas, is the contractor, and his well known reputation as a builder is a guaranty that the building will be one of the finest in Sonora. He was the contractor for construction of no less than six court houses in the state of Texas—at San Antonio, Waxahachie, Canton, Gonzales, Denton and Decatur—and the Episcopal seminary at San Antonio. The Bexar county court house cost \$525,000, gold, and the aggregate of Mr. Kroeger's contracts in six years exceeded two millions of dollars in gold.

### The Nacosari Mines.

A gentleman recently at Nacosari informs THE OASIS that on Monday of last week the Copper Queen Co. commenced work on the big reduction plant projected for erection to reduce the ores of those mines. The site of the plant is located at Placerlaos, about five miles from the mines in an air line, but about seven miles by the railway now in operation. Eventually the plant is to reach a capacity for handling one thousand tons daily. There are now one hundred men working in the mine on development, and a vast body of fair grade copper ore has been developed, all ready for stoping. It is reported that there are now three million tons of ore so opened up, from which ore

to run a thousand ton plant could be extracted with ease and facility. Among other workings is a tunnel five thousand feet long which has been run clear through the hill on the vein in copper ore which will pay to work. From various places in this tunnel cross cuts have been run from one hundred to one hundred and eighty feet, in ore all the way, without finding the walls. This tunnel is four hundred feet below the croppings on top of the hill. Three hundred feet lower a second tunnel is being run, which will be six thousand feet in length, and like the one above will pass entirely through the hill. The railway from the reduction plant at Placeritos will be extended through this tunnel, and all the ore will be loaded on the cars inside. It will be connected with the upper workings by chutes and inclines, and the ore from above will be loaded right into the cars in the tunnel. Until this tunnel is completed ore will come down to the cars from above on an incline constructed upon the outside. The ore heretofore encountered in the new tunnel is reported considerably higher in grade than that above.

While not much is being said it is anticipated that the extension of the Bisbee railroad will reach Nacosari by the time the new reduction plant is in working order.

### To the Qualified Voters of District No. 14.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for School Trustee, District No. 14, of the county of Pima, Nogales, Arizona.  
JAMES B. MIX.

All wanting nails, barbed wire, iron and steel roofing, or anything whatever in that line, will find what they want in any quantity from single packages to carload lots at the store of Theo. Gebler, the pioneer hardware merchant of Nogales, who buys at the lowest CASH prices and imports in carload lots, and can sell goods at prices which underbid those who advertise that they defy all competition.

Mrs. S. K. Doyle has resumed dress-making, and those ladies who desire chic and style in their costumes are more than pleased at the announcement.

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