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SAMPLE COPIES. If this is marked with a pencil, it means a sample copy. We are sending out a large number this week, and if you get one, you are kindly asked to look over it carefully, and if you think THE MESSENGER is worth 50 cents a year, we would be glad to have you subscribe. This means you!

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WHEN IN NEED OF GROCERIES, SEE

..HOWARD..

For the Best, and at Prices to Suit the Dull Season.

FARMERS' UNION PICNIC.

A Great Success. Many People Present.

The Farmers' District Union of Grapeland held their first annual picnic at Tyler's Lake last Friday, July 7, and it was a great success in every way.

Public speaking had been advertised for the day and promptly at 10 o'clock, Mr. J. F. Garrett, President of the District Union, opened up the day with a warm address of welcome. Prof. Willie Campbell and his sweet singing choir, followed with a song of welcome. Good string music was also rendered by the Lively band.

Hon. T. M. Walton of Jacksonville, editor of the Farmers' Union Southern, was on hand as advertised, and delivered a very impressive and instructive lecture on the purposes of the union and why the farmers should organize. His talk was convincing. Mr. D. W. Martin, county president, also made a good talk.

It is estimated that 2000 people were on the ground. Farmers for miles around were there with their wives and daughters, the latter bringing along that nice basket full of good edibles, consisting of the various dishes for which the good farm homes of Houston county are celebrated. Refreshments stands were also conducted and we heard no one complaining of being "dry."

After speaking was over and dinner being disposed of, the picnickers enjoyed the occasion in numerous ways. Augusta and Belott played a match game of ball, the former winning by a good score.

The union in this community is a flourishing condition, and we hope we shall have the pleasure of attending their next annual picnic.

Dock Weisinger called Monday and renewed for the Messenger. Mr. Weisinger conducted a cold drink stand at the picnic last Friday and reports a very good business.

A Good Show.

The Crockett Comedy Club, assisted by B. Richard Lane, the actor-musician and rapid hustler, gave show in Anthony's Hall on last Monday night. Considering everything the boys had a good house and everyone that attended enjoyed themselves. Crockett has some good home talent and the boys are to be highly complimented for the professional-like way in which they presented the show.

Mr. Lane, the promoter, is well up as a man of ability in his profession, and we hope to see him in our town again.

A Good Advertisement.

Mr. J. E. Hollingworth, one of our most enthusiastic and finest fruit growers, took advantage of the picnic last Friday to advertise the peach business of Grapeland. A nice lot of the famous Elberta and Chinese cling peaches and Satsuma plums (of the Japanese variety) were put on display in a conspicuous place on the ground. Attractive circulars were distributed among the people calling their attention to the display, which consisted of a beautiful collection of some of the finest fruit, showing what good stuff can be raised here, for which Grapeland is already attracting the attention of East Texas. We hope the advertisement did much good to the end that outside people will become interested and investigate our country.

A Scholarship For Sale.

We have for sale a scholarship in the Tyler Commercial College, one of the best Commercial Colleges in Texas. If you are thinking seriously of attending some business College, write to us concerning the scholarship. We can save you money enough to pay your board two months.

Jesus Hemby of Elkhart was in the city Tuesday, and paid our office a pleasant call.

Austin Letter.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, July 7, '05.

Editor Messenger:—

Persuant to your request, I offer you the following letter which you are at liberty to use in any manner you may desire.

It is not my purpose to give you a complete write-up of the capitol city, but only to note very briefly a few facts and observations that have presented themselves since we have been here. As you already know, Austin is neither the largest nor the smallest city in the state. It is fifty times as large as Grapeland and only one half as large as Houston. It is not size that makes Austin interesting. It is the fact that this is the seat of the state government and many of the state institutions. The state laws are made at this place, the supreme court holds its sessions here, the governor lives in an old shack called the Executive Mansion over on the hill, the great State University, the capitol building, an insane asylum, blind institute, soldiers' home and other public institutions are located here.

The University is the chief center of attraction with us just now. There are four hundred students here from every part of the state. Houston county is well represented for a place so remote from the University. Ye scribe and his good lady, Mr. Sam Kennedy, Miss Gertrude Meriwether and Miss Mary Jennie Davis make up the Houston county delegation. And just think more than half these are from the Grapeland school! At this time I shall not attempt to describe university life, but shall only say that this is an ideal place to study, and trust that some lover of learning who chances to look over this letter may come and see for himself.

The capitol building is by all odds the most imposing structure in the state. If standing in Grapeland it would reach from Mr. Brooks' store to the hotel in one direction and from the front of the business houses to the back of the cotton platform in the other direction. Its height is equal to that of the three highest trees in Grapeland standing end to end in a straight line. As one stands near the base of this magnificent structure and gazes upon its gigantic columns and towering dome he feels more than ever the greatness of our mighty state. The capitol is built of red granite. It cost enough money to cover an acre of ground with silver dollars placed edge to edge as close together as they could be placed.

I have been attending services in the various churches of the city; partly for the purpose of gaining religious edification but also with a view of studying city methods of conducting services. Among the several denominations, I notice that services proceed according to a well defined program which is practically the same for all churches. One feature of the services is the responsive reading in which the pastor and congregation read alternate

Grapeland Public School,

Grapeland, Texas.

On the last Monday in August, a special examination will be held at the school house for the benefit of students who failed to pass last commencement. Students take examination in only those subjects in which their grades were below F (70) last year. Average of F on examination required for pass. The following students are advised NOT to try the examination: first, those who have not studied during the summer; second, those whose class standing was below 68 last year. New students will be admitted on trial without any examination.

Students who have their passes may get their books at any time they may desire, as no book will be changed except third grade arithmetic. Physiology will be dropped out of seventh, agriculture out of eighth, economics out of ninth and astronomy out of tenth grade. The courses in history and literature from sixth grade up will be enlarged and enriched by map-drawing, supplementary reading and essay writing.

A. W. CAIN, PRINCIPAL.

CROCKETT INVESTORS

How Bill Berry Made Every Last One of Them A Colonel.

They are telling a good story on Bill Berry of Crockett nowadays. Every one knows Mr. Berry. And if it were not for him and men like him Crockett would have been out of business long ago. But to the story: It appears that a crowd of Northern homeseekers were in Crockett a few days ago, looking over the adjoining country, with a purpose of possible investment. Mr. Berry being on the committee of reception, was doing his level best to impress the visitors with the superior advantages of his home town. Berry is a very resourceful man, and a born diplomat. Conversing with the Northerners he invariably addressed each one as "Colonel."

verses from the bible. The sermons are no better than those we may hear at home any Sunday.

The excellence of the services is in the splendid music. The best services do not follow as a result of costly buildings, elegant church furnishings and expensive pipe organs. We took a day off and spent the Fourth in Lana's Park at New Braunfels. All who know the place declare it to be the most beautiful spot in Texas. In this park, a considerable stream rises in a single spring. Fifty yards away is another spring equally as large. These two large springs with scores of smaller ones unite in forming a river large enough to float a steam boat at a distance of half a mile from the farthest spring. The beauty of the stream consists in the clearness of its waters and its submerged vegetation. Looking down from a boat into the miniature forest on the bottom of the river and lake is a sight unsurpassed by fairy land. The water is so clear you could read the heading of the Messenger on the bottom of the lake at the depth of eighteen feet. Yours very truly,

A. W. CAIN.

This caused them to grow chesty and feel that they were some pumpkins. While a group of them were being escorted down Crockett's main thoroughfare—the inevitable William being in the lead—one of the visitors who was in the rear of the procession began telling one of his companions what a suave, polished gentleman Mr. Berry was. "I don't know how he ever could tell I had been a colonel in an Iowa militia regiment," remarked he, "for its twenty years since I gave up all military training."

Just then a ragged decrepit old negro came along toward the party. He was costumed a good deal like Happy Hooligan, sans tin can for a hat. The rear of his trousers had been reinforced so often the original material would no longer hold thread. His foot gear was so delapidated you could count his toes without the aid of the X-ray. As the old darkey approached closely to Mr. Berry the latter remarked to him:

"Say Colonel, how far is it out to Maj. Killen's watermelon ranch?"

The old darkey gave the desired information, and the northerners began whispering to themselves that after all the title of Colonel in Texas carried about as much weight as Count over in darkest Russia. This incident, however, did not prevent the visitors from being duly impressed with the natural advantages of Crockett and vicinity as a place profitable for investment.—Galveston News.

The Protracted Meeting.

The protracted meeting now being conducted at the Methodist church by Rev. F. A. Downs of Jacksonville is for every body, and every man, woman, and child in this community is extended a hearty welcome.

Brother Downs is a good preacher and we should avail our selves of every opportunity to hear the gospel preached by those who make it a study and devote their life to finding out and showing us its beauty and wisdom. Those who stand cannot help but be better men and women.

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Elihu Root of New York has been appointed to succeed the late John Hay as Secretary of State.

Palestine has organized a Board of Trade and are making a noise like people who "do things."

Say, man, if you are subject to the blues, just take a walk over to the packing shed next time you have a spell. It will do you good.

The weather man has been giving us some real cool weather during the past week. Through the exchanges we notice that fires were in demand in several places Sunday.

The Troupe papers were fifty hours ahead of schedule time this week, on account of the fair being in progress. Troupe will do the right thing and show the people of East Texas what a good town she is.

With cotton at the present price we believe it would be a good idea for those holding last year's cotton to sell now. Of course it may go higher, but the old adage is: "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," and there is no telling what moment the price may drop.

All ye that labor and are heavy laden, come to Grapeland and breathe its pure fresh air filled with sweet odors from its many beautiful orchards. Five cars of peaches have been shipped to northern markets, and the end is not yet. Peaches have been selling at a good price this season and everybody who has an orchard is rattling money. If you want to make money, get in the fruit business here. But you'll have to hurry up. Land will soon be soaring skyward. Don't forget that Grapeland took the medal on fine peaches at the World's Fair.

When, in the course of events, it becomes necessary for you to move your abiding place, you are kindly asked to investigate the Grapeland country. We have many inducements to offer. Two years hence Grapeland will be the center of attraction in East Texas as a fruit shipping point. Our Elberta peaches are the finest in flavor, richest in color, and firm for shipping. We welcome all good people.

The Beaumont Enterprise says that the spring chickens that reach that market are composed wholly of feathers and a desire to eat corn. If the market there has chickens large enough to eat corn, it has the market of Nacogdoches skinned a city block. The little things placed on the market here have to be fed on mush.—Nacogdoches Sentinel.

Come over here and let us show you some chickens. They are big enough to stand alone and eat corn as fast as you can chuck it at 'em.

OAK GROVE NEWS.

A few words from this community may be of some interest to your many readers.

The health of this community is very good at present and we hope it will remain so.

Our school opened Monday with Prof. J. N. Snell of Lovelady as teacher. We predict a good session.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tyer, July 5, a bouncing baby boy. Both parties are doing well. We hope the young man may live to be a shining light and an obedient son.

Mrs. S. J. Whatley of Guice-land is visiting friends and relatives in this community this week.

S. T. Parker visited Grandpa Guice last Sunday, and Clide Goforth visited S. T. Parker's children.

Now to the crops: corn is greatly improved since the rains, but cotton is "sorrrier than the sorriest." I was amused at Mr. Rex's statement in regard to the cotton crop of Mr. D. C. Poe. If Rex thinks that 7 to 8 half grown bolls to the stalk is a fine crop, I don't think he is much of a farmer, and a very poor judge of good things. On July 1st last year ye scribe had from 10 to 15 grown bolls to the stalk and July 1 1902 had well matured, open bolls. We are satisfied Mr. Poe has a good crop, for we have known De a long time and he is a good farmer.

Wishing the Messenger good speed, I will ring off
OLD TIMER.

Say, farmers, those of you who live on rural routes should have some stationery printed with the number of your route thereon. It gives your letters a neat appearance, and we can print it about as cheap as you can buy the blank paper. Call at our office for prices.

Fears Realized.

A Georgia statesman says that while he was in the shop of an optician in Atlanta he once heard an amusing conversation between the proprietor of the establishment and an aged darky, who was just leaving the place with a pair of new spectacles.

As the old chap neared the door his eyes lighted upon a most extraordinary looking instrument conspicuously placed upon a counter.

The venerable negro paused for several moments to gaze in open-mouthed wonder at this thing, the like of which he had never seen before. After a long struggle with his curiosity he was vanquished. Turning to the optician, he asked:

"What is it, boss?"
"That is an ophthalmometer," replied the optician, in his gravest manner.

"Sho!" muttered the old man to himself as he backed out of the door, his eyes still fastened upon the curious looking thing on the counter. "Sho, dat's what I was afraid it was!"—Youths Companion.

The revolutionary spirit is abroad in Russia as evidenced by the uprising of sailors. Trouble is also looked for among the soldiers. Crews of battle ships are rebelling. One battleship, the Kniaz Potemkine, is in the hands of a mutinous crew who fired on the city of Odessa and refused to surrender to an entire fleet of warships. The commander of the fleet acknowledged his inability to meet the situation as many crews of the fleet were in sympathy with the mutineers. The Kniaz Potemkine is being pursued by torpedo boats which are manned by picked crews. There is no danger of a refusal to obey orders, it is therefore only a question of time the Kniaz Potemkine, the best of the Russian Battleships, will be sunk. The Russian authorities consider her destruction preferable to the continued dishonor of her presence in the Black Sea, commanded, as she is, by mutineers.

Dave Caskey left Saturday for West Texas, to look out a location preparatory to moving his family there.

Misses Jessie and Ethel Fitchet of Percilla went to Elknart Saturday to visit their sister, Mrs. Sherman Lively.

The names of Dave Langham, R. E. Martin, P. H. Williams, Miles Brimberry and Miss Kittie Yarbrough have been added to our list this week.

We are offering most excellent values in calicos, gingham, bleached and brown domestic, this week. Remember I'll appreciate your trade in this line and, will not be undersold. J. J. Brooks.

The boys have got the baseball fever. We had it, too, till we got our thumbs knocked out of place, and Jack Spence hit us with one of his fancy "in curves" —guess that's what you call it for it curved in just far enough to hit us right between the shoulders.

Geo. E. Darsey has now en route one car load of wagons, and if you want anything in a wagon, from a light one-horse wagon with shafts or pole for one or two horses, to a 2 3-4 wagon with a wide tire, call and see them.

PURE DRUGS
—AND—
PATENT MEDICINES.

TOILET ARTICLES
—IN—
GREAT VARIETY.

FRONT STREET DRUG STORE

When you want a lead pencil get a good one. We keep them. If you are needing some writing material come here and pick out something to suit your taste. We carry a select line of pen points and holders, ink, plain or fancy writing paper and envelopes, mucilage, insect powder, fly paper, chewing gum and an endless list of similar articles. Come and look for yourself. No trouble to us to show goods—that's what we're here for.

CARLETON & PORTER, Druggists.

STATIONERY
—AND—
FANCY GOODS.

A FAIR PRICE
—FOR—
RELIABLE GOODS.

A sure cure for the blues—a year's subscription to the Messenger.

Miss Nora Chaffin of Dallas is in the city visiting Misses Cora and Ida Woodard.

An average of twenty-five people have been working under the packing shed all this week, besides a large number in the orchards gathering fruit. Monday night the work was kept up till four o'clock in the morning due to crates giving out early in the afternoon, and Manager Yarbrough was unable to get more until the dawn train Monday night, which was over two hours late, consequently the fruit had to be crated at night.

There are some dignified editors, who are too proud to get out and mix with their subscribers—the backbone of their business, or even too stuck up to solicit an ad or job from their town merchants, but they can take an old goose quill and an ink jug and throw slurs at editors who are easy going and friendly and always anxious to get out among their subscribers and friends. Such newspaper men as these are only after your money and do not care for your friendship. We are not too proud to get out and solicit subscriptions, ads and jobs and appreciate every dollar given us. There are other business institutions who have hundreds of men over the world soliciting business, but still a little newspaper editor thinks himself too good to get out in the interest of his paper. We say rats, when you compare such soliciting with poverty.—Houston County Herald. "Them's our sentiments" exactly.

The Department of Agriculture has prepared and is now ready to begin 1,200 suits against the Railroads of this country to secure the imposition of a penalty of \$500 in cash for every violation of the so-called twenty-eight hour law. The statutes require carriers transporting live stock from one state to another to unload, feed and water and rest every head of live stock for a period of five hours after it has been on the road not more than twenty-eight hours. Nearly every road from Maine to California is involved.

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YOU GET

The Best Service,
The Best Goods,
Can we do more?

The Bon-Ton Ice Cream Parlor,
ODELL FARIS, Proprietor.
Everything Neat and Clean. Courteous Treatment.

The Messenger

Has just received a nice line of Stationery and is prepared to do the kind of Printing that pleases.

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Letter Heads, Note Heads, Statements, Cards, Tags, Circulars, in fact, all kinds of Commercial Printing

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The Messenger

G. R. WHITLEY,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
And Dealer In
REAL ESTATE.

Will practice in all the courts State and Federal.

Notice.

On Friday July 21, the Guice-land cemetery will be cleaned off. You are invited to come, bring your tools and dinner and help us.
J. J. Guice.

T. C. Dunn, a prominent cattle man of Houston was in the city on business this week.

Messenger Agents:

The following are agent for the Messenger and are authorized to solicit and collect subscriptions:

J. L. CHILES,
REYNARD, TEXAS.
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I. & G. N. Time Table.

NORTH BOUND.

No. 2 Arrives.....3:15 P. M.
No. 4 Arrives.....8:30 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

No. 1 Arrives.....1:37 P. M.
No. 5 Arrives.....9:37 P. M.

LOCAL NEWS.

Nice lemons at the Bon Ton.

Bargains at Jim Saxons for the next few days.

Buy White Plume flour at J.B. Lively's.

All our negligee shirts going at 50c on the dollar. W. B. Faris.

Mrs. Jim Saxon is visiting relatives in Crockett this week.

J. B. Lively wants your hides, green or dry.

Plenty of White Wave and Invincible flour at W. B. Faris'

Fruit jars extra extra tops and rubbers at—Shippers.

Jno. R. Sheridan was up from Crockett Saturday.

Trunks, valises, and suit cases at J. J. Brooks'

Plenty of White Wave flour at W. B. Faris'. None better.

How's your liver? Heptol will cure it. Carleton & Porter.

Fresh turnip seed at S. T. Anthony's.

Fruit jars cheap at J. B. Lively's.

Our motto—under buy, under sell, cash. J. J. Brooks.

John Baker was up from Crockett Friday.

Jar caps only 25 cents per dozen at—Shipper's.

We sell and recommend Ramon's Pepsin Chill Tonic. Carleton & Porter.

Go to S. T. Anthony and buy you a suit of genuine "Cow hart" overalls for \$1.75.

Mrs. W. B. Faris entertained the young folks in a delightful manner last Friday night.

We are opening up new goods every week, don't buy till you get our prices—J. J. Brooks.

Whenever you want anything cold to drink of course you know where to get it.—The Bon Ton.

Miss Lura Yarbrough has returned home from an extended trip to Palestine.

I'll buy in exchange for merchandise eggs, chickens, hides, and beeswax. J. J. Brooks.

It will pay you to get our prices on all summer goods, as we are anxious to close out every piece of summer goods. We have begun receiving our fall line. Yours for business, with lowest prices. Geo. E. Darsey.

Shingles cheap at Darseys.

Shipper sells Walk Over shoes.

Great bargains in tobacco. W. B. Faris.

Walk Over shoes for \$3.00 and \$4.00 at—Shippers.

If you want fruit jars see us. W. B. Faris.

Dr. S. H. Yarbrough came in from Trinity Tuesday to visit relatives a few days.

Arley McCelvy and R. L. Brooks were here from Ratcliff Friday.

Both men and ladies low cut shoes go cheap at J. G. Shipper and Son's.

W. L. Yates of Forney spent several days in the Dalys' community this week visiting.

Miss Aiwilda Baker was visiting relatives here several days last week.

Best assorted patterns and sizes in cotton pants for \$1.00 at—Shippers.

Miss Linnie Garret went to Palestine Monday to visit relatives.

Best line of men's and boys' work pants ever put on this market all sizes from 50 cents to \$1.00. W. B. Faris.

You can get lowest prices on all summer dress goods, lawns, oxfords and slippers at Geo. E. Darsey's.

Dock Rice came in from Waco Sunday, and stopped off a day to see his Grapeland friends. He went to Crockett Monday.

We have the most complete and cheapest stock of men's dress shirts in Grapeland, see our 50, 60, 75, and \$1.00 values. J. J. Brooks.

Chew "good news" tobacco. If you want the biggest plug of good tobacco for 10 cents you will find it at Darseys.

The Methodists will begin a protracted meeting at Oak Grove Friday night before the fourth Sunday in July.

The preserving season is here and I want you to remember that I will appreciate your trade in fruit jars, jelly glasses, rubbers, and extra jar tops. J. J. Brooks.

Mrs. James Owens and children left Saturday for England, Arkansas to spend some time visiting relatives. We wish them a pleasant time.

Recollect I pay cash for my goods and get the benefit of all cash discounts, don't have to pay long winded credit prices and charge my customers accordingly. J. J. Brooks.

Jim Stokes of Walker County was in Grapeland Sunday. Mr. Stokes was a citizen of Grapeland during the early days, and conducted a business house where Geo. Whitley is now located.

Mrs. Ora Hodgkins of Houston, who has been here for sometime visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Anthony, returned home last Saturday. She was accompanied by Mrs. H.F. Anthony.

The dull season is on hand and we know that it takes unusually low prices to move more than our share of merchandise. If we can save you with low prices and good goods call on us. J. J. Brooks.

Geo. E. Darsey,

Grapeland,

Texas,

Dealer In

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GOODS — GROCERIES — HARDWARE — STOVES —
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HOUSE — IN — HOUSTON — COUNTY. — WE — ARE —
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GEO. E. DARSEY,

We Buy Chickens, Eggs, Bees Wax, and Will Buy Your
Hides, Dry, Half Dry, or Green, Just Any
— To Get Them. —

Buy from Shipper.

Plenty of salt at Darsey's.

Drs. H. S. Robertson and B. S. Elliott attended the Medical Association at Crockett Tuesday.

All sizes in underwear, prices and color at Shipper's.

Dr. J. M. Lively of Colmesneil was in town several days this week.

Mrs. J. J. Davis and little Joe Vauda left Friday night for Mississippi to spend a month with relatives. We wish them a pleasant visit.

Miss Dora Leaverton and little Miss Ada Belle returned Tuesday from Palestine where they had been visiting Miss Eola Totty.

Everything new. Don't buy old bankrupt, shelf worn goods when you can buy new dependable merchandise at the same price. J. J. Brooks.

People living in the Oriole community wishing to subscribe for the Messenger can do so by calling on our agent, Alex King, at the Oriole News Agency.

We are sorry to state that the little child of County Attorney Jno. Spence has been real sick during the past week. We hope the little fellow is well ere this.

Robert Caskey went to Marlin Wells Saturday for his health, with the intention of remaining all summer, but after reaching there and investigating every thing he decided to return home.

John Lewis went up to Palestine Monday on business. He carried some of his fine Elbertas along with him to show the boys up there what fine fruit we have here.

All of our \$2.25 patent leather slippers are going at \$1.75; our \$2.00 slippers at \$1.50; misses' patent leather slippers, 11 to 14, price \$1.50, now \$1.25; 8 to 10 1/2, \$1.25, now \$1.00; all our misses' slippers not patent leather, at 50c on the dollar. These are mid-summer bargains you will not find often. W. B. Faris.

Lime in any quantity at Darseys.

New lot of dress goods this week at—Shippers.

The missing link to your happiness can be found in a year's subscription to the Messenger.

Full line of merchandise, Wells & Co. shoes just received. Don't fail to see them before you buy your next pair. J. J. Brooks.

FOR SALE—Big red Jersey cow with heifer calf for sale; good milker; perfectly gentle; they go cheap. Apply at Messenger.

We need the money. You want the goods. We have the prices to move them. W. B. Faris.

Edmund and Major Whitaker left Sunday for Floyd, Texas, to visit relatives a while and see the country.

If you want a good buggy, wagon, hack, carriage, sewing machine, organ, piano or tailor made clothing, see Jesse Box, Grapeland, Texas, agent for the Century Manufacturing Co., St. Louis. Sold at factory prices low for cash, or on time.

Your Trade

is appreciated and all orders entrusted to me will receive careful and prompt attention.

My Stock

of staple and fancy groceries is always complete and you are invited to inspect the same. I make a speciality of high grade goods and make top prices as reasonable as possible.

I carry a well selected and up-to-date stock of notions and shoes. Come in and look through my stock.

Jim Saxon,

I'll sell you Jelly glasses at 25 cents per doz. Mason quart Jars at 65 cents per doz. half gallon, at 85 cents. J. J. Brooks.

15 pounds best Y. C. sugar \$1.00. W. B. Faris.

I'm top heavy on tobacco, too much, and I'm reducing the price. Now don't fail to see me before you buy. I'll save you money sure. J. J. Brooks'.

We Save You Money

On your purchases whether it be dry goods, notions, clothing, boots, or shoes, or whether it be sugar, coffee, flour, salt, tobacco, snuff, on anything you keep in a first-class store. We figure on small profits. We pay spot cash for what we buy. We appreciate your trade; we strive to please you.

Just Received

New goods this week. Come to see us and get our prices; we know money is scarce, but we have made our prices mighty little; bring your chickens, eggs and bees wax with you; we pay the top price for them; don't forget that our stock is complete and we have got to sell the goods. We thank you for your trade.

W. B. FARIS, Agt.

Waneta.

Rain? Oh, yes plenty of grass and weeds too.

The Singing convention held at Waneta the 1st and 2nd of this month was a success, had some good singing.

Prof. Walker of Alder Branch attended the convention.

Miss Martha Rich, an accomplished young lady of Denson Springs, is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Health is good, very few chills and fevers.

Quite a number of Denson Spring people were at Waneta the first Sunday. Too many to mention names.

Prospects are good in this community for a cotton crop, considering the wet weather.

Mr. Levy Foster has moved to Denson Springs. We don't know whether he intends to stay there or not.

Add Tims of Elkhart is visiting his brother, N. J. Tims.

Mr. Brown of VanZant County has been visiting relatives and friends here, he returned home last Wednesday.

The Farmers Union of this place attended the picnic at Tyers lake last Friday. All report a good time. Will close by asking editor to come around to help us eat watermelons and peaches this summer.

THE KID.

(We appreciate the invitation very much, and assure you that if we ever get over in that part of the country, we'll take advantage of it.—Ed.)

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Mrs. Wallace, who has been visiting Mrs. Geo. Scarborough, returned to Palestine Sunday.

Louis Payne was up from San Pedro Saturday, in the interest of "Spare Moments," a new magazine published at Rochester, N. Y.

Good Advice.

Keep your nose out of other folk's affairs. I have seen some people who know all the particulars in every tale of horror, and every time an intimation of disgrace comes upon anybody they are the first to begin to figure for the confidence of some one who is in a position to know any facts and then becomes counselor at law, and begins proceedings by having forty-nine confiants to whom, with a sad heart and weeping eyes, he feels it his duty to tell it all, but it must go no farther, and that it nearly breaks his heart to tell it. I do despise a contemptible sneak, who cares nothing for anybody's character, is really a friend to no one, and without something disgraceful upon which he can feast and feed the "yaller dog" that is in him, he is absolutely miserable. And still you hear people every day, almost, talking about long-tongued women. I have seen some men whose superior qualification in this line would make the A 1 talking woman weep with envy.—Rusk Industrial Press.

If you would increase your happiness and prolong your life, forget your neighbors' faults. Forget the slander you have heard. Forget the fault-finders and give a little thought to the cause which provoked it. Forget the peculiarities of your friends, and only remember the good points which make you fond of them. Forget all personal quarrels or histories you may have heard by accident and which, if repeated, would seem a thousand times worse than they are. Blot out as far as possible all the disagreeables of life; they will come but they will grow larger when you remember them, and the constant thought of the acts of meanness, or worse still, malice, will only tend to make you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything disagreeable from yesterday, start out with a clean sheet for today, and write upon it for sweet memory's sake only those things which are lovely and lovable.—Ex.

A man is poor when he has lost the confidence of friends, when people who are nearest to him do not believe him, when his character is honey-combed by deceit, punctured by dishonesty. He is poor when he makes money at the expense of his character, when principle does not stand out supreme in his ideas. When this is clouded he is in danger of the worse kind of poverty. To be in the poor house is not necessarily to be poor. If you have maintained your integrity, if your character stands four square to the world, if you have never bent the knee of principle to avarice, you are not poor.—Ex.

A certain widow who lives in New York State is very desirous of having her Congressman use his influence in securing a pension for her. The member received a letter from this constituent several days ago, again calling attention to the fact that she wants recognition. At the end of the letter there was this indignant paragraph: "I want you to know that my husband died of regular, old fashion consumption, contracted in the service. There is somebody writing to the Pension Office trying to keep me from getting the pension, who says John died of tuberculosis."—Washington Star.

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