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Welcome Grapeland Visitors

We extend each and every person who visits Grapeland during the 2 days of "Possum Walk" and "Masonic Day" a cordial invitation to make our store your headquarters, where you will be met by each member of the firm and every salesman who will be glad to wait on you, whether you want to buy or not, and extend to you the

Cheerful Greetings of the Day

Kennedy Brothers

The Store for Everybody

Program for To-Day and To-Morrow

Thursday--"Possum Day"

1:30 p. m.--"Grand 'Possum Walk."
2:15 p. m.--Parade of Floats, Decorated Vehicles, 'Possum Club and School Children, led by Brass Band.
3:00 p. m.--Speaking near the school building by HON. CULLEN F. THOMAS, of Dallas, and others.
Music by Band all during the day.

Program for Friday "Masonic Day"

12:00 M.--'Possum Barbecue served in the grove near the school building.
1:30 p. m.--March by Masons to the new Masonic building.
2:00 p. m.--Laying Corner Stone.
Speaking by prominent Masons.

NEWS FROM OAK GROVE

Still the warm cloudy weather holds on and vegetation is growing as if Spring time was at hand. The forest has shedded its summer coat and begins to look like mid-winter. The year 1913 is passing rapidly away and is leaving a good many things in the minds of us all that will be remembered for a long time, and at the closing out of this year, leaves this community, at present, in as good health as it has been for several years and we trust that we may enjoy this blessing for many years to come.

Our school is doing fine under the management of Miss Ethel Lively and I think if the patrons will co-operate with her she will teach us a good school.

Rev. George Lively filled his regular appointment here today. There was a very good congregation out to hear him and we were all glad.

Last night there was a pound supper at Mr. J. W. Ellis' and from what we have been able to learn, there were a good many pounds there and all had plenty. After chasing the Buffalo a few rounds, they all went home, thanking their host for the best time of their lives.

Mr. W. W. Finch and family of New Prospect are visiting Mrs. Finch's sister, Mrs. Mattie Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baggett returned to their home to-day after spending two days with Mrs. Baggett's father and family.

I can't say that this is much news, but it is reading all the same.
OLD TIMER.

Every family that has children is liable to have croup; invariably at night. If Ballard's Horehound Syrup is kept in the house, it saves going after the medicine at an inconvenient time and checks the attack promptly. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

NEWS FROM NEW PROSPECT

Everything is moving along nicely and Thanksgiving is drawing near and we thank God that it is as well with us as it is. No severe sickness reported. Some few bad colds.

Our Sunday School is progressing nicely under our new Superintendent, R. H. Parker. We have a very poor attendance, but hope to see more today.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Herod visited in Oak Grove community Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Z. H. Parker is visiting her daughter, Mrs. N. W. Ritchey to-day.

The young folks were entertained with a party at Mr. Tom Brown's Thursday night, also at Mr. J. Ellis Saturday night. All report a very good time.

Quite a crowd from New Prospect attended the show Friday night and say they enjoyed the performance immensely.

Mr. John Hudson visited Arch Parker Friday night.

Mr. Virgil Musick of Keltys is here on a visit to his many friends and relatives. We are sorry to learn that Mr. Dick Skeen happened to a bad accident Thursday. He was cutting timber and a dead tree fell upon him, injuring him severely, but hope it will not prove fatal.

Mr. David Caskey of Union community has moved on Mr. Oscar Brown's place. We are glad to have such a good neighbor come among us.

It is reported that Mr. Sam Bridges will move to Mr. Jack Baker's place.

Mr. Walter Owens will move below Grapeland.

We are living in hopes of attending the "Possum Walk" and barbecue, and if this is as successful as our Trades Day, it will be another howling success. Hurrah for Grapeland!

ALMA MATER.
Drop in at Wherry's and get your money's worth. Adv.

EXTRA!

FRIDAY NIGHT, NOV. 28th

V. B. Tunstall, accompanied by Miss Willie and little Yancy Meriwether, and his little daughter, will give an entertainment at

The Cozy Theatre

—consisting of—

Violin and Vocal Solos
and Duets.

It will be something worth hearing

3 in connection there will be three **3**
reels of splendid motion pictures.

There will also be a specialty well worth the price of admission. DON'T MISS IT

ADMISSION: - 10c and 20c

My Closing Remarks

In closing my work in Grapeland, my wife joins me in expressing our heartfelt gratitude to the people of this town and surrounding country for the many deeds of kindness which we have been the happy recipients of.

On short acquaintance Mr. Luker informed us that he always furnishes the town ministers with the home paper free of charge, and we suspected then that he was an editor worthy of our admiration and confidence, and our more extended acquaintance with him has not reversed our former opinion. It has been truly said that the press and the pulpit largely shapes the destiny of the community, and this being true, then it is very necessary to have the right kind of men at the "laboring oars" of both institutions in order to attain our highest and most perfect moral and spiritual development.

There are many other kindnesses and names that we would like to mention before coming to our own religious family, but time and space will not permit. In passing however we shall not forget to say that the hospitality of our neighbors who live near us will make for us a fond remembrance of our stay among them.

As to the professional services rendered to our own cause in Grapeland and surrounding country, the degree of success or failure is left for each member to interpret to his own satisfaction, realizing that God, who alone can, will bring all things to light as they really are at the proper time.

The Grapeland church has been loyal in a financial way. They have done their part. Whether the members have been loyal otherwise or not, is left for each individual to answer to himself and to God. I know not and care not to judge.

As for myself I have not been

a coward. "I have not shunned to declare the whole council of God," the whole truth. I have been playing the part of the "Show-man" and my audiences the "See-man." I have done the showing and they the seeing. I have spent little time "patting people on the back." I want them to receive a reward in the "Sweet by and by," as well as in the "Sweet now and now." My maxim is "A plain man on a plain job." "Sofa-seekers" are not mentioned in the Bible, but are too numerous in the church. I do not know them, but the Lord does and they know themselves.

Brethren, if we can keep the church in the world it will cause many to be saved, but when the world gets into the church it will mean the destruction of both.

Forgetting all the past that has not been good and pleasant, and remembering only the things that have brought happy moments, I turn my face to "join the happy throng of those with thankful hearts who will celebrate November 27th.

JOHN F. CAGLE.

Who's the Town Booster? Why, Here He Is!

The citizen who praises his own town.

The citizen who encourages local enterprises.

The citizen who helps along home improvements.

The citizen who patronizes the home merchants.

The citizen who gets his job printing done in his own town.

That man's THE TOWN BOOSTER.

One Moment, Please! Who's the Town Buster?

The citizen who sneers at his own town.

The citizen who belittles local enterprises.

The citizen who scoffs at home improvements.

The citizen who buys his household goods by mail.

The citizen who gets his job printing done outside.

That man's THE TOWN BUSTER.

THE GUILTY PARTY

O. Henry was a great short story writer and a number of his efforts are easily classed as masterpieces. One of these under the above caption drives home a great truth that much of our religious and moral life fight shy of. It is a truth that our laws ignore. Clifford G. Roe, that man who wants a better world, told the people of Houston of it the other day. It ought to be inscribed on every religious banner. The scene of the story that tells the great truth is laid in New York City, foreign perhaps to most people, but what is true with respect to the characters, even though they be foreign, could easily be true of any people, of any environment, and of any circumstances.

In his home in a tenant district of East Side, New York City, after work hours, reading, sat a man, a husband, a father. The wife was in an adjoining room, cooking supper. On the streets of a tenant district of any great city during the afternoons and evenings may be seen myriads of children playing, this being their only playground except the parks. And such was the case on this evening, scores of children were playing before this man's door. "Some in rags," says O. Henry, "some clean, white, and beribboned, some wild and restless as young hawks, some gentle-faced and

shrinking, some shrieking rude and sinful words, some listening, awed, but soon grown familiar, to embrace, here were the children playing in the corridors of the House of Sin." In this home was a little twelve-year old girl, Lizzie; and her mother had kept her in house all day rather than let her play with this evil company out in the street.

This little girl timidly approached her father and asked whether he would play a game of checkers with her. "Checkers. No, I won't," replied the father. "Can't a man who works hard all day have a little rest when he comes home? Why don't you go out and play with the other kids on the side-walk?"

Onto the street little Lizzie went, and onto the street she kept going. She found lots of people there who would play with her, she found lots of diversion out there, and she becomes a child of the street.

Several years had then flown by, and from the girl of the street Lizzie had grown to be a woman of the street; and she was engaged to be married to a certain masculine person known as "The Kid." Her betrothed was a man of the street, a man of many sweethearts, a man of the underworld; he was a black-eyed, double-fisted giant, respected or rather feared because of his prize-fighting qualities, and also because of his power

over the weaker sex. At this junction entered what we shall call the lady of the third part. She was a blond, rather exclusive, and to be her escort was considered an honor worth much contention and even fighting. "The Kid," regardless of his duty to Lizzie made a bet that he could escort the lady of the third part to a prominent affair of dance. Lizzie was insanely jealous, and she heard of "The Kid's" bet. She at once became desperate. She repaired to a saloon and tanked up, and then equipped with a revolver, she made for the dance. When she arrived "The Kid" and the lady of the third part were gliding over the floor in embrace to the step of the boisterous music. Lizzie took careful aim, and her aim was true, and "The Kid" toppled over with a bullet in his heart.

Lizzie sped from the dancing hall pursued by the police and a mob of East Siders. Toward East River she directed her flight. Reaching it ahead of her pursuers she plunged into the muddy, slimy, entrancing waters, and her soul took flight to the other world.

And then a scene is laid at the Judgement. A Court was about to render its verdict uninfluenced by a corrupt and unbalanced society and by the greed of gold. Special Terrestrial Officer, the Reverend Jones, with a tear in his eye, brought Lizzie before the Court Officer, charged with a mis-spent life, with suicide, and with murder. "Poor girl," said he, "It was one of the saddest cases that I ever met with. Of course she was—"

"Discharged," said the Court Officer. "Now you quit making these false arrests or you'll be transferred. The guilty party you've got to look for in this case is the man sitting by the window reading while his children played in the streets. Get a move on you."

Bob Louis Stevenson understood these things when he made a lady say to the one who had won her heart: "What is mine, then, and what am I? If not a curve in this poor body of mine, (which you love, and for the sake of which you dotingly dream that you love me), not a gesture that I can frame, not a tone of my voice, not a look from my eyes, no, not even now when I speak to him I love, but has belonged to others? Others, ages, dead, have wooed other men with my eyes; other men have heard the pleadings of the same voice that now sounds in your ears. The hands of the dead are in my bosom; they move me, they pluck me, they guide me; I am a puppet at their command; and I but re-informed features and attributes that have long been laid aside from evil in the quiet of the grave. Is it me you love, friend, or the race that made me? The girl who does not know and cannot answer for the least portion of herself, or the stream of which she is a transitory eddy, the tree of which she is the passing fruit? The race exists: it is old, it is ever young, it carries its eternal destiny in its bosom; upon it, like waves upon the sea, individual succeeds individual, moved with a semblance of self-control, but they are nothing. We speak of the soul, but the soul is in the race."

—GEO. LOUIS PAYNE.

Ladies' work a specialty.
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Pains in the Back or disturbances in the Urinary Organs, there is no remedy more powerful and effective than

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It is an exceptionally fine restorative for ailing kidneys. Inflammation of the kidneys, Bright's Disease in the early stage, Diabetes, and all irregularities in the urinary organs yield to its great tonic and renovating influence. Weak, nervous people who suffer from pains in the back, too frequent calls to pass urine, torpid liver or constipated bowels, need this admirable cleansing stimulant because it contains the necessary medicinal properties for correcting these debilitating diseases.

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A Cure for Chronic Constipation, Torpid Liver and Irregular Bowel Movements.

Constipation is the most common disorder of the bowels. It affects both sexes and all ages but is more prevalent among women because their duties in the household require less physical exercise than the occupations of men; therefore women suffer most from its baneful effect.

A constipated person is an easy victim when exposed to any serious disease—Typhoid Fever, Malaria, Rheumatism, Small Pox, Yellow Fever and Bright's Disease gather their annual harvest of death among those who are habitually constipated. Even though they escape these diseases, such persons are always ailing more or less. They have headaches, bad digestion, dizziness, vertigo (blind staggers), sallow complexion, flatulence, loss of strength, and no energy at all. Herbine has a most admirable effect in the bowels; it is cooling, purifying and regulating. It puts a prompt check on biliousness, wind in the bowels, nervousness, heartburn, bad breath, low spirits, drowsiness in the daytime and nervous wakefulness at night.

Price 50c per Bottle.

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Here are some prices that will make you sit up and take notice:

Silk poplin, 25c quality for per yd.	19 ¹ / ₂ c	Good grade of percal, per yard	5 ¹ / ₂ c
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Heavy suiting, at per yard	8c	Best grade of Chambray per yd.	7 ¹ / ₂ c
Good grade of bleached domestic, per yd.	4 ¹ / ₂ c	Men's black half hose per pair	5c
Good grade brown domestic, per yd.	4 ¹ / ₂ c	Best grade gingham 10 to 12 yards in piece, at per yard	5 ¹ / ₂ c
Scotland gingham, per yard	5c		

These are new goods--bought last week..

A BIG REDUCTION on all Ladies', Children's and Men's SWEATER coats. Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes and Hats all going at a BARGAIN.

This is no fake--no fraud. Come and see for yourself. Don't rush--take your time. This is not one of those 10-day sales. It will last as long as the goods hold out.

A new Shipment of good shoes just arrived.

W. R. Wherry

"Quick Sales, Small Profits and the Golden Rule Applied to Business"

WORK DONE BY DISTRICT COURT

The fall term of the District Court which met October 6th, and ended November 21st, was indeed a busy one, that more work was accomplished in the thirty-eight days of court than is ordinarily accomplished is evidenced by the fact that more than one hundred cases were disposed of.

Of the above, thirteen criminal cases were disposed of, there being seven cases tried and all convicted, three getting benefit of the suspended sentence Act, three accepting sentence, and one appealed.

Six cases were dismissed on written motion of the District Attorney for lack of evidence to convict.

Forty or more civil cases were disposed of and only three appealed. The divorce business was real good, there being forty-eight divorces granted, with only about four refused.

Both criminal and civil dockets were almost cleared, but the Grand Jury turned in quite a number of bills which means plenty of work for the spring term of 1914.

The Grand Jury was in session for only twelve days, but surely worked over time as evidenced by their report, to-wit:

"We, the Grand Jury, organized as such at the October Term A. D. 1913 of said Court, beg to report as follows: We have been in session twelve days and have examined about 450 witnesses.

We have examined about 26 complaints of the grade of felony, and about 95 of the grade of misdemeanors. Of the above complaints we have returned sixteen indictments for felonies and about sixty-eight misdemeanors.

We have examined the jail building and find same in very good sanitary condition.

We have been diligent in our

investigations, and we desire to thank the Hon. District Judge, the District and County Attorneys for their assistance in performing our duties; we also desire to thank other County officials for such favors as they have shown us while in session.

We now feel that our labors are finished and we beg to be discharged. Geo. E. Darsey, Foreman, T. S. Kent, J. O. Monday, D. E. Holcomb, J. H. Breazeale, W. P. Connor, W. A. Norris, W. D. James, S. A. Cook and J. J. Kennedy." (J. O. Kelly and John Legory were absent the last two days.)

Judge Prince proved himself worthy of his name "Prince."

District Attorney Earle Adams Jr., sustained his reputation as being one of the best criminal prosecutors in the State.

Pain In Back And Rheumatism

Torment thousands of people daily. Don't be one of these sufferers when for so little cost you can get well rid of the cause. Foley Kidney Pills begin their good work from the very first dose. They exert so direct an action on the kidneys and bladder that the pain and torment of backache, rheumatism and kidney trouble is soon dispelled. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

Notice To Customers

Beginning December 1st we will advance the price of hair cuts to 35c. This advance is made necessary on account of the increased cost of labor, tools, and other things, and we hope our friends will view the matter from a proper standpoint and stay with us. Yours for good service,
Adv. J. W. CASKEY, Barber.

Tonight

Tonight, if you feel dull and stupid, or bilious and constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets and you will feel all right tomorrow. For sale by all dealers.
Adv.

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KEEP HOUSTON COUNTY MONEY AT HOME

FRESH MEAT of all KIND at all TIMES



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When you want fresh meat phone us your order. FREE DELIVERY.

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J. B. Lively, Prop.

THE DEVIL'S PARAGRAPHS

JOHN R. OWENS, EDITOR

Honor is a small item with some men when they get a chance at the coin.

One thing we are thankful for is that we are no worse off than we are.

Even if a woman should tell her real age no one would believe it, so what's the use!

There's one thing that can be truly said of Huerta—he doesn't ask for anyone's advice.

Lots of people who follow the advice of their friends never arrive at their destination.

Some men offer thanks at the table, and then quarrel at the wife about what's on the table.

Lots of people are willing to sow "good seed," but they want someone else to cultivate them.

The fact that some men make trouble in the home is no reason "for their wives to become dissatisfied with them."

We'll bet there's not a town in East Texas that has as many shows—"punk" ones and good ones, as Grapeland.

Hope may lead people to the grave, but it makes the journey a great deal shorter and more pleasant.

When a man cannot determine what is best for him, he should consult his wife instead of some fellow who is no better than he is.

You very often hear a man wish for an automobile who isn't able to buy enough gasoline to run it a mile. But of course he can wish for the gasoline.

There are enough men in Texas who are engaged in selling intoxicating liquors to make a good sized city, but we'd hate to live in the city.

The only bad feature about town boosting organizations is that some "knocker" gets in under false colors and makes a discord among the real boosters.

Just because every man cannot be a leader in town boosting, is no reason that he should be a town knocker. There's always plenty of room for all the wide awake boosters that any town may possess.

An investigation in the city of Pittsburg shows that there are no bad boys in that city. Houston should contribute them a few hundred, as no town should exist without becoming acquainted with at least a few bad boys.

The El Campo Citizen says: "A woman does not care to boss the job when she can boss the boss."

And the reason a woman makes such a good boss is because she doesn't get tired of the job.

We imagine that about the funniest sight a fellow would care to see would be one policeman arresting another one's husband in her presence for being drunk. The tussle would be entirely between the two women, and the fellow could make his get-away during the squabble.

Community Co-Operation

Copyrighted Farm & Ranch—Holland's Magazine

The price of any article you buy is based upon the cost of production plus the cost of distribution or getting the goods to the ultimate consumer. Without advertising it is utterly impossible to secure anything like as wide a sale of articles used in the home and the introduction of a product even to a limited number of dealers is accomplished only at great expense and labor.

Even the consumer has never heard of it and its sales can only be the merest fraction of what is possible through modern advertising. With minimum output and high manufacturing and selling cost the price to the con-

sumer must be out of proportion to the quality as compared with goods sold through ample advertising. But advertising greatly multiplies the output, reducing manufacturing cost and selling expense; and in these reductions the cost to you is proportionately decreased.

The Massachusetts commission on the high cost of living, in speaking of advertising in their report, say: "Properly directed advertising helps to encourage the sale of goods and thus enable the producer to lower his price, to the advantage of both himself and the buying public."

Local Advertising

Millions of dollars are spent yearly in advertising, and the bulk of it goes to the newspapers. Billboards, signs and circular letters demand a heavy toll, but the merchant realizes that the press delivers the goods and he seldom dabbles into any other form of advertising. The local paper is the best vehicle of exploitation, for it reaches a great number of people. Every intelligent person reads the paper, but a lot of people do not see the billboard, nor does a busy person have time to wade through a circular letter. A firm that does a national business may afford to patronize the billboard and the circular letter, but the merchant who depends upon local trade must do his advertising at home where he can reach his customers and keep them informed about prices and styles.

The merchants whose ads appear in this paper realize the value of a good publicity medium and our readers will profit by taking the suggestions they offer.—W. Holt Harris.

In severe cases of sore lungs, you need an internal and external remedy. Buy the dollar size Ballard's Horehound Syrup, you get two remedies for the price of one. With every dollar bottle there is a free Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest. Sold by A. S. Porter. (Advertisement.)

Deputy Sheriff Henry Haltom was up from Crockett Saturday.

Cause of Insomnia

The most common cause of insomnia is disorders of the stomach and constipation. Chamberlain's Tablets correct these disorders and enable you to sleep. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

WHY NOT GET A GUARANTEE?

Every Article of Merit That is Sold These Days is Guaranteed—No Guarantee Often Means Poor Quality

There is very little excuse for any person to claim that he has been "stung" on a purchase. Fifty years ago the buyer had to look out, but today it is unusual to find a merchant who will not return the money for any article that has proved unsatisfactory.

An excellent example of this kind of fair dealing is shown by the clean-cut guarantee that A. S. Porter gives on Dodson's Liver Tone.

These people tell us that any person who pays 50c for a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and does not find it a gentle and most pleasant liver tonic, harmless, but a sure reliever of constipation and a perfect substitute for calomel, can get his money back just as quick as they can get it out of the money drawer.

Dodson's Liver Tone has practically taken the place of calomel. It is absolutely harmless, sure in its action and causes no restriction of habit or diet. No wonder the drug people are glad to guarantee it, while other remedies that imitate the claims of Dodson's Liver Tone are not guaranteed at all. Adv.

Cotton Report

Crockett, Texas, Nov. 17.—There were 22,665 bales of cotton ginned in Houston County from the crop of 1913, prior to Nov. 1st, as compared with 24,855 bales ginned prior to Nov. 1st, 1912.

Birmingham, Ala. F. L. Willis, suffered greatly from asthma and bronchitis. He writes: "I got no relief until I took Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It entirely removed those choking sensations, and never failed to produce an easy and comfortable condition of the throat and lungs." Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.



GLAD TO SEE YOU and you will be glad to see this splendid display of JEWELRY. Buy if it suits, otherwise don't—but do inspect, compare and get posted. The roof of this store covers lots of good things, including good cheer.

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THURSDAY, NOV. 27, 1913

A NATIONAL PROBLEM

A very gloomy view of the future food question was taken by Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a recent address before the Washington Chamber of Commerce. What the Assistant Secretary said was meant as especially applicable to the city of Washington, but really is applicable to any city in the United States, as many economic students equally as prominent have long ago pointed out.

Mr. Roosevelt said starvation would stalk throughout the national capitol's streets within the next few years unless something was done to cheapen the cost of food supplies and provide for more liberal receipts. To forestall this calamity, he recommended the establishment of municipal marketing systems and the adoption of plans for farm sites nearer to the city's gates.

This should not be taken as the howling of a calamity crank, for it is a fact that the last few years have seen the cost of food go higher and higher, and the next few years will see it go still higher, and it is a fact that many portions of the nation are inadequately supplied with food at any cost.

When one contemplates the course of governmental affairs since the birth of this nation and the character of influences exercised by society it is no wonder that things are not in worse condition. A century ago the Federal government took the manufacturing interest under its paternal wings and protected it until it grew to such proportions that the protector unto death or subjugation, and the work of President Wilson is to release the government from its dangerous position. Society has all along dubbed the producer of the nation's food a hayseed, and the way the latter was willing to take all such mistreatment almost proves the truth of the former's charge.

Indeed does the city of Washington, as all cities, need a municipal marketing system, and if the nation's capitol would tear down some of its tenant flats, red light districts and saloons and make farms out of the ground, it would find vegetables much cheaper than now. The nation needs a national bureau of farm marketing. Every state needs a similar official depart-

ment, as well as every county. Every rural school, even the schools in towns, needs a small tract of land where practical agriculture might be taught.

Some day the nation will wake up to the fact that the production of its food supply is about first in importance of any of its problems, and then we may look to see something done.

THANKSGIVING

Today is Thanksgiving. It is the greatest feast day in America. It should be one of rejoicing and thanksgiving by all the people. This is the time when the whole nation gives thanks for the blessings of the year. Thanksgiving Day was first established in the United States by the Pilgrims at Plymouth, New England, replacing Christmas, the great family festival, and has been gradually adopted in other parts of the country. Congress recommended days of thanksgiving annually during the revolution and Washington, in 1879, after the adoption of the constitution. Other days of national thanksgiving have been proclaimed, and since 1863 the last Thursday in November has been annually proclaimed by the president as a national Thanksgiving Day.

In many ways Thanksgiving is one of our most delightful events. It comes at a time when the rigors of winter are not yet at hand. We have at our disposal all the varied products of the soil, and the time for a season of partial rest for the farmer is at hand. One of its most delightful features, which has become quite general, is the gathering together under the old roof-tree of all the scattered sons and daughters on this day. Two, three and sometimes four generations thus meet around the festive and hospitable table of the old homestead, and thus fraternal ties are strengthened and filial piety encouraged.

Let us be thankful that we live, that we live in times of peace and prosperity. Let us be thankful that we have homes with husbands, wives and children to love and to love us. Let us be thankful for the comforts of life. Let us be thankful for work, strength and desire to do our work gladly. Let us cultivate a spirit of gentleness, of graciousness, of brightness and gladness and wisdom that will make all about us thankful that we are alive.

Grapeland is the town that made the 'possum famous.

Bring your expenses down to your income, regardless of inconveniences, and you will come out alright.

The Messenger extends a hearty welcome to the many visitors in our city today. Make yourselves at home—the town is yours.

The Messenger at Grapeland says, that their town may not be the biggest in Houston county, but it is the leader. Brother Luker is doing all he can to help push things along.—Harlingen Star.

Between Theodore Roosevelt and Booker "Teddy" Washington several "coons" became prominent, now A. H. Luker, editor of the Grapeland Messenger, is giving the "possums" a great deal of notoriety.—Love-lady Light.

When it comes to doing things up "brown" Grapeland is right there with the goods.

There is the fellow who does not have to go to the school of experience for his lesson; there is the fellow who does, but learns his lesson; and then there is the fellow who has to go to that school of high tuition rates and strict discipline the most of his life, and then never learns anything. You might dub the latter gentleman a hopeless case.

RIPPLES ON THE TRINITY

Nov. 24.—Cotton picking is just about through with for 1913 and only a few more bales to gin.

Some are spending a few days gathering pecans, of which there is a right sharp sprinkle.

Owing to so much dirty bad cotton on top of the short crop, times are kinder dull and not much life or enthusiasm along any line.

There was something doing in our midst Friday night in close range at a colored festival. One "gentleman" came near beheading another.

Fisherman Wallace lost his crib of 70 bushels of fine corn by fire. He came near losing fifty odd dollars, which he had hid under the crib, but fortunately he had a big rock on top of the pile and it escaped with one corner of a bill a little bit scorched.

J. L. Chiles has a sick horse.

J. L. Chiles and Lenard Kent are eating fall crop irish potatoes, but they are not as fine as they would have been if we had not had two weeks of such cold weather in October.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bradley and little daughter were in our midst Saturday hunting pecans. They spent the night with Lenard Kent and attended services with us Sunday. Rev. Williams preached his first sermon on the new year and made a strong appeal on two lines and gave us something to think about.

The "Possum Walk" is all the talk down this way, but I am afraid if they walk it will be with a stick split and their tail through it and on some fellow's shoulder. But it will be a sight to see 50 or a hundred in one herd. We expect to be with you until the 'possum eating comes off, and then we part company.

Mr. and Mrs. West and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Fulgham are expecting Thanksgiving company.

J. L. Chiles and wife went to Crockett today.

Work on the Linwood road will be completed this week. Surely the merchants are reaching after a part of the river trade and that is one good way to get it—make good roads. May the good work go on.

ZACK.

For Children There Is Nothing Better

A cough medicine for children must help their coughs and colds without bad effects on their little stomachs and bowels. Foley's Honey and Tar exactly fills this need. No opiates, no sour stomach, no constipation follows its use. Stuffy colds, wheezy breathing, coughs and croup are all quickly helped. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

Wherry's stock is not the largest in town, but his prices are the lowest. Adv.

NEWS ITEMS FROM AUGUSTA

(Delayed)

The pleasant spring days that we've enjoyed for the past two weeks enables us to pick beautiful bouquets of several kinds of flowers and also gives the farmers ample time to make their ribbon cane into good old "lasses." We know because we pupils, accompanied by our teachers, took a trip to a "lasses" mill. We had a jolly good time and all the cane we could eat.

Prof. Rosser, Miss Bayne and a number of pupils took a merry trip to Slocum to attend the local institute. All reported a fine time.

The first Houston County teachers local institute convened at Augusta Friday night, Nov. 14th. On account of the leader not being present, the immense crowd was entertained by the High School Literary Society. On Saturday the regular program was carried out. There were several teachers and quite a number of visitors present. We appreciate the interest that was taken in the institute and would be glad if they would visit us again.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen, accompanied by Miss Allen, visited in Augusta Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Johnnie Holcomb came up from Huntsville to visit home folks and to attend the institute.

Mr. S. S. Crabtree has moved to Alabama and Mr. Frank Moore has purchased his residence and has moved to the village.

Mrs. W. L. Wilson of Grapeland visited homefolks this week.

We are keeping up with the "Possum Club," and if nothing happens we are coming to the "Possum Walk." As ever, BLUE JAY.

Tenderness or aching in the small of the back is a serious symptom. The kidneys are suffering. Take Prickly Ash Bitters at once. It is a reliable kidney remedy and system regulator and will cure the trouble before it develops its dangerous stage. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

Manager Leaverton of the Cozy Theatre has been giving his patrons some good shows lately. Thursday night of last week, the talking pictures were presented, which made quite a hit with the audience. Saturday night a high-class vaudeville act was staged, which pleased the audience immensely.

In damp, chilly weather there is always a large demand for Ballard's Snow Liniment because many people who know by experience its great relieving power in rheumatic aches and pains, prepare to apply it at the first twinge. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

Notice

All those who owe me and wish to settle same will find their account at the Guaranty State Bank. I would appreciate it if you would call there and settle it. Adv. W. B. TAYLOR.

J. S. Yarbrough will soon have his new residence ready for occupancy.

Prickly Ash Bitters can be depended on to cure the kidneys, correct the urine, strengthen the stomach and retrieve backache. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

Free!

To be given away!

A Beautiful life size Doll

With every purchase made in our Toy and Christmas goods department you will receive a ticket giving you a chance at this beautiful doll.

Our toys and Christmas goods are better and we have a larger stock than we have ever carried before.

We have presents for every member of the family.

Our stock is complete in every department and we want to impress on you that we will save you money in our grocery department.

Traylor Bros.

"Keep the Price Down"

LOCAL NEWS

Dr. G. H. Black, The Dentist. adv.
Read Wherry's ad on page 2.
(Advertisement.)

See those nobby fall samples
at Clewis' tailor shop. adv.

Walter McCarty of Diboll came
Friday to see his wife and
"brand new" little daughter.

If you desire satisfactory
work, carry your old clothes to
Clewis. adv

J. E. Hollingsworth is having
his residence remodeled and re-
painted.

Hulls and meal are POSITIVE-
LY CASH—NO CREDIT. Don't
ask it. J. W. Howard. adv

Misses "Maude McCarty and
Dollie Parks visited relatives in
Crockett Sunday.

For the highest quality and the
lowest prices go to Wherry's.
(Advertisement.)

For Sale

Two desirable corner lots in
Sycamore Addition. Three new
residences have been completed
near them. For price and terms
apply to JNO. R. OWENS.

"I Am Advertising."

I came into being as the spok-
en language came; slowly, grad-
ually and to meet an urgent
need. I have been worked for
evil, but mostly I have worked
for good. I can still be worked
for evil, but each day grows
more difficult to so misuse me.

I am at once a tool and a liv-
ing force. If you use me wise-
ly, I am a tool in your employ.
If you misuse me, my double
edge will injure or destroy you.
If you do not use me, I am a
force that works against the
aims and purposes that animate
your business.

I speak a thousand tongues
and I have a million voices.

I am the ambassador of civi-
lization, the hand-maiden of sci-
ence and the father of inven-
tion.

I have peopled the prairie, and
with my aid commerce has laid
twin trails of gleaming steel in
a gridiron across the continent
and stretched a network of cop-
per into the far corners of the
globe.

I am the friend of humanity—
for I have filled the commoner's
life with a hundred comforts de-
nied the king of yesterday.

I have brought clean food,
healthful warmth, music, con-
venience and comfort into a hun-
dred million homes.

I laugh at tariffs and remake
laws.

I have scaled the walls of the
farmer's isolation and linked
him to the world of outer inter-
ests.

I build great factories and peo-
ple them with happy men and
women who love the labor I
create.

I am a bridge that spans all
distance and brings the whole
world to your door, ready and
eager to buy your wares.

I have made merchant princes
out of corner shopkeepers and
piled the wealth of a Monte
Cristo into the laps of those who
know my power.

I find new markets and gather
the goods of the world into a
handful of printed pages.

I fathered the penny newspa-
per.

I am either the friend or the
foe to Competition—so he who
finds me first is both lucky and
wise.

Where it cost cents to hire me
yesterday it costs quarters to-
day, and will cost dollars tomor-
row. But whosoever uses me had
best have sense; for I repay ig-
norance with loss and wisdom
with the wealth of Croesus.

I spell service, economy, abun-
dant and opportunity; for I am
the one and only universal al-
phabet.

I live in every spoken word
and printed line—in every
thought that moves man to ac-
tion and every deed that dis-
plays character.

I am advertising!

Don't forget that good flour at
Wherry's. Adv.

We will deliver meat every
morning. Phone us your orders.
Adv. J B Lively.

**The Grapeland Gun
Club will shoot every
Thursday afternoon.** adv

Little Miss Melba and Master
Ross Brock spent Saturday and
Sunday in Livingston with rela-
tives.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes
Specialist. All troubles of any
kind of wearing apparel carefully
treated. Give him a trial. adv

FOUND—We have two bunches
of keys at the Messenger office
that the owners may have by
calling at the office, identifying
them and paying for this ad-
vertisement. Adv.

The Grapeland community has
secured more good people from
the Lorena country—Mr. T. E.
Hague and family, who have
moved here and are now at their
home recently purchased from
Rev. W. N. Warlick, east of town.
The Messenger extends them
the glad hand.

Business Lots For Sale

I offer for a limited time a few
business lots in the coming busi-
ness district of Grapeland.
These lots will be sold on easy
terms and if you are interested
it will pay you to see me at once
as only a few lots will be sold at
present prices.

Adv. Geo. E. Darsey,
Grapeland, Texas.

Rev. W. A. Craven preached
his last sermon for this confer-
ence year Sunday night, and he
and Mrs. Craven are now at
Nacogdoches attending the an-
nual conference. Bro. and Sis-
ter Craven have many friends
here who would be glad to see
them returned for another year.

A Night of Terror

Few nights are more terrible
than that of a mother looking on
her child choking and gasping
for breath during an attack of
croup, and nothing in the house
to relieve it. Many mothers
have passed nights of terror in
this situation. A little fore-
thought will enable you to avoid
all this. Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy is a certain cure for
croup and has never been known
to fail. Keep it at hand. For
sale by all dealers. Adv.

Land For Sale

We have several thousand acres
of cut-over land that is now being
offered to actual settlers at low
prices and on liberal terms. Will
sell in tracts of forty acres or
more. Located in Cherokee
County and within one hour to
two hours drive of Alto, the best
market in East Texas. Good
farms all around our lands and
schools and churches nearby.

Write us what you want and
we will give you full description,
prices and terms.

Blount-Decker Lumber Co.,
Adv. Alto, Texas.

**My Mamma Says -
It's Safe for
Children**



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NO
OPIATES

**FOLEY'S
HONEY
and TAR**

For Coughs and Colds

TEXAS NEEDS GREAT CAPITAL

Texas needs great capital as
well as great men. It will take
large volumes of money to devel-
op our mineral resources, make
needed improvements and exten-
sions in railroads, and build
factories necessary to our growth
and progress, and this money
must come from outside the
state.

Investments will follow lines
of least resistance and pursue
objects most attractive. We
have the big attractions and our
opportunities loom up in moun-
tainous proportions and when
capital feels more secure in Tex-
as than other states, it will mi-
grate to Texas in large volumes.

Letter From Mr. Brooks

Lampasas, Texas.—According
to my word, and for the benefit
of my friends who asked me to
write them, will do so through
the Messenger. I stayed in
Gatesville three weeks. While
there I saw the Reformatory
boys, three hundred in number.
They were brought out to town
for an outing, and were taken to
a picture show, and were treated
to refreshments by the ladies of
Gatesville. They had a fine
band composed entirely of the
boys themselves. They played
a game of foot ball in the evening
before going back to their quar-
ters.

Leaving Gatesville I came to
Lampasas, and have visited the
place where they kill and dress
turkeys. The business is im-
mense, indeed. They kill, dress
and ship about two thousand per
day. It is quite a show to wit-
ness them at work, requiring
about thirty men a day to do the
work.

I also went to see the pecan
shippers at work. Saw some-
thing like two thousand bushels
in one building, some in sacks
and some just loose on the floor
like our peas down at Grapeland.

The best thing I have seen
since I have been here is a recent
copy of the Messenger. It is
almost like getting a letter from
all my friends down there at
once. W. F. BROOKS.

Junior League Program

Subject.
Leader—George Darsey.
Opening Song.
Reading—Adelaide Selkirk.
Recitation—Mary White.
Reading—Balis Edens.
Song—Mary Lou, Carrie,
Mable and Rena Ross.
Reading—Edith Brown.
Song.
Prayer.
Roll Call.
Closing Song.
Benediction.

Peas Wanted

I am in the market for peas,
and will pay \$27.00 per ton in
the hull. See me if you have
any to sell.
Adv. J. W. Howard.

Richard Skeene was the victim
of a very painful accident last
Thursday afternoon, which nearly
cost him his life. With two
others, he was chopping timber,
when a tree fell on him, bruising
his body and cutting several
long gashes in his head. Medi-
cal aid was summoned, and he is
now getting along very well, al-
though he was unconscious for
several hours after the accident.
He was working for Wylie Ritchie,
just south of town, and is now
at Mr. Ritchie's home.

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We Handle Real Estate.

If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on
it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.

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your future with a bank account. Start
your bank account today, and next year will find
you with something to be truly thankful for.



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HIGH GRADE GOODS
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Fresh car "Mountain Peak" flour just
arrived.

Plenty of Oats, Wheat Shorts, Chops
and Bran.

Headquarters for Fruits, Nuts and Candy.

We deliver the goods. Phone us your
troubles.

The Cash Grocery Co.

Character Is the Basis of Credit

The boy or girl who saves reaches
maturity with habits and qualities of
character essential to success cultivated
and developed.

An account in a Safe Bank for your-
self, your boy or girl, is the foundation
for a greater future. Open an account
with us where your money will be safe.

The GUARANTY STATE BANK

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Wood For Sale

I have some 2-foot wood, stove
wood and heater wood for sale.
See me for prices.
Adv. BEN BROOKS.

Notice

Trespassers are hereby warn-
ed against hunting or cutting
timber in my enclosure.
Adv. E. P. Bean.

LINES OF HIS HAND

By BRUCE SHERMAN.

Mrs. J. Arthur Smythe was easily the leader of Huntingdon's Four Hundred. Her parties were charming. So delightful was her tact and so great her resources that everybody was glad to go. Hence it was that on a certain evening Richard Sherry found himself bowing over the fair hand in the Smythe drawing room.



"One is always sure to be brightened up and have one's wits sharpened here," Mrs. Smythe, he said. "What is it to be tonight — theosophy, a new artist, a musical prodigy, vaudeville or a literary lion?"

"A poor guess," she responded brightly. "What would you say to palmistry?"

"Palmistry," he repeated. "Ah, I see. Dark-eyed gypsy girl and all that."

"Still wrong," she replied. "I've found such a darling. Do you remember the Raymonds who used to live here and moved south or somewhere five years ago? Yes, I thought you knew them. Well, Dr. Raymond lost his fortune and died and Mrs. Raymond and her daughter are back here again trying to support themselves. The girl has developed a perfect genius for palmistry and does quite a bit along that line. I have engaged her to come here tonight and read palms."

Remember Florence Raymond! What else, indeed, had he been doing for the past five years, since he had thrown himself at her feet and asked her to be his wife. It had been the one great passion of his life and he had always felt sure that she returned his love, but she had left it her duty to remain with her father in his misfortune and had resolutely refused to permit an engagement or even an understanding. Sherry had taken it hard and abandoned society for business and books.

His reverie was cut short by Mrs. Smythe, who discovered him in the conservatory.

"Come, come, this will never do," she cried, tapping him with her fan. "When the hermit comes to Rome he must do as the Romans do. Come and have your right hand read."

Unresisting he followed her to the library, where the entertainer was reading the palms of all comers.

"I have found a splendid subject," said Mrs. Smythe, triumphantly. "Here is the enigma of the town. We want to know why so fascinating a man should be a recluse and a woman-hater. We want also to know his fate — his love affairs, past and present."

Sherry gazed upon the woman of his dreams, and she looked up straight into his eyes, grave and unresponsive. She was not a guest and knew her place. He also knew his. But he was startled at her unchangeable beauty. The years seemed not to have told at all upon her.

He placed his hands in hers. She followed the lines intently, looked at the fingers and general shape of the hands.

"You will live to a very old age," she said. "I do not see much sickness, past or future. Your head is exceptionally strong. No mental trouble will overcome you. You are intellectual, fairly artistic and a money maker."

"And his heart?" put in Mrs. Smythe.

"His heart is well under control, but he is capable of a great and abiding love for a woman."

"Is his passion passed or to come?" relentlessly pursued Mrs. Smythe.

"I see a strong line about the age of thirty," said the girl slowly and very low. "It seems to be cut and barred. It looks like some obstacle."

"And the future?" insisted Mrs. Smythe.

The girl looked long and earnestly. She was breathing a trifle faster and the color had come into her face.

"I cannot see the future," she said, and then dropped his hand with a gesture of exhaustion. "I am very tired, Mrs. Smythe, and really must beg to be excused from any more work tonight."

The crowd drifts back into the drawing room and the palmist slips into the conservatory. Sherry follows her unobserved. After a time they reappear in the drawing room, where Mrs. Smythe is receiving the congratulations of her last departing guests.

"Mrs. Smythe," said Sherry, "I will finish the reading of my own palm. The barrier has been removed and the one great passion of my life for the one woman in the world is to be realized. Mrs. Smythe, permit me to

present the future Mrs. Sherry, and to thank you for the happiest evening in my life."

And Mrs. Smythe, catching the divine light in both their eyes, remarks tactfully:

"I think I may call this party my greatest social triumph."

It certainly was much talked about. (Copyright, by Daily Story Pub. Co.)

Not Exactly.

"What a mobile countenance Jennie has!"

"It's the real au'o face."

WHY MARTIN WAS DOCKED

According to System, He Was Away From Post of Duty, and That Settled It.

The boss on a large construction job in Western Canada was going over the accounts on payday with the new timekeeper. The timekeeper had been there but a week and was anxious to make good. The pay checks were regular enough, except one, which showed one hour less than the rest.

"Look here," said the boss suspiciously. "I thought everybody put in full time last week."

"All except Abe Martin, the night watchman," the timekeeper answered. "He was off duty one hour Wednesday night."

"Man alive!" exclaimed the astonished boss. "That was the night Abe discovered the burglar setting fire to the commissary building after he had robbed the storekeeper's till. Why, didn't you hear about it? Everybody is calling Abe a hero, and," he whispered confidentially, "the railroad company is talking about rewarding him handsomely for what he did. If he hadn't captured the fellow, thousands of dollars' worth of supplies would have gone up in smoke."

"Yes, I know," agreed the timekeeper. "I estimated the loss and figured that it would have run into as much as this job is worth."

"And Abe chased the fellow up into the hills," the boss continued. "The fellow was desperate and took two or three shots at Abe. They struggled desperately before Abe finally overpowered him and forced him back to camp. It was fully an hour before he got back, too."

"Sure!" responded the timekeeper triumphantly. "I docked him for the time he was gone."—Judge.

QUEER OLD PIECE OF ROCK

Part of It Was Made in the Devonian Period by Animals Living in Shells.

A curious piece of rock resembling somewhat a dog's head, is in the possession of W. C. Strickler. "It was born, so I am told," says Mr. Strickler, "where Pennsylvania now is, millions of years ago. It is composed of two kinds of rock. The under rock and the horns, that look like eyes, is of igneous origin, had its birth in fire, and the upper rock, which belongs to the Devonian period, was deposited on the sea floor by little animals that live in shells. One of these shells can be seen under the right eye and is called by geologists "Atrypa Reticularis," reticulated like a lady's veil. This upper rock is full of these shells. The parent rock, to which this piece belongs, is supposed to have come to the surface in Pennsylvania when the Allegheny mountains were elevated and during the glacial period this piece was broken off, carried and dropped where it was found."

You Are Person of Influence.

"We are, all of us, whether young or old, famous or obscure, women of influence. We cannot live a day without affecting the world somewhat for good or ill, whether we will or not."

"We are all a part of life's forces, whether we know it or not. Be as humble as you like, you are still a person of influence, if not by your own choosing, then often by God's decree. It may be only a smile or a simple kindness that you have given to a little child, but it starts agencies you little dream of; or it may be some selfishness and lack of honor, some weakness in you that sets in motion a long train of hurtful and sad influences or circumstances. For all life is connected, and whether you wish it or not your life affects other lives."—Woman's Home Companion.

Women Advance in Astronomy.

Professor Whiting and Miss Allen of Wellesley have returned from the International Solar conference in Bonn, Germany, and from visits to English and continental observatories. Both are enthusiastic about the advance of women in their social and official relations to astronomical study. At a recent meeting of English astronomers cleft in Burlington house, the wives and daughters of English astronomers appeared for the first time. Two ladies resident for a lifetime in the house of the astronomer royal at Greenwich had never before been to a meeting of the society. In the observatory of Paris Professor Whiting found a young woman practically in charge of the time service and transit instrument.



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you can do it yourself and at little expense. It's easy to give it a beautiful, hard, brilliant, varnish-gloss finish in black or rich appropriate colors.

ACME QUALITY CARRIAGE PAINT (Neal's)

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GEORGE E. DARSEY

Declare War On Colds

A crusade of education which aims "that common colds may become uncommon within the next generation" has been begun by prominent New York physicians. Here is a list of the "don'ts" which the doctors say will prevent the annual visitation of the cold:

- "Don't sit in a draughty car."
- "Don't sleep in hot rooms."
- "Don't avoid the fresh air."
- "Don't stuff yourself at meal time. Overeating reduces your resistance."

To which we would add—when you take a cold get rid of it as quickly as possible. To accomplish that you will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy most excellent. Sold by all dealers. Adv.

Notice---Take Warning

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trade it was decided to require all owners of hogs running at large to pen them immediately, or they would be prosecuted.

T. H. Leaverton, Pres.

Guard your kidneys, the health of the body depends on those small but important organs. They extract uric acid from the blood which if allowed to remain in the system would cause dropsy and Bright's disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a successful kidney tonic; it heals and strengthens the kidneys, regulates the liver, stimulates the stomach and digestion, cleanses the bowels. It will prevent or cure Bright's disease. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

Would Make Them Better If They Could

The makers of Foley Kidney Pills know that they have absolutely the best combination of curative and healing medicines for kidney and bladder ailments and urinary irregularities that it is possible to produce. That is why Foley Kidney Pills are the best medicine for the purpose you can buy. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

How About Santa Claus This Year?

Christmas comes but once a year, but by handing only \$1.75 to the publisher of the Grapeland Messenger you will get 156 papers a year, or three a week. That's some reading, ain't it? Good, instructive, wholesome reading, too. Try the combination. You'll like it. It is this:

The Grapeland Messenger \$1. a year.

The Semi-Weekly Farm News \$1 a year.

The two well worth \$2.00 a year.

You get them both for \$1.75 a year.

DO IT NOW.

The chill microbe meets its fate in Herbine. There are thousands of these germs in the air you breathe and any derangement of the liver, stomach or bowels gives them the opportunity they seek. A dose of Herbine destroys them, clears them out completely and promotes a fine feeling of strength and buoyancy. Price 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

THE ENEMY OF CHILDHOOD.

The greatest enemy of childhood is the tape worm and similar parasites. They are the direct cause of the loss of thousands of children who were so weakened by the pernicious action of these pests that they became easy victims of disease. The best protection against worms is to give the children an occasional dose of WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only removes worms, but acts as a general tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per Bottle. Jas. F. Ballard, Prop., St. Louis, Mo.

A. S. PORTER.

Dr. Sam Kennedy PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

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WATCH

The Show Windows at Porter's Drug Store

If you don't see there what you want in our line, come in.

We have it if it is in our line. If not, we believe we can tell you where to get it.

"Porter Says So"

SMOOT LUMBER-- SMOOTH BUILDING

problems from many of the high cost kinks in that it reduces the hand labor of the carpenter to the minimum. That's one of the little secrets that enables us to help our customers beat the building game. Years ago when labor was cheap it didn't matter how lumber came to you, whether it was rough, of uneven size or odd lengths—your carpenter could use it, but that wouldn't do to-day. Lumber manufacturers foresaw this and got busy establishing standard uniform grades, installing special machinery to do automatically the work that the carpenter formerly did by hand. All this cost them money, but the actual saving to the builder, who uses this finely finished lumber, more than offsets the small additional charge asked by the manufacturers. Come in and look at this stock—you'll then understand what we're talking about.

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Up in Despair. Husband
Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

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FOR BETTER ROADS

BUILDING OF PUBLIC ROADS

Old Idea That Highways Should Be
Constructed and Maintained by
Farmer Is Disappearing.

That the movement for federal participation in highways construction is not confined to motorists, but is also being agitated by the farmers, is one of the most hopeful indications of its ultimate success.

On this point the recent convention of the National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, the oldest and most influential of the farmers' organizations, took a decidedly favorable stand. Hon. Oliver Wilson, Master of the National Grange, in his annual address stated:

"The public highway is a matter of general concern. The old idea that the country road should be constructed and maintained by the farmer has disappeared. It is now recognized that good roads are of as much importance to the consumer as to the producer, as anything that lessens the cost of transportation is a benefit to the consumer.

"The Grange stands for and advocates federal aid for road improvement. There can be no good reason given why the government should not appropriate money for the maintaining and the improving of the public highway, the same as for our public



Good Road Along Tiega River.

water works. Seventy-five per cent of the product of our country must pass over the public highway before it can be transported over our railway or water systems. While the government has spent millions of dollars for highway improvement in our foreign possessions, it has never appropriated one dollar to be used on the highway in continental United States.

"The Grange membership is unanimously in favor of congress making suitable appropriations for highway construction and maintenance. This appropriation should be expended by a national highway commission or board, working in conjunction with similar commissions from the states.

"The legislative committee of the National Grange should be instructed to use all the influence of the Grange upon congress for the passage of a bill appropriating a sufficient sum under proper regulations for the improvement of our public highways."

Postlude and Prelude.

The musician flung his arms aloft. "At last," he cried, "I have fame within my grasp."

"How so?" asked his wife, who had heard the same thing before.

"You know Mendelssohn's 'Wedding March' and the marvelous repute it brought him?" said the musician.

"Yes, but what of it?"

"Well, I'm going to write a divorce march."

Horses Chivalrous to Mares.

Horses also exhibit chivalry to quite an extent. It is very seldom that a horse will attack a mare, but the mare has no scruples about attacking any horse viciously, provided that she is able. Often vicious male horses that cannot be made to work together in harness can be safely hitched up with a man and will cause no trouble.

Coal Production.

It was thought that in 1900 a high-water mark of coal production in this country had been reached with a production of 269,684,027 short tons, yet the production of the past two years has been nearly double, or 231,912,351 and 226,504,281 tons greater, respectively.

BUST IS THAT OF AMERICAN

Identity of Model, Long a Puzzle to
Parisians, Has at Last Been
Cleared Up.

The mysterious bust discovered in the Boulevard de la Chapelle, Paris, has at last been identified. Perched on top of a one-story shop like a sentinel on a chimney, it attracted only a momentary glance from the hurried passer-by and was then forgotten.

Lincoln Warde, an American tourist, recognized his countryman in this oddly placed monument and is able to give the details which follow. This bust is of the late William Smith Garner, one-time member of the board of trade of Jacksonville, Fla., who dedicated his fortune and his life to the defense of the oppressed. After his death a committee was formed to erect a monument to him, and M. Dreyfus, the president, engaged a young American sculptor by the name of Furgott, who was then living in Paris, to make the bust.

When the Civil war broke out, Furgott hurried home to enlist, leaving the bust in his studio. He was killed in the war and Dreyfus suffered a like fate.

In these circumstances the committee either abandoned or else forgot about the commission and the bust was left to its strange fate. No claims being made or arrangements undertaken for its transfer, it was finally sold by the occupants of the studio and eventually became the property of the proprietor of the tiny shop on this boulevard near the Eastern railway station.

NOT ALL A PLEASURE TRIP

To Illustrate Point, Writer Tells Good
Story of the Everglades of
Florida.

Fire Commissioner Johnson, apropos of the Triangle, Binghamton and other factory fires, said the other day in New York:

"The new fire laws must be strictly enforced, and additional laws must be made, or otherwise to work in a factory will be as dangerous as walking through a Florida swamp.

"A friend of mine was going through the Florida everglades with a guide. The guide, as they followed the narrow path, tapped each hollow log with his foot.

"Why do you do that?" asked my friend.

"Lookin' out for snakes," said the guide.

"What kind of snakes?"

"Moccasins."

"Holy smoke!" said my friend.

Then he frowned and asked uneasily:

"Why do we walk on the logs, or so close to them, when they're full of snakes? Why don't we walk off there, where the ground is solid?"

"Well," said the guide, as he kicked another stump, "ye moughtn't sink below yer waist off there—and then ag'in ye mought!"

Use 30,000,000 Boxes.

Cigar boxes are a negligible quantity to the average smoker, but how many ever stopped to think of the number used each year or where they come from? Thirty million is the total supplied to the manufacturers of the seductive weed each year. The best boxes come from Cuba and are known as Spanish cedar.

After the war with Spain the supply of this wood was greatly diminished and its price raised, so that for a time cigar dealers were obliged to find a substitute for this kind of cedar.

Various woods were tried, but trouble was found in selling these boxes, because connoisseurs insisted that a fine cigar was spoiled by putting it in any but a box made of Spanish cedar. This wood always retains the flavor of a good cigar. Indeed, some persons assert that it improves the flavor. The reason given is that it grows in the same localities.

Old Maine Hunting Gun.

Among his valued possessions Harry Smith of Skowhegan, Me., has a gun about 150 years old, and it has proved not only a safeguard, but it has helped make history. It was owned by his great-grandfather, Captain Churchill, who assisted Arnold up the Kennebec on his expedition. It is known to have shot several men. Captain Churchill used it at home in hunting bears, and it has fifty notches on it to represent the number of bears that it has shot. It is of the old flintlock type, and heavy enough to have killed a bear if it had dropped on him.

The Caustic Boarder.

"Well," said the hotel proprietor, "I must go out to the racetrack this afternoon and see if I can clean up a little stake."

"If I were you," said the caustic boarder, "I would stay here and see if I couldn't clean up the little steak served every meal at this table. It sure needs it."

Whereupon the proprietor went out and added \$3 for extras to the caustic boarder's bill.

FAULT FINDING WAS HIS JOY

Momus, God of Mockery, Was Ban-
ished From Heaven for Criticis-
ing Work of the Immortals.

Have you ever heard a grumbler called a Momus?

Momus, in Greek legend, was the god of mockery, whose chief joy in existence was to find fault with mortals and immortals as well when the occasion offered.

Upon one occasion Neptune, Minerva and Vulcan contested the point as to which was the best artist, and Momus was appointed to sit in judgment upon their respective merits.

Neptune made a bull in his best style, Minerva fashioned a house, Vulcan made a man.

Momus decided that Vulcan's man was not perfect because he had neglected to put a window in his chest so that his creature's thoughts could be read by all who wished to know of what he was thinking. Minerva's house did not suit him because it was bors tried to peer in. Neptune's bull, be shifted out of the way when trouble threatened or meddlesome neighbors tried to peer in. Neptune's bull-said Momus, was very imperfect because its horns were too near the front of its head.

So furious were the gods at his decisions upon their best work that they banished him from heaven. Shortly afterward, it is said, Momus died of a broken heart because he could find no flaw in the peerless beauty of Venus.

ANT EATERS EAT WAY BILLS

Also Destroy Office Stationery, and in
General Make Life a Burden to
Express Agent.

A brace of armadillos (ant eaters), from some point in South America, came to the Wells-Fargo express office in this city two weeks ago, addressed to "Harry Crawford," Jefferson City. There is no person of that name in the city.

The animals have been an unending source of trouble to the agent, Edward McKenna. They escaped from their box one night, and after playfully chewing up all the way bills, stationery, and everything else that was loose in the office, they got down to the basement and burrowed so deep that, in digging them out, one was injured so badly it died.

Since then the other has been disconsolate, and has repeatedly tried to get away. It succeeded, finally, and several men had to dig for it under the building in which the express office is located.

McKenna says that as express matter armadillos are worse than the guinea pigs made famous in Ellis Parker Butler's story, "Pigs Is Pigs."—Jefferson City Dispatch to St. Louis Republic.

The Better Place.

An old country woman, compelled to sit in a suffocating smoking compartment in a crowded excursion train, gazed open-mouthed through the window at a lady on the platform who was giving the porter exhaustive instructions regarding the storage of her bicycle.

"See that you find the best place in the van, porter, and fix it very securely, and don't let anyone play with the bell, and close the windows so that nobody can steal it, and cover up the handle-bars, and make sure the train doesn't shake it as it goes over the points."

The porter promised slavish obedience, pocketed his tip and turned to go away.

"One moment, young fellow," cried the old woman, leaning out of the window and catching his arm. "I want to get out of here. It ain't half cosy enough. Here's tuppence; now show me the way to the bicycle van."—Exchange.

How the Persians Bake.

Persian native bread differs little from that used a thousand years ago. The Persian oven is built of smooth masonry work in the ground, usually about the size of a barrel; and many of those now in use have been used for a century. The dough is formed into thin sheets about a foot long and two feet wide and slapped against the side of the oven. It bakes in a few minutes and is set out to cool.

Way Lots of Them Do It.

A famous clergyman tells of a lay-preachers' conference in England in which a veteran described his method of sermon preparation.

"I take my text," he said, "and divide my sermon into three parts. In the first part I tell 'em what I'm goin' to tell 'em. In the second part—well, I tell 'em. In the third part I tell 'em what I've told 'em."

London's Big Postal Tube.

London's proposed postal tube is to be nine feet in diameter and six and a half miles long. It is to be fitted for two tracks, each two feet wide, carrying steel trucks operated by motors. The line proposed will be constructed throughout in the London clay.

Darsey's Store News.

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Darsey's Store, Grapeland, Texas, Nov. 27, 1913

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You get style and quality in these garments. Why pay more.

We received a shipment of shoes this week, including patents, gunmetals and brown buck's.

Growing Grapeland

Grapeland is a real live town. We have known that for a long, long time. Now we are proving it to others. On the twenty-ninth of October, we had a Trades Day that was a record breaker and one that has excelled all others. Now we are pulling off a stunt that is turning the eyes of Texas on Grapeland—our first "Possum Walk." We hope to make these two days the biggest days that Grapeland has ever had. Neither time nor expense has been spared by the citizens of Grapeland to make this event a success, and the Board of Trade and 'Possum Club have made big arrangements to entertain a large crowd. We extend to all visiting our little city on this date, an invitation to visit our store and make it your headquarters.

Twenty-five years ago, when this town was scarcely more than a little country village, this firm started to doing business. For twenty-five years we have stood by the people, suffered their hardships and enjoyed their prosperity.

Our business has grown from a small country store to one of the largest general merchandise firms in the state. We base our success on the principle of giving

the people the very best for their money. Our stock of merchandise is always new and up-to-date, and our prices and terms are always right. Our principal asset is the large number of friends and customers we have.

In keeping with this store's principle to give bigger values for the money, we are offering a large quantity of goods at greatly reduced prices, in order to give those who come here on "Possum Walk Day" the opportunity to take home some real live bargains. See our ads on other parts of this page and do not fail to visit our store, for we are making special inducements that appeal to all.

We have plenty of salt.

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Christmas is almost here, and the gifts that are most highly appreciated, are the useful ones. If you are undecided as to what to give, come and look through our big store and you will find a suitable gift for everyone.

The farmers are cordially invited to inspect our line of disc plows. We sell the famous John Deere line of plows, cultivators and discs and can make you some attractive prices. We sell everything used on the farm or in the home.

Shirt Special

We are offering for a limited time, some extra values in our big line of men's shirts at only

90c

This line of shirts includes the season's latest colors and styles of Men's dress shirts, soft neck band shirts and shirts with collars attached.

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All ladies' suits regular price \$15.00, now - 11.25

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We have just received a shipment of coats for ladies' and Misses' which we are running at attractive prices.

Misses' Coats - \$2.50 to \$5.00

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