

BELNAP MAKES A HAUL.

Two "Free Trade" Cowboys and Provisions Captured.

Sheriff Belnap, aided by Deputy Marshal Gill and Deputy Sheriff Emmett, last evening made a good haul and besides securing a large amount of plunder placed Harry Spencer and D. D. Smith, two cowboys, behind the bars of the county jail where they will await a preliminary examination charged with grand larceny, housebreaking and robbery.

On Friday afternoon Deputy Emmett was notified by James Hamblin of Riverdale that some person or persons had killed a calf belonging to him and yesterday morning the sheriff and deputy instituted a thorough search. They found the place where the animal had been killed and following the trail left by the men who had done the job came upon a tent, located near the site of the old gas well in the brush at the foot of Thirtieth-second street. Upon searching the canvass building, which was fitted up in splendid style for winter, they found a barrel of veal, four five-gallon pails of mince meat, five cases of bottled pickles, one keg of pickles, two saddles, one small and one large, a large number of pairs of hobbles, bridles, several bunches of rope and a general campaign outfit. The men had not been there for some time and the officers returned to town to wait until evening. About 4 o'clock, accompanied by Deputy Gill, they returned to the camp and secreted themselves in the brush. A few minutes before 6 o'clock two men cautiously made their way along the trail toward the tent. As soon as they were within proper distance they were promptly covered by the officers and commanded to throw up. One of them remonstrated and asked to see a warrant. With a merry twinkle in his eye Sheriff Belnap tapped his gun and replied that it was the warrant. The fellow gave up quietly and remarked that under the circumstances that warrant went. The men were secured and later a wagon was sent down for the things in the tent.

When asked where they got the meat Spencer said it was free trade veal.

Judging from the manner in which everything in and around the tent was arranged, Sheriff Belnap is of the opinion that the men were there for the winter and intended to live as they evidently have done by thieving about the neighborhood.