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Town Democratic Ticket.



M. J. MURRAY For Mayor. T. A. EZELL, SAM B. SMITH For Trustees. W. J. BARBER For Member Board of Education. THOS. F. BLACKMORE For Recorder. D. D. CLARK For Marshal.

The democrats nominated a very acceptable ticket last Saturday night. The personnel of the ticket could not well be improved upon, all the gentlemen being good and respected citizens. Mr. Barber as the nominee for school board undoubtedly represents the choice of a large majority of the patrons of the school who were determined to see an entire change in teachers and who petitioned the board in the middle of the term to make a change but which could not be done at the time because of contracts with the teachers. The majority is sure to rule in school matters as in all other matters and if the schools are improved the coming year then the majority will remain in control but should they not improve the people who advocate different will become the majority and another change occur, but Mr. Barber can be trusted to do right. Messrs. Ezell and S. B. Smith are old settlers and are counted among the best of our people. They will no doubt make good and acceptable trustees. Mayor Murray has shown great interest in town affairs and his nomination is only a recognition of honest endeavor. The nominee for recorder, Mr. T. F. Blackmore, is too well known to require boasting by the newspapers but it is safe to say he will receive more votes than any other nominee or any one who could be named for the office. The nominee for marshal, Mr. Clark, is already constable and it will add no expense to make him marshal also.

The Chama Tribune, the official paper of Rio Arriba county, and the Sacramento Chief, the only paper published in Otero county, have been throwing hot shot into each other, the former taking righteous exception to the statement of the latter that the native inhabitants of New Mexico were Spanish sympathizers during the late war and that because of this, and the fact that nine-tenths of them could neither read or write, New Mexico was about as well fitted for statehood as the Philippine islands. The editor of the Tribune should remember that he is speaking of the past shortcomings of the Chief, for all such sentiments have been relegated to the background since the signing by Gov. Otero of the bill creating Otero county. When a pick-saddle is rightly placed on a kicking beast a transformation often takes place in its action, and very often it becomes a useful member of the carrying portion of the animal kingdom - San Marcial Bee.

Right you are, Bro. Howard, but the CURRENT always considered not of this character whether dished up by the esteemed editor of the Chief or some tenderfoot a libel on the territory and the least said about it the better.

The people of the territory of New Mexico are rejoicing because of the adjournment of a little bit of the worst legislature they have ever been afflicted with. More cold blooded steals were put through the last assembly than ever before in the same length of time, and the tax levy promises to awaken the people to their troubles before another year rolls around. The coal oil trust is considered the most vicious piece of legislation of the entire session.

There is plenty of unpleasant truth in the above, which is from the El Paso Graphic. McCutcheon knows a thing or two about New Mexico politics and it is a misfortune to not have him with us.

Last week, Tuesday, Governor Otero appointed A. J. Nisbet, of Roswell, district attorney of Chaves and Eddy counties, in place of John Franklin whose term had expired. Mr. Franklin was one of the few democrats who was allowed to serve out his term.

Ian MacLaren's New Work.

Ian MacLaren, who is now on a lecturing tour in this country, begins in an early issue of the Ladies Home Journal his latest piece of literary work. It is a series of popular articles in which he defines the relation that a minister holds to his congregation; how a preacher is helped by his people; how a congregation can make the most of a minister, and other phases of the most satisfactory attitude of a congregation to a pastor.

FOR THE CONSUMPTIVE.

An Eminent Specialist Tells of His Visit to the Pecos Valley.

A STATEMENT RELIABLE AND AUTHENTIC.

In the latter part of last year Dr. W. B. Watson, proprietor of the River-view Sanitarium, Fishkill on the Hudson, New York, for nervous and mental diseases, a member of the American Medical Association, County Medical Society, Newburgh Bay Medical Association, the American Electro-Therapeutic Association, member Societe Francaise D'Electrotherapie, of Paris, etc., made a trip through the west and southwest in search of a locality where the climatic conditions and general environments were favorable to the healing of those afflicted with consumption. He toured the country thoroughly, and gave sufficient time to the investigation as to prepare himself to speak advisedly, and after careful comparisons of all the localities visited he expressed himself in a recent personal letter in the following fashion:

Fishkill-on-Hudson, Nov. 26, 1903. "Having visited New Mexico during the latter part of 1897, I feel it is but proper to give some of my impressions of that country. California and the eastern states have a like humidity; the rainfall is too great in either for those suffering from or predisposed to lung diseases. In Colorado and the Adirondacks the changes are too abrupt; the harshness of the climate during a portion of the year is decidedly too great. I cannot - nor can anyone - consistently favor a cold, rigorous climate for a weak, debilitated man; especially is a low temperature detrimental to the poor consumptive. He is of necessity a person of impoverished blood and enfeebled circulation, and to shut up indoors for a length of time is contrary to all reason; yet, to force him out into the cold air of our northern resorts is simply fatal. The sooner the general public understands the unreasonableness of advising a cold, changeable, rigorous climate, even if it be high and dry, for the emaciated consumptive, the better. Generally too, the low altitudes of the southern states are not good. We doctors have sent many to Georgia and Florida; some have been benefited while they remained. The benefit arising, I am inclined to believe, rather from the pine forests, with their resinous odors and pure ozone, than from any climatic influence. I have traveled over the southern states at different times, with the express view of finding a climate to which I could send my consumptive cases.

"Not being satisfied with the south, I visited New Mexico, as stated. My objective point was the Pecos valley. The first stop was at the city of Eddy, situated in the center of the valley, with an elevation of about 2,000 feet. Here I stopped and spent some time, traveling by carriage out in different directions.

"The next stop was at the brick-litter city of Roswell, which is at a somewhat higher altitude. The distance between the two towns is seventy-five miles. "In both Eddy and Roswell many people were seen who had been induced to go there on account of lung or bronchial troubles, in various stages, who to all appearances were enjoying life - at least, while they remained in the valley. I feel warranted in saying to sufferers from or those fearing lung trouble, that southeastern New Mexico offers conditions most favorable to the non-development of pulmonary diseases. I believe the conditions and climate are such as are well adapted to cure, if tried before the destructive stages have arrived. The air is dry and certainly aseptic; a light atmospheric pressure, with a large amount of sunshine, a dry, porous soil, the air fresh and highly rarefied and stimulating. The winds pass over a large expanse of arid land, and are consequently freed of dampness; hence the invalid can be out of doors a large portion of the time - an almost imperative necessity for a person sick with weak lungs.

"My advice is that pulmonary sufferers go to the Pecos valley and engage in farming or stock raising, either of which offers large returns to the industriously inclined. Lands are cheap and can be purchased upon easy terms. Farming in New Mexico under irrigation is, I think, a pleasure, as well as very profitable. The entire Pecos valley is under irrigation, and I am certain I have seen in the valley the finest fruit, both in point of size and flavor, to be found anywhere. In fact, I doubt if their equal is produced elsewhere. Vegetables are raised there under irrigation far superior to any I have ever seen. The alfalfa grows luxuriantly and furnishes an abundance of fine feed for all kinds of stock, from the goose up. Hogs fatten on it the year round.

"The people are decidedly hospitable, most of them being northern and eastern people. The railroad accommodations are good, and Eddy has a large, well appointed hotel, electric lights, water works, public schools and numerous churches, also many charming residences. So has Roswell. It is a mistake to think of this country as outside of civilization and a land of cowboys only. I saw many cowboys while there, all of whom seemed well disposed. I saw no indications of lawlessness; on the contrary, my first night in the little city of Roswell was spent in a hotel, the doors of which, I was told, are never locked. As our room doors had no keys to them, I naturally felt some misgivings about leaving our baggage thus exposed. I applied to the landlord, and he assured me that keys were a useless article; that no one in that country would disturb anything not belonging to them. Such I found to be true as regards my baggage, etc.

"The chief climatic conditions that are most favorable to the non-development, retardation and possible cure of consumption, namely, dryness of air, freedom from micro-organisms, noxious gases, the largest amount of sunshine obtainable, diminished barometric pressure, are characteristic of the portion of New Mexico named. A high altitude in a southern latitude is the only safe resort for those predisposed to or suffering from lung trouble."

HAGERMAN HAPPENINGS.

H. C. Barron has been very busy during the last two weeks preparing the ground to set out about 1,000 fruit trees on his place.

Dan Jones and family left here Sunday, driving to Roswell. From there they will go to Edgar county, Illinois, we understand, to visit relatives.

Mrs. O. Quigly and two sons, Will and Cleve, have moved from the old Dargit place to the Stratton place. Will will work for the company and also look after the place.

Rev. Matthews, the presiding elder of the Methodist church, preached here Thursday evening to a good congregation. Rev. Matthews is a splendid preacher and should be heard by all to be appreciated.

Dr. Kinsinger was called to Hagerman Thursday evening to see Mrs. Ed Lard. He also called on Mr. Kelley's little daughter who has been sick for several days with slow fever.

Rev. A. J. Emerson, the Baptist minister of Eddy, held two services here Sunday. This was his regular monthly visit. Rev. Emerson had a splendid congregation and a beautiful day, the latter being something he has not often met with on other visits. He delivered an eloquent sermon at each service.

J. J. Hagerman and party arrived here in Mr. Hagerman's private car last Thursday afternoon looking over the surrounding country and interviewing the farmers. They intended to drive about and see more of the farmers Friday morning but they were prevented by the disagreeable weather. Mr. Hagerman was interviewed by several of the farmers at the car and he was agreeable and satisfactory in his views on what shall be done about the land here at Hagerman. His car was then attached to the 11:30 train and went back to Roswell.

W. D. Amis, while speeding a young spirited colt to a skaly last Thursday morning was thrown out of a cart and badly injured about the back and also had three ribs fractured. Mr. Amis says the colt was frightened by some dogs running out in the road at him and made a sudden turn and threw him off his balance, causing him to fall from the cart and he was dragged for a distance by his foot. Later, Mr. Amis is doing finely. He is up and around, only being confined to his bed for a couple of days.

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WANTED: Someone to do family washing; enquire at this office.

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