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Howard...

WILL HAVE TO ARRIVE THIS WEEK

Sausage in Oil, Full Cream Cheese, Onions, Corned Beef, Vienna Sausage, Hamberger Stick, boneless Pigs Feet, Potted Ham.

Charge It To Booze.

After the war between Russia and Japan is over and the czar has time to figure out what helped to get away with his empire, he will find, if he has brain enough to recognize it, that booze played an important part in the defeat of the Russian armies. A Western boy, Lieutenant Landis, stated before the war began that he one day visited a Russian battleship in the morning and although it was then 10 o'clock all of the officers were drunk. There was no order nor discipline; the ship was badly managed. Lieutenant Landis predicted that in the war between Russia and Japan that Japan would be easily victorious. The young lieutenant seems to have been a true prophet. An American correspondent, writing of the Russian army, as well as the navy, the conditions of both are due to debauchery and excessive drunkenness. Discipline is weakened and the men are in no condition to fight or endure long hard marches. Another young man from the West who was with Chaffe in China says that the Russian soldiers were for the most part a set of drunken ruffians, who wanted continually to drink and plunder.

This has been a national weakness for a long time. Saltus, the historian, writing of the time of Ivan the great in the 15th and the early part of the 16th century, says, "Debauchery and the drunkenness were the national sins. Rich and poor, young and old, women and children, of ten dropped down dead drunk in the streets, without surprising anyone. The priest in their visits to their sheep got theologically drunk. Even in the houses of the great Lords no feast was gay and joyous unless every one was drunk."

The fact is that booze does not fit in well with anything that requires brains or action. The booze-filled commander is not fit to command and the drunken soldier is not in condition to fight with intelligence. The Japs are a sober lot. They keep their think tanks clear instead of full of mud and whiskey, and that fact did a good deal to give them the overwhelming and astonishing victories they have won. It seems curious that men are so slow to learn that whiskey is a bad thing in either peace or war.

Zander Woodell is out again after a recent attack of malarial fever.

Notice To Overseers.

Whereas, it appears to the various commissioners that some of the overseers misunderstand the length of time that each hand should work upon the public road and whereas, in regular session we demand that each overseer require each hand to work 8 days upon the public roads. If they fail or refuse to do the work they should be reported and prosecuted. We will demand a showing at the November term of court. For all double teams with driver there shall be allowed 2 1/2 days time on road; for single team with driver one day and a half time on the road. Please bear this in mind. Yours truly, The Commissioners.

Sold His Farm.

J. W. Brawley of Palestine was in the city Tuesday to close a deal with D. W. Martin for his farm west of Grapeland, and was successful in closing the deal.

This farm is located about three miles West of Grapeland and contains 326 acres of the best land there is in Houston county. Besides the improvements on the place, 12 head of cattle, 42 head of hogs, a blacksmith shop and tools and all the farming implements were included in the trade for a consideration of \$2,400.

Mr. Martin and family will move in a few days to West Tex. We regret very much to lose such a good citizen and progressive farmer as Mr. Martin, but while thus expressing our regrets and wishing him unbounded success in his new home, we extend to Mr. Braley and his family a very warm and cordial welcome to our community.

The first bale of new cotton to come to Crockett this season was brought in Wednesday, Aug. 16, by Mr. Forest West, manager of J. H. Smith's farm on Trinity river. The land on which this cotton was raised has been continuously overflowed ever since the first of March showing very small chance for working it. Yet it shows what close oversight and cultural methods will accomplish. Mr. Smith and his manager, Mr. West are fine examples of thrifty farmers, who make strokes count. We understand the first bale was brought in from this farm last year, Aug the 5, under the same management. This bale of cotton was weighed by Bennett & Son, pulling the scales 411 pounds.—Crockett Enterprise.

Crockett People.

We take pleasure in announcing to you that we have secured the services of Mr. Gus Goolsby as our agent in your town, and he is authorized to solicit subscriptions job work and advertising, and to collect for same. Any business connected with the paper will receive prompt and careful attention, and any favor shown him will be highly appreciated by us.

Houston County Crop Report.

(Crop 1904, 11,142 bales.)
Crockett—Conditions about 25 percent worse. The plant, however, is fruiting well and weather conditions are favorable. The boll weevils and boll worm are doing some damage, but are not as bad as last year.

Grapeland—The cotton crop here is mighty spotted and hard to approximate. Some farmers say that they have as good crop as they had last year, and probably his neighbor reports his crop not more than half as good, but the average is fully 25 percent short of last year. However, the conditions have improved in the last two weeks. The boll weevils so far have not done much damage except in a few locations, but the bollworms have done considerable damage; also an other worm which is a new insect to the cotton growers of this section. With favorable weather we cannot get over two-fifths of a full crop.

Lovelady—The crop last year was about 70 percent of an average crop. We think the crop at this corresponding period about 65 percent of last year, and not very heavily fruited. We had a nice rain last Tuesday. What effect it will have we cannot say. Weevils, worms and caterpillars are working on the cotton, to what extent we do not know, as a large percent of it is late, and worked out late.

The First Bale.

The first new cotton was brought to town Wednesday by F. Newman of the New Prospect community. It was ginned by M. S. Spence, classed as strict middling, weighed 560 pounds and was bought by Geo. E. Darsey for \$60.00 net. Mr. Newman came to this community from Georgia in 1900 and is one of our most successful farmers.

A. O. Newman, a brother of F. Newman, brought in the second new bale Wednesday evening. The bale was bought by Geo. E. Darsey for 10 c. The Newman brothers had an understanding that they were to come in together and both have the honor of the first bale, but Ford decided to play a trick on his brother, and slipped off to town early Wednesday morning.

E. B. Tims of Augusta also brought in a new bale Wednesday.

Base Ball.

Grapeland's Ball Team went out to Percilla last Friday and played a game of ball with the Percilla nine. The victory was a walk over for Grapeland, the score being 10 to 8 in their favor. Percilla will come here next Friday. The game will be called in the afternoon on the diamond opposite the depot. Everybody go out and root for Grapeland.

Grapeland Public School,

Grapeland, Texas.

Many books at the Drug Store. Others coming. Second hand books may be purchased at reduced prices from other students.

Bring paper, pen, ink and your old report card to special examination Monday next. Pupils of grades 1, 2 and 3 should be accompanied by a parent.

Blessed are they that have their passes: they need not pay any attention to this examination.

A. W. CAIN, Principal.

Grapeland Negro Killed.

A 'phone message from Oak-woods, Tuesday evening stated that Fint Thomas, a negro, had been killed Monday night in a freight wreck near that place.

Thomas was a Grapeland negro and had been on the streets here for several weeks with no visible means of support. On last Monday morning Constable Story warned Thomas that he would have to get a job and go to work, or be arrested for vagrancy. Thomas told Mr. Story that he was going to Kennard that night (Monday) where he had a position. On Monday night a negro resembling Thomas from a distance was seen to board the North bound local, and the supposition was that he was going to Kennard.

Wanted Young Men And Women to Learn Telegraphy.

The demand for operators is rapidly increasing both in railroad and Commercial work. For the past twelve months the supply of operators has not been equal to the demand. We have had far more calls for our graduates than we could supply. This line of work pays well and positions are insured.

The time required by the average students to complete the course is only four months. The cost of tuition is \$40.00; books and material \$5. Board and lodging from \$10.00 to \$12.50 per month a total cost of about \$90. Your first two months salary would more than repay for the entire expenditure in taking the course.

For full particulars of the best school of Telegraphy in the South address Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas. We also have excellent departments of Bookkeeping, Business Training, Shorthand and Typewriting.

Miss Mabel Victory came in from Livingston Friday night to spend several weeks visiting her friends. Miss Victory formerly lived here and has many friends who will be delighted to see her.

Mr. Kennedy Dead.

Mr. John Kennesey, aged 63 years, died at his home at Augusta on last Thursday afternoon. Mr. Kennedy has served his people in the capacity of justice of the peace for a number of years, was very prominent in church and social affairs and in his death Houston county loses one of its oldest and most excellent citizens. The remains were interred in the Augusta cemetery Friday.

Ginners Attention.

See us for prices on bagging and ties, belting, babbit metal, lace leather, machine and cylinder oil. Geo. E. Darsey.

Strayed.

Fine Poland China sow, weighs about 350 lbs., unmarked, white feet, white face, tip of tail white. Reward for information. A. L. Brown, Grapeland Texas.

School Dresses.

Just received a beautiful line of genuine A. F. C. gingham in solid and fancy colors. Suitable for early fall and school dresses.

Mrs. Richards and family of San Pedro have moved to town and are occupying a residence in North Grapeland. Mrs. Richards moved here to get the benefit of our school, and we extend her a cordial welcome.

For Sale.

House and lot in Grapeland. See or write—J. F. Harmon.

5000 TELEGRAPHERS NEEDED!

Annually, to fill the new positions created by railroad and telegraph companies. We want YOUNG MEN and LADIES of good habits.

LEARN TELEGRAPHY AND RAILROAD ACCOUNTING.

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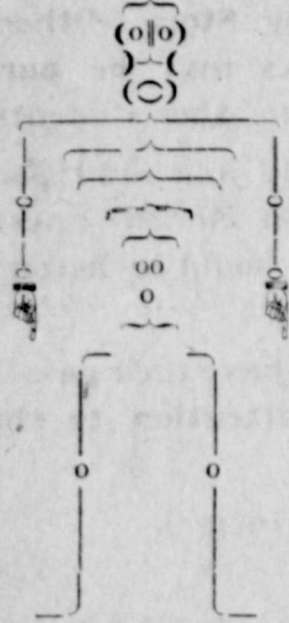
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GRAPELAND, TEXAS, THURSDAY, AUG. 27, 1905.



This is a man
That had no plan,
Conceived by a genius wise;
But had a skull
That was so dull
He would not advertise.
He had a store
Filled by the score
With goods of every size;
But failed each day
To make it pay—
He would not advertise.
His death at last
Brought up the past
Before the people's eyes;
They laid him down
In a borrowed gown
With many pitying sighs.
He went to heaven
For good men given.
But there, too, was despised
And sent below
To realms of woe—
He would not advertise.
To those who live
We warning give,
If you would win the prize,
On earth be blest
In heaven to rest,
You must then advertise!
—Republican Record, Carrollton,
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—J. M. Lewis, in Houston Post.

A CLEAN UP AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE.

Messenger man recently had occasion to make a tour of the town when he happened up at the school house and found Prof. Cain with his sleeves rolled up to his elbows making a thorough clean up of the school premises. The well has been put in a fine condition for use, weeds and bushes removed from the grounds and old rubbish and decaying substances of all kinds have been destroyed. The work inside the house has been quite as important as that outside. The black boards have been re-adjusted, the ceiling and walls dusted and washed, the windows repaired, maps and pictures placed upon the walls and in fact the whole interior has been cleansed and beautified.

It seems to us that the school is setting an example that might well be followed by our business men and others of the town. The children of the community will soon be spending one third of their time at school. Now if it is important to have clean, sanitary and attractive surrounding where the children are to spend one third of their time, is it not even more important to have such surrounding where the children spend the other two thirds of their time and all the rest of us spend all the time?

Let's clean up. It will certainly improve the sanitary condition of the town. And even if we already have all the health we want, the clean up would beautify things and make us feel better. If we can't afford a crowd of hands to conduct a general crusade against filth and ugliness, then let each fellow take his own premises in hand and put things in tip-top shape. This would insure a pretty general clean up as almost every spot in town is owned or controlled by some one who lives here. Let's begin the good work now. What do you say?

The man who stands on the street corner and complains about his town, the county, taxes and the weather is "mighty common clay." He is of little use to his family, his country or his God. But he seems to live and thrive in all kinds of weather and under all conditions; he is found at the cross road store, the village, town and city. Like the fly and chigger, he is not fatal, but he is mighty disagreeable.—Linton O. Record.

On account of needing the room for my fall stock of goods, which is now arriving daily, I will

Cut the Price on all Summer Goods

I have many bargains in lawns, laces, embroideries, etc., which you can purchase at greatly reduced prices. Let me supply your needs in this line. Remember I carry a complete line of groceries, sugar, coffee, flour meat and lard, and other articles too numerous to mention, in I am sure I'll save you money.

Remember I carry men's and boys' pants, children's suits, an unsurpassed line of men's and boys' work and dress shirts, and anything else you need in this line. I have underwear, hosiery, suspenders, etc. I have in stock anything you need in trunks, valises, suit cases, ladies hand bags, etc. Don't forget me when you are looking for these articles. I still have fruit jars, jelly glasses, extra tops, rubbers, etc., which I am selling at greatly reduced prices in order to avoid carrying over till next season. I am always ready to supply your wants and needs in BAGGING and TIES for your cotton.

8 ounce duck for your sacks, ect.
Come to see us.

SEE ME BEFORE YOU BUY.

J. J. Brooks.

Screen your house, lest your anatomy becomes inoculated by the stegomyia.

The trusts should have their Hydes punctured by the "yeller fever skeeter."

The management of the State Fair of Texas have set apart the first day as Press Day. In advertising it they say: "The municipality has put about \$300,000 in this entertainment, and it is particularly anxious for the editors to see it with their own eyes." This will never do. The sight of \$300,000 would kill the average editor as dead as Pontious Pilot.

Oriole News.

Ed. Messenger:—Since the postoffice at Oriole has been discontinued I still get large quantities of papers and magazines, and probably will for several years, but among all the papers that I get there are none read with more interest than the Grapeland Messenger.

We are still having sickness in this vicinity. Mr. W. W. Allen and wife have lately lost their little boy, who died very suddenly. He was their only child.

W. F. Grounds' family are suffering from sickness; also I. W. Grounds and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn and Mrs. M. A. Marsh have several sick. Mrs. N. King has been very sick, but is mending at present. Thomas Marsh is suffering with chills. Miss Lourie Wright, the teacher at the Grounds school house, has closed the school on account of sickness.

Some of our farmers are making preparations to make up their sorghum cane.

Cotton is opening fast and will soon be ready to pick. Some are picking now.

It is dry and hot and a good rain would do good.

Best wishes to the Messenger and readers. K.

See Frank Owens before placing your order for a fall suit. He has the largest line of samples ever shown in Grapeland. Pants from \$3.00 up, Suits from \$10.00 up. A fit guaranteed.

OUR STOCK IS COMPLETE.

THE FRONT STREET DRUG STORE

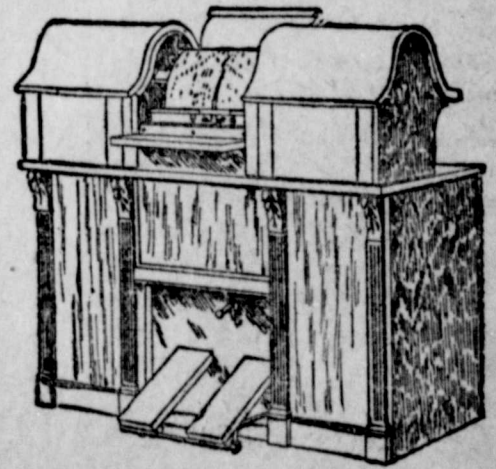
SICKNESS IS NO TRIFLING MATTER. ON THE skill of your doctor and the purity of the medicine he prescribes frequently depend the vital question of life and death. When the physician writes a prescription for a certain combination drugs, it makes a great deal of difference how the prescription is filled. We pride ourselves on our prescription work. We first study the prescription until we understand its purposes thoroughly. We weigh or measure each ingredient carefully, using the proper quantities of each and exactly what the prescription calls for. We then take great pains in compounding so that the medicine when completed will be just what the doctor intended. It is worth remembering these facts when somebody in your house is sick and you are anxious to do all the good it can. Bring your prescription work to us. We have the stock and experience to compound them correctly.

CARLETON & PORTER,
Druggists.

ACCURACY IS OUR MOTTO

"IN THE GOOD OLD SUMMER TIME"

Is a "good old time" for the family to enjoy a Pianola. With the Metrostyle Pianola any member of the family can play on the Piano any music they want—ragtime, coon songs and classical. Any one can play the Pianola. Call or write us about them.



Used Pianos of Well-Known Makers Next Week

\$600 Piano \$120; \$300 Piano \$180; \$450 Piano \$230; \$375 Piano, perfect as new, \$265; \$550 Piano \$375. Any reasonable terms to suit buyers.

THIRTY NEW PIANOS. STOCK REDUCING SALE!

Until August 30th we offer 30 perfectly new Pianos, assorted makes, at 20 per cent reduction from our regular prices. This is a straight saving of 20 per cent to any person securing one of these Pianos. Usual terms of payment if desired. Call or write for further information, and mention our "August Sale."

Will A. Watkin Music Co.

276 E ELM ST. DALLAS, TEXAS

Cotton sacking.—W. B. Faris.

T. C. Neel of Augusta was in town Saturday.

Every person on the R. F. D. routes should have them a box up so they can get their mail every day and keep up with the markets. Geo. E. Darsey has the best box for \$1.00, with lock complete \$1.25. A quarter of a cent on one bale of cotton will pay for box and lock complete.

Starling Boykin left Monday night for St. Louis, where he goes to purchase the mammoth stock of fall goods for Geo. E. Darsey. He will be absent several days on his expedition and will secure the cream of the market.

Our Buyer is in Saint Louis

Completing our fall purchases, which will soon begin to arrive and we promise our customers now in advance of their arrival one of the completest lines of fall and winter dry goods, clothing, dress goods, hats, boots and shoes ever shown in Grapeland.

Watch this Space Later on For Our Fall Announcement



TO GINNERS AND MILL MEN:

We are prepared to fill your bills now for bagging and ties, belting, babbit metal, machine and cylinder oil, lace leather, oil cans, etc., at lowest prices. Don't fail to see us if close prices is what you want.

...GEORGE E. DARSEY...

G. R. WHITLEY,

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REAL ESTATE.

Will practice in all the courts
State and Federal. : : :

LOCAL NEWS.

Sell your cotton to S. T. Anthony.

Allen Newton was up from Crockett Tuesday.

Buy Columbia and Old Glory roasted coffee from J. B. Lively.

Buy your doors and windows from Geo. E. Darsey

We want all your chickens and eggs. W. B. Faris.

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

Don't fail to see us for a good wagon at lowest prices and easy payments. Darsey.

New hats for men and boys. W. B. Faris.

Lee Sory was down from Palestine on business several days this week.

Kill the bugs and worms. Buy London Purple from W. H. Lively. Big lot on hand.

J. L. Holcomb and family of Alto were in the city a few days this week on a visit to the family of Fleth Harmon.

Goats Wanted.

To buy white Nannie goats, Parties having them for sale can write or see me at Grapeland. M. D. Murchison.

Big stock of goods and low prices. W. B. Faris.

Bring your butter and eggs to S. T. Anthony.

M. M. Baker was up from Crockett Monday.

The place for bargains. W. B. Faris.

Ross Murchison will pay cash for beef hides.

John Baker was up from Crockett Tuesday.

S. T. Anthony had business in Houston this week.

Plenty of nice lemons at the Bon Ton.

Mrs. E. E. Hollingsworth and little Jot Davis left Monday for their home at Clay.

Miss Corine Anthony left Saturday to visit relatives at Kountze, Beaumont, Houston and Galveston.

Mrs. Dr. W. B. Taylor and little daughter of Reynard were visiting in the city several days this week.

Prof. L. G. Sumrall and family of Percilla passed through Grapeland Tuesday en route to Tyler where they will reside in the future. We hate to give Professor and his good family up as citizens of our county, but wish them success in their new home.

Every man owes it to himself and his family to master a trade of profession. Read the display advertisement of six Morse Schools of Telegraphy, in this issue and learn telegraphy and be assured a position.

Big lot new shoes. W. B. Faris.

Allision Philips of Crockett was a Grapeland visitor Sunday.

Go to S. T. Anthony if you want choice flour at the right price.

Jesse Box went down to Crockett Saturday on business.

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

Rev. J. F. Brill went down to La Texo Saturday and returned Sunday night.

A lot of Groves Tasteless Chill Tonic just received at W. H. Livelys. Get a bottle.

Great bargains got to clean out all summer goods. Got to make room. W. B. Faris.

Howard Alexander and N. Moore were in the city Saturday from Lovelady.

Gus Goolsby of Crockett was in the city Sunday and Monday shaking hands with his many friends.

Walter McMeans, George Wright and Byron Bush of Palestine were down Sunday to see — well, neyer mind.

The fish and oyster season is now open. Give me your order. Frank Owens, agent.

Howard Anthony shipped a car of cattle to Houston Tuesday. Mr. Anthony accompanied the shipment.

Our School Books are now arriving. We will have a full supply before school opens. In addition to books we have all kinds of school supplies.

Carlton & Porter.

NOW'S THE TIME!

WE GUARANTEE RIGHT PRICES, HONEST GOODS.

Anticipating an advance in staple dry goods on account of the present short cotton crop and the the advance in the raw material, we made heavy purchases early, before the present adyance and the

GOODS ARE NOW BEGINNING TO ARRIVE.

To make room for our fall stock, we are going to close out every yard of our summer dress goods at sacrificing prices. Also every pair of ladies' misses' and children's oxfords and slippers at cost; men's and boys' clothing must go.

Our grocery department is complete in every detail, prices the lowest. Don't buy till you see us, examine our goods and get our prices. We have got to make room and for the spot cash or chickens, eggs, hides, green or dry, we wont be undersold.

We Want Your Trade.

W. B. FARIS.

Call at Howards for your lunch.

Dr. W. B. Taylor was in the city Tuesday.

Best line of overalls and pants in town. W. B. Faris.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gray of Slocum were in the city Monday shopping.

Don't forget to call for tickets with cash purchases at S. T. Anthony's

Miss May Troutman of Jacksonville who has been visiting the family of Dr. W. N. Punch, near Grapeland returned home Monday.

Miss Eva Lou Faris visited relatives in Crockett Saturday and Sunday.

Howard has a fresh stock of lemons.

Nat Davis came in from Clay Tuesday where he has been studying telegraphy under Edens Hollingsworth. Nat has been on the sick list, but is improving.

The smallest store in town for cheap groceries, cheese on ice, soda pop and every thing that's good to eat and drink. Frank Owens manager.

Miss Callie Spence invited quite a number of her friends to her beautiful home on Aug. 17, to celebrate her eighteenth birthday. The occasion was a very pleasant one, and each one present desired Miss Spence to be a very entertaining hostess. May she live to celebrate many more happy anniversaries

WIVES OF SICK HUSBANDS.

Is Your Husband a Victim of Disease, Has He Been Doctoring for Months or Possibly Years in a Vain Attempt to Recover Health?

A Condition That Occurs in Many Families.

We hear of many cases where the anxious wife has herself taken charge of the treatment of her sick husband, or some other invalid member of the family, with complete success. Kidney and liver diseases produce much weakness and misery and they are the diseases with which the average physician seems least able to successfully cope. A bottle of Prickly Ash Bitters, obtained perhaps in opposition to the wishes of the patient, and taken under protest has been known to accomplish more good than months of regular medical treatment. Don't let your husband die without urging on him to try the great restorative power of Prickly Ash Bitters. It has cured where the best medical talent available has failed.

Accept no substitute. Insist on having the genuine Prickly Ash Bitters with the large figure 8 in red on the front label.

Sold at Drug Stores, Price \$1.00.
Carleton & Porter.

WYLEY CASKEY, BARBER.

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HONING RAZORS
A SPECIALTY.

Hot and Cold Baths.

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Palestine. All work guaranteed
to be the best.

WHITE'S Cream Vermifuge



THE GUARANTEED
**WORM
REMEDY**

THE CHILDREN'S FAVORITE TONIC.
BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.
THE REMEDY PREPARED ONLY BY
Ballard-Snow Liniment Co.
ST. LOUIS, MO.
—FOR SALE BY—
CARLETON & PORTER.



OUR CUTS TALK
ENGRAVERS-PRINTERS
DENVER

Wanted This Fall.

Good tenant for W. L. Smith's farm on Crockett and Grapeland road. Must be trustworthy and sober. Address,—W. L. Smith, Wheeling, West Va.

Trade with Me.

I have two 2 1-4 second hand wagons and one 3 inch wagon, nearly as good as new. Will trade for corn,—Jas. Owens.

The balance of our summer dress goods, summer clothing and slippers at mighty low prices to close them out before receiving our new fall stock. If interested don't fail to see them. Geo. E. Darsey.

About The Fair.

Dallas, Texas.—Extensive preparation is being made for the twentieth annual entertainment of the State Fair of Texas, to run from September 30 to Oct. 15, 1905. Speaking of the exhibits, President C. A. Keating said today: "We had a greater number of applicants for space than we can take care of. The space in machinery Hall was all taken six weeks ago. In order to accommodate the overflow from the department, we have opened a drive way on the west side of privilege row, from the grand stand, to connect with the drive in front of the engine house, and made room on either side of this passage for the overflow of the Machinery Hall and shows and other out-of-door attractions. And still we have several applicants for space in this department whom we are as yet unable to place. Our machinery display will thus perhaps be the most extensive ever made at any fair in the world. Much of this machinery will be in actual operation during the fair.

"Our exhibition horse stables are filled to the last stall, and we have been compelled to put up new barns, and still horses are coming in. The swine pens are also crowded and several pens have been added.

"It is a little early for a rush of cattle and poultry entries, but from the amount of space already taken and the number of inquiries that are coming in, it is certain that a similarly crowded condition will obtain in these departments by the time the Fair opens.

"The last inch of space in Exposition Hall is sold. The displays in this department are going to be very fine. One exhibitor is \$500 in fixtures alone. Several are expending for this purpose as well as \$2,500, and many as much as \$1,200 and \$1,500. The fact is, our new building makes such an imposing appearance that no exhibitor can afford to make a cheap display in it.

"Our farm and mill display will embrace specimen of the products of all the varieties of all the modifications of climate in the state. It will not be a rude frontier pumpkin show; we intend to arrange it in so artistic a fashion that it shall be worthy of the space that it is to occupy in exposition Hall.

"Our new Auditorium and Exposition building looks so much finer than any of us suspected from an inspection of the architect's plans it would look we are satisfied the building is going to prove quite an attractive exhibit itself to the average visitor.

"The railroads have agreed to us the lowest rates they have ever made to Dallas on any account."

Mr. Charles O. Hodges, who just returned from Cincinnati, says: "At Latonia race track I met the horsemen. They are greatly interested in the Dallas races.

The selection of Jo Murphy to be judge of the State Fair races will be the means of drawing to Dallas hundreds of horseman and race people generally who would not otherwise have thought of coming to Texas. They all know Mr. Murphy will stand for no crookedness, and that the races will be on the square. The result will be that we shall have horses and horsemen at Dallas this year that have never before raced south of Mason and Dixons line.

"It looks to me as if we are going to have the biggest thing we have ever had in the way of a fair, as well as of a race meeting.

Big stock dry goods. W. B. Faris.

Mr. W. M. Sheridan was in the city Sunday and Monday.

Home grown turnip seed. W. B. Faris.

Dick Gray was in town Monday and went down to Crockett.

Ladies' visiting cards printed in up to date style at a very small cost at the Messenger office.

Rev. L. D. Anderson, wife and baby returned to their home in Palestine Monday.

Cure the chills and fever with Tasteless Oxidine three bottles for one dollar. W. B. Faris.

Bob Spence went down to Houston Saturday, returning Sunday night.

Buy your goods from us we can save you money. W. B. Faris.

Miss Annie Saxon of Crockett returned home Monday after a weeks visit to relatives here.

We have got plenty of nice new goods, got to sell them. The prices are moving them fast. W. B. Faris.

Miss Florence Keen went up to Elkhart Monday to visit relatives a few days. Little Miss Joe Vauda Davis accompanied her.

Rev. J. F. Brill sent to this office by his son, Henry some very fine Magnolia pears, and plums. Please accept our thanks.

Mrs. Rosa Ewings and her brother, Robert Hopper, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Laster, have returned to their home in Mineola.

The infant babe of Mr and Mrs. J. A. Thompson died Sunday and was buried in the City Cemetery Monday. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Jim Saxon and Dr. H. S. Robertson left Sunday for a tour through west Texas. Asa Bynum of Crockett is in charge of Mr. Saxon's store.

Misses Nellie and Zodie Kennedy and Mrs. E. Kennedy and little daughter of Lovelady are in the city visiting their relatives, the Misses Caldwell.

P. H. Blalock stopped off in the city a few days this week to see his old friends. Phil was on his way to Livingston from Hot Springs, Ark. where he had been for his health.

Constable Story went up to Palestine Wednesday night to bring back Jim Eaves, a negro wanted for an old fine and for riding trains. Mr. Story carried him to Crockett and put him in jail.

Mrs. J. J. Davis left Monday night for Saint Louis to be absent several days purchasing her fall line of millinery. This is her fifth trip to this market and 'tis needless to say that her selections will be up-to-date and attractive.

S. T. Clower, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nutt and baby, and Mrs. Clower and three children, who have been in the city several weeks visiting the family of E. H. Darsey, left Sunday night for their home in Georgia.

ANNOUNCEMENT—
THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS,
DALLAS, TEXAS, SEPT. 30, OCT. 15, 1905.

The present organization, known as the State Fair of Texas, stands to-day without a parallel in the history of fairs. It is owned and managed by some fifteen hundred of the most prominent citizens of Dallas, who have donated the money to build a fire-proof auditorium and exposition building on the fair grounds, costing \$100,000 and in addition to this have advanced the princely sum of \$50,000 for premiums, purses and attractions that the fair of 1905 may go down in history as the largest and grandest event of its kind ever given in the Southwest. Every stockholder of this institution has signed an agreement to donate his stock for the good of the cause, and under a contract with the city of Dallas, it is agreed that no officer or director other than the secretary, shall receive any compensation for his services, and that every dollar earned by this fair during the next twenty years shall be expended in the effort to make each succeeding fair better than the last. The gates of the twentieth annual fair will open at 10 a. m., September 30th, 1905, the fair continuing 16 days. During this period the public is assured of sixteen days of solid pleasure and recreation, as well as the opportunity of seeing the largest and best display of livestock ever collected together in the south.

The lovers of speed horses are assured thirteen days racing with high grade horses, competing for a sum aggregating \$50,000, and last, but not least, the homeseeker will have an opportunity to examine a complete display of the varied resources and industries of Texas, as well as those of her sister states.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND DETAILS ADDRESS,
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