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FROM THE PAN-HANDLE

Current Items of News---Horse-

Thieves Captured and Killed---

Capt Davis' Exploits---A Wedding

Fort Elliott, Tex., Oct. 11, 1877

Mr. Editor Times:--I notice your correspondent, Old Cactus, merely came to this vicinity, took a glance at things in general, and then departed. With your permission I propose to give you from time to time the current events that are transpiring in this vicinity. As the Times is an excellent medium--owing to the great anxiety of most of our people to get and read it--through which to make known the wants, enterprises and resources of this large scope of country, as it is a well known fact that a certain few are, and have been, monopolizing everything in the way of trade and enterprise in this section, and have done all that they could to throw obstacles in the way of competition. But some business men are beginning to realize the real worth of the Pan-Handle, and are acting accordingly. We down here think that the A.T. & S.F. R. R. is doing an excellent thing in giving encouragement to shippers for this trade, as heretofore the great bulk of trade was transported through an Indian settled country, from 50 to 100 miles further by the M.K.& T.R.R. than could be reached by the A. T.