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A BROWNSVILLE BOY.

Gus Radetzki Rode From Brownsville to
Fort Clark, When a Boy, on a Burro.

A dispatch from Houston says: Speaking of men who had won position by sterling merit in the railroad world today, Judge J. L. Cox, land agent of the Southern Pacific, and W. L. Lane, chief clerk in Mr. W. G. Van Vleck's office, said that Gus Radetzki, chief clerk in Vice President Fay's office, deserves a great deal of praise. He was born at Brownsville, where he lived with his parents till the outbreak of the war. He then went to Fort Clark, where he joined the army. He rode there on a burro alone, and he was still only a boy. The ride was fraught with many dangers and thrilling experiences. The country was full of Indians, many of whom were hostile to the whites. Mr. Radetzki still has an old-fashioned flint-lock pistol, which he took with him on this trip. He joined the army there as a private, and served through the war. After the war he went with his father to New Orleans, where the senior Radetzki went into the commission business. While there Gus fell in love, as young men will sometimes do, with a pretty young girl. He left New Orleans to go to Louisville, where he stayed for several years, then returned and married the pretty girl. He went into the railroad work in New Orleans in a ticket office, and gradually rose till he became chief clerk, the position he now fills. He is in line for promotion to better positions, in fact has been offered more lucrative positions, but prefers to hold the one he now has on account of the agreeableness of it.

Gus Radetzki has had many checkered experiences, but he has never forgotten his burro ride from Brownsville to Fort Clark. Judge Cox says he has a very warm place in his heart for burros ever since for obvious reason.

Cost of Icing

Farm and Ranch. Will G. Fields of Texas, in testifying before the Inter-State Commerce Commission in session recently at St. Louis, said, according to the Kansas City Packer, that he had iced a car of fruit at Cuero, Texas. The original icing cost him \$12. At Dallas, Texas, he found it necessary to send the car on to Oklahoma City. He requested to be allowed to re-ice same, but he was not allowed to do so. The Armour people took charge of the car for the balance of the trip, and their charge for ice from Dallas to destination was \$38.40. Only two tons of ice were used at Dallas. He thought the \$38.40 charge exorbitant.

He shipped cabbage from Cuero to Chicago. The freight was \$192 and refrigeration was \$179. He had shipped "cukes" from Beaumont to Kansas City, paying for ice only in a car other than the Armour's, only paying \$24.80. He had to pay \$150 refrigeration charges per car from Texas to Cleveland. From Texas to Chicago he paid the Santa Fe \$65 per car for refrigeration, while the Armour line charged him \$139.40 for the same service. He had bills to substantiate his statements.

Laws and Irrigation.

The supreme court of Texas has rendered a decision involving irrigation rights which is of interest in view of the attention now being directed to that subject in the west and south. A farmer had dug a ditch near the division fence of his neighbor for conveying water from an irrigating canal upon his rice field, and, in doing so, threw up an embankment along the side of the ditch next to his neighbor. This had the effect of damming the rain water upon his

neighbor's land, injuring his crops and causing sickness in his family for which he sought damages. The court decided against the plaintiff, averring that the defendant, the owner of the sod, did upon it that which his ownership entitled him to do, putting it to a natural and legitimate use in improving it for agricultural purposes. The court also shows authorities to show that, in common law, a person or the owner of land may, at his pleasure, withhold water falling on his property from passing onto that of his neighbors, and in the same manner may prevent the water falling on the land of the latter from coming upon his own. This is unquestionably a sound principle, especially applicable to a level country with running streams or ancient natural drains. In the case of the latter, no one would have a right to construct a dam which would divert the water from the use of those living below him, or damage the land of his neighbor above by the overflow of the impounded water. With the extension of irrigation a great deal of litigation is likely to ensue from questions like this, and the sooner they have been adjudicated, and the principles enunciated by the state or federal courts the better. —Dallas Trade Review.

Notice of Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Brownsville and Gulf Railway Company will be held at the office of the company, in Brownsville, Texas, on Thursday, the 21st day of September, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors, and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

The transfer books of the company will be closed at 3 o'clock p. m. on the 20th day of September, 1905, and will remain closed until three days after the final adjournment of the meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the board of directors will be held at the same place and on the same date.

Brownsville, Tex., August 15th, 1905.
M. PAYRO,
8-15-9-20 Secretary.

The Goat.

In the Agriculture and Horticulture building at the Lewis and Clark Exposition there is an exhibit of mohair and of the goods made of it which has interested every visitor to the building. Two Angora goats, mounted artistically, and looking very different from the neighborhood pests, of the comic supplements, stand on top of big showcases. Within the case there is shown the mohair in several states from the rough to the silken strands. Then there is a great assortment of mohair products, in many designs. Mohair robes, thick and soft, and almost as beautiful as seal skins are displayed, and mohair plush and dress fabrics also are exhibited.

Several entire fleeces, which are used for rugs, are shown in another part of Marion County booth's. These, with their long, silky hair, which looks for all the world like the curly locks of a towheaded baby, are remarkably beautiful. They may be dyed also with good effect.

The fleece from an Angora goat seldom weighs more than ten pounds, so that as purely a wool proposition, goats do not pay as well as sheep; but the versatility of the goat makes him more valuable in many sections.

Something Useful.

A German forest keeper, sixty two years old, not wishing to carry to his grave an important secret has published in the Leipzig Journal a receipt he had used for many years, and which he says saved several men and a great many animals from a horrible death by hydrophobia. The bite must be bathed as soon as possible with warm vinegar and water, and when this has dried, a few drops of muriatic acid applied to the wound will destroy poison of the saliva, and relieve the patient from all present or future danger. —Hallettsville Herald.

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