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FOR THE HELPLESS.

There are many things which Brownsville needs to do for its own betterment, but there is one thing which it should do for the sake of those who are helpless. It should organize a humane society. No one knows the sufferings which are inflicted upon the dumb brutes that are subject to cruel and heartless masters.

A human being if mistreated can tell of his wrongs and obtain relief and redress. A poor beast, deprived of the power of speech, can only endure its pangs in silence. The other day, in the recorder's court in this city was seen a wretched goat, with its eyes gouged out, its legs broken, and its sides raw and bleeding—a living witness of man's inhumanity, that showed only too plainly what cruelty man may be capable of. This was an extreme case, perhaps, yet who knows what other barbarity such wretches as that man may inflict at any time upon the helpless creatures about him of which the authorities and the public may not be informed? We all do know that there are scores of poor, half-starved burros or other draft animals kept and used in this town whose sufferings must be intense. If they could only speak their wrongs—tell of the pangs of hunger and cold which they endure, while driven from morning until night, their every muscle strained and aching until they can hardly move, and goaded on by heartless masters. If we could but know the pain these poor animals are suffering, perhaps we might not rest so contented in the enjoyment of the creature comforts that fall to the share of the well fed, well clad ones, who dine at plentiful tables, sit beside warm fires and sleep under fleecy coverings.

Brownsville is behind the world in the matter of protecting the helpless ones within her limits. Humane societies everywhere now endeavor to prevent cruelty to animals by assisting in the enforcement of the laws which punish such exhibitions of inhumanity. Texas has laws which punish cruel treatment of dumb animals, and the humane societies elsewhere see that these laws are enforced. Brownsville should organize such a society. There are plenty of kindly disposed people here, plenty who openly condemn the cruel treatment of animals, and very probably if someone would take the initiative in the matter, it would be very easy to organize a humane society here.

If you want to reach readers in the entire Lower Rio Grande Valley and readers in thirty-two states outside the State of Texas, use the columns of the Brownsville Weekly Herald. It is not only the representative paper of the valley, but it has the widest circulation of any weekly paper published in South Texas.

If money makes the mare go, what makes a politician run for office?—San Antonio Express.

Doesn't he generally run in response to the importunities of his many admiring friends?

Brownsville will be putting on city soon, with Uncle Sam's gray uniformed men delivering the mail all over town every day.

The Fallfurris Facts reports 3,325 bales of cotton turned out by the gin at that place. With the snowy staple selling at 16 cents that is surely "going some."

**KINGSVILLE, 11
BROWNSVILLE, 6**

HOME HIGH LOSES IN FIRST TUSSELE OVER PIGSKIN.

Local Gridiron Warriors Surprise Rooters by Strong Playing Against More Experienced Team—Score Should Have Been Six to Five.

Kingsville High defeated Brownsville High last Saturday in the first game that has ever been played by a team from the local school. Although beaten, the Brownsville boys have reason to feel greatly encouraged over the splendid fight they put up. The Kingsville team was slightly heavier and older than Brownsville and also more experienced, this being their second game. In spite of these disadvantages there was very little choice in the playing of the teams, Brownsville showing every bit as strong as their opponents. When it is considered that some of the local players had never seen a football before this season and that they have had no scrub to practice against, their showing was remarkably good.

Though the score stands officially 11-5, it should have been 6-5, Kingsville being credited with a touchdown in the second half through a mistake in the interpretation of the rules by the referee. What was declared a touchdown was really a touchback, which should count for neither team.

Kingsville won the toss and decided to receive the kick. Guzman booted the ball down the field to R. Doherty, who brought it back ten yards before being downed by Grover. After a few short gains, Kingsville punted to Schmelling, who was downed on the visitors' 45 yard line. Guzman and Schmelling tore off fifteen yards in a couple of plays, then Kingsville stiffened and Turner tried a goal from the field which fell short. Wells muffed the ball on his five yard line and Craig recovered it for Brownsville. Guzman then smashed through left tackle for a touchdown, three minutes after the beginning of the half. Hanson failed in the try for goal. Score Brownsville, 5; Kingsville, 0.

After the kick off the ball moved up and down the field, changing hands frequently, neither team being able to gain consistently. Near the close of the half, with the ball on the home team's 15-yard line, Laws broke through and blocked Guzman's punt, following the ball as it bounded back over the goal line where he ran on it for a touchdown. R. Doherty kicked an easy goal. Score, Brownsville, 5; Kingsville, 6.

The first half ended a few minutes later with the ball in Brownsville's possession on Kingsville's 40-yard line.

During the second half, the play was very even. Kingsville gained more than the home team on rushing but Brownsville equalized this by superiority in punting and in handling punts. Kingsville's back field was being very poor.

The play that gave the visitors their last five points occurred near the end of the game. An attempted goal from the field by R. Doherty went wide, the ball rolling over Brownsville's goal line. According to the rules, the ball should have been declared dead and put in play from the 25-yard line. Schmelling, however, in attempting to fall upon it fumbled and Williams dropped on it. Referee Billingsly allowing a touchdown. The try at the goal failed. Score Brownsville, 5; Kingsville, 11.

A stirring thirty yard run by Schmelling was the only feature of the remainder of the game, which ended with the ball in possession of Kingsville on the home team's 40-yard line.

The faults in Brownsville's play were mainly due to inexperience and lack of knowledge of the game for the material is there from which a good eleven can be developed by proper coaching. Grover C. Turner, offense, while Guzman and Schmelling did most of the work of carrying the ball.

For Kingsville, Kendall and Williams on the ends turned back the attack, usually without gain and the Doherty brothers and A. Kirkwood were strong at advancing the ball, their attack, however, lacking consistency.

A small crowd of rooters with ear-splitting yells made things lively in the stand, but the attendance was much below what the efforts of the boys deserved.

The team will play a return game at Kingsville on Jan. 1.

The line-up:
Kendall...Left End... Hill
Laws...Left Tackle...McAleese
Harvey...Left Guard...Guzman
L. Kirkwood...Center...Hallmark
Weeks...Right Guard...C. Turner
Durham...Right Tackle...Grover
Williams...Right End...Craig
Wells...Quarter Back...G. Turner
E. Doherty...Left Half Back...Hanson
R. Doherty...Right half back...
Schmelling
A. Kirkwood...Full Back...Guzman
Touchdowns: Guzman, Williams
and Laws. Goal: R. Doherty.
Referee: A. Billingsly; Umpire,
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