

LOCAL.

Rev. J. L. Kell will visit Pecos to-morrow.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley White of Eddy, March 23 a son.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Mihlfred, of Oils, on Monday, March 21, a son.

J. M. Hess shot a big panther last week near his home in the Guadalupe.

Henry A. Davidson, of Pecos, and Miss Mand Luck were married Sunday at the home of Thos. Higgins.

Cards are out announcing the coming nuptials of Phillip Fred Kircher to Miss Mary Oshemus, April 19th.

The Union Club will give an Aeolian concert with vocal music and recitations to-night April 2nd at eight p. m.

Attorney A. C. Campbell went to Roswell Tuesday. We may expect something definite shortly in Company matters.

The members of the Union Club will indulge in a pool tournament the best players being handicapped according to ability to punch the balls.

The Territorial Democratic Central committee will meet in Albuquerque Apr. 9, at 11 a. m. The member from this county is J. O. Cameron.

Street, commissioner Pratt of the town board of trustees has been making some very much needed improve ments lately by repairing the bad places in the streets.

Eleven wagons with emigrants pas through Monday, enroute to the Pecos Valley near Eddy, and will embark in raising sugar beets. Success to them. —Midland Reporter.

Fred Hoos from Covington Ky arrived Wednesday and will make his home in Eddy county. Mr. Hoos is seeking a favorable climate for his wife who is troubled with catarrhal and bronchial affections.

Geo. Pendleton says that Ed Bass got stuck on the town while attending court at Roswell this week and bought a hotel. Mr. Bass will conduct the hotel, while his family will still reside on Black river.

I. W. Rogers the bank receiver will move his family to the Pecos valley from Chicago. Mr. Rogers has leased the Ellice place in La Huerta one of the finest residences in that beautiful suburb. He expects his family to arrive this month. Mr. Rogers has been here since November 1896 and now decides to take up his home with us.

The Castilian Club discussed a paper on the British Constitution Wednesday night by Dr. Emerson and elected the following officers for the ensuing three months: E. M. Skeets president, F. Foex vice president J. E. Kell Secy. The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Goetz, and Prof. Foex will present a paper on the relation of geography to history.

H. C. Phillips, the Santa Fe Ry. civil engineer, passed through Tuesday going to Roswell from Chicago and returned Wednesday, moving all the engineer office effects to Amarillo. Mr. Phillips again returned from the south yesterday, going to Roswell. It is said the headquarters office of the railway will be in Amarillo, also repair shops, but that the present shops will remain here.

The body of A. B. Allen passed through from Duncan Ariz. to Roswell Thursday in charge of Mrs. Allen. Mr. Allen who was a well known stock man of Chaves county was murdered in Duncan Ariz. Tuesday Mar. 29, by a saloon man who shot Mr. Allen in the back while Allen was engaged in a fight with revolvers with a brother of the murderer. Mr. Allen was in charge of the Ward & Courtney ranch when killed.

J. W. Grace, the agent for the Mexican government, has been chasing around this week with John Huffman looking for horses suitable for Mexican cavalry use. He wants solid colors at least 15 hands high, and wants them for \$15 a head. He was unable to find any at that price in this neck of the woods and is supposed to have obtained a few about Coleman. He wants at least 300 or 400 head. —Saa Angelo Press.

Mr. Grace is at present in Eddy and has purchased 200 head of horses from Mr. Hess. He will go from here to Oregon.

The silver medal contest given in the Methodist church Thursday evening under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. was well attended and highly pleasing to all. The singing was an excellent feature, while the speaking was grand. The contestants, Misses Lura Kayser, Fannie Bigger, Etta Blakeley, Mabel Gray, Tena Nymeyer, Alma Woods and Anna Hutchinson, were well trained and have much ability and it was not without difficulty that the judges, Miss Hilton, Mrs. Emerson and Dr. Whicher, rendered their decision.

The selections were very appropriate and highly applauded. Miss Mabel Gray was awarded the silver medal, while Miss Tena Nymeyer came second and will receive a year's subscription to the Woman's Home Magazine. All were well pleased with the decision of the judges, especially the contestants.

The chorus singing was grand, while the solo by Miss Josie Knowles surpassed anything ever heard in Eddy.

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VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY

KEMP PROVES SELF DEFENSE AND KENNON NOT IMPLICATED.

The Famous Murder Trial at an End and Kemp a Free Man—Case Hotly Contested on Both Sides and Evidence Very Strong—Jury Out Three Hours.

The most celebrated trial for murder ever to have taken place in this valley is at an end and D. L. Kemp, the accused, is clear, having been found not guilty by a jury of good citizens of Chaves county. The evidence on both sides was very voluminous, thirty witnesses having been subpoenaed by the territory and twelve by the defense. The trial called many of our people to Roswell for a week and its cost to the county is estimated by R. B. Armstrong, the collector's deputy, at about \$1,000, while the defense gives it out that \$1,500 is about the amount it is out. The case was conducted for the territory by John Franklin, the able district attorney, assisted by I. H. Burney of the stock association of Texas. The defense had a fine array of talent, consisting of Judge W. W. Gatewood, of Meria, Texas, Geo. Estes, of Pecos, Judge A. A. Freeman, ex-associate justice of the New Mexico supreme court, and J. O. Cameron, of Eddy.

During the examination of the witnesses every point was hotly contested, the prosecution endeavoring to demonstrate a case of murder, while the defense through numerous witnesses proved that Dow had at divers times made life very uncomfortable for Kemp and that Dow had threatened Kemp's life and even went so far as to hold a winchester on Kemp while he abused him. This testimony, together with the fact that Dow was proved by many reputable persons to have been overbearing at times, seems to have been enough to influence the jury to acquit Kemp. The prosecution closed Saturday evening and Sunday night the judge issued an order to the Chaves county sheriff to take Kemp in custody and confine him in jail. Kemp's attorneys went to the judge and made a strong complaint or vigorous kick, offering any amount of bond up to \$100,000. The judge consented to allow Kemp to remain free on a good \$10,000 bond, holding that the bond made in Eddy county was proved to be very insufficient. Kemp at once made the new bond, giving Dave Howell and Dick Barnett as sureties, and he remained at liberty. Monday the defense commenced to put in its evidence and as the different witnesses were examined it developed there were two sides to the story and that Kemp had a very strong defense. The following is the gist of the important testimony:

Alex Walton testified to have passed the Argus office at some few moments previous to the shooting and recognized Kemp and Kennon sitting down in the alcove of the Argus office.

C. W. Moore an employee of the Argus testified to have started for home about twenty minutes previous to the shooting of Dow and as he passed out the door noticed two men after going toward home as far as the street near the bank Moore returned to the office having forgotten to perform some little work in cleaning up which occupied but ten minutes and then again started for home and; this time noticed three men two sitting in the door way and one on the outside of the sidewalk standing up. Moore had proceeded about 150 feet when the shot was fired. He seen two men run around the corner of the alley but could not recognize them it being too dark.

W. G. Hamilton testified that when Dow was placed in the drug store he stated to Hamilton that he was waylaid in a cowardly manner shot like a dog.

None of the witnesses were asked the question whether or not Dow stated who shot him.

Dr. Waldshmidt was the only physician placed upon the stand but no attempt was made to show malpractice in the treatment of Dow after he was shot.

Tom Blackmore testified to having gone up to Dow after he was wounded and taking a revolver from his hand, all of the chambers of which were loaded except one which had no cartridge shell being in condition usually carried.

M. Phillips was introduced by the Territory and testified that Kemp came to his house the evening of the shooting and stated that he had shot Dow in self defence saying that as he was standing near the Argus office in company with some parties that Dow came along the sidewalk and noticed him saying, "Is that you Kemp?—n you" and attempted to draw his gun. Kemp pulled and fired his gun the first shot striking Dow. The pistol would not work and he was compelled to turn the cylinder by hand but made out to shoot again. He then ran away not wishing to be taken while the feeling was at its heated condition. Kemp asked Phillips to go to town and add learn how bad Dow was hurt.

Quite a number of other witnesses were introduced but all circumstances were shown as described by Moore and Walton they being the most important for the territory.

The evidence of W. M. Moon of Seven Rivers was to the effect that in 1892 while Kemp was sheriff he passed through Seven Rivers on horseback and that Dow, who was standing in the old saloon, pulled up a winchester and threw a cartridge in to the barrel saying, "I am going to kill that a— or a b— now," but Moon said he knocked the gun down saying, "Don't murder our sheriff."

Geo. Larrimore testified that in 1892 while Kemp was on a visit to Seven Rivers and when Dow resided there, that Kemp left his winchester in Rheinboldt's store and that while it was there Dow picked it up and forced a 45 cartridge into the 31 chamber of Kemp's gun; that Dow told him about it.

Joe Fanning testified to have seen Dow put the cartridge in the winchester while Kemp was absent. Dow stated to Fanning that he was afraid some one would shoot him in the back.

Wm. Smith testified that on the

evening of the shooting of Dow, Feb. 18, 1897, he happened along near the Argus office and noticed Kemp and Kennon standing in the alcove he stopped to engage in conversation with them; that while there Dow came along from the post office and noticed Kemp turned around and stooped over Kemp was squatted down saying, "Is that you Kemp, you a— of a b—" and attempted to draw his gun, which hung in his clothes or caught in some way so he was some seconds in getting it out. In the mean time Kemp pulled his gun and fired, the bullet hitting Dow, who staggered and backed out of the street. The next time Kemp was compelled to revolve the cylinder of his gun with his fingers. Kemp shot again, but Dow had gotten several steps away, so the second bullet missed him.

Kemp and Kennon testified exactly as did Smith.

Geo. Shirley testified that he met Smith the same evening and that Smith told him about the shooting about the same as Smith testified.

The work of sustaining the defense in the trial just closed was entrusted to Judge Gatewood by D. L. Kemp who, it seems, made no mistake when he employed his lawyer. Gatewood defended the Camstock train robbers and cleared them. He prosecuted J. B. Miller and got a hung jury, there being eleven for conviction and one for acquittal. He also defended Barney Riggs, who was acquitted for killing Denson and Erhart. In the Kemp case it is said the attorneys for the defense led the opposition to believe there would be an attempt to prove an alibi and malpractice, but instead, by keeping their hands covered they threw off considerable attention from the main defense, which was to show self defense and the relation existing between Dow and Kemp and the tendency of Dow to terrorize Kemp. Gatewood also kept his main witnesses in the back ground until the last and by showing that Dow was walking with his right side to the door in which Kemp was standing and shot in the left side, brought the circumstances to corroborate Smith's testimony. Judge Freeman also rendered valuable assistance in the defense, being so well acquainted with the parties, witnesses and the country; he was also familiar with the practice in this territory, all of which made his services invaluable. George Estes, the genial young prosecuting attorney of Reeves county, assisted in arranging the evidence and working up the case, having had some ten year's experience in such matters. Too much credit cannot be given John Franklin who, with all the evidence of the defense and the able array of talent showed that he spared no effort in preparation of his side of the case. His speech was a masterly effort. Mr. Burney, who has dozens of cases on hand, could not be expected to assist as much as if his time was given to a greater extent to this case, but he made a good plea for conviction. Mr. Cameron's advice and counsel was highly appreciated by the defense, all parties conceding that his assistance was important, being one of the clearest headed young lawyers in the territory. So far as lawyers were concerned the trial was one of exceeding decorum. The judge's rulings were accepted by the defense in many instances, but they held their chagrin in a remarkable manner. The judge is a strong advocate of law and order and, as usual, seemed disposed to see to it that crime was punished if the law and evidence would justify punishment. He is certainly as strong an advocate of law and order as the territory contains. Hamilton is the judge who presided at the trial of the Borregos who were hung in Santa Fe and if the jury had found for conviction no doubt Kemp would have suffered to the fullest extent of the law.

W. A. Kemp of San Angelo Tex. father of D. L. Kemp spent the week of the trial at Roswell, coming down on the train Thursday. He is now at Dare's ranch near Florence.

The attorneys for the defense seemed to be uncertain about Dr. Waldshmidt's knowledge of anatomy of man but they were very certain after five hours of technical examination which was prompted by Dr. Giles of Pecos. It is said they commenced at the big toe and compelled the doctor to tell the names of all the muscles, bones, veins and nerves to the top of the head. The doctor stood the ordeal well, only getting warm in the face a couple of times.

D. L. Kemp's friends, of which the county seems to contain a large number just now, are highly elated over the result of the trial at Roswell.

LOST: Thursday, a bunch of keys on a tri-angle key ring; lost between the factory and post office; return to A. A. Driggs.

Camp Meeting.

The Penasco Camp meeting will be held at Weed, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August (Aug. 16) 1898. This meeting will be under the management of the Lincoln Baptist Association and will probably continue for two weeks. It is hoped that many families from all the surrounding country will attend and remain during the entire time. It is to be strictly a camp meeting. The people of Weed and vicinity are not expected to entertain those who attend. Take your tents and be prepared to camp out and board yourselves. There will be plenty of wood, water and grass free for all; provisions will be for sale in the stores at reasonable rates. While preaching will be the main feature of the meeting, there will also be lectures, bible study, instructions in Sunday school work, singing, etc.

In addition to our home ministers, several preachers from the states will attend and assist in the work. Every body is invited. Come one, come all. The location is well up in the Sacramento mountains and this meeting will afford a good opportunity for a pleasant and profitable summer outing.

A. J. EMERSON
R. P. POPE

Bees for Sale.

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J. O. CAMERON

The RAILWAY EXTENSION

Has become as assured fact and in the near future the people of Eddy and the Pecos Valley will buy goods cheaper than ever, while the products of the valley will find sale in other markets now unknown. To this great good fortune Eddy will share to no uncertain degree. Already has the great Bee Hive Store felt its impetus. While the prices of town lots and lands are steadily rising, the goods of the Bee Hive are still feeling the irresistible force of cash purchases and goods go like hot cakes. The prestige of honor and power of truth are invincible and eternal and the facts and figures quoted here are the annihilators that will smash clear out of existence competition, to say nothing of the swindler who sells his soul for gold and whose stolen wealth and dishonest gains will be scattered like chaff before the storms of cash for goods and goods for cash.

Friendship is a clever card of the old regular and though it has no place in business and only lasts until the time is up, it has lured legions to want and misery. When time is called and promises come instead of payment, the attorney handles the victim. Every season big merchants combine to realize high prices for stock on hand. Having long winded patrons many of whom they carry year in and year out the final payment must come, then friendship ceases. It is to this class that the following prices talk with words louder than the boom of canon or thunder's crash:

Mens heavy wool socks, 2 pr \$	25	Monkey wrenches,	15
Tacks, per dozen boxes,	10	Glass dippers,	25
Mens heavy cotton pants,	75	Scrub brushes,	10
Ladies ready made aprons,	20	Clothes "	20
Childrens " " dresses,	25	Bath "	30
" " corset waists,	30	Large flour sifters,	15
Mens cotton socks, 4 pair	25	Spider frying pans,	25
Lunch baskets,	15	Heavy wool underwear pr st,	1.00
" buckets,	20	Crochet infant hoods,	25
Hat racks, large,	20	Ladies cassimer gloves,	20
Towel racks,	15	" kid gloves,	1.00
Cradles,	1.00	Lace window curtains,	85
Wardrobes,	5.00	Bath towels per pair,	15
1 beautiful hall tree,	5.00	Mens overalls,	50
Wash stands,	1.50	Ladies belts,	25
Curtain poles and fixtures,	50	Coild crochet booties,	15
Floor oil cloth, per sq. yrd,	37 1/2	Mens silk Windsor ties,	15
Razor straps,	15	" silkoline ties,	10
Bridle bits,	10	" cotton ties,	5
Brass pad locks,	20	" arm bands,	5
Large curry combs,	20	Fine combs,	5
" horse brushes,	20	Tooth brushes,	5
" carving sets,	35	Combs from 10 to	20
" screw drivers,	10	Large hamper clothes basket	1.50
" scissors,	20	Pure olive cast. soap,	10
" harness hooks,	5	Blacking outfits,	50
Household paints, per can,	25	Double zinc wash boards,	25
Halters,	30	1 gal. granite coffee pots,	50
Whips,	20	Granite coffee pots, 3 qts.,	40
Shaving brushes,	10	" tea kettles No. 7 & 8,	15
Lamps, complete,	30	" 2 gal. preserve kettle,	50
Hair brushes,	15	" 1 1/2 gal. "	35
Shaving soap,	5	O K lanterns,	60
Spring balances,	15	Beautiful glass table sets,	50
Tin cups,	5	Beautiful glass butter disher,	15
Carpenter squares,	25	Glass pitchers, 1/2 gallon,	25
Steel hatchets,	50	Large glass tumblers per set,	25
Hammers,	45	" hotel goblets, per set,	40
Bit braces,	60	Cups and saucers, " "	50
Carpenter saws,	50	Plates, per set,	50
Galvanized clothes line,	10	Nappies,	15
Blacksmith punches,	50	Milk pitchers,	15
Egg beaters,	10		

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