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Over
Shoes.

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CROCKETT ITEMS.

Much Interest Manifested in the Election of School Trustees. Local News.

May 7.—The city election held here yesterday to elect three public school trustees passed quietly, but considerable interest was manifested in the result along late in the afternoon. The election resulted in the selection of Joe Adams, Dr. E. B. Stokes and Allen Newton. Newton was one of the old trustees and was re-elected, the other two being new trustees.

Prof. A. W. Cain of Grapeland, superintendent of the high school there, was in Crockett Friday and Saturday, attending the teachers' examinations.

Mrs. A. H. Wooters came in Saturday night from a visit to relatives at Huntsville.

Mr. Jere Crook, one of Crockett's well known attorneys at law, has moved to the Indian Territory and will there take up the practice of law.

For a painful burn there is nothing like DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. There are a host of imitations of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve on the market—see that you get the genuine. Ask for DeWitt's. Good, too, for sunburns, cuts, bruises, and especially recommended for piles. The name E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago, is on every box. Sold by Carleton & Porte.

P. H. Burke of the Gal-Dal News was in town last week.

LOVELADY ITEMS.

Commencement Exercises Next Friday Night. Death of Rev. McKee.

May 8.—Rev. J. M. McKee, one of Lovelady's oldest citizens, departed this life on Saturday night, May 5th., and was buried Monday, 7th. He leaves a wife, three children and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

Dr. P. P. Carter of Madisonville, former dentist of Lovelady, has been in our city the past week.

The daughters of Mr. Julius Collins of Lulkin are visiting relatives at this place.

Lovelady was well represented at the fifth Sunday meeting, which met with the High Prairie Church, Volga, Texas.

Mr. Dent is justly proud of his graduating class as all its members passed those "terrible examinations."

Miss Nellie Kennedy and her crowd of little people, assisted by Miss Irene Harris, will give a little entertainment on Thursday evening, May 10th.

The graduating exercises of Lovelady High School will be held Friday evening, May 11th.

On Saturday evening the High School Alumni Association will give a banquet in honor of the class of 1906.

Miss Ira Dent, who has been teaching in Garrison the past school year, returned home last week.

Most of the young people here have the skating rink craze. One can often hear the skates rolling at 12 o'clock.

LA TEXO NEWS.

Talks of County's Financial Report. Every body Jubilant.

May 7.—We notice our finance committee has been using "Roosevelt's Muck Rake" some. This is as it should be. While we cannot accuse anyone of willful neglect of duty, it is well to have these reports published now and then for the good of all concerned, and also, "we, the common people," should be raked over now and then so that we will know how to vote sometimes.

Misses Jessie and Gertrude Merriwether of Daly's are in town this week visiting relatives.

Mr. Murdock Murchison and family spent a day in town last week.

Mr. John Box of Houston was in town visiting his father.

The rain and cold weather did very little damage to crops and everything is doing nicely.

Leaverton Bros' planer is running on full time and doing a nice business.

Mr. Riley Murchison's little boy, Tump, stuck a nail through his foot a few days ago. He is getting along well so far.

"Pay what thou owest, owe no man anything," is scripture and we hope to be able to obey it, if our prospects continue as bright as the are now. With everybody out of debt what a grand country this would be.

HONOR ROLL.

Friends of Messenger Got Busy During the Past Month.

Following is a list of those who have paid subscription since April 1st:

RENEWALS

Jack Fulton, Grapeland.
W. B. DuBose, "
J. F. Bridges, "
J. F. Martin, "
Maj. J. F. Martin, "
Wm. Brown, "
Turner Skidmore, "
R. D. Parker, "
Tom Whittaker, "
W. T. Warner, "
S. W. Duitch, "
Hugh Richards, "
R. H. Cook, "
H. A. Tyler, Dallas.

NEW

J. M. Langham, Percilla.
A. M. Martin, Call.
W. J. Clark, Grapeland.
T. C. Lively, Augusta.
Mrs. Eliza Lawrence, Flint.
J. M. Rogers, Grapeland.
H. C. Warner, Runge, paid by W. T. Warner.
Charley Collins, Hollis, O. K. paid by J. C. Hendricks.
W. R. Earle, Augusta.
Mrs. Rhodie Royall, Athens, paid by M. K. Murchison.
G. I. Brksdale, Hastings, O.K. paid by Carl Sory.
G. W. Williams, Cold Springs, paid by J. J. Williams.

W. Totty was down from Palestine Tuesday.

To the People Of Houston County.

Since March 12th, 1906, I have been quite busy in attendance upon grand jury and representing the State in criminal prosecutions in District court. During this time I have been unable to attend, personally, the different Justice courts throughout the county. In the event any of you have written me during this time and have not received a reply, write me again and I will answer you promptly.

I hope that each and every one of you are enjoying health, happiness and prosperity. With best wishes,
John Spence,
County Attorney.

Proverbs of May.

May full of cold and rain, much straw and little grain.—German.
A cold May brings no riches.—French.

A rainy May marries the laborer and his daughter.—French.
A hot May makes a fat church yard.

Unlucky are the wives that wed in May.—Latin.
Weddings of May, weddings of death.—French.

May borrows ten days from March to kill off cattle and old people.—French.

Dr. C. W. Kline returned to Crockett Sunday. The doctor reported a fine business while here last week.

CAN'T STRAIGHTEN UP.

Kidney Trouble Causes Weak Backs and a Multitude of Pains and Aches.

Col. R. S. Harrison, Deputy Marshal, 716 Common St., Lake Charles, La., says: "A kick from a horse first weakened my back and affected my kidneys. I became very bad, and had to go about on crutches. The doctors told me I had a case of chronic rheumatism, but I could not believe them, and finally began using Doan's Kidney Pills for my kidneys. First the kidney secretions came more freely, then the pain left my back. I went and got another box, and that completed a cure. I have been well for two years."



Sold by all dealers, 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Prince or Sergeant.

The German papers are telling a story of the German crown prince. The kaiser's heir had occasion recently to speak to a street sweeper near the barracks of the riflemen of the guard. Good morning, sergeant," said the sweeper, who did not recognize the prince. He said that his son was fighting in southwest Africa, but he hoped soon to have him back safe and sound. The prince, smiling, said: "Why, yes, I hope so, too!" and pressed a five mark piece into the old man's hand. But the sweeper, looking wistfully at the coin and then at the giver, handed it back, saying: "No, no, sergeant; I doubt you have none too much of that yourself!"

The Hair Bow.

A young reader, who signs herself "Northern Inquirer," asks how a girl of 17 should wear her hair, whether more than one bow is proper and how many yards in each bow.

Since the receipt of this letter Madame Merri has made a careful study of the subject and finds that there is almost no limit to the number of bows or the number of yards they may contain. But to prevent one's head from having the appearance of a bargain counter or a remnant sale, either one or two bows with three-quarters of a yard in each, or a full yard if only one bow is worn, should be the choice. The prevailing style is the soft pompadour in front with the hair caught up on top with a bow, the ends braided and turned under and fastened with a second bow.

MADAME MERRI.

Busy Young King.

Alfonso, the young king of Spain, leads a busy life, made up of work, and study, and sport—such a life as any young man might lead. And this is what has endeared him to his people. In no monarchy was the king's majesty more hedged about with ceremony. The young king has broken it all down. His ancestors gloomed behind the curtained windows of the palace. He has gone to the people. He is part of the national life. And his frank and boyish good fellowship has done more to make the monarchy safe than all the king's horses and all the king's men."

A BUSY WOMAN

Can Do the Work of 3 or 4 If Well Fed.

An energetic young woman living just outside of New York, writes:

"I am at present doing all the housework of a dairy farm, caring for 2 children, a vegetable and flower garden, a large number of fowls, besides managing an extensive exchange business through the mails and pursuing my regular avocation as a writer for several newspapers and magazines (designing fancy work for the latter) and all the energy and ability to do this I owe to Grape-Nuts food."

"It was not always so, and a year ago when the shock of my nursing baby's death utterly prostrated me and deranged my stomach and nerves so that I could not assimilate as much as a mouthful of solid food, and was in even worse condition mentally, he would have been a rash prophet who would have predicted that it ever would do so."

"Prior to this great grief I had suffered for years with impaired digestion, insomnia, agonizing cramps in the stomach, pain in the side, constipation, and other bowel derangements, all these were familiar to my daily life. Medicines gave me no relief—nothing did, until a few months ago, at a friend's suggestion, I began to use Grape-Nuts food, and subsequently gave up coffee entirely and adopted Postum Food Coffee at all my meals."

"To-day I am free from all the troubles I have enumerated. My digestion is simply perfect, I assimilate my food without the least distress, enjoy sweet, restful sleep, and have a buoyant feeling of pleasure in my varied duties. In fact, I am a new woman, entirely made over, and I repeat, I owe it all to Grape-Nuts and Postum Coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

COL. EDWARDS WILL BECOME BRIGADIER GENERAL.

FOR AMERICAN CONSULS.

Practical Civil Service Recommended—Swamp Lands as Well as Arid Lands Need Attention—Queer Atmospheric Conditions.



WASHINGTON.—It is now the purpose of congress to give the rank of brigadier general to the officer holding the position of chief of the bureau of insular affairs in the war department. This means that Col. Clarence, whose real rank is that of captain, but who has been at the head of this bureau since it was established and has done the work of three men, will become brigadier general. This bureau deals with so many interests and its head is the executive for so many branches of government that it has often been seriously considered as deserving to be raised to the rank of a department, with its chief one of the cabinet officers. It has to deal with matters in the Philippines, Hawaii and Porto Rico and is a little government within itself.

Col. Edwards, who has been chief of the bureau so long is one of the most energetic and popular officers in the service. He served in the Philippines and was on the staff of Gen. Lawton when the latter was killed, and he knows the affairs of that archipelago as thoroughly and in as great detail as anyone in the government.

Better Consular Service.

IT LAST there will be some reform in the consular service. A bill has been passed and is soon to become a law that reorganizes this service, does away with all fees and is calculated to improve the personnel of the consuls and the consular general. While congress did not authorize in this measure the practical civil service recommended by Secretary Root, it is understood that the policy of the administration will be to adopt civil service methods in future appointments. Already they have required candidates for appointments to pass an examination fully as rigid as the civil service commission would devise. The president has let it be known also that after this bill becomes a law the appointments in the future will be only to the lower grades of consul and that the higher places will be filled by promotion as vacancies occur.

There is another reform that has not yet been accomplished, but which is being strongly urged by business organizations and those who demand that the American consular service shall be filled by Americans. In an address recently submitted to congress by Minister Barratt on the subject of "Americans needed as vice and deputy consuls," he tells the following startling facts: Of 60 consulates general, 20, or one-third, have vice or deputy consuls who are not Americans. Of 225 consulates, 113, or half, have vice or deputy consuls who are not Americans either by birth, naturalization or residence. Of 11 commercial agencies, nine, or two-thirds, have non-resident vice and deputy commercial agents. Of six consulates where the incumbents are permitted to engage in business, two have foreign or deputy vice consuls and one has a consul who is not an American. Of 41 consulates and commercial agencies where the officers are paid by fees and allowed to engage in business, 25, or over one-half, have vice or deputy consuls who are not Americans, while in six cases the consuls or agents are foreigners.

Our Swamp Lands.

NOW that irrigation has attained so much importance in the west and attention is attracted to the wonderful fertility of desert lands when water is turned upon them, interest has been revived in great sections in the east that have been unproductive and unprofitable because they are covered with water. For every acre of western desert land which can be subdued by irrigation, there is an acre of eastern swamp which can be

drained and made highly productive. The drainage so necessary to reclaim millions of acres will have to be handled by the government and Representative Steenerson, of Minnesota, has introduced a bill for the reclamation of swamps.

It is estimated that there are 100,000,000 acres of swamp lands in the United States, some 70,000,000 of which have been surveyed and the great bulk of which would make splendid farms if the excess of water were drawn off. In the Kankakee river basin in Indiana and Illinois, there are 400,000 acres of the very richest bottom lands that are subject to overflow.

In Florida, the Everglades alone would afford an empire of some 7,000,000 acres. In New Jersey and Virginia are vast swamps, among them the famous Dismal swamp. In Illinois there are 4,000,000 acres of swamp land; in Michigan about 6,000,000; in Iowa, 2,000,000 acres; in Minnesota, 5,000,000 have been surveyed and there are huge areas not yet surveyed. The Steenerson bill demonstrates that the government can transform swamps into fertile farm lands and that the settler or owner will pay back to the government the relatively small cost of the improvement.

Peaky Postage Stamp.



HERE has been more complaint during the past winter about postage stamps than has been heard for years. The pesky things just would not stick half the time, and the postal authorities have been roundly abused. Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden says if your stamps don't stick, don't blame the post office department; blame the weather bureau. It is not the mucilage that is responsible, but the peculiar atmospheric conditions prevalent this winter and spring. If the little red stamp will not adhere to the envelope there is no comfort until a better brand of climate is dealt out by Chief Moore, of the weather bureau. There is also another trouble. The post office department issues two styles of stamps; the summer stamp and the winter stamp.

Mr. Madden admitted the other day that there was an unusual number of complaints about the stamps not sticking, while he said upon investigation of these complaints were found to be unjust. "For instance," he said, "there is a complaint from a business man in New York. We sent an agent to investigate, and found that in his establishment a man had been in the habit of wetting the stamp by taking a big sponge and drawing it across the back of the sheet of stamps, wiping the mucilage completely off."

Indians in Town.



IN THE boarding house for Indians kept by B. F. Beveridge, and of which mention was made in these dispatches recently, there is at present quite a delegation of the red men. It is interesting to visit this place and notice their habits and manners. "They are just like other folks in their habits of living," Mr. Beveridge said the other day. "Most of them are as regular in their hours as the Virginia farmers—and most of them are farmers. Practically all those from the Indian Territory follow that."

Probably the star boarder of this establishment is the chief of the Senecas, Andrew John. He spends a great deal of his time here every winter in the interest of his people. The Senecas are a nation independent of the United States, and have made several treaties with the federal government. Chief John said the other day that it is a puzzle to the lawyers to determine just what the Senecas are as a tribe and what they are as individuals. Under the laws of New York they are a corporation existing by a special act. The chief tells some interesting traditions of the Indians, speaking of whom the other day he said:

"Several winters ago some 20 of us representing half a dozen tribes used to assemble here evenings with interpreters and relate legends of the various tribes. I was struck with this, that each tribe adopted as the favorite animal of their tales that most frequent in its own country."

"The Creeks and Choctaws, originally from the south, were fond of the possum and the rabbit. Our Seneca legends have to do with animals we hunted, especially the deer. The favorite Seneca legend is of a child of our tribe that overcame giants and evil spirits. The Sioux told tales of marvelous battles with the buffalo and the Chippewas, from northern Minnesota, filled their stories with fur-bearing animals."

WORKING WOMEN

Their Hard Struggle Made Easier—Interesting Statements by a Young Lady in Boston and One in Nashville, Tenn.



All women work; some in their homes, some in church, and some in the whirl of society. And in stores, mills and shops tens of thousands are on the never-ceasing treadmill, earning their daily bread.

All are subject to the same physical laws; all suffer alike from the same physical disturbance, and the nature of their duties, in many cases, quickly drifts them into the horrors of all kinds of female complaints, tumors, ulceration, falling and displacements or perhaps irregularity or suppression, causing backache, nervousness, irritability and lassitude.

They especially require an invigorating, sustaining medicine which will strengthen the female organism and enable them to bear easily the fatigues of the day, to sleep well at night, and to rise refreshed and cheerful.

How distressing to see a woman struggling to earn a livelihood or perform her household duties when her back and head are aching, she is so tired she can hardly drag about or stand up, and every movement causes pain, the origin of which is due to some derangement of the female organism.

Miss F. Orser, of 14 Warren Street, Boston, tells women how to avoid such suffering; she writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham—

"I suffered misery for several years with female irregularities. My back ached; I had bearing-down pains, and frequent headaches;

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Succeeds Where Others Fail.

I could not sleep and could hardly drag around. I consulted two physicians without relief, and as a last resort, I tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and to my surprise, every ache and pain left me. I gained ten pounds and am in perfect health."

Miss Pearl Ackers, of 327 North Sumner Street, Nashville, Tenn., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham—

"I suffered with painful periods, severe backache, bearing-down pains, pains across the abdomen; was very nervous and irritable, and my trouble grew worse every month. My physician failed to help me and I decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I soon found it was doing me good. All my pains and aches disappeared, and I no longer fear my monthly periods."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the unfailing cure for all these troubles. It strengthens the proper muscles, and displacement with all its horrors will no more crush you.

Backache, dizziness, fainting, bearing-down pains, disordered stomach, moodiness, dislike of friends and society—all symptoms of the one cause—will be quickly dispelled, and it will make you strong and well.

You can tell the story of your sufferings to a woman, and receive helpful advice free of cost. Address Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass. The present Mrs. Pinkham is the daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham and for twenty-five years she has, under her direction and since her decease, been advising sick women free of charge.

Unique Translation.

A Spanish newspaper reporting the launching of the British battleship Dreadnought the other day, translated the ship's name to mean "nothing terrible."

RUNNING SORES ON LIMBS.

Little Girl's Obstinate Case of Eczema—Mother Says: "Cuticura Remedies a Household Standby."

"Last year, after having my little girl treated by a very prominent physician, for an obstinate case of eczema, I resorted to the Cuticura Remedies, and was so well pleased with the almost instantaneous relief afforded that we discarded the physician's prescription and relied entirely on the Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Pills. When we commenced with the Cuticura Remedies her feet and limbs were covered with running sores. In about six weeks we had her completely well, and there has been no recurrence of the trouble. We find that the Cuticura Remedies are a valuable household standby, living as we do, twelve miles from a doctor, and where it costs from twenty to twenty-five dollars to come up on the mountain. Mrs. Lizzie Vincent Thomas, Fairmount, Walden's Ridge, Tenn., Oct. 13, 1905."

Shipments of American Tea.

This year 12,000 pounds of choice tea will be shipped from what is at present the only tea farm in the western hemisphere. The farm is at Somerville, S. C. In the face of difficulties that at times seemed insurmountable, but, on the other hand, with the kindly assistance of the United States government, the Somerville tea farm has grown to a point where it can offer serious competition with the best grades of tea shipped from China, India, Formosa or Java. But, above all, it has been demonstrated that, barring the question of labor, the finest tea can be successfully grown at home, and there is nothing that gladdens the heart of an American more than the discovery that he can enter into competition in a field hitherto denied him.—Technical World.

He who is always asking how what he does may affect his personal fortune always misses the mark of his high calling.

If a man will not let good into his life, evil will and must possess it. If he would eject evil from his life, he can only do so by letting good into it.

For days millions of robins flew southbound over Yuba, Nevada and Placer counties, California, in successive great clouds recently.

Do You Itch?

If so, you know the sensation is not an agreeable one, and hard to cure unless the proper remedy is used.

Hunt's Cure is the King of all Skin remedies. It cures promptly any itching trouble known. No matter the name or place. One application relieves—one box is absolutely guaranteed to cure.

Americans on the Congo.

Consul McNally, of Liege, gives another illustration that Americans are abroad in the world by citing the fact that the recent census of the white population in the Congo Free State shows 48 of our people there. Of other nationalities there are 51 Germans, 132 English, 1,400 Belgians (many being government officials), 33 Danes, 45 French, 6 Austrians, 4 Spaniards, 2 Greeks, 109 Dutch, 233 Italians, 31 Luxemburgers, 24 Norwegians, 139 Portuguese, 23 Russians, 129 Swedes and 92 Swiss, making a total of 2,500.

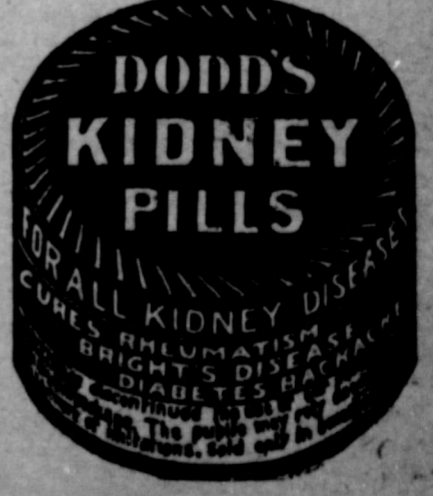
Pertinent Inquiry.

"I—aw—have an idea, donchez know," began young Sapsleigh, and—"Excuse me," interrupted Miss Caustique, "but are you quite certain of your ability to distinguish between ideas and wheels?"—Chicago Daily News.

Breakfast Rolls.

One egg, one-half cup each milk and cream, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, three teaspoonfuls granulated maple sugar. Add flour till about as thick as griddle cakes.

Putty and piety are not the same.



ATTACKED THE HEART

Awful Neuralgia Case Cured to Stay Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Neuralgia in any form is painful but when it attacks the heart it is frequently fatal. Complicated with indigestion of a form that affected the vital organ it threatened serious consequences in an instance just reported. The case is that of Mr. F. L. Graves, of Pleasant Hill, La., who tells of his trouble and cure as follows:

"I traveled considerably, was exposed to all kinds of weather and was irregular in my sleeping and eating. I suppose this was the cause of my sickness, at any rate, in May, 1905, I had got so bad that I was compelled to quit work and take to my bed. I had a good doctor and took his medicine faithfully but grew worse. I gave up hope of getting better and my neighbors thought I was surely going to die.

"I had smothering spells that it is awful to recall. My heart fluttered and then seemed to cease beating. I could not lie on my left side at all. My hands and feet swelled and so did my face. After reading about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in a newspaper I decided to try them and they suited my case exactly. Before long I could see an improvement and after taking a few boxes I was entirely cured. I am glad to make this statement and wish it could cause every sufferer to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills do not simply deaden pain; they cure the trouble which causes the pain. They are guaranteed to contain no narcotic, stimulant or opiate. Those who take them run no danger of forming any drug habit. They act directly on the blood and it is only through the blood that any medicine can reach the nerves.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists or will be sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Beauty of Complexion.

Beauty of complexion depends upon four things—perfect digestion, good blood, an active liver and good circulation. To improve all of these functions the same prescription will answer, and it is: Deep breathing. Plenty of pure water—eight glasses a day. Fresh vegetables and salads, sufficient sleep to keep the nerves quiet. Outdoor exercise every day. Little or no alcohol, tea, coffee, or drugs of any kind, and particularly the powders and potions taken for nerves and insomnia.

If It Falls the Money's Yours.

Thousands of boxes of Hunt's Cure are being sold by the Southern druggists daily, for the simple reason that people are rapidly finding out that it is the best cure for any itching disease ever discovered. The first application relieves, and one box positively guaranteed to cure any one case.

Oolong Tea.

It is estimated that in 15 years the export of Chinese-grown oolong tea from the port of Amoy has fallen off from approximately 15,000,000 pounds to 900,000 pounds. Of this the United States imported not one pound. There were shipped, however, through the port of Amoy to America, in 1904, 11,324,067 pounds of oolong tea from Formosa.

Cures Cancer, Blood Poison and Rheumatism.

If you have blood poison producing eruptions, pimples, ulcers, swollen glands, bumps and rashes, burning, itching skin, copper-colored spots or rash on the skin, mucous patches in mouth or throat, falling hair, bone pains, old rheumatism or foul catarrh, take Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.). It kills the poison in the blood; soon all sores, eruptions heal, hard swellings subside, aches and pains stop and a perfect cure is made of the worst cases of Blood Poison.

For cancer, tumors, swellings, eating sores, ugly ulcers, persistent pimples of all kinds, take B. B. B. It destroys the cancer poison in the blood, heals cancer of all kinds, cures the worst humors or suppurating swellings. Thousands cured by B. B. B. after all else fails. B. B. B. composed of pure botanic ingredients. Improves the digestion, makes the blood pure and rich, stops the awful itching and all sharp, shooting pains. Thoroughly tested for thirty years. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with complete directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice also sent in sealed letter.

World's Highest Dock.

What is probably the highest dock in the world has recently been completed at Kisumu, on the Victoria Nyanza, in Uganda, at an altitude of 5,700 feet above sea level. The dock has been constructed to accommodate the Nyanza fleet plying on the lake in connection with the Uganda railroad, of which the terminus is at Kisumu, or Port Florence, as it is now officially called. It measures 250 feet in length by 48 feet wide and 14 feet deep. It is excavated out of the solid rock by native labor and occupied 12 months in construction.

Weigh Yourself.

As a test of whether you are reducing with sufficient rapidity buy a set of scales. Weigh yourself religiously twice a day and be governed by what they say to you. Though good friends they are truth and you may depend upon it that they will not lie, not even to save your feelings.

Every good deed helps make a track for others.

Lovely Cigar.

At the university club banquet in Washington a few nights ago, they gave Uncle Joe Cannon a cigar three feet long that may or may not have been made of tobacco. Congressman Longworth, returning to his duties in the house after his honeymoon, brought for Uncle Joe a cigar made of the best Havana tobacco and about 18 inches long. Uncle Joe took it, smelled of it, turned it over and over, caressed it lovingly, and then said: "By gum, Nick, it looks good enough to put cream on and eat."

The Plain Plucker.

If a burn or bruise afflicts you, rub it on, rub it on. Then before you scarcely know it all the trouble will be gone. For an aching joint or muscle do the same. It extracts all pains and poisons, plucks the stings and heals the lame. Hunt's Lightning Oil does it.

Why Couldn't She Keep Them?

Mrs. Nagget—Well, I guess I have a perfect right to my opinions. Mr. Nagget—Certainly you have, my dear. And if you only kept them to yourself no one would ever question that right.—Stray Stories.

That Ward Meeting.

Mrs. Rounder—So you addressed a ward meeting last night? Did you have a full house? Mr. Rounder (absently)—Once, but the other fellow held fours.—Cleveland Leader.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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The champion court tennis player of the United States is now a 17-year-old lad named Jay Gould, of New York. His grandfather played a different sort of game in Wall street with equal success.

Wallpaper does not hang, and yet the person whose business it is to paste it up is called paperhanger. The reason is simple. Long before the introduction of wall papers tapestries were used as wall-coverings, the men who put them up being called hang-ers.

Doctor—"Be sure and feed your baby every day with one cow's milk." Mother—"Well, I'll try. But I don't see how baby can possibly hold all that."

Many a man would be more of a man if he thought less of what men think.—Ran's Horn.

When a laxative is needed, nothing can be more effective than Garfield Tea, which is made of herbs. It cures sick headache, constipation and diseases of liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels; it purifies the blood, cleanses the system and clears the complexion.

It's your life that lifts the prayer of your lips.

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McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY, Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South. They render written opinions in cases not handled by them. Reasonable rates.

There must be some punishment for the people who are drawing checks on the bank of piety when they have no deposit there.

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A good many think that religion is a scheme for getting God to obey them instead of their obeying God.

Remember.

It's not how you live, but how's your liver. If not in perfect order, make it so by using Simmons' Liver Purifier,—tin boxes only. It's the surest, safest and most agreeable aid to that organ ever put up.

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It is the service that gives sanctity to the offering.

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Remember that whatever knowledge you do not solidly lay the foundation of before you are eighteen you will ever be master of while you breathe.—Lord Chesterfield.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

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FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE 25c trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 283 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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caused by curable female diseases. It acts directly on woman's delicate organs, and restores their natural activity. By making the organs work normally, pain disappears, strength returns to the system, roses to the cheeks, and the frowns and wrinkles of suffering are seen no more. Mrs. Lucinda Johnson, of Walworth, Wis., writes: "I suffered agonies at every monthly period. Nothing helped me until I took Cardui. Now I can truly say I am cured." Try it.

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EAST TEXAS TO THE FRONT.

No intelligent observer of the trend of development can have failed to observe that East Texas, which for a third of a century has lagged behind the other parts of the state in the matter of increase of population and wealth and in industrial development, has caught the impulse of this wonderful era and is fast coming to her pristine position in the forefront of the march of progress.

When the war set slaves free the resident white man, discouraged and face to face with new conditions, was indisposed to grapple with the task of felling the forests and opening up new areas to cultivation, and the newcomer shrank also from that undertaking, and journeyed on to the black land prairies of North Texas, while East Texas was neglected.

North Texas filled with population as if by magic, but the people of East Texas did not lose faith in her ultimate future, but with inherited courage, patriotism and patience stood by the glorious old realm.

Had they been controlled solely by a spirit of sordid commercialism many more of her capable sons would have left her, but there is in East Texas a stronger sentiment of local attachment and more of pride in the historic past and in family connection than in any part of Texas, and this fact is not surprising.

Most of the men who have given direction to the destinies of Texas and have shaped her most important legislation come from East Texas. She furnished the first governor to the new state, a man of whom Governor Roberts said he never had his intellectual superior in Texas.

The men who in the face of the stubborn opposition of relentless foes blazed through East Texas the pathway of an advancing civilization were necessarily men of great foresight, capacity and courage. Men intellectually weak and physically timid and lacking in ability to perceive and appreciate the future of Texas would never have dared the dangers and assumed the burden of the task of subjecting to the purposes of civilization and agriculture a realm so vast in extent, but the pioneers of East Texas did the work and laid broad and deep the foundation of an imperial state.

The descendants of those courageous and patriotic men now people East Texas, and by the operation of the inevitable laws of heredity have the intelligence and courage to complete the work so nobly begun by their sires.

Her forests have proved a source of almost fabulous wealth her exhaustless beds of iron ore are being profitably developed, while upon her peach orchards and her strawberry fields are focused the eyes of the commercial world.

There is no land upon the earth that can produce finer strawberries than are grown in Smith county; and around Tyler, the

Athens of East Texas, from which small city there have gone forth three governors, two United States senators and four judges of the supreme court. The red, iron-filled hills are touched to even deeper crimson by acres of strawberries, while an eager market looks forward to the coming of her tomatoes, and the mouth of a nation waters for her wonderful peaches.

All East Texas has struck a new gail, and she faces a future bright with promise and rich in infinite possibilities.—Houston Chronicle.

GIVE us a good crop this year and before another twelve months we will show you a set of the most prosperous farmers in Texas.—Cushing Enterprise.

Our farmers will be in the same strata of prosperity and at this writing prospects are really flattering for a good crop.

IT HAS arrived at the point in Texas it's dangerous for a man to have the seven-year-itch. If he suddenly makes a movement to scratch, some would-be bad man thinks he is going after a gun and shoots him into excelsior. Then the shooter is acquitted on the plea of self-defense.—Harpoon.

A YOUNG lady was being criticised for marrying a man well up in middle age instead of a youth. "My observation has been," said the young woman, "that it is better to be hitched up with an old horse that knows how to pull the load rather than a fool colt that can't do anything but prance and kick and try to run away.—Yoakum Times.

But what about that old hoss bein' jerked and pulled around by a young filly, a dancin' and a prancin' around tryin' to run away?—Richmond Coaster.

The wife of a Methodist minister in West Virginia has been married three times. Her maiden name was Partridge, her first husband was named Robbin, her second was named Sparrow, and the present one's name is Quayle. There are now two Robbins, one Sparrow, and three little Quales in the family. One grandfather was a Swan and the other a Jay, but he's dead and now he's a bird of paradise. They live on Hawk Avenue, Eagleville, Canary Islands, and, we may add, the fellow who wrote this paragraph is a lyre bird.—Exchange.

Last Saturday the election was held for school trustees of the Grapeland Independent school district. It resulted as follows: Dr. W. D. McCarty, M. D. Murchison and E. W. Davis were re-elected. J. B. Lively was elected in place of J. L. Smith.

The following students from the Grapeland High School went down to crockett to take the teachers examination last Friday and Saturday: Messrs. Sam Herod, Harold Leaverton, Arthur Owens and Misses Annie Scharbrough, Annie Laster, Minnie White, Flora Brown, Roxy Brimbory, Clara Lively and Jessie Jeter.

Teachers Elected.

The new school board has organized and is ready for business. The following teachers have been elected for next year: A. W. Cain, Mrs. Nannie Cain and Miss Nannie Howard. There is still a vacancy in the grammar school department which was vacated by Mr. Waltrip. The election to fill this vacancy will take place later.

FROM TYLER.

Writer Reviews Recent Shipments of Strawberries Made at this Place.

May 7.—I feel that I have been ungrateful to you for so long neglecting communicating.

The faithful Messenger is, indeed, a welcome visitor and I will strive to be more punctual in my correspondence in future.

The recent rains have put an end to the strawberry shipments and I have considered that as a financial venture the berry business is a delusion and a snare. The best farmers here have barely met expenses on the crop.

Last year they lost considerable money having berries picked that were shipped and no sales made. This year they sold on the track after cars were loaded.

To give you some idea of this immense industry here will say that on April 30, there was shipped from Tyler 37 cars of berries.

The farmers of this section have been following the fruit and vegetable business for several years and most of them are prosperous.

Our main crops this year are Irish and sweet potatoes, tomatoes, peppers, cantaloupes and water melons; but the peach crop is the most important one and bids fair to be very good this year. The favorite peach for early shipment by express is the Victor, which ripens in May. The next earliest is the Mamie Ross; then comes the Elberta. The latter has the largest acreage here.

There are many nursery's near where I live and they carry every thing in the fruit, shrub and ornamental tree line.

Am glad to note that the Messenger is kept up to a high standard of efficiency. I deem a local paper one of the most useful enterprises in a town. Every citizen should encourage the home paper as it is a very patent factor in the production of a high civilization.

With kind regards to all my friends and wishing the Messenger success, I am,

L. G. Sumrall

BRAINS WANTED.

This sign is out everywhere. Open your eyes and you cannot fail to see it. This is especially true, if you investigate in the commercial world. You have brains enough and to spare. Will you use them for your own betterment? Perhaps we shall surprise you when we tell you that we can double your earning capacity in less than five months, if you will enroll for a course in the Famous Byrne Simplified Shorthand and Practical Book-keeping, or take our modern Telegraphy. We can prove this to you. Write for our free illustrated catalogue telling how we do it. The article entitled "The proof of the pudding", beginning on page 138, will be enough to convince you. Our school is a big success because of the great success we enable our graduates to achieve. Address Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Parker Re-Union.

The Parker re-union will be held on May 20th. Everybody invited to come and bring dinner and their song books. All who are interested in the graveyard will please meet there on May 18 for the purpose of cleaning off same.

J. N. PARKER.

Olan Davis was here from Loyelady Sunday evening.

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We have just received a shipment of Ladies' and men's shoes (the Giesecke shoe) which is known to be the best wearing and most comfortable shoe made for style, quality and durability. It takes the lead over all. We consider ourselves fortunate in securing this famous shoe. They never sacrifice quality.

SHOES ARE OUR HOBBY

and I will be able to give the trade one of the best wearing shoes ever put on this market. Remember to always call for the Giesecke Shoe.

Our dress goods department is complete with the newest fabrics for summer ware. Plenty of cool underwear for men.

Plenty of nice, fresh groceries. The best flour. Get my prices. We are going to sell the goods.

Bring us your chickens, eggs and bees wax; we will give you the best for the least money. We want your business.

F. A. Faris.

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May**



Clearing Sale!

Two Weeks Offerings, Twenty Per Cent Discount on Our Entire Stock.

These values are unquestionable. Some are special purchases. They are marked down to quick selling, money saving prices, and it is an opportunity for the purchase of **Perfect and Seasonable Hats** which is not apt to present itself to you again this season. Respectfully,

Dora Yarbrough.



Sore Nipples.

A cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by B.R. Guice & Son

Kidney complaints kills more people than any other disease. This is due to the disease being so insidious that it gets a good hold on the system before it is recognized. Foley's Kidney Cure will prevent the development of fatal disease if taken in time.

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This is bound to interest you. We speak especially to the young Ladies and young Men of Houston county. A great Voting Contest will be inaugurated next week by

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Many nice premiums will be given away to the most popular young Ladies and young Men of Houston County.

Watch for Plan and Regulations of Contest to Appear Next week and get ready to enter it To win.

Whet your Appetites for something's going to drop!

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Do you notice a large reduction in your vital energy? Are you losing hold on your place in the social world? Is your strength gone, constitution weak, appetite poor, digestion deranged, bowels costive, with uneasiness and symptoms of derangement in the region of the kidneys? Such a condition is the preliminary to Bright's Disease or some other serious kidney trouble. If this describes the state of your body, we urge upon you prompt action before your health is entirely beyond recovery. Prickly Ash Bitters is the remedy you need; it has a four-fold restorative effect. It stimulates the torpid liver, restores health in the stomach, strengthens and cures the kidneys, and through its peculiar yet agreeable laxative character it clinches the good work by thoroughly cleansing the bowels. It is a certain remedy for kidney and liver diseases.

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

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If You Don't

succeed the first time use Herbine and you will get instant relief. The greatest liver regulator. A positive cure for Constipation, Dyspepsia, Malaria, Chills and all liver complaints. Mr. C— of Emory Texas, writes: "My wife has been using Herbine for herself and children for five years. It is a sure cure for constipation and malaria fever, which is substantiated by what it has done for my family."

Carleton & Porter.

City Marshal Ed Harmon arrested a strange negro Wednesday and placed him in the calaboose for riding a freight train.

GROWS LIKE MAGIC.

Former Grapelandite Tells of a Rapid Growing Western Town.

McCauley, Texas.—This portion of the west has lately been blessed with fine rains and stockmen and farmers are jubilant over the prospects for fat cattle and a bountiful harvest.

Our town—McCauley—is growing rapidly. What was little more than an open prairie five months ago, where the wolves howled and the prairie dogs made frequent visits, is now a thriving little city. It now has four big general stores, two hardware stores, two exclusive grocery stores, three drug stores, one furniture store and an undertaking establishment, two lumber yards, two banks, two tin shops, two restaurants, two barber shops, meat market, two doctors, dentist, telephone exchange, a music store, watchmaker, saddle and harness shop, shoe shop, two blacksmith shops, livery stable, photograph gallery, newspaper and job office, one hotel and another fine concrete hotel to cost \$4,000 in course of construction. This speaks well of a five months old town, but it is not to be wondered when we consider the surrounding country and the enterprising people living here. I have been here five months and have not seen one drunken man in the county, and there are no negroes here at all. We have churches and good schools.

If you are contemplating moving don't fail to investigate the merits of Fisher county.

I know the editor is getting tired of this letter, so I'll twist off.

R. B. DUNNAM.

(Rest assured, Mr. Dunnam, that we never grow tired of reading about the rapid and spontaneous growth of such towns as the one you have just described. Truly, that must be a wonderful country and the soil must be very rich and out of the ordinary to

grow such a town in so short a time. What brand of fertilizer do you use?—Editor.)

FROM HAYS SPRINGS.

Local Happenings in this Thriving community Heavy Rainfall Sunday.

May 6,—I have not seen anything in the Messenger in quite a while from our quiet neighborhood; so I thought, at least some of the readers of the Messenger would like to see something from this place occasionally.

This is the first Sunday in May and it seems like it should be a bright, sunshiny day, but instead of this it is cloudy and has rained a good portion of the day.

This is Rev. Coberley's day to preach for us but there was such a small crowd out to hear him this morning that he postponed preaching until 3:30 in the afternoon, but this afternoon it is putting in good time raining so we will not have any preaching today. We love to hear Brother Coberley preach. I guess we will have preaching only once a month for a while, as Rev. Jim Lively has been called to another work.

Dolph Zachary returned home last week on account of his father's illness, but Mr. Zachary is up again now and Dolph may not tarry with us long. Dolph has been in Runnels county for several months past and says he likes that country fine, and has an interest there that he does not want to give up at present.

I think our people have been getting along right smoothly this spring in the way of farming as we have had a favorable spring for work, but now we are having quite a siege of rain for several days and we prophecy that "general green" will soon make his annual appearance in a rank form, but as the sand is noted for grass some of us at least, know what it is to have a grassy crop.

Our neighbor Mr. M. L. Lively seems to be enjoying life hugely

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D. J. PRICE, GEO. D. HUNTER,
G. P. & T. A., Asst. G. P. & T. A.,
PALESTINE, - TEXAS.

of late, judging from the smile he wears—me think it's on account of the new comer at his house.

There has been a German spectacle peddler in our midst the past week; we learn that he did quite a good business in our community.

As this is my first I will ring-off for this time. Julius.

Mrs. S. Joyce, 180 Sullivan St., Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure. It cured me of a severe case of Kidney trouble of several years' standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it."

Carleton & Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Edington attended the marriage of Mrs. Edington's sister, Miss Minnie Whittington to Mr. G. H. Roocke at Tyler.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
stops the cough and heals lungs

Mrs. Anthony and Miss Zuma were in Crockett last week.

Miss Corrie Newman of Augusta, left Wednesday for a visit to her sister at Hillsboro.

Talking about law and order leagues, every good citizen ought at all times to consider himself a law and order league consisting of one member and govern himself accordingly. It is easy enough for any man to criticise public officers, but how many critics have ever been known to say a word or turn a hand toward assisting the officers in the performance of their arduous duties?—Troupe Banner.

The Messenger has a scholarship for sale cheap in Draughts Practical Business College.

Any one desiring to qualify themselves for a more lucrative position, should communicate with us at once as we only have the one left and it is going to be sold. Don't delay—write to-day.

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A PROMINENT PHYSICIAN'S ENDORSEMENT

Dr. A. J. Hannah, a leading physician of Umatilla, Fla., says: "I have been using Herbine in my practice and am well pleased with the results. I always keep some on hand, and think it a grand medicine for Biliousness and Liver Complaints."

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Stop Grumbling.

If you suffer from Rheumatism or pains, for Ballard's Snow Liniment will bring quick relief. It is a sure cure for Sprains, Rheumatism, Contracted Muscles and all pains—and within the reach of all. Price 25c, 50c, \$1.00. C. R. Smith, Teneha, Tex. writes: I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for years and have found it a fine remedy for all pains and aches. I recommend it for pains in the chest.
Carleton & Porter.

Bings—Do you play the violin, Mr Smyrtaleck?

Mr. Smyrtaleck—Really, I dunno; I never tried!

If It Falls, the Money's Yours

Thousands of boxes of Hunt's Cure are being sold by the southern druggists daily, for the simple reason that people are rapidly finding out that it is the best cure for any itching disease ever discovered. The first application relieves, and one box positively guaranteed to cure any one case.

The death knell of six members of the feline tribe was sounded Monday afternoon at the hotel. It wasn't a very good day either for killing cats.

Do You Itch?

If so, you know the sensation is not an agreeable one, and hard to cure unless the proper remedy is used. Hunt's Cure is the King of all Skin remedies. It cures promptly any itching trouble known. No matter the name or place. One application relieves—one box is absolutely guaranteed to cure.

Mr. T. D. Zachary, a good citizen and farmer of the Hays Spring community, sends a specimen of oats to the Messenger office measuring 40 inches, with fine, full heads. They were grown on a piece of ground long since considered worn out, but it seems that there's some fertility still in this old sand to produce such grain.

It is possible to obtain relief from chronic indigestion and dyspepsia by the use of Kodol for dyspepsia. Some of the most hopeless cases of long standing have yielded to it. It enables you to digest the food you eat and exercises a corrective influence, building up the efficiency of the digestive organs. The stomach is the boiler wherein the steam is made that keeps up your vitality, health and strength. Kodol digests what you eat. Makes the stomach sweet—puts the boiler in condition to do the work nature demands of it—gives you relief from digestive disorders, and puts you in shape to do your best and feel your best. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

This apology from the Paonia, Col., Criterion is all that is necessary: "Why is the Criterion late this week? The reason is briefly summed up in the following: It's a boy. He arrived last Thursday and is now looking over this section with a view of locating. He ought to make quite a newspaper man. He takes readily to soft soap and often has his form washed. He is also a great booster. He can boost a whole family out at any hour of the night. Everybody hopes he will be a much better man than his father. They want him to be up to the average. We are going to name him Criterion, because he was issued on Thursday and because he is so read."

A torpid, inactive liver can produce more bodily ills than almost anything else. It is good to clean the system out occasionally. Stir the liver up, and get into shape generally. The best results are derived from the use of DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Reliable, effective, pleasant pills with a reputation. Never gripe. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

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We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic Party:

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For County Judge
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J. W. Madden
E. Winfree
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John H. Ellis
For Tax Collector
A. L. Goolsby
Oscar C. Goodwin
J. W. Brightman
For County Clerk
Nat E. Allbright
C. G. Lansford
J. J. Collier
For Sheriff
A. W. Phillips
C. E. Lively
John C. Lacy
For District Clerk
Joe Brown Stanton
Nat Patton
For County Treasurer
D. J. Cater
For Commissioner Prec't No 1
T. J. Dotson
S. H. Lively

Some Musings.

Many a husband enjoys his wife's vacation more than she does.

A married man does not live longer than a bachelor. It only seems longer.

Many a young woman's shirt-waist is rumpled because it has just been pressed.

Clothes do not make the man, yet the women insist on our wearing them.

A little girl defines drawing as "thinking and then drawing lines around the think."

If Ham had been sick and Noah had given him sugar, would he have been a "sugar-cured ham?"

The women probably got their idea of carrying their money in their—where they do—from Santa Claus.

Wellman should' fashion his North Pole flying machine after a horse. There is scarcely one of us that has not seen a horse-fly.

Pat discharged his head plumber the other day for having the nose bleed. "'Tis not much of a plumber ye a-are," scouted Patrick, "whin ye ca-n't stop a le-ak in yer own face!"
—BYRON WILLIAMS.

Pirating Foley's Honey and Tar.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. These worthless imitations have similar sounding names. Beware of them. The genuine Foley's Honey and Tar is in a yellow package. Ask for it and refuse any substitute. It is the best remedy for coughs and colds.
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Eighteen cars of cattle were shipped from here direct to Cuba last Friday night. McLain and Holcomb of Augusta and Dailey, and Murchison of Grapeland, were the contractors.

The Plain Plucker.

If a burn or a bruise afflicts you, rub it on, rub it on. Then before you scarcely know it all the trouble will be gone. For an aching joint or muscle do the same. It extracts all pain and poisons, plucks the stings and heals lame. Hunt's Lightning Oil does it.

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We are Showing a Handsome Line of Boys' Knee Pant Suits,
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Dress Goods.

We want you to see our dress goods in figured and white lawns, Persian lawns, fancy waistings, silk and linen mixed chiffon in white, blue and pink; dress linen in blue, gray and brown. We also have a nice line of wool dress goods for skirts and black taffeta silk for skirts or suits. See our line of A. C. A. gingham, at 10c. See our line of Scotch Lawns at..... **5c**

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We have some very pretty styles in ladies' white Linagree shirt waists, made of good grade sheer white lawn, trimmed with fine lace and embroidery inserting around yoke and down front, plaited in front and back. Also white linen waists embroidered front with side plaits, with long cuff sleeves at \$1.00, \$1.25 and..... **\$ 1.50**

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We can show you something in dress shirts to please you in golf negligee shirts in figures, stripes and checks; also a nice line of soft pongee shirts in white, cream and gray, with or without collars at 50c, and.....\$1.00

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Mrs. Pritchard Miller and little son, Joe Daggett, of Crockett, were visiting here this week.

Why take a dozen things to cure that cough? Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar allays the congestion, stops that tickling drives the cold out through your bowels. Carleton & Porter.

It is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold.

How often do we hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

"Here sleeps the father of twenty-one children," is the inscription on an Upper Sandusky, Ohio, man's tombstone. To that might well have been added, "He never had a chance to sleep before."—Mere Diversion.

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Rev. J. F. Lively came in from Lovelady Monday, where he had been to fill his appointment on Sunday.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Colds; Prevents Pneumonia

Stomach Troubles.

Mrs. Sue Martin, an old and highly respected resident of Faison, Miss., was sick with stomach trouble for more than six months. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured her. She says: "I can now eat anything I want and am the proudest woman in the world to find such a good medicine." For sale by B. R. Guice & Son. Samples free.

Charley Parker's whiskey trial has been continued to the special term of district court, which will be held in August.

See that your druggist gives you no imitation when you ask for Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar, the original Laxative syrup. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Miss Julia Lewis visited relatives at Elkhart Saturday and Sunday.

More News from the New England States.

If any one has any doubt as to the virtue of Foley's Kidney Cure, they need only to refer to Mr. Alvin H. Stimpson, of Willimantic, Conn., who, after almost losing hope of recovery, on account of the failure of so many remedies, finally tried Foley's Kidney Cure, which he says was "just the thing" for him, as four bottles cured him completely. He is now entirely well and free from all the suffering incident to acute kidney trouble.

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Prof. Sam Kennedy and sister Miss Blanche, of Augusta, spent Sunday here, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Stafford.

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THE AMERICAN HOME

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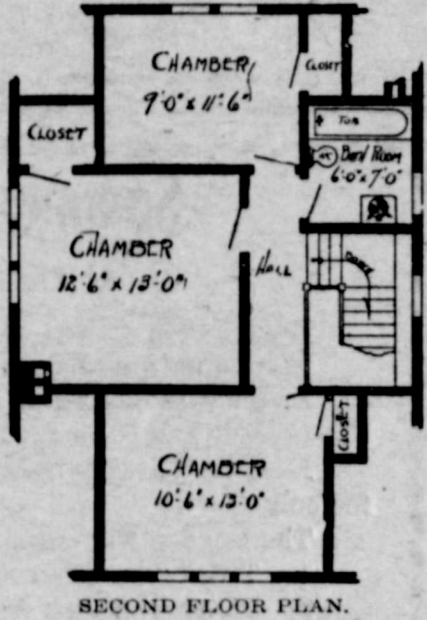
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Gambrel roofs in house construction are comparatively new. The old style was to make the top part of the roof steep. If any change in pitch was required the lower part was built in the form of a lean-to. This manner of construction gave very little head room, and it was faulty in other respects. Gambrel roofs were first used in barns. The idea was to make all the overhead mow room possible, but later architects discovered that very good rooms could be laid out in such ample space. It really makes the roof answer two purposes—that of siding and roof as well. The gambrel roof supersedes the old mansard style—a manner of construction that is now very seldom seen.

In designing houses of the smaller sizes the question of chimneys always requires careful consideration. It is not safe to run a stovepipe very far to reach the chimney. When fires occur because of long stovepipes it is always difficult to collect insurance, the supposition being that such pipes are unsafe, and that the person using them is to a certain extent responsible for the damage. Insurance does not always insure and this is a case in point.

This is not a little house. The size is 23 feet 6 inches by 34 feet, and it may be built for from \$1,200 to \$1,500 when conditions are favorable, without gas, mantel or plumbing. But

chimney is calculated for a stove in the dining-room and a grate in the parlor. Because of the open doors into the hall and parlor a good heating stove in the dining-room makes the whole house comfortable. Of course there is no objection to heat-



ing this style of a house with a furnace. In fact it can be done very easily and with very little expense if pipes are put in when the building is constructed. Generally speaking, furnaces are not used in the smaller houses as much as they should be, but this is no reason why new houses should be built without furnace flues. The furnace is economical when the amount of heat is considered. Stoves burn less coal, but you have less comfort. A furnace properly set makes a house warm all over, which is ap-

easier than apples, and it is hardly safe to keep them in the same room. Then the good wife likes a compartment for bottles of fruit, jars of jam, jellies, pickles and such things where she can keep them clean. She likes to have this room plastered and to have a good smooth hard cement floor, and a good door with a lock to it, so she can shut it up and turn the key. There are things to be kept in such a room that have cost her a good deal of work to prepare, and she likes to know that the neighbors' boys are not likely to help themselves. She means to be liberal enough with the kids, but she would rather deal out doses of expensive jams and jellies in quantities that would be good for them. These different compartments in the cellar cost but little extra at the time of building and they are there for use for a long time to come.

Of course, there are sometimes reasons for not putting everything into a house at the time of building, and most of these conveniences may be added later if arrangements are made when the plans are prepared. A great deal of pleasure is derived from following up these arrangements, adding a convenience here and there as time and money will allow. Getting a home in this way impresses its importance especially upon young persons as nothing else can. It often is a great misfortune for young folks to be given a home complete. They never appreciate its value the same as when they get it together by their own efforts through economy, waiting and hard work.

It is difficult to know just when to start in and how elaborate to prepare for the future, but it is a very good plan to go slowly. There is a great deal more comfort in a little house that is paid for than there is in a big showy house with a big debt on it. I do not mean to discourage people from building because they cannot at once pay for their home. If everyone waited until they had money enough to pay the entire cost of a home few homes would be attempted. Probably in 99 cases out of 100 young folks give a mortgage for half or two-thirds of the cost; then pay this off little by little as they prosper. Persons who manage this way have a home at middle life, when if they waited to pay cash down for a home they probably would die in a rented house.

HAZED FOR POVERTY; ILL.

Nervous System of Young Officer of Guards in England Wrecked by Comrades' Treatment.

London.—A young officer of the guards at Aldershot is under a physician's care in London, his nervous system completely broken down as a result of hazing. He is not rich and he declared he could not meet the usual regimental subscriptions. Consequently he frequently absented himself from the company of the other officers and kept to his own rooms.

His fellow officers resented this, and to show their disapproval they stripped him, smeared him with motor oil, covered him with feathers, and plastered his hair with jam. He escaped to his room, in which he barricaded himself. His tormentors smashed down the door, whereupon the victim leaped from a window and sought refuge in a hotel.

The other officers could not find him, though they sought him and he was reported to his superiors as being absent without leave. His physician telegraphed to the colonel of the regiment that the young officers is seriously ill.

The secretary of state for war, Mr. Malden, has been informed of the affair and has ordered an inquiry.

UMBRELLA SAVES HIS LIFE.

Old Style Rain Chute Acts as Parachute for Man in Fall from Palisades.

New York.—Had he carried a slender silk umbrella with a steel rod and cobweb spokes, Salvator Blanco doubtless would have been killed when he fell off the Palisades at Cliffside, the other day.

As it was, having adhered all his life to the common or garden "umbrella" of his daddies, with a stout wooden stick and substantial radii, he had the satisfaction of seeing it operate as an emergency parachute, and it was lightly as this tied down that he floated toward the ground a hundred feet below the brow of the cliff.

The sturdy frame supported him—and Blanco's no bantam—until he was five or six yards from the bottom. When it struck for a new wage scale and Blanco bumped the bumps.

But the home stretch of his descent wasn't long enough for dangerous injury, and when at last he became stationary once more he suffered from nothing worse than cuts and bruises.

Spotted Without.
"There are no noblemen in this country, are there?" observed the titled foreigner.

"Oh, yes, there are, plenty of them," replied the American, good-naturedly, "only we don't have to tag them over here."—Detroit Free Press.

FARMER AND PLANTER

TRUCK GARDENING.

A Comparison of Crops and Conditions as Between North and South

For several years I have spent my vacation during August at Green Bay, Wis. (my native town) with Mr. H. C. Smith, one of the most extensive and successful truck growers in the northwest. Mr. Smith is the son of the late J. M. Smith, for many years the president of the Wisconsin State Horticultural society, and one of the leading horticulturists of the United States.

While there I was struck with the remarkable difference that the climate has on the production of the soil, and the great difference the demand of the market has on the truck growers of the north compared to that of the south.

The first thing that engages the attention of the observer is the wonderful difference in the truck growing business here and there. One may be well posted and successful in one locality, but nothing is more certain than the fact that he would fail completely should he pursue the same calling in the same way in the other. Take for instance the crops we grow for the Atlanta winter market; the most important are turnips and turnip greens, with collards spinach, mustard, kale, lettuce, and beets. Up there, except a very little spinach, and very few turnips (of which the root only is used), such crops are never planted at all as there is actually no demand for them. For summer crops we have the okra, of which we use such quantities, is practically unknown up there. Equally true it is with the butter or lima bean for which our market requires quantities, are not called for and not one person in fifty would know them if they saw them. The wax or yellow bean are the favorite bean for the northern market and no green variety is used, while with us they are entirely rejected and the green bean is exclusively used for string beans. A little trifling patch of a few dozen eggplants is sufficient to fill all demands in Mr. Smith's eighty acre truck farm, while we need hundreds of bushels to supply our trade. For "roasting ears" or green corn, we use different varieties of field corn which give perfect satisfaction. Up there, I think dealers would just about mob a man who would offer such corn for table use, as they will have nothing but the best varieties of sweet corn for roasting ears.

Beets, carrots, parsnips, salsify and tomatoes are about a stand-off with us, and their demand is about the same. Then there is horse radish and pie plant, which is not grown with us, is one of their leading crops. Of cabbage, onions, Irish potatoes, and celery, they never seem to get too much as they ship them literally by the train loads to all parts of the country. In the matter of fertilizers, they use practically no commercial fertilizers but depend altogether on barnyard manure, while we have our largest item of expense in manufactured fertilizers. Their labor, all white of course, costs them normally about twice as much as what we pay for ours, they paying from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per day of ten hours' work, and here Mr. Smith insists that we pay fully as much, if not more, than they do, their labor being more efficient and reliable, and in all respects better, to which I must assent.

As to prices our truck growers would faint and quit if they had to sell at such prices as they are contented with up there. Just think of delivering fine, solid and well trimmed cabbage at four dollars per ton, while we get never less than sixty, Irish potatoes at 30 cents per bushel, while we never receive less than sixty, onions at 40 cents and so on. At such prices they all do well one year with another and are satisfied. Of course some times they get more, but oftentimes less. Last year (1905) for instance, thousands of tons of cabbage were sold at \$1.50 to \$2 per ton and thousands of bushels of Irish potatoes could not be sold at the low price of 15 cents per bushel. Of course such low prices are not frequent, and are not satisfactory and likely may be overcome this year by the advance.

They commence planting about the middle of April and are through harvesting about the 1st of November. They are seldom annoyed with late frosts, the season, when it opens it permanently so, while we often sustain heavy losses by it.

The onion crop has been for forty years one of their most profitable crops till for the past few years they have been visited by the onion maggot, which has discouraged them so that in some measures they have abandoned that industry and are turning their attention to the growing of the sugar beet. About one thousand acres have been planted this year, in sugar beets in my old county, with a sugar factory within a reasonable limit, which pays four and one-half dollars per ton for cleaned,

washed beets at the station or landing. At this price the growers realize from seventy-five to one hundred dollars per acre gross returns, and as they do practically all the work with their own families the industry promises to become an enormous one in a few years. The average percentage of sugar in the beet raised there is a little over fifteen per cent, for the last three years. As the best results the United States government has been able to obtain from sugar beets grown in the south is only between six and seven per cent., it follows that the sugar beet can not be successfully grown with us.

Of watermelons, peaches, sweet potatoes and such like they raise little or none, the south filling their market with much superior than they can grow at home. So it appears that the advantages of truck growing are much in our favor, but when we take into consideration the production of the soil and the energy of the climate, the advantages of the south will be greatly lessened.

The original fertility of the soil is but a small factor in truck growing; the soil, both north and south, has to be brought up to the proper degree of fertility, but this being the same the production of the north is overwhelmingly in the favor of the north, and this one item counteracts the low prices of the north. Then again, the energy of the climate is much like the disposition of the northern man, active, as there are but six months in which the climate has to perform its requirements, it follows that hurry is necessary. There is one more item to be considered in favor of the north and that is transportation. The railroads are helping to develop those industries by giving reasonable rates, while with us many articles of our production are confined to home market by the prohibition of exorbitant transportation rates.—Chas. Deckner, in Southern Cultivator.

MODEL FARMING.

An Example Published by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Bulletin No. 242, issued by the agricultural department, under direction of W. J. Spillman, is one of the most interesting little pamphlets ever issued from the department. It should be of special interest to our southern farmers, since it shows how a preacher took a poor, run-down farm of fifteen acres, with a mortgage of \$7,200 upon it. He started a dairy farm upon it, keeping 17 milk cows, and keeping them in their stalls the year round. He saved every bit of the manure, liquid and solid, and hauled it out upon his 13 acres of cultivatable land every day. He soon enriched his soil until it produced an average of 6.7 tons of dry food stuff per acre. In six years he cleared enough to pay off this mortgage. Rye, corn and hay were his principal crops. One man and a boy managed this little farm. They averaged 26 gallons of milk per day, which brought them \$2,400. The cash outlay for concentrated food was \$625. They sold some hay and several well-bred heifers each year. We want a number of southern farmers interested in making a good living on a small area to get this bulletin and read it. We had as well learn, that we can not permanently and economically enrich our soil without the cow, and more of us had as well learn how to raise them—handle them profitably and to arise something to feed them upon, which is essential before we can accomplish the two items above. We want to call your attention to Mr. Spillman's final summing up at the conclusion of this little pamphlet. He says: "We have given the account of a pioneer farmer, starting in with no experience, but going to work in a methodical manner to learn what he could from the experience of others, making a careful study of surrounding conditions, and adjusting himself to those conditions. This farmer, by applying scientific principles and business methods, has blazed a path into a region of great possibilities. The most important lesson to be learned from his achievements, is that, by applying such methods, it is possible to cause land to yield twice or three times as much as the present average from what are considered good methods." And we add in a very short period of time. Many will say, oh! this was in Pennsylvania, you can not do so well down south. The time perhaps, has been, when we had no cities or markets and we could not do so well, but now we can not only sell all our milk and butter, but can realize a better price for them than can our northern brothers. We never expect to rest satisfied until we see more diversity and better methods in the south. And one of the first things and a natural forerunner of better things—we want to see more cows and more dairies. We know it is exacting, confining work, but it is the everlasting keeping at it that bring a sure reward and success.—Southern Cultivator.

—Bone is a fine fertilizer for any crop, and will pay under corn or cotton; but best under corn.



these luxuries would not cost a great deal extra in a house of this kind.

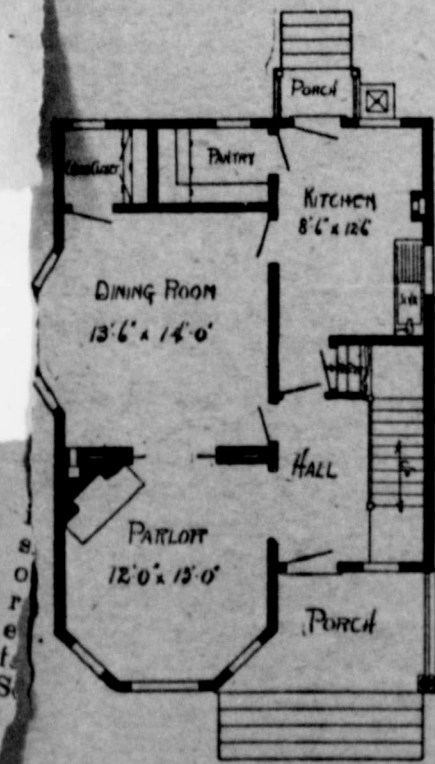
The interior of this gambrel roof house is very pleasing. The entrance from the front porch is into a light, airy hall with an attractive open stairway. There is room enough at the back end of the hall for a hatrack,

precluded by every member of the family.

A bathroom is of very little use in winter without some means of heating it, and a furnace flue is the best heater in a small house. Of course a coal oil stove may be used for this purpose, but nothing gives the satisfaction of a good hot pipe from the furnace. I would like to see a furnace, bathroom and a grate in every house. Certainly these modern improvements are necessities according to our present ideas. Ten years ago they were all luxuries, but they have since become so common that houses in cities will not rent without them. They are just as desirable in towns and villages and on the farms. But for some reason they have not been adopted to the same extent. Many of the newer farmhouses are equipped with just as many conveniences as city homes, but the farming communities generally have not adopted these innovations and the inhabitants are losing by it. The best of everything is good enough for royal American citizens until they can find something better.

The cellarway in this plan is very convenient to the kitchen. In the course of a day in getting the different meals a woman runs up and down the cellar stairs a good many times. There are shelves in the cellar for holding canned fruit and many other things that the housewife requires, and the kitchen or upper rooms are too warm to keep such things. For this reason a convenient cellarway with good easy steps is not only a convenience but a necessity.

Every cellar should be divided into compartments. The end farthest from the heating apparatus should be shut off and kept at a cold even temperature for apples. But potatoes freeze



and doors open into the parlor, dining-room and kitchen, which is one of the best possible arrangements to have.

This plan gives us a large dining-room with a pleasant bay window. Just the place for a couple of comfortable chairs near the stove, as the

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Save Your Potato Crop. We have both.....

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P. S. Our sales book shows that we have done more than three times as much cash business this year as we did during the corresponding period last year. We have turned our stock several times since we began so you see our stock is kept continually fresh. C. & P.

LOCAL NEWS.

Bring your eggs to F. A. Faris

If you want Chill Tonics Howard has them. No cure, no pay.

J. B. Lively wants your beef hides and bee's wax.

Dan Fulton has returned home from Jacksonville.

B. R. Guice & Son sell Hall's Chill Cure.

F. A. Faris sells McCall's Patterns.

J. B. Lively will pay you cash for beef hides and bee's wax.

Buy your Groceries from F. A. Faris.

Flour at wholesale or retail at Howard's.

O.C. Goodwin, candidate for tax Collector, was in town Saturday.

Paul Roberts of Dallas was in the city last week visiting his sister, Miss Sadie Roberts.

Staple and fancy groceries at lowest prices. A trial will convince you. Tims & Sheridan

G. R. Whitley and family have gone to Marlin, Texas, for a few weeks to regain lost health.

Mr. N. K. Fretz has been on the puny list a few days, but is improving now.

There is plenty of Barb wire and Hog fencing in Grapeland now as Geo. E. Darsey has just received a car.

Hosea Anthony left last Thursday night for points in Alabama and Tennessee, where he will visit several weeks.

My candy is something just simply out of sight. It is fresh and in great variety. Odell Faris.

Grapeland Messenger and Galveston Semi-weekly News, \$1.25. Subscribe today and be up-to-date.

WANTED—Young men, we have the contract to furnish operators for the new railroad under construction from McKinney to points in New Mexico. Positions guaranteed. Notes accepted for tuition.

TELEGRAPH COLLEGE, McKinney, Texas.

Remember.

It's not how you live, but how's your liver. If not in perfect order, make it so by using Simon's Liver Purifier,—tin boxes only. Its the surest, safest and most agreeable aid to that organ ever put up.

WE have just received a nice assortment of cards for private and official use. Some of the up-to-date candidates have already had their work of this kind done and we feel sure others will do so in the near future. In the mean time let us print yours.

Another lot of Shumate Razors just received at Howard's.

McCall's Patterns are stylish and reliable. at F. A. Faris'.

J. F. Brill shipped some fine berries to Dallas this week, from his nursery east of town.

Dolph Carter has gone to Sulphur Springs on a visit to his sister, Mrs. B. E. Blount.

Mr. J. J. Lewis of Nacogdoches is in town this week on a visit to his sons, Jack and Jno. Lewis.

Putnam Dye will do the work. Every package guaranteed at B. R. Guice & Son.

Grady Lockey of Salmon has accepted a position with Al. Brown on his farm south of town.

Jno. Murchison, a prominent merchant of Athens, was in town Monday visiting his kin people.

See us for prices on Baker Perfect Barb wire and Hog fencing. New car load just received.

Geo. E. Darsey.

Prof. A. W. Cain was in Crockett last Friday and Saturday assisting in the teachers examination.

Rev. H. E. Harris of Loyelady filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Halls Chill Cure is guaranteed at B. R. Guice & Son. If one bottle does not break chills come and get your money back.

Candidates, the Messenger wants to print you some cards. New lot just received. Prices right.

For Earthenware, Tinware, Glassware or Enamelled-ware go to Howard's.

We will receive in a few days a large shipment of Courtney's full vamp shoes for men, women and children. This will be one of the prettiest line of shoes that has ever been in this town. Tims & Sheridan.

Constable Carey Spence went over to Oakwoods Saturday night after a negro who owed an old fine here. He succeeded in finding his man, and collected the fine, returning home Sunday. Spence is making a good record as constable and generally gets what he goes after.

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My Visit to Grapeland.

Dear Messenger:—After a residence of four years in Grapeland, it goes without saying that I formed many warm friendships, the memory of whom will always be precious to me, and language is inadequate to express my pleasure at once more being permitted to look into their faces, and feel the hearty hand shake of welcome. I can only regret that the time being so short, I failed to see many that I dearly love. One can hardly traverse Houston county without being impressed with her magnitude, people and resources. I was certainly gratified to note the many marks of material progress in Grapeland and adjacent territory and was made to think of what I said to a few confidential friends three years ago—"that the boll weevils would prove a blessing in disguise to that country." I predict that the Grapeland country is just in the dawn of a new and brighter era. The only danger, as I see it, is the people forgetting God as the source of all life, and the giver of every good thing. If the people would only cleave unto God, He would take care of, not only the spiritual, but the material side of life as well. We had a good day at Liberty Hill on Sunday, but Bro. Coberley can tell you all about that. It made me feel sad to view the havoc wrought by the hail on the beautiful Farris farm in Cherokee county. It impresses one with the uncertainty of things in this world and the wisdom of keeping a stronghold on those things that are certain. The rains here have been gentle and crop prospects are ideal.

The Messenger comes every week as a letter from home. May it live long and grow in influence for good. J. B. LUKER, Garrison, Texas, Plenty of meal at F. A. Faris'. Disturbed the Congregation. The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by continually coughing is requested to buy a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar. Carleton & Porter Lee Sory of Palestine was here Monday repairing Caskey Bros. barber shop. Lee informed us he would have charge of the hotel here after January 1, his father-in-law, Mr. Urspring, having purchased it.

A good complexion is impossible with the stomach out of order. If pasty swallow people would pay more attention to their stomachs and less to the skin on their faces, they would have better complexions. Kodol for dyspepsia will digest what you eat and put your stomach back in right shape to do its own work. Kodol relieves palpitation of the heart, flatulence, sour stomach, heart burn, etc. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

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Teachers and students in the vicinity of Grapeland should talk with me about the Normal.

A. W. CAIN, L. I., A. B.,
Teacher in Normal.

DR. W. B. TAYLOR,

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