

GEORGE BEEBE.

One of The First to Realize the Agricultural and Horticultural Possibilities of Santa Cruz County.

During many years the gentleman who is the subject of this sketch has enjoyed a wide experience in the great Southwest, and in his time he has travelled extensively through, and been interested in New Mexico, Southern Arizona, California and the Republic of Mexico.



For twenty years Mr. Beebe has been conversant with and observant of the possibilities of Southern Arizona.

Within the past two years the gentleman has visited several times most all of the valleys and table lands in Southern Arizona, between the Chiricahui Mountains, near the New Mexico line, and the Mohawk range, in the vicinity of the Colorado river, viz: Sulphur Spring, San Pedro, San Rafael, Santa Cruz, Altar, Baboquivari, Quijotoa, and the Santa Rosa Valleys, with several smaller valleys, and the table lands of the Huachuca, Whetstone and Santa Rita Mountains, and Canille Hills, travelling a distance of more than four thousand miles, studying carefully and inspecting thoroughly the progress and results attained by the settlers, and the products grown by the Papago Indians, who cultivated many of the valleys named long before the advent of the Spanish conquistadores, and have maintained unremittingly such cultivation through several centuries.

Mr. Beebe speaks very highly of the valleys named, in each of which there is a heavy growth of natural grass and various kinds of semi-tropical trees and foliage, indicating the extensive possibilities that may be realized under a system of cultivation, that are open to those who are able financially to take advantage of the splendid opportunities offered. In his opinion a large portion of these lands are susceptible of development to a high state of cultivation and productiveness, and in many ways they surpass the older sections of California.

Mr. Beebe and several of his relatives selected land for their homesteads in the Rain Valley, near Elgin, Santa Cruz County, and they are well pleased, having harvested good crops from the lands they cultivated, with the natural rainfall only, and are preparing to plow and plant five hundred acres this coming year.

Mr. Beebe has assisted many people in getting homes in these valleys and on adjacent table lands, and judging from the many township plats, County maps, State maps and maps issued by the Department of Agriculture and Forest Reserve Service, that he has accumulated it would not be exaggeration to assert that he is prepared to aid many more new comers in securing good locations upon the public domain in the valleys and upon the mesas surrounding that have been mentioned in these lines: for the Department of the Interior has

published tables showing that on the first day of July, 1911, there were in Cochise, Pima and Santa Cruz Counties, Arizona, unappropriated and unreserved, subject to entry under the Homestead and Desert Land Laws of the United States, a total of 7,397,896 acres of public lands.

Through these regions many people of experience, with all the capital necessary, will settle and start new farms and orchards, when they visit Arizona and see the lands; for thorough investigation by those who come in good faith means location and settlement, with addition of new workers for the advancement of Arizona.

The Elgin Company has been formed to turn into these parts of the new state the tide of thrifty homeseekers looking for improved and unimproved lands, upon which to locate and establish their homes. The Company have an office in Kansas City, Mo., and there will be in touch with those who are looking for good lands and new homes. Those contemplating finding new locations will find it to their advantage to address the Elgin Company, at Elgin, Arizona.

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CANTINA CONGRESO.

A Popular Billiard Hall and Saloon Facing International Street in Nogales, Sonora.

Located at the corner of International Street and Calle Elias, in Nogales, Sonora, facing both streets, is the well known and popular resort owned by Juan Aguirre and managed by Pedro B. Torres. The best qualities of domestic and imported wines and liquors, and the finest brands of Mexican cigars, are constantly on sale.

Mr. Aguirre is one of the most prominent gentlemen in the Sonora municipality, serving his second term as a member of its governing body, and he is the vice presidente of the city.

Mr. Torres handles in addition to the business of El Congreso a very successful and lucrative detective agency which has been the means of capturing a number of astute criminals and suppressing several very dangerous criminal operations, such as counterfeiting, robbery etc. He has been instrumental in the capture and return to Arizona of a number of escaped criminals.

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W. G. BOWMAN & CO.

A General Commission and Brokerage Business Established Recently by a Well Known Railroad Man.

Mr. W. G. Bowman, whose name is given to a new and important business established recently in Nogales, has been known widely many years among the business and commercial classes in Sonora through nearly a score of them serving the Sonora railway at various stations. He was agent at Torres several years, at Ortiz, Pesqueira, Carbo, Magdalena and Nogales. In all that long service, in continual touch with all the business men of each community, Mr. Bowman imbibed a complete and thorough knowledge of the people, their business customs and methods, their wants and needs, and of the lands, mines, herds and ranches in the state that will prove invaluable in the new line he has undertaken, and be useful to his clients and principals. Added to all that is a complete and proficient mastery of the Spanish language,

which gives a great advantage in dealing with the natives, who are chiefly the owners of herds and ranches, whence come the great shipments of cattle that are crossing the line constantly to find markets in the United States.

While conducting a general commission business Mr. Bowman will make a specialty of lands, cattle and fertilizers. Some of the most prominent and important herdman in Sonora have listed their cattle with him to find purchasers, and he has listed also a number of large tracts of land suited admirably for the foundation of large cattle companies. In the United States many cattlemen are being driven out of business by the extension of homesteads out into the free range country, or they are seeking other grazing grounds in Mexico, where they may continue in the business without danger of being compelled to move on, as has been their experience at home. Mr. Bowman is in a position to present to all such important opportunities for acquisition of large land grants that would be ideal grounds for growth of great cattle companies.

The office is in the new Ephraim building, on Morley avenue, Nogales, Arizona, and letters addressed to W. G. Bowman & Co., P. O. box No. 92, will receive prompt attention, with real results.

Beside the land and cattle commission business the firm will conduct a custom house brokerage, Mr. Bowman's long experience in that line qualifying him in an eminent degree to look out for all consignments sent in a most satisfactory manner.

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WILLIAM T. POWERS.

Of Patagonia, One of the Earliest Settlers in the Region, With an Extensive Experience in Mining.

One of the earliest of those who came to this part of Arizona to locate is William T. Powers of Patagonia, who is known more familiarly as "Billy Powers." From Virginia City Nevada, Mr. Powers came to Harshaw, then a lively mining camp, in 1879. Thence he went to Charleston, on the San Pedro river, and was employed there in the mill of the Toughnut Company, which operated the mine of the same name at Tombstone,



hauling the ores down to the river for treatment. From that place Mr. Powers went to Minas Prietas and was employed there as foreman blacksmith under the Chandler & Price regime in that camp. In the same employment he went next to Santa Barbara, Chihuahua, where he went in a like position in the Tecolote mine.

In 1884 Mr. Powers returned to the Harshaw region, and with Mr. Richard Farrell, yet a resident of Harshaw, he engaged in mining in that vicinity. Since that time the gentleman has made his home at Harshaw or in the vicinity of Patagonia, which two places are but ten miles apart.

The mines first operated by Mr. Powers and his associates were the Bluenose and the American, which properties yielded very richly in high grade ores, of which they shipped as high as eleven carloads monthly. Ever since that time Mr. Powers has been engaged and interested in mining and he has a number of very valuable properties

in the Patagonia and Santa Rita mountains.

Upon the north side of the Santa Rita mountains, in the Helvetia district, Pima county, Mr. Powers has the Sweet Bye and Bye, a valuable copper property embracing a number of claims upon which there has been done considerable development work exposing goodly ore bodies. Upon that property Mr. Powers has given recently a working bond and lease to Messrs Joseph Muheim and Charles Jones both of Bisbee, and they are to sink a double compartment shaft to a depth of 500 feet, with extensive underground workings in addition.

In the Tyndall district in the Santa Rita mountains, Mr. Powers holds an interest with Messrs T. M. Heck and Frank Reichert in the Bland group of mines, on which extensive development has opened large and valuable ore bodies. As stated elsewhere a valuable development of zinc has been made.

Another fine property owned by Mr. Powers is the Dixie, which is also in the Santa Rita mountains, not far from the August mine, called some times the Hosey camp.

In the Patagonia mountains Mr. Powers, with Mr. Farrell, holds an interest in the Trench mines, a group that has a fine record as producers in former years. The property has been optioned recently to former Senator W. A. Clark of Montana, owner of the famous Jerome mines in northern Arizona. Upon the title page of this number there is a fine half-tone engraving of the Trench, made from a photograph that was taken when the mine was in operation. It is understood that in the near future Senator Clark will commence work at the Trench, and it is believed that it will turn out one of the great mines of Southern Arizona. It is in the vicinity of the World's Fair mine. With Mr. E. E. Bethell, of Patagonia and Mr. Bracey Curtis of Nogales, Mr. Powers is interested in the Chief group of mines, adjacent to the World's Fair, which fine property is under option to the same interests which developed the Tigre properties, valuable group of gold mines in the Moctezuma district of Sonora, who are prosecuting now vigorously development under management of Mr. W. H. Worthington and Mr. C. E. Haroun.

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LIC. EMILIO GONZALEZ.

A Notable Practitioner in All Courts of Mexico, With a Wide, Varied Clientelle.

The gentleman whose name is the principal caption of this article, Licenciado Emilio Gonzalez, has been established many years in the practice of law in Nogales, Sonora, and he has enjoyed a wide and lucrative practice. He appears in all the courts, and before the departments in the state and federal governments. He makes a specialty of corporation, mining and patent law, and has directed and guided through the earlier stages of their operation some of the greatest enterprises in the republic.

Mr. Gonzalez is proficient in the English language, and on that account, as well as his high standing and experience as a lawyer, he is the attorney in Mexico for some of the most prominent American firms and concerns doing in the republic, numbering among his clients the First National Bank of Nogales, the Arizona & Sonora Manufacturing Company, Roy & Titcomb and others.

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