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## FROM LYNN COUNTY.

Mr. Carter Writes to His Many Friends in this Vicinity.

Tahoka, Texas, Jan. 26, 1907.  
Editor:—As I have been invited to visit your paper I thought I would come across and tell of our trip from Hall County to Lynn county and also give a brief description of this place.

Lynn County is like all other counties of our grand Lone Star State. It has a variety of soils varying from a dark red sand to a deep white sand. No timber at all except scrubby mesquite and there are places that for miles and miles a fellow can travel and never come to a drea, and not a sprout to be seen.

Lynn County is situated on the South West Plains and I think the climate is not at extremes but rather pleasant. This County was organized three years ago and there were only 17 voters at that time. Now there are about two hundred. Our country is settling up fast and by as good people as our State affords. This will some day be a rich agricultural region. Farming is fast coming to the front. The finest wheat and oats are raised. Cotton and Indian Corn is the chief products. Both are very productive. Cotton averages from one half to one and one half bales per acre. Corn from 25 to 70 bushels per acre. They also raise Kafir Corn and maize in immense quantities. Fruit and vegetables grow to be wonderful size. They raise as fine vegetables here as they do in East Texas. We have very good water at reasonable depth, some water is salty. The price of land is advancing fast. It has gone up \$5.00 on the acre since last August that is in places. The price of land ranges from \$2.50 to \$12.50 per acre. I like all others who move to the West think it a grand country of course. Myself and two of my sons have bought us a home here at \$11.90 per acre. In five miles of the County Seat. John Brooks and Little George Cutler have bought land at the same price and on the same section. So we have a colony of our own. But still we do not claim to be selfish.

Tahoka is a thriving little town of 500 inhabitants. I think we will have railroad here soon, as there have been two railroad surveys through here lately. We are 75 miles away from the railroad. Big Springs is our nearest railroad station. It takes six days for the people to go there and back. So us men folks get to go off and leave the women folks to batch very often, which no doubt affords them much pleasure. Here are some more of the pests we have: blue weeds and prairie dogs. Now I have tried to tell the bitters as well as the sweets, for all know that it is impossible to get all the coons up one tree. But I think there's only a few left presuming. This is a fine place for a sportsman. Antelope and wolves are plentiful, and there are a few badgers, Rattlesnakes also. Bob Whites and Mexican Quails are plentiful. Fuel is scarce unless we go to the brakes after it, and it takes two days to make the trip. We burn mesquite grubs, cornstalks, some coal, together with other things too numerous to mention. I have found that a person can always find something to burn if they have neither wood nor coal. All of you good East Texas people come over and we will show you some of the things you read about. I said in the beginning of my letter that I would tell of my trip but I have already taken up too much space. But we were nine days in a covered wagon, and you can guess at the pleasure there was in it. Now is the time for

## Shipper's Red Tag Sale

We are not going to advance the prices of our heavy cotton goods, woolen dress goods, shawls, over coats, under wear, heavy hosiery, over shirts, sweaters and childrens' wraps, but will continue to sell at the Red Tag Price which will be a money saver to those who continue to attend the Red Tag Sale.

### Get on Inside of Good Clothes.

It is just as necessary for us to hold a Red Tag Sale in our clothing and dress goods stock as it is for you to get on inside of good clothes. It is necessary now in order to close out our winter drsss goods and clothing before the coming spring and if seasonable goods at the right price is what you are looking for you had better drop in and get on the inside of good clothes.

### Get on Outside of Something to Eat

If you buy your groceries from us you will always be on outside of something good to eat because we always buy fresh new groceries and keep our entire grocery stock complete and promise not to charge you above the market price. Remember we guarantee our good in both quality and quantity.

### Will You be on the Safe Side?

If you visit our store and buy at the Red Tag Sale Price you will be inside of good clothes and on outside of good things to eat, then you can safely say, I'm on the safe side.

## J. G. Shipper & Son,

Grapeland, Texas.

## A NEW MAP OF TEXAS

New Feature Never Before Used, Portraits of All Texas' Presidents and Governors.

The Houston Post has just issued a new and attractive wall chart of six pages, each page being 28x36 inches. This chart contains entirely new maps of Texas, the United States, the Philippine, Panama and canal zone, the world, Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and topographical map of the Russo-Japanese war district. In addition to the usual index and portraits of the presidents of the United States, rulers of other nations and flags of all nations, The Post at great expense has added an entirely new feature, it being shown on the chart with the new map of Texas.

The map its self is entirely new, now being printed for the first time. In addition to the cities, towns, counties ect, every existing and new railroad is shown, and surrounding the map is a portrait of the three presidents of the Republic of Texas, and in addition to these there is a portrait of each of Texas' governors including Governor Campbell. This feature alone makes the chart so valuable that it should be in every Texas home.

The index to this map is so simple a child may locate any given point with ease. This valuable chart can be gotten only through subscriptions to The Post, it being given free with a six months subscription to The Daily and Sunday Post for \$4.25, or with The Semi-Weekly Post one year for \$1.25

We can furnish you the Houston-Semi-Weekly Post one year, the chart and the Messenger one year, all for \$2.00. This offer holds good for 60 days only. Send in your subscription now.

### A Household Necessity.

I would almost as soon think of running my farm without implements as without Hunt's Lightning Oil. Of all the liniments I have ever used, for both man and beast, it is the quickest in action and richest in results. For burns and fresh cuts it is absolutely wonderful. I regard it is a household necessity.

Yours truly,  
S. Harrison,  
Kosciusko, Miss.

The boys refuse this job: "Wanted—Boy to wash dishes and chambermaid." Apply Pacific house, corner Main and First Streets."—EX.

### DON'T PUT OFF

until tomorrow what you can do today. If you are suffering from a torpid liver, or constipation, don't wait until tomorrow to get help.

Buy a bottle of Herbine and get the liver working right. Promptness about health saves many sick spells. "Mrs. Ida Gresham, Point, Texas writes: I used Herbine in my family for six years, and find it does all it claims to do." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

### ABARQ

should be sunshine in the house, and will be if you will give it White's Cream Vermifuge the best worm medicine offered to suffering humanity. This remedy is becoming the permanent fixture of all households. A mother with children, can't get along without a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge in the house. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

### LECTURE ON GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

Mrs. Zehner Lectures on Good Citizenship and Ideal Love.

Mrs. A. C. Zehner, of Dallas, State Lecturer of the W. C. T. U., lectured here Saturday night and Sunday. The church was filled at both lectures with a large and appreciative audience. Her lecture Saturday night was on Good Citizenship. She showed what the W. C. T. U. had done in securing good citizenship by abolishing the saloon, and said that we must keep them abolished if we want to keep our good citizenship. On Sunday she spoke of what a husband's love could do; what a mothers love could do; what love for country could do; and lastly what God's love could do. God's love she called the Ideal Love. Mrs. Zehner lectured here four years ago, so the people knew what to expect of her, and were fully justified in their expectations.

every door man to own a home in the West. Time is flying by and the price of land is going out of sight, so now is the time.

As ever,  
G. B. Cutler.

### A Habit to Be Encouraged.

The mother who has acquired the habit of keeping on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, sues herself a great amount of uneasiness and anxiety. Coughs, colds and croup, to which children are susceptible are quickly cured by its use. It contracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and if given as soon as the first symptoms of croup appear, it will prevent the attack. This remedy contains nothing injurious and mothers give it to little ones with a feeling of perfect security. Sold by B. R. Guice & Son.

### WRECK NEAR LA TEXO.

Nine Cars Ditched, and One Man Seriously Injured.

Last Saturday morning the northbound freight was wrecked one mile north of LaTexo; Nine cars were ditched, that were loaded principally with lumber and crossties. None of the train hands were injured but a "Knight of the Road," sleeping in one of the cars was scratched up considerably, and is now in the hospital at Palestine.

### Reynard News.

Reynard, Jan. 29.—The northern last Friday was one of the old fashion and Saturday we had a hog killing time ye scribe helped to take the hair off of 1650 pounds, and we are having a time eating. Glad to report not much meat lost during warm weather. In this part some have done considerable plowing others have not run a furrow. The cold weather has not been sufficient to kill the most delicate vegetation as yet only checked the growth.

On our way home from town last week we saw two of Paul Jones houses lying out side the road and two of the flowers of our neighborhood right close around about. The boys drink because their fathers drink, and are not drunkards. Eathers can't you quit it for the sake of the youth of our land? If you will not touch, then you can condemn. It is the man that drinks and never gets drunk that the boys are trying to follow.

Hurrah for the Bank, health of our little town, good.

Zack.

Rev. J. C. Cameron filled his regular appointment at Lovelady last Sunday.

### PROHIBITS C. O. D. BUSINESS.

Enormous Tax Provided for Receiving and Delivering Liquors.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 24.—The Liquor Traffic Committee of the House tonight reported favorably on Thompson's bill providing that any person, firm or corporation who should receive and deliver liquors for cash on delivery should pay an annual tax of \$5,000 to the state, \$2,500 to the county, and \$25,000 to the city, unless package is accompanied by original order. This bill is practically the counterpart of the Mississippi State Law that has been affirmed and held constitutional by the Federal Court, and is directed at the C. O. D. express shipments into local option districts. Its terms make it strictly prohibitive, as this annual tax is imposed for each and several offices of such corporations at or in a local option district.

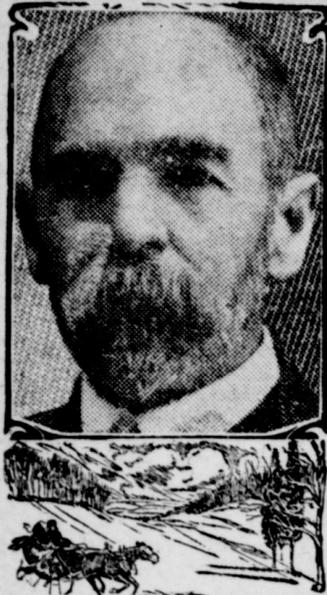
### Lame Back.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day and rubbing the parts vigorously at each application. If this does not afford relief, bind on a piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm, and quick relief is almost sure to follow. For Sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

### Rest and Sleep.

Few escape these miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simmon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

## LIEUTENANT BOWMAN.



## IN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS PE-RU-NA CURED HIM.

### Cold Affected Head and Throat—Attack was Severe.

Chas. W. Bowman, 1st Lieut. and Adj. 4th M. S. M. Cav. Vols., writes from Lanham, Md., as follows:

"Though somewhat averse to patent medicines, and still more averse to becoming a professional affidavit man, it seems only a plain duty in the present instance to add my experience to the columns already written concerning the curative powers of Peruna.

"I have been particularly benefited by its use for colds in the head and throat. I have been able to fully cure myself of a most severe attack in forty-eight hours by its use according to directions. I use it as a preventive whenever threatened with an attack.

"Members of my family also use it for like ailments. We are recommending it to our friends."

—Chas. W. Bowman.

Ask Your Druggist for Free Peruna Almanac for 1907.

### Kept a Diary Seven Years.

Henry Arthur Jones, the noted English playwright, was giving the students of Yale an address on the drama.

"Your American vernacular is picturesque," he said, "and it should help your playwrights to build strong, racy plays. But neither vernacular nor anything else is of moment if perseverance is lacking.

"No playwright can succeed who is like a man I know.

"I said to this man, one New Year's day:

"Do you keep a diary, Philip?"

"Yes," he answered, "I've kept one for the first two weeks in January for the last seven years."

### Alcohol From Sweet Potatoes.

Sweet potatoes are principally used in the Azores to make alcohol, the yield being ten to 11 per cent. The present price is about 13 cents (United States currency) per liter (1.0567 quarts).

## THE FIRST TWINGE

Of Rheumatism Calls for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills If You Would Be Easily Cured.

Mr. Frank Little, a well known citizen of Portland, Ionia Co., Mich., was cured of a severe case of rheumatism by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. In speaking about it recently, he said: "My body was run down and in no condition to withstand disease and about five years ago I began to feel rheumatic pains in my arms and across my back. My arms and legs grew numb and the rheumatism seemed to settle in every joint so that I could hardly move, while my arms were useless at times. I was unable to sleep or rest well and my heart pained me so terribly I could hardly stand it. My stomach became sour and bloated after eating and this grew so bad that I had inflammation of the stomach. I was extremely nervous and could not bear the least noise or excitement. One whole side of my body became paralyzed.

"As I said before, I had been suffering about five years and seemed to be able to get no relief from my doctors, when a friend here in Portland told me how Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had cured him of neuralgia in the face, even after the pain had drawn it to one side. I decided to try the pills and began to see some improvement soon after using them. This encouraged me to keep on until I was entirely cured. I have never had a return of the rheumatism or of the paralysis.

The pills are for sale by all druggists or sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes \$1.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

A dry sponge is the best thing with which to remove fluff from woolen clothing.

Peel the onion from the root upwards, and you will have hardly any trouble from the eyes watering.

Heat pans slightly, grease with lard and sprinkle well with flour, turning out all the flour that does not stick to tins.

Bureau drawers and doors that stick can be remedied by sandpapering them first and then rubbing the edges with a bar of common soap wet with a little water.

To brighten the carpet sprinkle with salt, or go over it once a week with a broom that has been dipped in hot water, in which a little of the spirits of turpentine has been added.

Break one egg into a tumbler, one and one-half teaspoons vinegar, dash of salt, pepper and tabasco sauce. Give one good shake and swallow it all. One can take raw eggs better in this way.

### Appetizing Meat Stews.

It is at this season that meat stews, which require the long, slow cooking, will be found most appetizing and economical additions to the weekly menu. If you burn coal you have a fire all day any way, so that there will be no extra expense for fuel. Stews may be cooked on top of the stove or in the oven, the general essentials being a moist, gentle heat that softens the fibres and develops the juices of the meat. This process is known as fricaseeing, stewing or braising, and the finished product appears as a stew, a braise, a ragout, a haricot or saimi, according to seasoning, method of cooking and serving, or the necessity of impressing upon the good man that he is eating a specially well dinner, such as he would pay dearly for at a first-class restaurant.

### Mayonnaise Dressing.

As oil is the expensive ingredient in making salads, it is well to buy it in bulk instead of bottles; at any Italian grocery it comes in tins at 65 cents a quart. As the largest size bottles hold only one short pint, this is a great saving. This is a good rule for making mayonnaise:

Put the oil on ice until cold; beat the yolk of an egg in a cold bowl until it is light and foamy; then put in the oil, a drop at a time, beating until it is thick; thin with a very little vinegar, and begin dropping the oil again; when there is enough and it is thick, it is done; add salt and a little cayenne.—Harper's Bazar.

### Deep Apple Pie.

Invert in the center of a deep granite or earthenware dish a teacup, then fill the remaining space with tart apples, peeled, cored and quartered. Sprinkle over them a half cup of sugar mixed with a teaspoonful of cinnamon, or a salt spoonful allspice, or in place of the ordinary sugar use maple sugar, or molasses and sugar half and half. Roll a strip of paste half an inch wide, wet the edge of the dish, put the paste on the edge, then cover with a paste a little larger than the dish with the fullness thrown back in the center. Press the cover to the rim and bake until the apples are tender.

### Compote of Oranges.

Boil together one cupful of sugar and one cupful of water. Add the thin yellow rind of three oranges, cut into narrow strips, cook five minutes longer, add a glassful of sherry and pour hot over six peeled and sliced oranges, sweetened to taste. When cold pile up in a glass dish and pour the sirup over them.

### To Remove Stains on Table Glass.

Stains, like lime deposit, can be removed with an acid. Put a gill of water in the pitcher and other article to be cleaned. Gradually add about two tablespoonfuls of sulphuric acid. Shake well and the glass will often be cleaned. Strong vinegar will often dissolve the crust of lime.

### Revival of Oldtime Card Cases.

Grandmother's card cases, slender, flat, old-fashioned affairs of silver and gold, are again coming in style, and those who are the fortunate possessors of some of these antiques are proudly resurrecting them. The modern jeweler has taken some quaint ones for reproduction models, which show the same delicate chasing as the originals. Miss G. has one of these oldtime moderns of gold, with her monogram picked out in brilliants and arranged on a shield, outlined with tiny diamonds.

### Observed By Uncle David.

Sim Jenkin's oldest girl has been in New York for nearly six weeks, studyin' to go on the stage, and the only time she remembers that there's an r in the alphabet is when she gets excited and doesn't happen to think about it.

### Did He Mean It?

A man in South Staffordshire, England, went to announce the birth of twins. He did so thus: "The wife of Mr. D— of twins (son and daughter); deeply regretted."

## A SIMPLE FORMULA

### PRESCRIPTION OF AN EMINENT SPECIALIST IS GIVEN.

Necessary Ingredients Cost Little and Can Be Secured at Any Good Drug Store—Will Break a Cold Quickly.

Mix half ounce of the Pure Virgin Oil of Pine with two ounces of glycerine and half a pint of good whisky; shake well and use in teaspoonful doses. A noted authority on diseases of the throat and lungs who established a camp for consumptives in the pine woods of Maine, declares that the above formula will heal the lungs and cure any cough that is curable. It will break up a cold in twenty-four hours. The ingredients can be secured from any good prescription druggist at small cost.

Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure) is put up only in half-ounce vials for dispensing; each vial is securely sealed in a round wooden case with engraved wrapper, showing the name—Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure) prepared only by Leach Chemical Co., Cincinnati, O.—plainly printed thereon. There are many rank imitations of Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure), which are put out under various names, such as Concentrated Oil of Pine, Pine Balsam, etc. Never accept these as a substitute for the Pure Virgin Oil of Pine, as they will invariably produce nausea and never effect the desired result.

Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure) is also said to be a perfect neutralizing agent for uric acid.

### MEN STILL LIVE IN CAVES.

#### Troglodytic Villages Are Found in Northern Africa.

Grottoes and caverns are used more or less as shelters by primitive peoples and thus inhabited caves are of course most frequent in Africa. A considerable number of natives make their homes in caves along the southern shore of the Strait of Gibraltar and in some of those caves are found the polished stones and arrow heads of the stone age. Troglodyte villages are frequent in the Tebessa territory of Algeria, one of which, at Djurf, 250 feet above the gorge of the Wadi Hallail, is reached by steps cut in the rock.

The inhabitants of the Tunisian Island of Galite are cave dwellers, their habitations being grottoes which they have dug out of the limestone, or ancient burial caverns that they have enlarged. The subterranean villages of Matmata and of Medennie, hewn out of the rock, are in southern Tunisia.

A Christian monastery built underground in the twelfth century still exists at Goba, Abyssinia. The enormous cavern discovered several years ago within two hours' walk of the port of Tanga, in German East Africa, contains rooms the roofs of which are from 120 to 250 feet above the floor. Only a few of these vast chambers have yet been explored, for the entire cavern seems to be inhabited by millions of bats. One of these killed with a stick measured nearly five feet across its extended wings.

### French President's "Double."

M. Fallieres was, until recently, believed to be the only president of the French republic who had no double, but his counterpart has been found. The man who most resembles him physically is a respectable merchant of the Rue Saint Honore, who plays his part with decorum and dignity. He wears exactly the same kind of blue butterfly necktie with white dots as the president, the same kind of hat and exactly so oddly cut a beard. And on his promenades he is always accompanied by a friend who could easily be taken for the president's private secretary. Dignified and with measured steps, the enviable double walks through the Faubourg Saint Honore and feels overjoyed at being saluted on all sides.

### COSTLY PRESSURE.

#### Heart and Nerves Fail on Coffee.

A resident of a great western state puts the case regarding stimulants with a comprehensive brevity that is admirable. He says:

"I am 56 years old and have had considerable experience with stimulants. They are all alike—a mortgage on reserved energy at ruinous interest. As the whip stimulates but does not strengthen the horse, so do stimulants act upon the human system. Feeling this way, I gave up coffee and all other stimulants and began the use of Postum Food coffee some months ago. The beneficial results have been apparent from the first. The rheumatism that I used to suffer from has left me. I sleep sounder, my nerves are steadier and my brain clearer. And I bear testimony also to the food value of Postum—something that is lacking in coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. There's a reason. Read "The Road to Wellville," the quaint little book in pkgs.

### Transformation in New Mexico.

"Three seasons of rainfall have transformed New Mexico from an expanse of unproductive territory into a country of bountiful crops, running streams and happy, prosperous people," is the report which E. W. Fox, register of the government land office at Clayton, N. M., brought to Washington.—Washington Post.

### Newspapers for the Blind.

The announcement that the London Daily Mail is about to issue a weekly edition for the blind, draws attention to the other British journals published in Braille type, which have had a long and useful career, though they have seldom been seen by the general public. The first weekly newspaper for the blind was published on June 1, 1892, and called the Weekly Summary. It has always been issued below cost price, and its promoters derive no benefit from its publication. Another was started only last year, called the Braille Weekly, and issued from Edinburgh.

### SCALY ERUPTION ON BODY.

#### Doctors and Remedies Fruitless—Suffered 10 Years—Completely Cured by Cuticura.

"When I was about nine years old small sores appeared on each of my lower limbs. I scratched them with a brass pin and shortly afterwards both of those limbs became so sore that I could scarcely walk. When I had been suffering for about a month the sores began to heal, but small scaly eruptions appeared where the sores had been. From that time onward I was troubled by such severe itching that, until I became accustomed to it, I would scratch the sores until the blood began to flow. This would stop the itching for a few days, but scaly places would appear again and the itching would accompany them. After I suffered about ten years I made a renewed effort to effect a cure. The eruptions by this time had appeared on every part of my body except my face and hands. The best doctors in my native county advised me to use arsenic in small doses and a salve. I then used to bathe the sores in a mixture which gave almost intolerable pain. In addition I used other remedies, such as iodine, sulphur, zinc salve, —'s Salve, — Ointment, and in fact I was continually giving some remedy a fair trial, never using less than one or two boxes or bottles. All this was fruitless. Finally my hair began to fall out and I was rapidly becoming bald. I used —'s —, but it did no good. A few months after, having used almost everything else, I thought I would try Cuticura Ointment, having previously used Cuticura Soap and being pleased with it. After using three boxes I was completely cured, and my hair was restored, after fourteen years of suffering and an expenditure of at least \$50 or \$60 in vainly endeavoring to find a cure. I shall be glad to write to any one who may be interested in my cure. B. Hiram Mattingly, Vermillion, S. Dak., Aug. 18, 1906."

### Sound Law in New Book.

A. C. Fox-Davis, a London lawyer, who has written 54 volumes, mainly on the peerage and law, has broken into the field of fiction with a detective story in which he warrants that the law is all right. He wrote the book just because he found the law all wrong in one of the best of the Sherlock Holmes stories.

### Always to Be Depended Upon.

When a person gets up in the morning with a dull headache and a tired, stretchy feeling, it's an almost certain indication that the liver, or bowels, or both, are decidedly out of order.

At such times Nature, the wisest and best of doctors, takes this means to give warning that she needs the help and gentle assistance which can best be obtained from that old family remedy, Brandreth's Pills, which has been in use for over a century.

They are the same fine laxative tonic pill your grandparents used when doctors were few and far between, and when people had to have a remedy that could absolutely be depended upon.

Brandreth's Pills can be depended upon, and are sold in every drug and medicine store, plain or sugar-coated.

### Roman Relics Found in Wales.

Workmen engaged in diverting a roadway at Welwyn, Herts, Wales, unearthed seven Roman urns in a good state of preservation, a Roman spur, two drinking bowls six inches high, one smaller cup, a bowl, some bronze plate, an iron standard and a small urn six inches high.

### Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Wm. H. H. H. H.*

In Use For Over 30 Years.

The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Uneasy lies the head that wears a frown.

## UTTERLY WORN OUT.

### Vitality Sapped by Years of Suffering with Kidney Trouble.

Capt. J. W. Hogan, former postmaster of Indianola, now living at Austin, Tex., writes: "I was afflicted for years with pains across the loins and in the hips and shoulders. I had headache also and neuralgia. My right eye, from pain, was of little use to me for years.

The constant flow of urine kept my system depleted, causing nervous chills and night sweats. After trying seven different climates and using all kinds of medicine I had the good fortune to hear of Doan's Kidney Pills. This remedy has cured me. I am as well to-day as I was twenty years ago, and my eyesight is perfect."

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

### Autocratic Revivalists.

The earl and countess of Tankerville have been holding crowded religious meetings in Shropshire, England. Both are much interested in this kind of work. The countess was Miss Lenora Van Marter, an American girl, and the earl spent much of his youth in this country. He is an energetic member of the house of lords and, like his wife, a great lover of art.

### "We Have Many Similar."

The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. H. H. Meyers, of Stuttgart, Ark.: "You would greatly oblige me if you would introduce Hunt's Lightning Oil at Millidgeville, Ill., as I have many friends and relatives there, in whom I am much concerned, and I understand the Oil is not kept there. I can recommend it as the best medicine I ever had in my house. It cured me of a bad case of the Bloody Flux in less than one-half hour, and it cured my grand-daughter of a bad case of Cholera Morbus in a very short time."

### Invention Long Looked for.

A Paris paper devoted to scientific subjects announces the discovery of a practical method of shielding watches and clocks from all magnetic influences. It is said to be the work of a watchmaker named Leroy.

## TURN

of life, in girls (at about 13), or women (at about 45), requires the help of a pure, strengthening, tonic medicine, to carry them over the critical period and ensure their continued strength and health.

## WINE OF CARDUI

### WOMAN'S RELIEF

for over 50 years, has been a most successful medicine for relieving pain, strengthening the womanly organs and regulating the functions. Purely vegetable, non-intoxicating, harmless and reliable. Try it.

At all Druggists *Q24*

WRITE for Free Advice, stating age and describing your symptoms, to Ladies Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

## SICK HEADACHE

### CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

### CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature

*Warranted* REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

## EAT AT COLBY'S

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY; gives relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and 10 days' treatment FREE. DR. H. H. GREEN'S SONS, BOX R, ATLANTA, GA.

CALIFORNIA Irrigated Farms. Big new 60+1 sided canal. Only 200 cash. Write Wooten, 1200 O'Farrell St., San Francisco.

## THREE GOOD IDEAS

### ONE IS IMPROVEMENT ON EVER POPULAR FUDGE.

**Addition of Marshmallows Makes the Confection Delicious—Odd Furnishing for Den—Oysters in Chafing Dish.**

Fudge is now as popular as when first introduced several years ago, replacing the favorite chocolate caramels. The expert fudgemaker seldom thinks of measuring her materials, but just guesses at the quantity of sugar, milk, chocolate and butter necessary. It is just before the fudge is done that the additions which give it novelty go in. Nuts are always good. One variety or several kinds mixed may be used. Then there is crystallized ginger cut in small pieces. Another mixture is of marshmallows. For this the following recipe may be used:

One-fourth cake of unsweetened chocolate, two cups of granulated sugar, one cup of milk, one teaspoonful of butter. Boil for five minutes, then take from the fire and pour in a heaping saucerful of marshmallows torn in small bits. Beat until the mixture begins to stiffen, then pour quickly into buttered tins to cool. Another way is to sprinkle the shredded marshmallow on the bottom of the pan, and pour the hot fudge over it. This is convenient when both the marshmallow, nut, and the plain varieties are to be made from the same boiling.

A den seen recently was furnished in black oak and the walls were done in deep red burlap. The trim, including a wooden cornice, was also black. The ceiling was a deep cream, or perhaps more on the buff. The couch was upholstered in linen taffeta to match the walls. There were many pillows in plain red and a few in buff. A plate rail of oak for china and stens was carried around the room.

On the black oak reading table was an oriental scarf, harmonizing with the walls and the pillows. Upon this rested a wrought-iron lamp with a deep red bowl, and shade of gold-wire cloth. The mantel was ornamented with several old brass candlesticks. About the room were scattered several pieces of old brass which were put to use. A large brass bowl was utilized as a scrap basket.

For luncheon or Sunday night tea oysters may be prepared in the chafing dish at the table. Use a tablespoonful of minced celery. Put it in your blazer with a tablespoonful of butter, a teaspoonful of lemon juice, a little salt, and paprika. When the mixture is thoroughly hot, put in as many oysters as you need and cook them until they are plump. Then add a cupful of cream, and when it has thoroughly heated, serve on hot toast.

#### Apple Cups.

Sift together one pint of flour, one-half teaspoon of salt, two tablespoons of sugar, one-half teaspoon soda, one teaspoon cream tartar. Beat one egg, add four tablespoons of sweet milk, and stir into the dry mixture, adding more milk as necessary to make a thick batter. Add two tablespoons of butter (melted) and beat hard. Butter some baking cups and put in each a spoonful of the batter. Add one-half apple cup in quarters, add more batter to cover and two-thirds fill the cup. Steam or bake 30 minutes and serve with milk or a sauce.

#### Preservative for Eggs.

A simple solution of salt and lime is a good preservative for eggs. Put into a stone jar a lump of lime weighing about two pounds. Pour on this one quart of water and stir until lime is broken up; add one gallon of water and one pint of salt. Place the eggs in this jar and keep them well covered with the solution.

#### Lentil Curry.

Soak over night in cold water one cup of lentils. Wash, cover with fresh water, and cook slowly for two hours. Drain, put two tablespoonfuls of butter into a saucepan; when melted add two onions chopped fine; cook slowly until a golden brown; add a teaspoonful of curry powder, a dash of cayenne, and half a pint of the water in which the lentils were boiled. Add lentils, cook slowly for 20 minutes; add a teaspoonful of salt, the juice of one lemon, and serve with well boiled rice.

#### Best Infants' Food.

Hoffman says: "Goats' milk more nearly resembles mother's milk than cows' when it comes to infant feeding." He also states that in Germany many children take the milk direct from the udder, "as the kid does, and thus escape any chance of milk infection."

#### Grace of Spanish Women.

Most Spanish women learn to handle the sword from their earliest years, and as a result they have admirable figures and an easy walk.

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#### Convict's Peculiar Claim.

A life convict in the Andamans had served some long period when an order recently came for his release. All the time he had been in the band, and had evidently so far forgotten that he was a prisoner that on his release he put in a claim for a pension on account of his long and faithful service as a government servant.—Madras Mail.

#### "Nails."

"Nails are a mighty good thing—particularly finger nails—but I don't believe they were intended solely for scratching, though I used mine largely for that purpose for several years. I was sorely afflicted and had it to do. One application of Hunt's Cure, however, relieved my itch and less than one box cured me entirely."

J. M. WARD,  
Index, Texas.

#### Sixty Years a Lamplighter.

Timothy Boldra, who has died at Yarmouth, England, at the age of 82 years, had been in the service of the local gas company more than 60 years, and before that, as a youth, was employed to light the street oil lamps with a flint and steel.

#### Its Dangerous.

To neglect a cold the results are too often very serious. Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Pneumonia and Consumption are frequently the consequences. Upon the appearance of a cold, sore throat or chest, use Simmons' Cough Syrup. It soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm and promptly cures you.

#### Long Sight.

The longest distance ever compassed by human vision is 183 miles, being the distance between the Uncompahgre park, in Colorado, and Mount Ellen, in Utah. This feat was accomplished by the surveyors of the United States coast and geodetic survey, who were engaged, in conjunction with representatives of other nations, in making a new measurement of the earth.

#### Old Adage Corroborated.

Corroboration of the old saying that "the way to a man's heart is through his stomach" is found in an item which announces that a western millionaire is going to marry his cook.

Economy is the road to wealth. PUTNAM FADELESS DYE is the road to economy. 10c per package.

Lots of the money that men marry is counterfeit.

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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Garfield Tea purifies the blood and eradicates disease. Take it for constipation. Guaranteed under the Pure Food Law.

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Not "Just-as-Good"—It's the Best.

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of SKIN DISEASE. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of ITCHING known.

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The "first lady" in the Austro-Hungarian court is now the abbess of the Theresian Convent of the Noble Ladies in Prague, a position which is always held by an archduchess. The Archduchess Maria Annunciata, the present abbess, who is a niece of the emperor, has succeeded to the position of first lady through the widowhood of the Archduchess Maria Josefa, wife of the late Archduke Otto. The noble nuns of Prague live a very different life from what is the usual conception of convent life. They play a leading part in the society of the city and are not even compelled to live in the abbey, where each is provided with two rooms and service. Handsome carriages with liveried servants are also provided for their use, and they have a box in the opera. Each noble lady is paid \$500 a year, while the abbess has a salary of \$10,000. When they attend court balls they must wear black evening dress with a ribbon of light blue.



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Irregularities and periodical pains, Weakness of the Stomach, Indigestion, Bloating, Nervous Prostration, Headache, General Debility quickly yield to it; also deranged organs, causing pain, dragging sensations and backache. Under all circumstances it acts in harmony with the female system.

It removes that wearing feeling, extreme lassitude, "don't care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, irritability, nervousness, dizziness, faintness, sleeplessness, flatulency, melancholy or the "blues". These are indications of Female Weakness, or some derangement of the organs, which this medicine cures as well as Chronic Kidney Complaints and Backache, of either sex.

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## Liver is in Trouble

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Thousands of men do not know what is good for them, but you might as well remember that the majority of them do not want to be told.—John A. Howland.

#### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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### The Devil Talks.

My boss has been sick nearly a week with the measles and my, my, what a time I've had getting the paper out this week and doing job work. I feel sorry for my boss. You know the measles always settle on the weakest part of the constitution (I guess that's right) and it settled on his brain. I am as full of hope as Joe Bailey is of egotism that the doctor will bring him around alright.

Speaking about job work, but I sure have been printing some prohibition campaign thunder. The patriotism of grand old Houston County will be set reverberating with the determination to never again let saloons run within her borders. You may think it a little singular that a devil is opposed to saloons. Well, I'm a human the same as you a toe headed boy with a blurred face and called the devil because I do chores around the printing office for the boss.

I'm like most other boys, only I don't lay around town at night, smoke cigarettes, cuss, drink Hiawatha. I do try real hard to be good.

Hope you all will like the paper this week and brag on it to your friends. Good bye.

Yours truly,  
The Devil

### Mr. Grounds dead.

Mr. J. D. Grounds died at his home in the Lone Star community last Tuesday morning. Death was caused from the effects of knife wounds received last Christmas while engaged in a difficulty.

Ms. Grounds was a prosperous farmer about 40 yrs. of age; recognized as a good citizen and his death is a sad blow to the community. He leaves a family, numerous relatives and a large circle of friends.

Our contemporary, the Grapeland Messenger announces with pardonable pride: "A meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers and Merchants State Bank was held last Thursday and the capital stock of \$15,000 was paid in. All the necessary fixtures and supplies have been ordered and the bank will open for business not later than Feb. 1st. Thus a needed institution has materialized and will fill a longfelt want. We congratulate you, brother.—Houston County Times.

### HONOR ROLL.

Students of the Grapeland School who make a general average of G(80-90) with not less than G in deportment or attendance are entitled to the honor roll for the month just closed the honor roll is as follows:

Tenth Grade: Sam Herod, Dudley Eaves.

Ninth Grade: Balis Dailey, Columbus Woodard, Murdock Darsey.

Eighth Grade: Porter Fulton, Luna F. Hollingsworth, Ima Davis, Eulalia Lively.

Seventh Grade: Mollie Fulton, Edgar Brooks, Lee Darsey, Gerdine Oliphint, Dora Leaverton.

Sixth Grade: Joe Springman, Maude McCarty, Flora Horne, Martha Yarbrough, Fannie Mae Woodard, Mills Horne, Swanson Yarbrough, Speer Darsey, Ethel Pelham, Ori Sue Howard.

Fifth Grade: Annie R. Hollingsworth, Esther Davis.

Fourth Grade: Susie Springman, Willie Selkirk, Campbell Lively, Arline Howard, Fannie Scarbrough.

Third Grade: Winnie Davis, Mollie Brown, Murdock Murchison, Lura Mae Owens, Edna Hill, Neva Haltom.

Second Grade: Clarence McCarty, Broadus Woodard, Joe Alexander, Effie Downs, Mae Brown, Esther Darsey, Geosge Springman.

First Grade: Jack Murchison, Joe Vada Davis.

### Fifth Sunday Meeting.

The Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Neches River Association is to be held at First Baptist Church at Groveton, Texas, March 28-31.

Thursday—7:30 p. m., Introductory sermon, J. T. Bussy.

Friday—9:30 a. m., Devotional exercises, Bro. Orendorff. 10 a. m., The church as to its foundation relative to time, H. E. Harris and L. F. Jeffus. 11 a. m., The Purpose and Mission of the Church, W. S. Roney and Rev. Caldwell. 2 p. m., Devotional, Jim Kee. 2:30 p. m., The Church and Its Early Development, C. T. Johnson and B. A. Owen. 3:30 p. m., The Holy Spirit in Church Work, J. C. Green and J. B. Rayner.

Saturday—9:30 a. m., Devotional, Reed Domy. 10 a. m., The Church of Yesterday, Jeff Kee and Bro. Arnold. 11 a. m., The Church of Tomorrow, H. E. Harris and J. F. Ray. 2 p. m., Devotional. 2:30 p. m., Woman's Work in the Church in the Apostolic Days. Essay, Miss Maud Harris. Woman's Work in the Church of today, Mrs. Haynd Nelms. Woman's Work in the Sunday School, Mrs. Wesley West. 3:30 p. m., Woman's Work in the B. Y. P. U., Miss Bessie Bayne and Mrs. J. O. Monday. 7:30 p. m., Qualifications of the S. S. Supt. Jno. B. Peyton. Qualifications of the Teacher, A. S. Cannon. 8 p. m. Missions, Johnson, Rayner and Bussy.

Sunday—10 a. m., Sunday School. 11 a. m., Missionary sermon, H. E. Harris. Collection for Associational Missions. 3 p. m., B. Y. P. U. Rally. 7:30 p. m., Sermon. W. S. Roney. The church of Groveton requests that the brethren from all the churches attend this meeting. Let every church be rededicated and let it be a time of refreshing

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I have branch offices through out the country and a field force of men to find buyers. I do not handle all lines usually carried by the ordinary real estate agents. I must sell real estate—and lots of it—or go out of business. I can assure you I am not going out of business. On the contrary, I expect to find, at the close of the year, that I have sold twice as many properties as I did the past year, but it will first be necessary for me to "list" more properties. I want to list yours and sell it. It doesn't matter whether you have a farm, a home without any land, or a business; it doesn't matter what it is worth, or where it is located. If you will fill out the blank letter of inquiry below and mail it to me today, I will tell you how and why I can quickly convert the property into cash, and will give you my complete plan **FREE OF CHARGE** and terms for handling it. The information I will give you will be of great value to you, even if you should decide not to sell. You had better write today before you forget it. If you want to buy any kind of a farm, house or business, in any part of the country, tell me your requirements. I will guarantee to fill them promptly and satisfactorily.

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#### A Ride on a Donkey.

Small Boy—Can I have a ride on a donkey, ma?

Ma—No, dear. Your papa says you are not to have one.

Small Boy—Why can't I have a ride on a donkey?

Ma(to her husband)—Oh, for goodness' sake, James, give him a ride on your back, and see if it'll keep him quiet! Ex.

#### Common Colds are the Cause of Many Serious Diseases.

Physicians who have gained a national reputation as analysts of the cause of various diseases, claim that if catching cold could be avoided a long list of dangerous ailments would never be heard of. Every one knows that pneumonia and consumption originate from a cold, and chronic catarrh, bronchitis, and all throat and lung trouble are aggravated and rendered more serious by each fresh attack. Do not risk your life or take chances when you have a cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure it before these diseases develop. This remedy contains no opium, morphine or other harmful drug and has thirty years of reputation back of it, gained by its cures under every condition. For Sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

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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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Buy your onion sets and garden seed from Clewis.

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Read Foxy Grandpa's story next week.

Mr. O. C. Hickey of Crockett was in town last week.

Foxy Grandpa story is interesting read it next week.

Your dinner for 25 cents at Owens Hotel.

Miss Etta Pridgen of Dalys is visiting relatives in town this week.

Lee Clewis wants your beef hides and bees wax. He will pay spot cash.

Get out of the weather in to a pair of Star Brand Shoes. Shipper.

Geo. E. Darsey is continually receiving new goods. It will pay you to see him for any thing that you want.

We have recently put in a line of Barton Bros Shoes. Examine and see if we can't save you money. Howard.

All headaches go When you grow wiser And learn to use An "Early Riser." Dewitt's Little Early Risers, safe sure pills. Carleton & Porter,

1000 BUSHELS OF PEAS. We want to buy 1000 bushels of peas. If you have any bring them in, will pay the highest price, cash or trade, just as you like. Geo. E. Darsey.

Mrs. M.C. Hollingsworth and her children, Eula Riall and Harold, are here from Houston. They are on their way to Palestine to live in the future.

### Notice.

Everyone knowing themselves indebted to me, come in and settle up. I did risk you, now you pay me and oblige. J. N. Parker.

Piles of people have Piles. Why suffer from piles when you can use DeWitt's Carbolyzed Witch Hazel Salve and get relief. Nothing else so good. Beware of imitations. See that the name is stamped on each box. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Claude Leaverton came in Thursday night from Waco where he has been attending Hill's Business College. Claude's many friends welcome him home.

1,000 BUSHELS SEED POTATOES.—We have just received 1,000 bushels of seed potatoes and if you are going to plant potatoes for the market, now is the time to get your seed. See us for prices, for cash on our reasonable terms. Geo. E. Darsey.

### I Have Just Received A Shipment of

Hall's Chill Tonic, a new supply of many kinds of groceries, coffee, Rooster Snuff, Nine O'clock Washing Tea, Wood and Zinc water buckets, green and roasted coffee, Flour, Salt and the best axle grease on the market; goes twice as far as any other kind of grease.

Come to see me when in town. You will find me on second street. **J. N. PARKER,** GRAPELAND Ribbon cane syrup in barrels and jugs

Rob Tag Sale at Shippers.

Geo. E. Darsey went to Crockett Wednesday on business.

Fresh loaf bread 5 cents at Owens Hotel.

Buy your seed potatoes and fertilizer from Geo. E. Darsey.

Royal made to measure suit's taken if Bings suit don't suit. Shipper.

Who is Foxy Grandpa, find out by reading next weeks Messenger.

You will find plenty of genuine tryump seed potatoes at Darsey's.

Shippers customers have Fits in Bings suits for dress and Carhartt suits for service.

Groceries, Groceries, always plenty of fresh groceries at Howard's.

Read the original story of Foxy Grandpa in next week's Messenger.

Car flour, bran and chops expected to arrive this week at Howard's.

Miss Ida Coleman Lively left Sunday for Dallas, to enter a conservatory of music.

SHOES, SHOES.—If the shoes that you have been buying have not been giving satisfaction, go to Darsey's and buy a pair of the Brown's shoes, Star 5 Star Shoes.

OLD MAN (To little boy who is crying lustily.)—Are you in great pain, my son? SMALL BOY—Nosir, but there's a great pain in me.

Owing to the way the railroads are handling freight, Geo. E. Darsey was lucky in getting his potatoes in time. See him if you are going to plant any for the market.

You ought to know what you are giving your baby. You will know if you use CASCASWEET and take the trouble to look at the wrapper. Every ingredient is shown there in plain English. CASCASWEET is best corrective for the stomachs of babies and children. Sold by Carleton and Porter.

The ladies of the Methodist church gave a supper last Friday evening in the old Shipper building, for the benefit of their parsonage. Everyone who attended reported a pleasant time.

A weeks treatment for rheumatism and bladder troubles for 25 cents. That is what you get in a small box of DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. Nothing else so good for all troubles caused by impure blood. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

### Dental Notice.

Owing to the disagreeable weather and health of my family I did not get to Grapeland this week but will be there next week. S. H. Yarbrough.

Nothing will relieve Indigestion that is not a thorough digestant. Kodol digests what you eat and allows the stomach to rest—recuperate—grow strong again. KODOL is a solution of digestive acids and as nearly as possible approximates the digestive juices that are found in the stomach. Kodol takes the work of digestion off the digestive organs, and while performing this work itself does greatly assist the stomach to a thorough rest. In addition the ingredients of Kodol are such as to make it a corrective of the highest efficiency and by its action the stomach is restored to its normal activity and power. Kodol is manufactured in strict conformity with the National Pure food and Drug Law. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

### Don't Be Irritable.

"An irritated skin makes an irritable person, and an irritable person gathers much trouble unto himself or herself, as the case may be. Moral: Use Hunt's Cure, one box of which is absolutely and unqualifidely guaranteed to cure any form of skin trouble. Any kind of itching known is relieved at once and one box cures."

### For Rent.

The Wade Spruill place 2 miles north of town. Good house and water. For information see Dave Walling.

### "It Knocks the Itch."

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Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Driskill passed through Crockett Friday on their way to Palacios, South Texas, where they go for the benefit of Mrs. Driskill's health. Mr. Driskill has not sold his farm and hopes to be able to return to Houston county in the near future.—Crockett Courier.

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Mrs. Dora Faris and little son Frank Ross, of Crockett came up Friday night to spend a few days with friends and relatives in this city.

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# The Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor.

GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

What does the Kaiser know about good cooking, anyhow? He has no fond memories of the kind mother used to make.

"Man is a plain necessity," says one of the women writers. Oh, well, he wouldn't be so plain if he "fixed up" the way woman does.

Of languages which so widely differ among themselves as to be incomprehensible without particular study the number readily exceeds 1,000.

James Bryce, the new British ambassador to this country, has declined to receive a title. He need not expect to become popular with our heiresses.

A wealthy American girl is going to marry a baseball player. This is certainly an indication that the tastes of the girls have been elevated since the days when they used to pick out dukes and counts.

It has just been discovered that Gashavant G. Pandit, a very wealthy high-caste Hindu and a protege of the Gaekwar of Baroda, is working as a common laborer in an acid factory at Roscoe, N. D. Pandit, though said to be worth millions, works and lives as the other laborers do. Industrial conditions in India are in a deplorable state, he declares, and it is his intention to take part in the task of revolutionizing them in his native land.

Judge Addison, a well-known jurist of London, recently retired, was in the habit of indulging in the oddest observations while trying cases. On one occasion opposing lawyers were wrangling over the question, "When does an egg become stale?" The judge, who had vivid recollections of a close election contest in which he figured, declared that the real test of an egg's staleness was the moment it became fit for use at a contested election.

"At no period, perhaps, has the spirit of reform exerted itself more strenuously than in our own time, but this has been not because we are pessimistic, says the Boston Globe, but because we are distinctly optimistic. The pessimist accomplishes no reforms; he leans back and gazes at those evils which he thinks hopeless of correction. It is the optimist who achieves improvements, because his indignation is fresh and hopes are high.

General Nogi, the Japanese commander who captured Port Arthur, the Russian stronghold, has been seriously hurt by being thrown from his horse. It seems like the irony of fate, after escaping the perils of a great war, to meet with so comparatively commonplace an accident. The incident recalls the annoying experience of one of the famous fighters in our own civil war who, having gone through that famous conflict, later lost a leg as the result of a mule kick.

New regulations of the steamboat inspection service restrict the use of sirens and other steam-whistles in New York, Philadelphia and Boston. Only fire-boats and government vessels are to be allowed to sound the half-raising siren. The improved regulations are in considerable measure due to the persistent work of one woman, although she has been assisted by many other vigorous pleaders. We are willing to endure the necessary noises of life, but good health demands that we shall be spared unnecessary shocks to the nervous system through the delicate ear.

A striking appeal to the well-to-do owner of a motor car who exceeds the speed limit was made recently by the police commissioner of Boston. The number of policeman is limited. When they are detailed to watch motor car drivers they are withdrawn from their proper duty of guarding homes and preventing disorder. Business men and professional men rich enough to own motor cars, have property which needs police protection. They sacrifice part of this protection, says Youth's Companion, by keeping some of the police on the watch for their offenses against the road laws.

One group of government employes, at least, must be admitted to do their work at small expense. The engineers of the land office during the last fiscal year surveyed 8,500,000 acres of public land at an average cost of four and one-half cents an acre. Even this is an increase over the expense in previous years, which has been three and one-half and four and one-third cents. The reason is that most of the level, accessible and easily surveyed land has been disposed of. That which has to be surveyed now is mountainous or inaccessible, and consequently the cost is greater.

## March of the White Guard

By SIR GILBERT PARKER.

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### CHAPTER I.—Continued.

The men grouped themselves about the fire, Late Carscallen getting the coldest corner. Each man drew his tobacco from his pocket, and, cutting it, waited for Sub-factor Hume to speak. His eyes were debating as they rested on the four. Then he took out Rose Lepage's letter and, with the group looking at him now, he read it aloud. When it was finished Cloud-in-the-Sky gave a guttural assent, and Gaspé Toujours, looking at Jeff Hyde, said, "It is cold in the Barren Grounds. We shall need much tabac." These men could read without difficulty Jaspas Hume's reason for summoning them. To Gaspé Toujours' remark Jeff Hyde nodded affirmatively, and then all looked at Late Carscallen. He opened his heavy jaws once or twice with an animal-like sound, and then he said, in a general kind of way:

"To the Barren Grounds. But who leads?"

Jaspas Hume was writing on a slip of paper, and he did not reply. The faces of three of them showed just a shade of anxiety. They had their opinions, but they were not sure. Cloud-in-the-Sky, however, grunted at them, and raised the bowl of his pipe toward the Sub-factor. The anxiety then seemed to be dispelled.

For ten minutes more they sat so, all silent. Then Jaspas Hume rose, handed the slip of paper to Sergeant Gosse, and said, "Attend to that at once, Gosse. Examine the food and blankets closely."

The five were left alone.

Then Jaspas Hume spoke: "Jeff Hyde, Gaspé Toujours, Late Carscallen, and Cloud-in-the-Sky, this man, alive or dead, is between here and the Barren Grounds. He must be found—for his wife's sake." He handed Jeff Hyde the letter. Jeff Hyde rubbed his fingers before he touched the delicate and perfumed missive. Its delicacy seemed to bewilder him. He said in a rough but kindly way, "Hope to die if I don't," and passed it on to Gaspé Toujours, who did not find it necessary to speak. His comrade had answered for him. Late Carscallen held it inquisitively for a moment, and then his jaws opened and shut as if he were about to speak. But before he did so the Sub-factor said, "It is a long journey and a hard one. Those who go may never come back. But this man was working for his country, and he has got a wife—a good wife!" He held up the letter. "Late Carscallen wants to know who will lead you. Can't you trust me? I will give you a leader that you will follow to the Barren Grounds. To-morrow you will know who he is. Men, are you satisfied? Will you do it?"

The four rose, and Cloud-in-the-Sky nodded approvingly many times. The Sub-factor held out his hand. Each man shook it, Jeff Hyde first; and he said, "Close up ranks for the H. B. C.!" (H. B. C. meaning of course Hudson Bay Company.)

Once more Jaspas Hume spoke: "Go to Gosse and get your outfits at nine to-morrow morning. Cloud-in-the-Sky, have your sleds at the store at eight o'clock, to be loaded. Then all meet me at 10:15 at the office of the Chief Factor. Good night."

Left alone the Sub-factor sat down to the pine table at one end of the room and after a short hesitation began to write. For hours he sat there, rising only to put wood on the fire. The result was three letters; the largest addressed to a famous society in London, one to a solicitor in Montreal, and one to Mr. Field, the Chief Factor. They were all sealed carefully. Then Jaspas Hume rose, took out his knife and went over to the box as if to break the red seal. He paused, however, sighed, and put the knife back again. As he did so he felt something touch his leg. It was the dog. Jaspas Hume drew in a sharp breath and said, "It was all ready, Jacques; and in another three months I should have been in London with it. But it will go whether I go or not—Whether I go or not, Jacques." The dog sprang up and put his head against his master's breast.

"Good dog! good dog! it's all right, Jacques; however it goes, it's all right!"

Then the dog lay down and watched the man until he drew the blankets to his chin, and sleep drew oblivion over a fighting but masterly soul.

### CHAPTER II.

At ten o'clock next morning Jaspas Hume presented himself at the Chief Factor's office. He bore with

him the letters he had written the night before.

The Factor said: "Well, Hume, I am glad to see you. That woman's letter was on my mind all night. Have you anything to propose? I suppose not," he added, despairingly, as he looked closely into the face of the other.

"Yes, Mr. Field, I propose this: that the expedition shall start at noon to-day."

"Shall—start—at noon—to-day?"

"In two hours."

"But, who are the party?"

"Jeff Hyde, Gaspé Toujours, Late Carscallen and Cloud-in-the-Sky."

"And who leads them, Hume? Who leads?"

"With your permission, sir, I do."

"You, Hume! You! But, man, consider the danger! And then there is—there is your invention!"

"I have considered all. Here are three letters. If we do not come back in three months, you will please send



"We'll Drink to the Day When We See Them Again."

this one, with the box in my room, to the address on the envelope; this is for a solicitor in Montreal, which you will also forward as soon as possible; this last one is for yourself; but you will not open it until the three months have passed. Have I your permission to lead these men? They would not go without me."

"I know that, I know that, Hume. I hate to have you go, but I can't say no. Go, and good luck go with you."

Here the manly old Factor turned away his head. He knew that Jaspas Hume had done right. He knew the possible sacrifice this man was making of all his hopes, of his very life; and his sound Scotch heart appreciated the act to the full. But he did not know all. He did not know that Jaspas Hume was starting to look for the man who had robbed him of youth and hope and genius and home.

"Here is a letter that the wife has written to her husband in the hope that he is alive. You will take it with you, Hume. And the other she wrote to me; shall I keep it?"

"No, sir, I will keep it, if you will allow me. It is my commission, you know." And the shadow of a smile hovered about Jaspas Hume's lips.

The Factor smiled kindly as he replied: "Ah, yes, your commission—Capt. Jaspas Hume of—of what, Hume?"

Just then the door opened, and there entered the four men whom we saw sat around the Sub-factor's fire the night before. They were dressed in white blanket costumes from head to foot, white woolen capotes covering the gray fur caps they

wore. Jaspas Hume ran his eye over them and then answered the Factor's question: "Of the White Guard, sir."

"Good," was the reply. "Men, you are going on a relief expedition—one in which there is danger. You need a good leader. You have one in Jaspas Hume."

Jeff Hyde shook his head at the others with a pleased I-told-you-so expression; Cloud-in-the-Sky grunted his deep approval; and Late Carscallen smacked his lips in a satisfied manner and rubbed his leg with a school-boy sense of enjoyment. The factor continued: "In the name of the Hudson Bay company I will say that if you come back, having done your duty faithfully, you shall be well rewarded. And I believe you will come back, if it is in human power to do so."

Here Jeff Hyde said, "It isn't for reward we're doin' it, Mr. Field, but because Capt. Hume wished it, because we believed he'd lead us; and for the lost fellow's wife. We wouldn't have said we'd do it, if it wasn't for him that's just called us the White Guard."

Under the bronze of the Sub-factor's face there spread a glow more red than brown, and he said simply, "Thank you, men"—for they had all nodded assent to Jeff Hume's words—"Come with me to the store. We will start at noon."

And at noon the White Guard stood in front of the store on which the British flag was hoisted with another beneath it bearing the magic letters, H. B. C.; magic, because they have opened to the world regions that seemed destined never to know

are 80 miles from Great Fish riv. and the worst yet to do. We have discovered no signs. Jeff Hyde has had a bad two days with his frozen foot. Gaspé Toujours helps him nobly. One of the dogs died this morning. Jacques is a great leader. This night's shelter is a godsend. Cloud-in-the-Sky has a plan whereby some of us will sleep well. We are in latitude 63 degrees 47 minutes and longitude 112 degrees 32 minutes 14 seconds. Have worked out lunar observations. Have marked a tree JH,—27, and and raised cairn No. 3. We are able to celebrate Christmas Day with a good basin of tea, and our standby of beans cooked in fat. I was right about them; they have great sustaining power. To-morrow we will start at ten o'clock."

The writing done, Jaspas Hume puts his book away and turns toward the rest. Cloud-in-the-Sky and Late Carscallen are smoking. Little can be seen of their faces; they are muffled to the eyes. Gaspé Toujours is drinking a basin of tea, and Jeff Hyde is fitfully dozing by the fire. The dogs are above in the tent, all but Jacques, who to-night is permitted to be near his master. The Sub-factor rises, takes from a knapsack a small tin pail, and puts it near the fire. This operation is watched by the others. Then he takes five little cups that fit snugly into each other, separates them, and puts them also near the fire. None of the party speak. A change seems to pass over the faces of all except Cloud-in-the-Sky. He smokes on unmoved. At length the Sub-factor speaks cheerily: "Now, men, before we turn in we'll do something in honor of the day. Liquor we none of us have touched since we started; but back there in the fort, and maybe in other places, too, they will be thinking to us; so we'll drink a health to them though it's but a spoonful, and to the day when we see them again!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

### Only a Question of Price.

When the Maine Central railroad first went through the mountains, a Mr. Burbank went from Center Conway to North Conway, the fare being 25 cents. The conductor forgot to take his fare, however. He at first thought he had saved a quarter, then he said: "Get behind me, Satan!" and gave his fare to the conductor.

Being a good Methodist, he told how he was tempted at a prayer meeting. When he sat down, an old man got up and said he thought if the fare had been 50 cents, the devil would have got the better of the brother.

### Mistaken for His Goods.

Joseph D. Murray, one of Concord's grocers, was one afternoon greeted by a glib, but obviously inexperienced commercial traveler with the brisk salutation: "Good morning, Mr. Goods. Glad to see you." For a moment he was puzzled and unable to comprehend why the gentleman should call him Mr. Goods. It soon dawned upon him, however, that a small sign which he had lately placed over the entrance to his establishment was the cause. The sign read: "W. I. Goods," an abbreviation, of course, for West Indian goods.

### A Helpful Little Boy.

A lady, when taking a drive one day, met a little lad of her acquaintance and asked him to accompany her. Without hesitation the little fellow climbed into the vacant seat. They chatted along pleasantly till the wheel dropped into a deep rut and the horse suddenly stopped.

"Now, Johnny," said the lady, "what shall we do?"

"Oh, jump up and down and swear," said Johnny. "That's the way the men do."

### A Busy Woman.

Many years ago a visitor to the home of the Hitt family at Mount Morris, Ill., found Mrs. Hitt quite busy. She was holding a child in her lap, she was rocking the baby in the cradle, she was knitting, and she was reading a newspaper folded over the back of a chair. The visitor remarked that the sons of such a woman ought to have a good record. The late Robert R. Hitt, the congressman from Illinois, was one of the boys.

### Good Impression.

Gunner—Bluffem certainly has a considerate wife. She collects all the expensive cigar bands she can find.

Guyer—I don't see anything considerate in that? Does she waste her time decorating plates?

Gunner—No, she gives them to Bluffem, and he sticks them around his stogies. Then he makes the impression that he is smoking a ten-cent cigar.—Chicago Daily News.

### Wanted Aid.

"When Frank kissed me last night I screamed for help."

"Were you afraid he would get away?"—Milwaukee Sentinel.

### The Indicator.

"Do you think Bilkins has any of the qualifications of a genius?"

"Why, no. I've never noticed anything peculiar about him."—Detroit Free Press.

# FREAK HAPPENINGS OF A YEAR

*The Marvelous, the Laughable, the Weird, and the Pathetic--Tales Extraordinary Culled from Press Reports from All Over the Civilized World--Some Almost Unbelievable Tales Among the Mass of Material Gathered.*

January, 1906, came in with proof that Kentucky deacons are made of much the same stuff as Kentucky colonels. Two of them had an argument as to John D. Rockefeller's fitness for heaven, deciding the matter with shot-guns. The churchman who upheld Mr. Rockefeller got two charges of buckshot in the breast.

June brought news from Des Moines that some highwaymen had returned to James Morgan, their victim of the night before, three teeth they had "unintentionally" knocked out. They thoughtfully suggested a plate-setting.

So the months of 1906 have run. In Germany, too, the year opened oddly. One Schmied had carved upon his deceased wife's tombstone some frigid words to the effect that she had died of unscrupulous treatment, whereupon libel suits followed.

he had lost down the crack as a boy of five. He found it. And each of these was just three score years and ten.

The note of pathos, which so often sounds with age, came from Middletown, N. Y., in April. Matthew Smedes, aged 70, could no longer resist the call of the fields. He took to the plow again—and was found dead in the first furrow he had cut—died in harness, as he had wished to die!

Australia may claim something near the record! At some amateur theatricals near Victoria, in January, two people in the stalls, whenever the heroine was kissed, kissed each other loudly. The man of this couple was husband to the stage heroine, and this was his way of reproving behavior across the footlights to which he was distinctly opposed.

## Babes and Divorces.

The divorce mill seems to have recorded a new "Farthest North." A Seattle judge separated an even dozen couples in 75 minutes in February, one formerly fond husband receiving the boon for which he prayed because his wife has become a Shakeress, and another because his better half had circulated a report that he was an anarchist.

Mrs. Lorenz, on the other hand, received a divorce in Cincinnati on the

lady of Florence, Italy, bequeathed \$3,500 to the staff of a local newspaper "in gratitude for having been so often entertained by their writings."

Alphonse Strauss, one of London's millionaire merchants, dying last May, disposed of an estate of \$1,481,105 in just 43 words, nearly \$35,000 a word; while January brought sudden wealth to a poor French girl who attended the sale of a great-aunt's effects to buy in some trifling memento of her. The only bidder for a shabby old book of devotions, she found between its leaves a will bestowing upon her the entire property, valued at \$80,000.

## Life's Little Ironies.

In Milwaukee (February) one Harry Martens, playing ghost to frighten some negroes, fell down stairs in the dark—and became a ghost! A fellow named Durenne, living near Quebec, in the belief that the rope by which a suicide had hung himself will bring a later owner luck, stole such a rope, only to fall to his death the next minute through the rotten flooring of the belfry.

Was it not ironical, too, that a mere fragment of the handwriting of the English poet Chatterton should have sold (October) for \$155, and that in the unfortunate versifier's native town of Bristol, where he had died of starvation in his seventeenth year!

## In Foreign Parts.

Europe has had many an odd tale to tell during the year. Antrim has produced a man beside whom Pook-Bah was a laborer of very single aim. For this busy Irishman is land steward, pier overseer, port pay clerk, game-keeper, mining superintendent, bog-bailiff, auctioneer, real estate agent, supervisor of shipping, and the manager of a private business besides.

Colored rain, in the shape of millions of tiny red, green and yellow insects, fell at Angers, France, in March; while in Nantes a young fellow, Gaultier by name, has murdered his step-father that his military service might be a year shorter through his being "the only son of a widow."

At one of London's West End clubs a match game of billiards was played by two men, one clad in full armor, save for his hands, which were encased in the heaviest woolen gauntlets, and the other dressed as usual, but wearing boxing gloves. Wool mittens won after a hard fight.

## Coincidence and Paradox.

Two other all-but-unbelievable trans-Atlantic tales tell of a New Zealand horse race, which was won by a one-eyed mare, ridden by a one-eyed jockey, the two weighing-room clerks also having but two eyes between them; and of a Parisian June wedding when the twin brothers Charleon married the twin sisters Voisse, twin cousins (male and female) acting as best man and maid of honor.

## Pulpit and Platform.

Buttons sewn on a silk ground formed a scrollwork sold at a recent



Bare Feet in the Parlor.

church fair in Montreal, Canada. It was the work of the clergyman's wife who thus converted into useful cash the buttons contributed to her husband's offertory baskets.

The Hon. Hoke Smith, speaking at Atlanta in September, was enthusiastically hugged by Policeman T. J. Williams. The latter was then hauled before his commissioners for "taking an interest in politics."



Joined in the Kissing.

plausible ground that it was difficult to live peacefully with a man who insisted on appearing in the parlor with neither shoes nor stockings.

Des Moines produced, in May, a baby who changed color three times a day. When little Eli Rami awakes he is a proper pink. By noon he is a dark ginger in hue and before bedtime is startlingly pale. But then, he is the son of a Hindoo father and an Illinois mother.

In August the "hello lady" on the line between Meredith and Wolfboro, N. H., heard the voice of a two-hour-old subscriber. The news of his arrival in the world came first, and then his infantile indorsement traveled across Lake Winnipisseege.

## Hard Liquor.

Chicago and Kansas City give two of the best of the year's hard-liquor yarns. In one case three saloon keepers were fined \$7,500, to be paid the orphans of a man who had died of drink; and in the other a certain Selby Jones was sentenced to get drunk and stay so. Poor Jones was later arrested in Chicago for stealing in order to raise the wherewith to carry out the Kansas City sentence.

London is responsible for this: The arm-chair of a confirmed tippler, used at a "psychometric lecture," made tipsy every one who sat in it. The signs of drinking continued upon four subjects till the chair was burned, when they at once sobered up.

## Weird Wills.

When the late Michael Davitt bequeathed to all his friends "kind thoughts, to my enemies the fullest possible forgiveness, and to Ireland my unifying prayer for her absolute freedom," he did not leave the strangest will of the twelvemonth's probate.

Mrs. Christina Hoch, of Brooklyn, willed the ashes of her body, when cremated, as fertilizer for a rose bush on her son's grave; Mrs. Isabel Kreamer, of Westminster, Eng., left her cork leg to the parish poor warden, and a



For the "23" Party.

and the widower went to jail days.

In Manila, the meanest man in the islands stole his mother-in-law's tombstone and pawned it.

An actual sale of burial memorials was held in September, in Breslau. A "ring" of undertakers had been formed to bear prices, but a speculative outsider insisted on playing bull, and the local troops had to be called in to quiet the resultant hard feeling.

## Law's Lighter Side.

A London magistrate discharged a man and his wife charged with conspiracy, on the ground that they were legally one person, and one person could not conspire.

A Chicago physician was found guilty of robbery, inasmuch as he had diagnosed a certain case in a way afterward proved wrong. The jury regarded his fee as distinctly obtained under false pretenses, and he had to give back \$100.

Another glimpse of legal methods has come across from Germany, where the mayor of a town was caught picking the pockets of a prisoner, and was "sent up" for a month.

Wilmington produced the champion 13 story. Francis E. Davis, with 13 letters in his name, was arrested by Patrolman Francis G. Green (ditto) at 10:13 on January 13, the call going in from box 13. At 9:13 next day he was arraigned before Edwin R. Cochran (13 letters again), and his fine and costs totaled exactly \$13.

Miss Margaret Schidu, of Cleveland, on August 23, sent invitations to 23 friends to attend her twenty-third birthday party, September 23, at 23 East Twenty-third street. An orchestra of 23 pieces discoursed exactly 23 sweet dances from behind 23 palms.

The other hoodoo digits came up twice in April, once when a Baltimore negro was arrested for stealing 13 chickens; again at St. Louis, where a baseball "fan" fell dead of heart disease during the thirteenth inning of the St. Louis-Pittsburg game.

## The Old Folks.

The annual bridegrooms of an age past—expecting just that of them were Isaac Lloyd, of Liverpool, who, at 90, was wed to a widow of 60 in March; while, a month earlier, Deacon French, of Nashua, N. H., at 88 married a spinster of 76.

The "70s" have even more to tell. In January, Andrew Lansalr, of Toledo, began cutting another set of teeth; in February a Le Seur (Minn.) matron painted her entire house; in October, Frank Bookwalter, returning to his boyhood home in Attica, Ind., after 65 years' absence, had the doorstep litte that he might find a dime

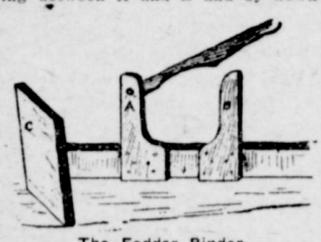


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A. H. Denison, Kansas, writes in one of our exchanges and suggests a plan for binding fodder. He uses a lever between two small uprights A and B, as shown in illustration. The loose fodder is pressed into the opening between A and B and by down-



The Fodder Binder.

ward movement of lever is pressed into a small compass. The band is then readily adjusted. The whole device is supported by the square piece C, so that it may be moved from place to place. We do not know to what extent this will prove entirely practical, but it is possible that it will suggest a useful idea to some of our readers.

### KEEPING ACCOUNTS.

#### How One Farmer Figures Out the Profit on His Cows.

The ever-recurring bookkeeping bugbear brings to mind a recent interview with one of the largest farmers in the east, who is a bright man and a large wholesale baker, Thomas Kelley. He said: As a business man I have learned that the books must be kept right if the proprietor is encouraged and not discouraged, and is led to venture into the business still more extensively. The rule applies as well to farming as to other business.

In operating my four large farms, I charge them with only the wages, with things bought and with the other real expenses, and never with things the farm produces. If, for instance, I debit the farm with its own hay that is used, I really charge the hay twice because the wages paid help have produced that hay just as much as the wages set the fence posts and do the work.

No man is right if he figures that the hay sold is worth a stated sum and hence milk is produced at such a cost. If I wronged my farms that way in my bookkeeping I would appear to be losing money every year and I would soon dispose of my country property, for to carry on a business one is not skillful enough to conduct profitably, is not reasonable.

This winter I shall keep 130 cows, feeding 300 tons of hay. If I figure that hay at its market value, I find that my milk costs me more than I can buy it for in the open market, but don't do so. Neither do I figure in the wear and tear on the stock. I merely charge a cow's actual shrinkage in value between the time I buy her and her selling price. This is an actual, not an imaginary transaction. If I hire help and am so lacking in skill that I do not raise what hay, stalks, grain, etc., I require and have to buy them, I must charge up the things bought, of course, just as I credit my milk, eggs and potatoes. I am not satisfied with a cow unless I can clear an actual profit on her every day, even if it is not more than five cents, and the manure.

#### Night Work on the Farm.

Night work on the farm is not to be tolerated. The old plan of working from four o'clock in the morning till nine o'clock at night was responsible for creating a disgust for farm work, and both the boy and the girl shared this disgust. On many farms now no work is done after six o'clock p. m., and this is right. There is no reason why hours should be longer on the farm than in the city. But on the farm more time needs to be taken at noon so that the morning and evening "chores" will come further apart. We doubt, however, if the "eight-hour day" ever becomes the rule on the farm, especially on the farm that is devoted to some extent to the raising of live stock. Farm animals refuse to adapt their needs to the eight hour plan.

Scarcely any other grain has shown the adaptability of corn. A native of the warm, moist parts of South America, it has gradually fought its way into the colder and dryer regions, until there are few sections in which it can not be profitably grown. Its adaptability is shown in the fact that in the far north the plant is low and spreading, but maturing its ears all the same.—Farm Journal.

### TAKING CARE OF TOOLS.

They Should Be Under Shelter and in Their Places.

One of the greatest needs on the farm is for a system by which the tools may be taken care of. I heard a farmer the other day make the remark that he had a seed drill that he had used for 30 years and that it would not have lasted 10 years if it had not been kept in the shed. That illustrates the difference in the ways of keeping tools. One farmer will leave his tools out in the sun and rain, and in 10 years an expensive tool is ruined. Another will use the greatest care about his tools, and in 30 years the same kind of a tool will be good for still more use.

I find that it is not always expensive to build a tool shed if one cannot afford a tool shed, writes a correspondent of Farmer's Review. In the building of two of my out-buildings, a barn and a shop for general work, I had them placed so that the back of the shop made a right angle with the back of the barn. In these two sides no windows were needed, and this left two sides already constructed for my tool shed. Then all I had to do was to extend a roof from the shop and barn and I had a good shed for my large tools. The smaller tools are taken care of in my work shop.

I find that the best plan for taking care of small tools and of parts of large tools is to have a great many pegs and hooks on the side of the shop. The tools are then always in sight and if one always puts the same tools in the same places it is not a difficult matter to find them when wanted. A tool that cannot be found when wanted is about the same as no tool.

One of the greatest troubles on the farm is to compel the hired men to put the horse tools in the shed. One farmer that I know says he never allows a man to unhitch his horses from a machine till it is at the door of the shed. Then it is an easy matter to put it in. This seems a little bit tyrannical, but with some men it is about the only way of getting the things looked after.

No matter how much care is taken with the machinery in the way of providing a shed for it, I find that it must have careful attention on the part of the owner to make sure that the nuts are kept tight on all the wheel machines. One of the most vexatious things about the care of farm machines is the tendencies for the bolts to work off and get lost. The working off of a single nut on the end of a bolt may put the machine out of use for hours and perhaps days. The nuts work off because they are not looked after. I wish some one would invent some system of making it impossible for nuts to work off.

There is another thing that should be kept in mind and that is if the bolts are permitted to be loose the machinery will wear out rapidly, as the play between parts is very destructive to the several parts. I do not believe that any kind of a tool will last very many years, unless the bolts and nuts are kept tight when the machine is being used.

### FOR HANDLING MANURE.

#### Put Cart Body on Drag For Use on the Snow.

To get out manure in winter, when there is a moderate amount of snow upon the ground, try this plan, suggests Farm Journal. Set the cart body on the "drag" or stone boat, as suggested in the cut. The load can be spread in the field with great ease.



Cart Body on Drag.

because it is down so low; and loading at the barn is also easy for a similar reason. If there is a manure shed to which the manure is wheeled daily, empty the barrow into the cart. When this is full, haul to the fields.

### Government Model Farms.

James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, believes that model farms should be established in every agricultural county of the United States, under control of the several state governments, or of the national government, or of the two conjointly. Such farms, he argues, would radiate intelligence, activity and reform in tillage, with the possibility of doubling the farm product of the country. "Might it not be worth while," he argues, "to expend the sum that such a system would cost, even though it should be necessary to postpone for another year the building of a battleship or a couple of cruisers?" A significant declaration by Mr. Hill is that such a scheme should be kept out of the clutches of the spoils system.

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## News from Elkhart.

Elkhart, Feb. 5.—Health of  
our town is very good with the  
exception of Mr. Watkin's little  
boy, who has pneumonia; also  
Mr. Watson's little boy has been  
sick with pneumonia, but is im-  
proving now.

Charlie Cromwell has moved  
into his new residence which has  
just been completed; also Dr.  
Parks has moved to a new resi-  
dence.

Mr. Will McCracken has sold  
his residence to Mr. Boyer and  
moved west.

We have had two weddings  
this week, as follows: Miss Bon-  
nie McCracken to Mr. Oscar  
Knox; Miss Gleen to Mr. Bogue  
Lively of Slocum.

Farmers are hustling around  
and preparing to make a crop.

Big preparations are being  
made to plant a potato crop.  
Other crops will be planted in  
the way of truck. Cotton will  
be planted extensively in this  
section.

A number of young folks came  
up from Grapeland Sunday and  
spent a pleasant afternoon.

Miss Brown was called home  
from school on account of the  
sickness of her brother and  
mother.

Dr. Will Davis of Palestine  
has moved to our town to prac-  
tice medicine.

Success to all. — Yours,  
T. W. T.

Senator Chambers has intro-  
duced a bill in the legislature  
providing that any loan whereon  
a higher rate of interest is charged  
than ten per cent shall be for-  
feited, both principle and inter-  
est. Banner is in favor of a  
cheap interest rate, but it appre-  
hends that money lenders will  
find a way to evade the proposed  
law. It is our opinion that cheap  
money comes only with the ad-  
vent of new enterprise giving  
employment to many and there-  
by giving opportunity and  
creating a demand for more en-  
terprises. As long as the mort-  
gage system is a necessity or  
thought to be a necessity, you  
need not expect to see any really  
cheap money. Incidentally if a  
farmer lives at home and prac-  
tices economy all along the line,  
the interest rate is not a vital  
one with him, but with the man  
attempting other undertakings  
the question of cheap money is  
more serious.—Troupe Banner.

Hon. J. J. Strickland of An-  
derson county has introduced a  
bill in the House that, if passed  
and made a law, will insure the  
truck growers of Texas against  
loss when dealing with commis-  
sion merchants. If this bill pass-  
es, all commission merchants  
will be required to give a two  
thousand dollar bond entered in-  
to with two or more sureties pay-  
able to the county judge to the  
county where such commission  
merchant resides and to his suc-  
cessors in office as trustees for  
any consignor entitled to the  
benefits of the act. It also pro-  
vides that any who shall pursue  
the occupation of a commission  
merchant without having made  
the required bond shall be deem-  
ed guilty of a misdemeanor and  
upon conviction shall be fined in  
any sum not less than one hun-  
dred and not more than one  
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and truck growers of East Texas  
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hope to see this bill pass during  
this session of the legislature.—  
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