A MIRAGE IN TEXAS.

WHAT THE SHEEP MAN SAW AND HOW IT STIRRED HIM.

As a Truthful Man He Describes the Scene, but Draws No Inferences — The Exciting Point at Which He Always Stops the Tale.

"Mi-rage?" said the old Texas sheep man who was doing most of the talking. "I don't remember of ever seein a mi-rage, but I seen mi-ridges lots of times. There was one, now, I seen in Encinal county that was, you might say, peculiar, outside o' other things that happened along with it."

"Do these mirages," said the young man from the east in the striped shirt and straw hat, "appear to be reflections of objects in the vicinity, or are they sometimes phantasmagoria of unrecognized scenes from unknown distances or even illusions conjured up by some mysterious effect of nature that seemed to present objects really nonexistent?"

"I told you," said the old sheep man, "I never saw no mi-rashes, and I don't know if they cut up capers such as you attempt for to describe or not. I was goin to tell you about this mi-ridge what I spoke about.

"One day I was ridin after a bunch of muttons what strayed off from one of my flocks, and about sundown I found I was lost. I was down in a big mesquite flat and couldn't see 50 yards in any direction. You might think it strange for an old ranchero like me to get lost, but the best of 'em do sometimes.

"Well, after I was sure I was lost I staked my pony and laid down for the night. I was too worried to sleep much, for I left my wife and 3-month-old baby at home, and I knew she'd be awful worried about me. As soon as it got light enough to see I jumped on my hoss and rode up a hill to see where I was. I seen Loma Alta mountain, and the line of the Frio and I knew in a minute about where I was. I struck out, and when it got good daylight I was ridin up the chaparral ridge on Green branch and seen the motte of some trees that I knowed was just 15 mile from my ranch.

"When I got on top of the hill, I pulled my pony up, and liked to jumped out of my saddle. I seen the Frio river which I knowed was good 15 mile away risin up and hangin on the edge of the horryzon, kind of pale and ghostlike, but as plain to be seen as if it was only a quarter of a mile off. I seen the leaves on the live oak trees that lined the banks. And just across the river I seen my house and corrals and everything about the place lookin not a bit farther off than good hollerin distance. I seen the woodpile near the door, and the ax stickin in a chunk. I seen our pet sheep a-walkin about in the yard, and I seen the saddle on the fence and the water barrels in the wagon and the milk pans settin on the shelf under the trees. Everything looked kind of spooky-like and seemed to be drawed out up and down like you see things in some lookin glasses what's got flaws in 'em.

"I say I stopped my pony a minute and just looked. It's a kind of funny feelin to see things that look like you could hit 'em with a rock and know they are 15 mile off. I was just about to stick my spurs in and be off when the back door of my house, which was facin me, opened, and my wife came and stood in it with the baby in her arms. I yelled at her before I stopped to think, and then felt foolish. Just then I seen a black shadow a-movin through the mist and then it came into what I s'pose you'd call the prospective, and I seen it was a big Mexican gettin off his hoss at the gate. He stumbled in the yard, and I seen he was drunk. My wife slipped inside and shut the door. The Mexican grabbed the ax out of the woodpile and smashed the panel of the door in. It was awful to see this, and know them miles what laid down between me and that there mi-ridge. I never heard a sound, of course, but I seen the splinters fly from the door, and then I must have lost my sense for a minute, bein worked up so. I remember I cussed once real low down, and I grabbed my winchester out of its scabbard and drawed a bead on the infernal greaser and banged away.

"My gun sounded like a cannon, everything was so still, and I cussed myself again for bein a fool, and I stuck my spurs in my hoss and the gravel flew through the chaparral like hail.

"The sun was pretty near up, and just then the mi-ridge began to get all crooked and kind of went up in steam. I covered them 15 miles in an hour, and when I rode up the hill at my house and jumped off my hoss had tears in his eyes, and he leaned up against the feed rack and looked at me reproachful. I wa'nt thinkin of no hoss. I yelled for my wife, and I was afraid like death she wouldn't answer. When she came tumblin out the front door a-cryin, but safe and sound, with the kid in her arms, I got as weak as a blade of sacuista grass. I got 'em in my arms, and as neither of 'em could talk, one on account of hysterics and the other from juvenile disabilities, I dragged 'em both round to the back door for to see.

"I seen him.

"He was layin there dead as a dog with a bullet hole right between his shoulders and his shoulders and the ax layin by him, and the busted door hangin by one hinge.

"'Never heard no gun,' my wife said when she got her tongue back. 'Never saw nobody after he dropped.'"

"Do you think"— began the young man from the east in the straw hat and striped shirt.

"I don't think nothin," said the old sheep man. "I'm a-tellin you what happened and not how it done it. I got the bullet out of the greaser and tried it in my gun."

"Did it fit?" asked the young man anxiously.

"I always stops that tale," said the sheep man, "right there. A man what's got any respect for his word and bein believed can't tell everything he knows. Right there is where that mi-ridge story stops."—Detroit Free Press.

Uses of Animals.

The crustaceans are among the important scavengers of the sea and are also valuable as food for fishes. The collection of crabs, shrimps and lobsters forms large industries all over the world, contributing directly to the support of man. In Delaware the horseshoe crab is used as guano, while the collection of fossil crabs, as [illegible] lobsters, is a peculiar industry. The fresh water crayfish produces a concretion used as an antacid, well known to chemists. We owe many of the beauties of our summer fields to insects, all of which have their special functions and use. Even the [illegible] [illegible] may render such a service [illegible] by keeping the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the mosquito in tropical countries [illegible] [illegible] in preventing the human inhabitants [illegible] [illegible]. — F. [illegible] in Popular Science Monthly.

Sterilization of Water.

The sterilization of water has become a most important issue in many ways [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] preparation that will destroy the pathogenic germs. A German chemist has discovered [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which, from the dangers that attend the use of ordinary water. A solution of bromine and bromide of potassium is put into the water, then the bromine is removed by a weak solution of ammonia. Bacteriologists and experimentalists have these experiments been that there is every reason to hope that some simple and harmless compound may be put before the public which will, when added to water of doubtful quality, render it perfectly harmless as far as these germs are concerned. It is, however, necessary to add that such preparations should never be employed unless they bear the stamp of the highest authority. Such compounds should be indorsed by boards of health, and nothing should be relied upon for this purpose without such indorsement.—New York Ledger.

Emerson's "The American Scholar."

What are the influences which form the scholar? That is the first question which Emerson asks. They are, is the answer, nature, books and action. What are the duties of the scholar? They are, it may be answered, all comprehended in self trust. Allied with this duty, or an application of it, are the duties of trust in humanity, and in American humanity in particular.

I sometimes think that in our quest for a man to sit in our chairs of instruction and to convey knowledge we are prone to think more of the chair of instruction than of the man who sits in it and who gives the instruction. We inquire with care into the academic biography of the academic candidate, but do we inquire with sufficient care into the vital, formative, ethical, manly and man making power of the soul which teaches and inspires? The college was made to make man, to make man through scholarship and personal association. Let us therefore have scholars, but let us also have each scholar a man. Let us have both a man who is a scholar and a scholar who is a man. Let us have a scholar who was a man before he became a scholar and who is a man after he becomes a scholar.—President Thwing in Forum.

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ESTRAY POUND NOTICE.

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MORGAN GOLD MINING & MILLING COMPANY.

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

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NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

[illegible]

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE Utah Sugar Co. [illegible]

HORACE G. WHITNEY, Secretary.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER TRUST DEED.

[illegible]

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE.

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JAMES T. LITTLE, Trustee.

ORDER.

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SUMMONS.

In the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Utah, County of Salt Lake.

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NOTICE.

SPECIAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING [illegible]

NOTICE.

Logan, Utah, August 18, 1897.

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ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

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