

## AROUND THE CIRCLE.

### NOTES FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENTS

#### Big Letters from Largo and Fruitland--Fruit Matters Discussed--Minor Items.

#### Fruitland.

Special Correspondence.  
**FRUITLAND, Dec. 24.**—There is one subject that I would like to see intelligently written up in the columns of your paper. How can we dispose, satisfactorily, of our healthy, prolific fruit crops? The continued growth of the homes we have with so much labor laid the foundations for, depends almost entirely upon the returns we get for our fruit. The past season was like a feast of good things to all who had bearing orchards. Yet how many of the largest fruit growers feel satisfied with the returns they have received? I am not a financier, but dull as I am, I saw during the last season many things that might be avoided and improved upon by a little forethought. One evil was the promiscuous rushing in of large quantities of fruit to the market centers and the thoughtless underbidding that naturally accompanied the rush. It is well known that all successful dealers—middlemen—watch close the demand and supply. Why should the hard toiler, the producer, shut his eyes and push his—perhaps choice—productions where they are not wanted? Yes, this is exactly what scores of us did, to our own hurt and to the joy of the middlemen.

Now for the sake of inviting information, I will ask a question. Why was it that when apples were selling from 45 to 70 cents a box in Durango the same class of apples, unboxed, were selling at 3 and 4 cents a pound in Gallup? Both the places named being railroad points at about equal distance from eastern markets, why was the fruit worth twice as much at Gallup as it was at Durango?

Now I believe if the fruit grower would combine, organize, during the winter and take steps to establish a house of their own in Durango, also one in Gallup, and then send intelligent agents east to become acquainted with reliable dealers and then let them direct the shipping of our fruits, and we will realize from one half to one and one half cents per pound more for it than we did this past season.

Eden Cheney has persistently pushed the work on his brick house until the walls are completed, the sheeting is on ready for the shingles.

It gives us pleasure to announce the incoming of a bouncing boy in the home of our neighbor, James K. Polk Pipkin. As it is the first heir to all his earthly wealth, it may be readily understood that Polk is quite elated. There is also joy in the home of H. D. Roberts over the appearance of a sweet baby girl.

Bless the wee uns, let them come,  
 There's bread and milk a plenty;  
 As for me, I would na care,  
 If they hac sent us twenty.

#### Largo.

Special Correspondence.  
**LARGO, Dec. 24.**—County School Supt. Allen visited our portion of the county recently. Unfortunately there were no public schools in session. No money to run public schools, as the schoolhouse debt interest eats up all the funds, poll tax and any—no school pretty soon no school house; but the poll tax and interest on the debt goes on. The time is not distant when the bonds will be due. So much for enterprising directors—"you tickle me, and I'll tickle you." Savey.

C. G. Coleman, the special agent of the G. L. O., made us a visit and nearly scared us out of our boots. He said that he was protecting the government, and the citizens who were complying with the law, but evil doers, frauds and land sharks would expect a warm reception at his hands. As that took in us we expected the irons would be the next thing; but when he left he gave us the assurance that if

we kept up as we had been doing that he would let us off; then we felt that we had another lease of at least a few days' time to get ready for or until the next official came around.

John H. Seward a professor of the modern languages is teaching the kids of the district opposite the mouth of Largo canon, private school.

The Monroe Doctrine, the Venezuelan or Schomburg line, and shall Cuba be free are the principal topics of the day.

Juan N. Jaquez is running his hay press on full time baling his own and D. E. Lobato's hay for the Durango market. Teatras are hauling off as fast as baled.

One hundred and sixty four bona fide patrons in favor of the old p. m. at Largo being retained.

Dec. 31.

Everything passed off lovely at Largo Christmas. Every man eat his own turkey, kicked his own dog and nursed his own grievance against his neighbor and made his own plan for the future year. Some that did not have turkey, eat their carne and frijoles and danced a lively reel to the music of the guitar and the violin. If there is any people upon and in the land that enjoy themselves, it is the Spanish American citizen. Nothing disturbs them when it comes to celebrating their holidays.

As the winter has set in in earnest, dances will be the order of the night, from this time on for some two months.

As the upper San Juan has proclaimed for home rule and hands off, all they ask for now is to be let alone by outside parties.

The Hatcher brothers from Pagosa are down again this winter with their herds of sheep to winter on the sunny slopes of the San Juan and its tributaries. They have purchased forage for their bucks at Franklin Creighton, where they wintered last winter, having corrals and stall already built. They have a model sheep herd, having graded up nearly to perfection purchasing the finest bucks that were to be had in the north west, some shearing 15 of wool.

#### Notice.

The annual meeting of the Independent ditch company will be held at the school house, Farmington, tomorrow, Saturday, at one o'clock, p. m. prompt. Important business to attend to. Shareholders are requested to attend on time.

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#### Desert Land--Final Proof.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, SANTA FE, N. M.,  
 December 21, 1895.

J. Daniel B. Ross, of Farmington, N. M. who made Desert Land application No. 350, on the 15th day of February 1892, for 85 1/2 of NW 1/4, NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 and SW 1/4 of Sec. 9, T. 23 N. R. 13 W. hereby gives notice of my intention to make final proof to establish my claim to the land above described before the Probate Clerk of San Juan county, N. M. at 2:00 P. M. on Monday the 17th day of February 1896 and that I expect to prove that said land has been properly irrigated and reclaimed in the manner required by law by two of the following witnesses: John Kavanaugh, Jefferson E. Logg, Homer Hays, Thomas J. Arrington all of Farmington, N. M. JAMES H. WALKER, Register.

#### Notice for Publication.

Homestead No. 3619.

United States Land Office,  
 Santa Fe N. M. Nov. 11, 1895.

Notice is hereby given that the following named party has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Probate Judge or in his absence before the Probate Clerk of San Juan county at Aztec, N. M. on Dec. 27, 1895, viz:

#### Howard H. DeLuche.

of Jewett, N. M.

For the Lot 12 and NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 3, and E 1/2 of SW 1/4, Sec. 4, T. 23 N. of R. 13 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz:

Albert Whit, Manuel Marcelino, Manuel A. Marcelino, Patrick McLaughlin; all of Jewett, N. M.

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