

The Oasis

Saturday, Dec. 30, 1899.

TO EVERY willing hand and heart, earnest and willing to work for advancement of the town, of Nogales should extend a hearty welcome.

TO TELL the truth and fear falsehood only is a good resolution THE OASIS commends for adoption next Monday. And once adopted stick to it.

GREAT BRITAIN should decline all offers of mediation in the Transvaal affair. She has put her hand to the plow and must follow the furrow to the end.

THE record made by THE OASIS during the year 1899 is one in which any newspaper might be proud. It has been obliged to print some plain facts, but the logic of events has proven them true.

FROM various causes many people in the United States seem to think that the Yaqui trouble extends all over the state of Sonora. As a fact it is confined to a limited area in a remote corner.

A COMMENDABLE PROPOSITION.

A vacancy will occur in the chairmanship of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission the first of the year. One trouble with the commission is that its membership is composed of all cattlemen. In the interest of live stock, as the name of the commission indicates, the governor might appoint some prominent sheep raiser to fill the vacancy.—Coconino Sun.

There is sound sense in the above, and the proposition is worthy of serious consideration.

Unpurchased Opinions.

The fight for the collectorship of customs at Nogales is at an end, and Harry Chenoweth is removed. Allen T. Bird of THE OASIS stood out unsupported and valiantly against the corrupt regime and attained final victory. The press of the territory, conspicuously the Gazette and other Phoenix organs advocated the perpetuation of the Chenoweth infamy to the end. Editor Bird was openly assaulted and every brutal measure short of murder, was restored to, to keep "the house that Sam built" from crumbling. Sam Webb of the Gazette resigned in favor of Chenoweth and there are not lacking fearless and patriotic observers who assert that there was a mercenary consideration in the resignation. We hail with delight the announcement that the end is at hand, that Bird is triumphant, that right, honesty and decency are in the ascendancy and the controversy has terminated gloriously for Bird, the territory and the people.—Globe Times.

The Phoenix Gazette and Enterprise are slow in acknowledging the removal of Chenoweth from the collectorship at Nogales. Mr. Chenoweth is well liked in Arizona, but the fact remains he was removed for cause and it is highly improbable that he was offered a more lucrative position by the treasury department.—Kingman Miner.

The Cobre Grande.

W. C. Greene, president of the Greene Consolidated Copper Mining Co., formerly the Cobre Grande, was here yesterday to see Judge Barnes. He was en route to Phoenix and San Francisco, thence to New York. He said that 300 men are working in the Cananea at the mines and at the smelter of his company. Six to eight carloads of copper matte were shipped via Naco, a 45 mile haul, every month, since starting in June. At the company's smelter and mines, Geo. Mitchell, formerly of the United Verde, is in charge of affairs, F. B. Wightman, manager of the store, and Frank Proctor, purveyor of beef, etc. There is a 200-ton smelter on the property. Naco, Arizona, is the company's address.—Tucson Star.

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