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#### WOOL.

The New York Wool Record gives the following review of the situation and prospects for wool:

Wool is still a good thing. It will have its fluctuations, like the weather and a woman's temper, but the average market price will be well maintained for some time to come. There will probably occur occasional shadings down and up; even a temporary decline may be recorded in certain grades but wool will continue to be a good investment.

It is undoubtedly true that wool speculation has ceased for a time. The period of excitement is over. The movement of the market will be somewhat slower, but the tone will be no less firm. Few large sales have been reported the past week. The noteworthy feature was the purchase of nearly 2,000,000 pounds of Territories by Charles Fletcher of Providence.

The short supply of domestic wool may encourage the approach to the importing point. In fact, it seems that we have already reached that interesting stage, as there is some importing now in progress. A slight advance in market will increase importations.

The Australian clip is also short, and this may have a retarding effect. The offerings for the next London sales, opening Nov. 25, are said to afford little promise in the way of bulk or variety. The Liverpool sales, open Nov. 16, offered only about 31,000 bales.

From the conservative view-point there is no occasion for anxiety on the part of either sellers or buyers. It is safe to sell, and no purchaser would run any risk as the market now stands.

#### THE YAQUI GOLD FIELDS.

A Nogales dispatch of recent date says: "W. P. Harlow, of the well known firm of Harlow & Cowen, of this city. Capt. T. C. Cox, a noted mining expert from California, W. E. Pomeroy of Phoenix and R. J. Hartman, a prominent attorney of Prescott have just returned from a visit to the Bonavita placer mining region in the country ceded by the Yaqui Indians in their recent treaty with the Mexican government. These gentlemen assert that none of the accounts of that region which have heretofore gone out have half described what is to be found in the Bonavita valley. The ground is pay dirt from the grass roots to the bed rock and varies in depth from 18 inches to 40 feet, and wherever bed rock is reached it is very rich. In several places a shovel full of earth taken from bedrock and carefully washed yielded nearly \$2 in coarse gold, many of the pieces being as large as buckshot. A party of Colorado citizens who are here have offered Messrs. Harlow & Cowen more than \$100,000 for the concession they hold, they to retain an interest."

Mr. H. T. Richards of Sonora, who is at Iturbide, is completing his arrangements for the construction of a large irrigating reservoir near Hermosillo. It is intended to at least to water 100,000 acres of land. The project is being carried out on a large scale and will be another one of those substantial enterprises which American capital is contributing to Mexico. Speaking of the Yaqui goldfields, Mr. Richards says the gold is there, but in most instances it will require large capital to develop it. However he considers it a profitable field for the prospector, in fact, gold placers are found along the entire west coast.—Two Republics.

W. D. Richardson, one of the leading civil engineers of the world, passed through Yuma this week on his return to California from a visit to the Salt River valley where he is interested in the production of canaigre. He stopped over one day to visit his old-time friend Senator Ives. After investigating the State of Arizona Improvement Co.'s canal scheme he did not hesitate in pronouncing it a great and feasible project. Mr. Richardson is largely interested in a company that is spending three million dollars in the development of the canaigre industry at Rialto, California, and when that enterprise is placed on its feet he will turn his attention to Arizona in the furtherance of his interests here.—Sentinel.

#### DAN BAKER WAS THERE.

On Saturday afternoon the famous Boston bloomers played a picked club of this city a game of base ball in the athletic park. Out of pure curiosity a pretty large crowd attended, mostly bald heads and those on the shady side of fifty.

A good many ladies who sympathize with their sex went out to see the game. The bloomer club were dressed in gray and were quite attractive though not remarkably handsome. The game began about 3 p.m.; was played vigorously for over two hours. From the beginning it was evident that if the boys did their best the girls were not in it, but still our young sports were generous and occasionally made an awkward play and let the girls in on a run. The great trouble, however, was that they could not run when they did their best. But the girls played hard. As professionals they don't come up to the male standard. The best player in the outfit was their pitcher—a little, squat muscular daisy who could catch or throw a ball with marked ability. As a rule the girls were poor batters, runners, catchers and strikers, but they did their best and were treated generously by their opponents and the audience. The game closed, the score standing 8 for the girls and 11 for the boys, and every one went away well pleased with the ability exhibited by the Bloomers.—Santa Ana, Cal. Standard.

The great manufacturing city of Manchester, England, sent a commission to Germany, in view of the severe and increasing competition of German manufactures, to discover and report on the cause of German superiority. The commission finds it is because Germany has technical schools and England has not. One of the members says: "The English workers are half savages when compared with the intelligent artisans of Germany." The time is coming when every intelligent nation will recognize technical education as the foundation of industrial supremacy.

The cattle industry of Cochise county looks better today than at any time since we had the severe droughts that carried off thousands of head of stock, leaving the ranges, comparatively speaking, almost deserted by cattle. But times have changed, and cattlemen wear a smile of satisfaction indicative of encouraging prosperity.—Prospector.

The Sonora orange season has commenced and hundreds of cars of the golden fruit will be passing through Nogales from now on. Yesterday a big train load passed north for eastern points. The Sonora orange brings fine prices in the east just now as it gets there ahead of all others.—Vidette.

An English lady, when informed of the death of a wealthy neighbor pronounced this unique obituary "He was so good and kind and helpful to me in all sorts of ways; he was so vulgar, poor, dear fellow, that we could not know him in London; but we shall meet him in heaven."

A reading club was organized last week with a good membership.

Another one of those genial, wholesome social gatherings, such as characterize the life and disposition of the Mormon people, took place Tuesday afternoon in the old hall on Macdonald street. These people are social and hospitable and had invited many, not members with them to partake of their generous hospitalities. The hall was crowded and a nice musical programme was rendered by the choir which has become well known for its excellent music; there were also recitations and speeches, and last but not least another banquet such as always graces these occasions. An old bald-headed sinner remarked to us after the banquet was over, "these Mormon women are not only pretty but they are extra good cooks." Two tables the entire length of the hall were loaded with an abundance of good things. The occasion of this social gathering and banquet was the approaching departure of ten young men on missions for the Mormon church. Two of these, Wiley Simkins and Tom Jones, will go to England, and the others, Isaac Bogers, Jas. Turman, Jr., Eli Openshaw, Lewis Hobson, Hon. Stewart, Dudley Lewis, Osborn Richards and Marlin Richins, will be sent to various sections of the south. In the evening a social dance was given in the hall, which was largely attended.

A sad accident occurred last Friday afternoon which resulted Saturday in the death of Russell William, the bright little three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wadlington. The little fellow was playing in the yard, and finding a bottle of tincture of iodine, drank some of it, and it is supposed that in some way he inhaled some of it into his lungs. The physicians of Mesa and Tempe were summoned and were constantly in attendance upon the little sufferer, and everything that medical skill could do was done, but of no avail. Russell was a bright little fellow, the idol of his parents and a favorite with all who knew him. The blow was a severe one to his parents. The mother was prostrated and for a time her life was despaired of. During the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wadlington in Mesa they have won a host of warm friends who sympathize deeply with them in their great sorrow. The funeral took place Sunday the interment taking place in Phoenix.

God will certainly bless mother Ouber, the handsome landlady of the hospitable Ouber mansion. If God forgets to bless her and her house, a lot of old bachelors who have feasted at her banquet table on each Thanksgiving for some years, will not neglect to heap blessings upon her. The Ouber home yesterday was crowded with a lot of lean, lank, half starved old baldheaded, bashful bachelors, but they were treated as royally as if they had been the handsomest lot of men in America. There were a few ladies present, and while the old boys were a little shy on that account, they did ample justice to the magnificent banquet.

John Barnett's new gas machinery, put in by Abell & Wilbur, is in full operation and works like a charm. The light furnished, while clear and brilliant, is soft and steady. When John gets all the burners in place in his store it will be flooded with soft, mellow light. This gas plant commends itself not only for the excellence of the light it furnishes but for its cheapness.

Some of our popular and handsome young ladies have organized what may be called a "bloomer girls' athletic club," and will don the festive bloomer attire while they practice the manly sports required in a thorough course of physical culture. The young ladies can rest assured that their first appearance in public will receive a rousing reception, especially from the bald headed men and those on the beyond side of fifty.

J. A. Stewart's little daughter has been very dangerously ill for some time but we are pleased to say that at last accounts she was getting better.



#### BOARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the tender care and courtesies shown by the many friends who were so willing to lend a helping hand and did all in their power for our little one. May God be with you all and bless you in your hour of need is our prayer.

Mrs. AND Mrs. WM. WADLINGTON.

The Mesa Dramatic Association played "The Miller's Daughter" before a large audience on Monday and on Wednesday nights in Social Hall. The Association is making steady progress in the histrionic art, and always is accorded an ovation by the Mesa public.

Our aged partner and his wife dined at the sumptuous banquet board of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Peterson Thanksgiving. Those who have dined there know the superexcellence of the bill of fare and the unstinted hospitality that is accorded to the fortunate guests.

We are pleased to note that Dr. Lucas, the Dentist, has decided not to locate in Phoenix, but has decided to permanently locate in Mesa. He can be found in his office in the Alhambra hotel.

The Alhambra hotel has been renovated and refurbished, and under the management of Mrs. Dan Mahoney it is one of the neatest, most comfortable and quiet lodging houses in the territory.

Our local military company was out drilling by torchlight Tuesday night. The company drilled and banqueted with the Phoenix and Tempe companies in Phoenix yesterday.

Theatre Excursion—On Saturday Nov. 27th. Train leaves Mesa at 6.15 p.m.—return after the show—Bittner Theater Co., Opera House, Phoenix. Round trip 60 cts.

A horse fell on Judge Pomeroy's leg again yesterday and he is hobbling around on a cane. The Judge is altogether too venturesome and frisky for a man of his age.

Dan Mahoney arrived Saturday from Navajo county. He has a large band of sheep en route to the valley.

Judge Crouse was up from Phoenix Tuesday and attended the social and picnic at the hall in the afternoon.

Archie Cameron is down from Navajo county and has a large band of sheep en route to the valley.

Geo. Cole is out from California again after more fat cattle for his Whittier market.

The many friends of Ed Bloomer regret his continued serious illness.

Henry See left the latter part of last week for California.

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