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LETTER FROM CORPUS CHRISTI

March 24.—As I am so far away and lonely besides, I will give you a few sketches of Corpus. So many of you will know that when a little girl like me is so far away from home and especially away down here where there is not anything except water and dark complected people then you can imagine how homesick I get.

Although I think this is the most beautiful place I ever saw, it didn't seem real to me at first, because it was almost like a dream.

I have just completed a business course in the Tyler Commercial College and my first position was secured in Corpus by the College. I would advise anyone who is contemplating taking a business course, that Tyler is certainly the place to go. They do just what they say they will do, and when you show that you are willing, they will do more, and I certainly can never say too much in favor of the Tyler Commercial College. They have placed me in a nice position and among the very nicest people. I find the people are so friendly at this place, and they sure do try to make anyone feel like they are at home.

Corpus is a very busy town, and with all its amusements it sure is something grand.

I board on Water street and the great waves come almost to the sidewalk at the front steps and it sure is interesting to watch the waves dash upon the shore. The tide has been very high since I've been here because the wind has blown so awful hard.

The flowers are all in full bloom and the trees are so green. Strawberries are ripe and the breeze off the Bay seems so pure and refreshing until anyone could not possibly be dissatisfied here. But nevertheless, when my day's work is done and the sunset turns the waves from blue to gold, then my thoughts are no longer in Corpus, for sometimes it seems most heart rending to be so far away from home it seems to me that I never could get familiar with it. But we sure have some nice opportunities, for they have such splendid churches and Sunday schools here.

Well, I suppose this is enough for one time, so, with best wishes to the Messenger and its many readers, I am,

OLA BAKER.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Miller of Saratoga stopped off in Grapeland a couple of days this week to visit with friends. They left Wednesday for Palestine, and will go from there to Arkansas to make their future home. Mrs. Miller was formerly Miss Maggie Campbell, and spent the greater part of early life in Grapeland.

Due to arrive at Darsey's: Full line of wash silks. adv

Mrs. Walter Conaway of Palestine is visiting her mother near Grapeland.

RIPPLES ON THE TRINITY

March 31.—Things are quiet down this way in the way of weather again, but my, tomorrow is April and we have a poor showing for corn as yet, and time is here to plant cotton and some have planted and am afraid we are going to get our business mixed up. Of course everything looks bad, but believe there will be some fruit yet but cannot say how little unless the next spell gets it.

Don't think I ever saw anything to equal the temperature after March 15th, but this is the unlucky "13," but my, just think how much better we have fared than the people in other sections, but we are going to just keep hitting. Lots of cotton will be planted this week and every fellow needs to be at his post for the next few weeks at least.

There was much visiting in our midst yesterday among neighbors as it was the fifth Sunday and we hope no harm done if no good.

Pledger Chiles and Miss Jessie Meriwether attended the fifth Sunday service of the Baptist people at Grapeland. Also Mr. Claud Roquemore and Miss Cook visited up that way.

Jack Beazley and family visited the home of H. A. Pennington yesterday to be at the reception of Mrs. Beazley's brother, Earl, who was married yesterday morning to Miss Elma Warner of Hays Spring.

Rev. F. E. Butler spent the week on the farm.

Mr. Dalner Roquemore is spending a while with his niece, Mrs. Herman Beazley.

Health is good and will sure need it for the next few weeks.

C. H. Beazley came out to the farm yesterday.

J. A. Allen was moving a car of kaffir corn for the Butler-Stevens farm Saturday.

Everybody is cordially invited to meet with us next Sunday evening at 3:30 p. m. to help organize a Sunday school. Come whether you feel like it or not, just so you are able.

Do not forget the election on the fifth, and turn out and exercise your rights.

What we are in need of most down this way as I see it is some warm weather.

Cordially, ZACK.

NOTICE

I take this method of asking the boys to please quit climbing over my high net wire fence at the back of my house. Several have done this in passing thru my field and the fence has been damaged considerably. So please don't do this again.

(adv) J. W. Howard.

This is fine fishing weather. Makes us feel like we'd like to hike to the cool shady banks of a creek and while away the hours coaxing the finny tribe.

An addition of thirty feet is being built to the Shaver building on the east side, which is now occupied by W. R. Wherry and A. S. Porter. This will give considerable more room.

NEW GOODS Arriving Daily

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Parent-Teachers' Association

Friday afternoon March 28th, 1913 about fourteen ladies interested in educational affairs met at the school building and completed the organization of an association to be known as the Parent-Teachers Association.

It was first thought to call this organization a Mother's Club, but because this name appeared to be somewhat misleading as to the purpose and membership, the other name was at length chosen. The purpose of this organization as set forth in the adopted constitution is: "To raise the standard of home and school, and to bring parent and teacher into a closer relation with each other, that they may co-operate more intelligently in the education of the child." The constitution further states that "Anyone interested in the purpose for which the club is organized is qualified for membership." These things being known it is most sincerely hoped that every home in the town and community will be represented at the next meeting.

The list of officers as completed at the last meeting is as follows:

President, Mrs. S. N. Boykin; First Vice-Pres., Mrs. P. H. Stafford; Second Vice-Pres., Miss Blanche Kennedy; Third Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. L. Smith; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Kennedy. Standing com-

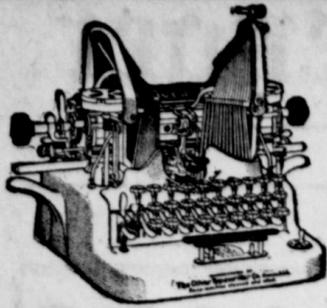
mittees were appointed by the president.

It was decided to present a picture to the grade in the public school which can present the neatest, cleanest room to a visiting committee who will make an unannounced and unexpected visit some day each week. This picture will be retained by the grade first securing it until it is surpassed in the required points by some other room. This visiting committee consists of Mrs. J. R. Richards, Mrs. W. D. Granberry and Mrs. W. A. Craven. A pretty picture has already been secured and will be presented to some room this week.

If you are interested in the upbuilding of educational affairs in the town and community you are most earnestly urged to be present at the next meeting which will be held at the school building at three-thirty o'clock Friday afternoon April 18, 1913.

REPORTER.

The fifth Sunday meeting of the Neches River Baptist Association convened in Grapeland last week, commencing Thursday night, closing Sunday night. About twenty delegates were in attendance, and all together it was a very profitable and successful meeting. Especially were the devotional services good, for some good preachers were present and delivered some very fine sermons. We hope they will meet with us again.



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A good road connecting a farm with a good town adds 20 per cent to the value of the farm. The value that accrues to the town can hardly be estimated in dollars and cents.

ALL THE NEWS FROM SALMON

(Delayed)

March 24.—After a long absence will again try to contribute a few lines to your valuable paper.

Health of the community was never better.

Farming is progressing reasonably well, considering the number of floods and freezes we've been having. By noticing closely we can occasionally see a few hills of corn up. Irish potatoes are also beginning to come up.

We regret very much that Mrs. Eugene Walling had to return to the Palestine Sanitarium, forced to undergo another very painful operation. This is the third operation Mrs. Walling has undergone since September, but we are very glad to learn that she is getting along nicely since the operation.

A most delightful day was spent by the little folks of this community Saturday before Easter at the home of Rev. C. A. Campbell. The occasion was an Easter dinner and egg hunt, gotten up by Miss Bertrice and given in honor of her pupils, there being 26 of the little fellows who met there. It certainly was a beautiful sight to see those little fellows gathering in for the occasion. Miss Bertrice has greatly endeared herself to the hearts of her entire class. They are all a unit in pleading for her to teach the next school with them.

W. R. Campbell, accompanied by Misses Bertrice and Audry Campbell, Master Tucker, Misses Myriam and Bertha Weisinger and Mada Gunther, made a flying trip to Slocum Sunday afternoon, the occasion being to fill an appointment that had been previously made for Mr. Campbell. The house was called to order by Rev. Tremble, and after a few preliminary remarks the song service began, and for about thirty or forty minutes, assisted by the Slocum class we all enjoyed a reasonably good song service, and at four o'clock the little party left, all declaring that they had never spent a more enjoyable afternoon, and wishing that the time would soon come when they would have another opportunity to make another visit to the little town of Slocum.

Messrs. Fletcher Weisinger and H. J. Shaw and families hied away to some creek to catch fish but from the best we can learn about all they caught was rain and hail.

Mr. Hiram Smith is gradually improving from a very painful accident that he happened to by cutting his foot. He is just now getting able to hobble about on his crutches, and we hope to see him again standing equally on both feet. W. R. C.

A cross, restless baby is a sick baby and the stomach or bowels are generally the cause of the trouble. **McGEE'S BABY ELIXIR** is a quieting and restorative syrup that never fails in these ailments. It corrects sour stomach, looseness of the bowels and feverishness. Contains no opium, morphine or narcotic drug of any kind. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter.

The Messenger has just printed and delivered to C. W. Fitchett, our hustling real estate dealer, a lot of literature advertising the Grapeland country.

TEXAS NEEDS GOOD ROADS

Many of the model highway laws in the various States have been prepared under the advice of the road experts of the Department of Agriculture and all the data and statistics of the Office of Public Roads are at the disposal of the Legislature.

In the last bulletin of the Office of Public Roads, it was stated that at the close of 1909, 8.66 per cent. of the roads in the United States were improved. This represents a gain in the total road mileage improved for the five-year period, 1904-1909, of 1.52 per cent. or, in other words, the per centage of improved roads has increased during this period from 7.14 to 8.66 per cent.

In the three years that have elapsed since then, it is roughly estimated that the percentage of improved roads has gone well beyond 9 per cent. and possibly close to 10 per cent. It is estimated that if 20 per cent. of the public highways were improved—each highway being selected and improved with a view to the proportionate traffic upon it—a high degree of efficiency in highway transportation would be reached. It is figured that millions of dollars would be saved annually in the transportation of crops, the wear and tear on horses and vehicles, and in the minimizing of the waste in truck farming. Where roads are bad, the farmers frequently find it impossible to get their products to the shipping points and thus perishable products are wasted, perceptibly increasing the cost of living.

In the five years preceding March 1912, the Office of Public Roads of the Department of Agriculture has built 215 object-lesson roads; in all, about 300 miles of road 15 feet wide, and by expert advice aided in the formulation of more than 650 model county road systems, resulting in most instances in beneficial reforms. It has also assisted twenty-six states in effecting equitable State aid plans.

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Remember when you were a youngster, what a trial baking day was? If mother was lucky everything went finely—but if she had "bad luck" her cakes and her pies and her bread were failures. Her success in baking seemed to depend almost altogether on "luck."

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The Menace of Over-Production

Col. Peter Radford, President of the Farmers' Union, has given the press some interesting data and startling information in relation to over-production and its effect upon marketing farm products. The statement shows that in 1911 the South produced 16,100,349 bales of cotton which sold for \$732,420,000 and in 1910 we produced 11,965,962 bales which sold for \$820,320,000, an increase of 4,133,387 bales and a decrease of \$87,900,000.

Agriculture has sunk its roots more deeply into government and industry during the past decade and in our mad rush to increase production, the marketing side of our farm problems has been overlooked. Production without profit is no incentive to the farmer.

Found a Cure for Rheumatism

"I suffered with rheumatism for two years and could not get my right hand to my mouth for that length of time," writes Lee L. Chapman, Mapleton, Iowa. "I suffered terrible pain so I could not sleep or lie still at night. Five years ago I began using Chamberlain's Liniment and in two months I was well and have not suffered with rheumatism since." For sale by all dealers. Adv

Luke McLuke Says

It is getting hard to bunk the American public with new medicines. If Dr. Friedmann had brought over a brand new religion he would be on easy street by this time.

Those new "mummy" sleeves will never make a hit. They are so tight that a girl can't raise her arms. How is she going to keep her nose from shining?

This time next month the girls will be digging out summer raiment and the old exhibition of funny elbows and soup bones will begin.

It takes all kinds of men to make a world. And one kind is so busy saving cigarette coupons that it can't earn more than \$10 per week.

If some men are born with silver spoons in their mouths, it is a cinch that some others are born with table knives in their facial openings.

It always jars a man when he gets interested in a pretty girl to hear her open her mouth and say to her lady friend: "Where is them fellers at, Mamie?"

Every girl who uses powder uses too much of it.

Some girls will save up for weeks to get an ounce of fashionable perfume, when what they need is a pound-bar of unfashionable soap.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Strait at It.

There is no use of our "beating around the bush." We might as well out with it first as last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or cold. There is no reason so far as we can see why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cures has gained a world wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is for sale by all dealers. Adv

If you eat something which disagrees with you, don't let it work its own way through. It's a slow process and makes you feel bad. Get rid of it quickly by taking a dose of HERBINE. It drives our impurities in the stomach and bowels and you feel better immediately. Price 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv

A Duel Between Pests

Texas does something original most every week and other states and nations that desire to keep abreast of the times should send emissaries to Texas where they can see the fresh rush of life as it enters into new evolutions of progress. We are the thought center of the nation and in this State powerful minds set in motion new economies that belt the earth in their travels.

The latest achievement is a duel between pests announced in press dispatches from Port Arthur. The Commercial Club of that city has procured a supply of bats to turn loose on mosquitos that thrive in the swamps of southeast Texas. The plan is said to work successfully and the bats disappear after ridding the country of mosquitoes.

Look to Your Plumbing.

You know what happens in a house in which the plumbing is in poor condition—everybody in the house is liable to contract typhoid or some other fever. The digestive organs perform the same functions in the human body as the plumbing does for the house, and they should be kept in first class condition all the time. If you have any trouble with your digestion take Chamberlain's Tablets and you are certain to get quick relief. For sale by all dealers. Adv

All we need to do is just to tell the truth about our town and country. It pays in the long run. If you honestly can't think of anything good to say, just keep quiet.

FEEL RIGHT ALL THE TIME

Don't Let Periodical Spells of Lazy Liver Ruin Your Temper and Spoil Your Work.

If your liver doesn't behave right all the time—if it sometimes stops working and you become bilious and "headachy"—don't take calomel, but try Dodson's Liver Tone.

You are safe in taking Dodson's Liver Tone. It's a harmless, pleasant vegetable remedy that starts the liver without stirring up your whole system as calomel often does. It is especially good for children who need a liver tonic once in a while, but who should not be dosed with strong drugs. Dodson's Liver Tone is sold by A. S. Porter. This store guarantees it with a clean open guarantee—your money back with a smile if it fails to satisfy you. Price, 50 cents a bottle, and your money is as safe as if you had it in your pocket. If you need the medicine you need it badly—if it doesn't satisfy you—your money back. Buy a bottle at Porter's Drug Store today under this guarantee. Adv

LOST THREE FINGERS

Elkhart Tex., March 30.—J. W. Miller of this place was the victim of a serious accident. In operating a shingle knife he lost three fingers of his left hand.

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STATEMENT

of the ownership and management of The Grapeland Messenger, published weekly at Grapeland, Texas, required by the Act of August 24, 1912.

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(Signed) A. H. LUKER,
Publisher.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of April, 1913.

J. R. RICHARDS,
Notary Public, Houston County, Texas

My commission expires June 1, 1913

Frank Weimar has purchased the Houston County Herald from McCelvy and Connor. We wish him continued success.

President Wilson is giving us a very plain and simple administration. He is using good old common sense.

The activity of the "Devil's" evil mind seems to be lulled from the effects of the "spring fever" this week, hence no paragraphs.

Tuesday was April 1—all fools day, as it is called. We tried to fool the bill collector and make him think what we owed him was a joke, but nothing doing.

H. A. McCelvy has resigned as editor of the Lufkin Daily News and has purchased the Lufkin Chronicle. The Chronicle has had many ups and downs, and has suspended publication on several occasions, but we hope Mack will have smooth sailing and make a success of it. He is a live wire and in a good town.

According to the almanac, spring is here.—Kilgore Chronicle.

We are of the opinion that the almanac don't know any more about when spring will be here than does the "ground hog," and what we think of the "ground hog" as a weather prophet would not look nice in print.

Anent the great revolution that is going on with respect to agriculture and rural life, we notice that a very great interest is being taken by the boys and girls in the various corn and cotton clubs. Such cannot be commended too highly, and we wish every boy and girl in Houston

County belonged to these corn clubs. Agriculture is the basis of our industrial life. It is the foundation of our wealth. Create an interest in the rising generation for agriculture and country life, and the foundation for a prosperous era eclipsing anything ever experienced since the dawn of civilization will be laid. We are informed that Master Wilson and Chester Parker, of the Belott community, have joined these clubs, and that they entered enthusiastically into the work with every prospect of winning one of the prizes offered by the Texas Industrial Congress. Let others fall into line. This is the way to keep the boys on the farm.

Col. Peter Radford, President of the Farmers' Union, says that over-production is worse than boll weevils, and what is needed is co-operation between farmer and business man. What is also needed is a marketing system to keep the cotton from being dumped on the market all at one time. We are glad to state that the Farmers Union and other agencies are now considering this question.

No county can boast of a more hustling set of people than good old Houston, as was evidenced by the fact at Grapeland some two weeks ago when that little city went down under a monstrous fire. But not for long, ere the smoke had cleared away and the bricks were cold before the business men were figuring to build again, only doing better than before. That is the kind of citizenship that wins, and Grapeland should be proud of that class, as we are proud of them away over here. They are the kind that do something and Houston County is full of 'em.—Houston County Herald.

A big manufacturing concern in the north that manufactures a certain article which is known from one end of the nation to the other, recently stated in one of their advertisements about this article as follows: "We have faith enough in it's worth to back it with a guarantee that's stronger than any gilt-edge bond. That guarantee is ADVERTISING. It's the highest-quality insurance that anyone can buy." This concern carries page after page of advertising in national journals the year round, and they reap rich rewards for the money expended. Does advertising pay?

LETTER FROM OLD GRAY

Jones' Mill, March 30.—Tomorrow will have placed the month of March behind us and it will be remembered in the future for its terrible storms and cyclone and destructive fire, all combined, many lives have been blotted out and the loss to property amounts to millions of dollars. History doesn't give account of such terrible devastation. It looks as though the "great day" was at hand, but the Good Book says these things will occur, but the end is not yet. Be ready for tomorrow may be too late.

If our memory serves us right the legislature will adjourn April 1st, without having done anything to the interest of the state. Instead of attending to the more important business of the state they are fighting over the whiskey question and neglecting the needs of the state. We think the time is ripe when

the people should be aroused to a sense of their duty to themselves and their state, consider well and seek for men who will do their full duty to the state when they are in Austin as representatives. Quit voting for these goody good fellows and replace them with broad guaged statesmen. Then and not until then will we have better times and better laws in Texas. We are not trying to play the part of a critic, but when the Legislature goes wrong the humblest farmer has a right to take a shot. We state facts, acknowledged by some of the legislators. Some of them say they have absolutely done nothing. The proposition is up to you Mr. Voter. Will you make a change for the better or shall the state's machinery continue in the same old rut where it is fast going to the bad.

We were in Grapeland yesterday and met many of our old time friends from different portions of the country. Their hearty hand shake and kind words was good food for the soul. They reported that farmers were not well up with their work, owing to weather conditions.

We have interviewed several in regard to the fruit and the decision is that the fruit is entirely destroyed. This is another hard stroke, but we will have it to bear.

Corn planting is over in this community. Some fear they will have to plant over.

Health is good at present.
OLD GRAY.

*W. H. M. Entertained

The Home Mission Society was delightfully entertained by Mrs. John A. Davis last Wednesday afternoon.

The devotional service was begun by scripture reading by the president, Mrs. A. H. Luker. Mrs. W. L. Smith read an interesting piece on prayer. Several topics of business were discussed by all. An interesting game was indulged in for a little while. Chicken salad on lettuce leaves with fresh tomatoes and crackers, cake and lemonade were served.

The following ladies were present: Mesdames S. N. Boykin, Geo. E. Darsey, F. W. Leaverton, A. H. Luker, S. E. Traylor, Roy Bruton, C. W. Kennedy, Knox Miller, W. A. Craven, W. L. Smith, Jno. A. Davis, Misses Irene Garland, Maude McCarty, Ima and Esther Davis and Mrs. Geo. Crook of Crockett.

Mrs. Roy Bruton will entertain the society Tuesday afternoon, April 15th, at three o'clock. Following is the program:

Opening song.
Reading of minutes.
Adoption of constitution and by-laws.
Reading by Mrs. W. A. Craven.

Transaction of unfinished business.
Subject: "Excuses for not being an active missionary worker." Discussed by members.
Closing song.
Benediction.

Ragged wounds are painful and cause much annoyance. If not kept clean they fester and become running sores. BAL-LARD'S SNOW LINIMENT is an antiseptic healing remedy for such cases. Apply it at night before going to bed and cover with a cotton cloth bandage. It heals in a few days. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv

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Our school would not be the largest business training school in America if it was not the best. With our original, copyrighted, Byrne practical business systems and methods, we produce a good bookkeeper, stenographer or operator in a short time and place him in a good paying position.

The business world holds out splendid opportunities for those trained to do its work. Seventy-five per cent of the bank presidents hold their present positions thru their knowledge of bookkeeping that enabled them to start into the banking work. Andrew Carnegie and many other great financiers, also railroad presidents started at the telegrapher's key. Ex-Senator Wm. E. Mason started as a stenographer as did Geo. B. Cortlyou, now president of the Consolidated Gas Co. of New York City; also Wm. Loeb, Jr. now collector of the port of New York. There is no better way for a young man or woman to become familiar with the affairs of business than to secure a thorough, practical business training, then go into a good salaried business position.

Don't lay aside this paper without sending for catalogue of America's largest business training school, the only one enrolling from 1500 to 2000 students annually, the only one giving thorough and complete courses in bookkeeping and business training, shorthand, telegraphy and business administration and finance, the only one that has an employment department with facilities for placing its graduates in the very best positions with mercantile firms, railroads, state and national government positions. We have furnished Uncle Sam with some of his very best clerical and stenographic help. Attend a school with a national reputation whose diplomas are pass-ports into the very best salaried positions.

Fill in and mail for free catalogue to the Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name.....
Address.....
Adv

Rebuilding Notes

Geo. E. Darsey has a force of workmen engaged in clearing away the debris from his building site, and within the next few weeks work will begin upon his new brick structure, which will be erected upon the same site. Some material has been placed upon the ground at the Guaranty State Bank, and work of rebuilding will begin in a few days. They have drawn up plans for a very up-to-date building, which will be modern in every respect. Experts have examined the walls and they have been pronounced safe, so they will not have to be torn away. The buildings on second street are nearing completion. W. H. Lively and B. R. Guice will soon have their buildings ready on front street. D. N. Leaverton will occupy the Guice building, and will fit up one of the nicest drug stores to be found in a town twice the size of Grapeland. The building will be finished inside in the most up-to-date manner, while the front will be solid plate glass.

New wash fabrics at Darsey's Drygoods Department. Adv

This Is The Time Of Year TO MAKE YOUR MONEY GO THE FARTHEREST

The best way to do this is by coming to our store and making your bill with us.

Our store is very complete and we are better prepared to save you money than ever before.

It would be to your interest to give us a trial and let us prove these facts.

Select you a nice Spring hat while the pretty ones are still here.

Give us your next week's grocery bill and see what a saving it will be to you.

Traylor Bros.

Keep the Price Down. Successors to Mistrot Bros. & Company

LOCAL NEWS

Rope at Darsey's. adv

Ice cream at Traylor Bros. (advertisement)

New Dress Buttons at Darsey's. adv.

Black amber cane seed at adv Kennedy Bros.

Fresh groceries at adv DARSEY'S.

Get your cold drinks at Traylor Bros. adv

New line of oxfords and pumps at Darsey's. adv

Seed corn at adv Kennedy Brothers.

Wire and nails at adv DARSEY'S.

See me for fresh groceries. adv W. R. Wherry.

Take your eggs to Darsey. He pays more. adv

We have a few more "Texas Maid" cultivators. adv Kennedy Bros.

Darsey sells FREE sewing machines. Everyone insured for five years. adv

If you want a good hoe buy a "John Riley." adv Kennedy Bros.

Young Men: Get your spring suit from Darsey. adv.

We have a few more 50 and 60 tooth section harrows. adv Kennedy Bros.

Screen doors and screen wire at T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co's Adv.

Call on Wherry for flour. He only carries the best grades. (advertisement)

Let us show you our line of screen doors; also wall paper before you buy. T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co. adv.

LADIES, if you want a pure fruit extract call for "Fla-Vo Extract"—free from alcohol. adv Kennedy Bros.

I extend a cordial invitation to my old customers and friends to call on me in my new place of business—in the Shaver building. W. R. Wherry (advertisement)

Furniture at Darsey's. adv

Ice cream sodas 5c at Traylor Bros. adv

See Darsey's display of spring millinery. adv

Bring us your chickens and eggs. Kennedy Bros. adv

Darsey buys chickens and eggs. adv

Styleplus Clothes \$17. at Darsey's. adv

Get your breakfast food from Wherry. adv

Darsey buys hens and roosters. adv

We want your peas. adv Kennedy Bros.

Three burner oil stoves, complete with oven, at Darsey's. adv

George Calhoun is in Houston this week.

Nice fruits of all kinds at adv Kennedy Bros.

New dress goods at Darsey's. adv

Get you a "Sam Houston" cultivator, then ride or walk. adv Kennedy Bros.

The latest dress novelties are always found at Darsey's. adv

If you are doubtful in regard to the place to get your fresh groceries call on Wherry. (adv)

Do your farming with a John Deere Cultivator. A big line at Darsey's. adv

Mrs. Roy Bruton and children visited relatives in Crockett this week.

Wick Traylor and little "Buster" spent Monday in New Waverly.

Masury's Pure Paint—guaranteed. The best paint in the world. T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co. adv

M. L. Clewis is having his residence repainted, which will add considerably to its beauty and that part of town.

Miss Irene Garland left Sunday night for Lorraine in response to a telegram announcing the serious illness of her sister.

L. A. Robbins of Percilla route 1 was a pleasant caller at this office Saturday and had us send the Messenger to his daughter, Mrs. Rosie Lee Greer at Genoa, Ark.

Turpentine and pure Linseed oil at T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co. Adv.

If the small town merchant wants the trade to stay at home he must advertise for it.

Buy your post cards at Leaverton's drug store. Large supply in stock. adv

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lynch of Houston are visiting relatives in Grapeland.

W. H. Burden of route 2 called Saturday and sent the Messenger to his son in Oklahoma.

Mrs. George Crook of Crockett visited relatives here a few days last week.

Mrs. L. Meriwether of Crockett was here Saturday getting up a class in music for Miss Willie Barlow.

Plenty of post cards now. New and up-to-date, just received a new shipment. See them. adv D. N. Leaverton.

The latest styles for men in straw and Panama hats at Darsey's. adv.

Eggs For Hatching Barred Plymouthrocks \$1.00 per setting. Adv Mrs. W. D. Granberry

A paint that has stood the test for 75 years, "Masury's"—none better, let us talk with you about it. T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co. Adv.

An addition of thirty feet is being added to the building I am now occupying, and this will enable me to better serve you. adv W. R. Wherry,

Dental Notice Dr. C. L. Cromwell will be located at his residence until further notice, and will be prepared to do dental work just the same. Adv C. L. CROMWELL.

A good line of screen doors and screen wire and paints and varnishes and paint brushes at T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co's. Adv.

According to agreement with other merchants, our store will be closed to the trade after 6:30 but our fountain will serve drinks later. adv Traylor Bros.

STYLEPLUS \$17 CLOTHES

SOLD BY DARSEY

Know Paint

There's a paint-education in this advertisement. Buy by the job, not gallon. Buy by the paint put-on; that's the job.

The price of paint is so much a gallon; that can't be helped, but amounts to nothing.

The price of painting is so much a day; that can't be helped, but amounts to nothing.

Put them together. How can you do it? You've got to or lose perhaps half of your money.

Devoe, 10 gallons enough for the average job; an average paint, 15. Now recon your costs. Count labor a day for a gallon. Devoe 10 days; the other 15.

Devoe about \$50; the average paint about \$70 or \$80; the dearer the labor the bigger the difference, always that way.

But that's for the job. How long is it going to last? One twice as long as the other.

DEVQJE Kennedy Bros. sell it. Adv

MONEY TO LOAN

We Handle Real Estate.

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

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The Famous ROGERS Silverware

6 Tea Spoons.....	\$1.78
6 Dessert Spoons.....	1.96
6 Table Spoons.....	1.99
6 Medium Knives.....	2.59
6 Medium Forks.....	1.99
1 Sugar Shell and Butter Knife.....	1.75
1 Three-piece Child's Set.....	1.85
1 Berry Spoon.....	1.95
1 Gravy Ladle.....	1.85
1 Cream Ladle.....	1.65

Bring this card and when you make a cash purchase at our store, have the amount of your purchase punched out. When the total amount of \$5 is properly punched out we will accept this card as \$1 in cash and you can select from above sets or pieces and PAY THE BALANCE OF ODD CENTS IN CASH.

OUR PLAN will enable you to obtain for one-third its value a complete set of the W. R. Brand of the famous Rogers Silverware, guaranteed heavily plated on a solid silver nickel base.

EXAMPLE: To obtain a set of Tea spoons, value as above \$1.78, pay us the odd 78c and we will accept this card, properly punched out, as \$1.00

T. S. KENT Quality is the Thing

We now have in our Walk-Over Shoes. See them. They are the best shoes on earth.

A full line of ladies' dress goods and furnishings, men's and boys' suits at rock-bottom prices. See us if you want your bill filled with "QUALITY GOODS." Yours for business,

T. S. KENT

Growing Export Trade

A recent press report announcing that the manufacturers of Wichita Falls were entering the Cuban and South American market with their products serves to remind us that the cereals of the Mississippi valley are seeking a new pathway to reach export.

Cotton, live stock and oil have long realized the business advantages of passing through Texas as on their journey to world markets and all these products except cotton have recognized Texas as a manufacturing center.

Seed selection is as important to successful farming as the most careful methods of cultivation.

Backache ? Kidneys Hurt?

Well, NYAL'S STONE ROOT COMPOUND

is a palatable and efficient remedy for disorders of the Kidneys, Bladder and Liver.

PURIFIES THE BLOOD

Price 50c and One Dollar per Bottle

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P. S.—We are located in the Shaver building, east side railroad

The Flying Man

Harry
Irving
Greene

Author of "The Lash of Circumstance,"
"Barbara of the Snows"

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Professor Desmond of the Peak observatory causes a great sensation throughout the country by announcing that what appears to be a satellite is approaching at terrific speed. Destruction of the earth is feared.

CHAPTER II.—Panic prevails everywhere. The satellite barely misses the earth. The atmospheric disturbance knocks people unconscious, but does no damage.

CHAPTER III.

The Flying Man.

It was perhaps five minutes later that Alan came into a certain possession of his senses, not fully as one may do who awakens from a faint, but rather with a gradual return to normal understanding through which period he had grotesque dreams, saw visions and seemed to exist for long periods in unfamiliar worlds. Then as full consciousness became his again he sat



She Was Blown Bodily into His Arms.

up. There was a strong wind blowing once more, a gale in fact, but it was now coming steadily instead of in gigantic gusts and the roar from above had diminished to the long, dull rumble of dying thunder. All was yet in darkness so dense that he could not see his hand before his face.

For a moment he sat quietly as his brain tried to grasp the full significance of all that had happened, his name, his whereabouts, the cause of the darkness, the roar and the wind. Ah, he had it now. The collision. It had evidently taken place and he was still alive—Doris! His heart leaped to his throat and he went tumbling over the ground on his hands and knees in blind search for her. His touch fell upon her still lying prostrate, and placing his arm under her he raised her to a sitting position, feeling of her face as he did so. Thank all things she was alive and now even able to move a bit. He drew her gently to him until her head rested against his shoulder where he held her with his arm clasped about her waist. He could feel the deep and rapid pulsing of her bosom and knew that she was breathing spasmodically as though greatly exhausted, realizing for the first time that he, also, was panting as after a severe race. He spoke to her with an effort and after a few fruitless trials succeeded in making himself heard. He asked her if she was much hurt or in pain and she shook her head against his shoulder in a negative.

He became conscious that something to which it seemed he had always been accustomed had, suddenly, absented itself and for a moment pondered vaguely as to what it could be. Oh yes, the roar! It was gone now, the earth was steady beneath them and the wind almost dead. What had become of the others of the party? He must see at once. He found that Doris was now able to sit upright without assistance, told her to remain where she was until he returned, and got upon his feet. As he did so he saw a light flicker a short distance away and a moment later the flame of a Japanese lantern revealed the set face of Desmond. Alan went hurrying up to him.

For a moment the professor stared

at the one who had come to him from out of the darkness as though trying to recall a familiar face for the moment forgotten, then he spoke in a low, strange voice like one who talks in his sleep. "Oh yes, I know you now. You are my old friend March. I congratulate you upon your escape. Come with me. There must be other lanterns scattered about and we will need all the light and help we can get in order to search for the missing ones. I have hopes of finding most of them alive." Rapidly they searched the grounds, coming across the forms of their fellow guests at every few steps. Some still remained inert, some were sitting up in a dazed way, while others were already upon their feet directing their way to the will-o'-the-wisp lantern light which flitted about the lawn. In the course of the next few minutes they had also found a dozen of the lanterns which had not been torn to pieces or blown from their fastenings upon the trees, and these they lighted and distributed to the ever increasing searching party. It had been a case of suffocation into insensibility in a partial vacuum which had followed the departure of the great weight, a condition which had only prevailed for a very few minutes, and with the return of the normal quantity of air the victims had quickly recovered with the exception of Mrs. Emmonds. She had been in a faint and breathing but feebly when the crucial moment arrived, and Doctor Raymond, who was among them now, pronounced her dead. Silently they bore her within the house, found the telephone to be unresponsive to their appeals, and leaving two of the women beside her they returned to the lawn. They were still partially dazed and wholly awe-stricken and moved about half automatically as though just recovering from an anaesthetic.

The electric lights which for some reason had gone out in the early stages of the disturbances were now burning as brightly as ever again, and from all sides came the sounds of a city temporarily stricken returning to bewildered life, the shouts of men, the cries of women, the barking of dogs, the cackle of fowl. Someone suggested that inasmuch as there must have been considerable loss of life in the tumultuous winds when many of the flimsier buildings must have gone down, it was clearly their duty to try and assist those less fortunate than themselves. Professor Desmond answered him.

"What you have said is undoubtedly true, yet at the same time there may be serious riots as the result of a happening like this. Gangs of vandals are apt to form after great panics while the people are still dazed, and taking advantage of conditions commit all sorts of depredations—as for instance in times of armed attacks upon cities or after great fires or floods. Therefore at such times it is a man's first duty to look out for those nearest and dearest to him. We have quite a number of women here, wives, daughters and perhaps a sweetheart or two, and most of us should remain with them until we know that it is safe to leave them alone. Let me count. I find that there are sixteen ladies and fourteen gentlemen present. Of the latter I should imagine that half might be spared for a scouting party while the rest remained here for the time being as an emergency guard. As soon as the scouts report that it is safe for the ladies to go upon the streets we can send for carriages, cars or vehicles of some sort and escort them to their homes. Meanwhile I beg of you to restrain your natural anxiety for a brief half hour for the benefit of all concerned. We will now cast the ballot to determine who shall go forth and who shall stay." Quickly the selection was made and the seven chosen ones departed in several different directions with assurances that they would hasten back as soon as they had observed conditions abroad in the respective portions of the town to which they had assigned themselves. Blind chance decreed that Alan, Clay and Professor Desmond should remain. Judge Fulton as master of the house remained with them.

They gathered themselves into a close group. "Your theory now, professor?" they asked as their fellows disappeared. Desmond, tall and gaunt, rugged without uncouthness, passed his hand slowly over a forehead lined by long years of study and thought.

"My friends," he began hesitatingly,

"we have not only witnessed but are living to tell of a miracle so astonishing that human history contains nothing which even approaches it. You will understand perfectly that any attempted explanation upon my part will be but my individual theory, and that it may be entirely disproved in the light of subsequent developments. That being borne in mind, I think upon your part you will readily concede that while my prophecy as to our destruction went astray, yet our escape was by a hair's breadth of a few score miles. And while I did not calculate with entire accuracy, I did calculate even closer than you could have wished."

"And our being missed—how can that be accounted for if the earth was the object of attack? How can the attracted object miss the magnet and pass on as this body seems to have done?"

"It cannot. And that is the very thing that proves to us that the earth was not the magnet in this case, and it was the error on my part which tends to explain the miss. The body which passed us was and undoubtedly at this moment is bound for some other point in space many million miles beyond us, perhaps for some vast body or group of bodies of which we have no knowledge, perhaps for one of the huge suns we can see. Or, again, possibly like some of the comets it has an orbit of well nigh incalculable extent, and like a comet passes a certain point every so many years. In any event it took small notice of us—no more in fact than had we been a soap bubble. We merely happened to be in its path."

"But why did not the earth divert this much smaller body to itself when they were in such close contact?"

"That may be accounted for by assuming that because of the entirely different natures of their compositions they did not happen to attract each other, as for example glass ignores the lodestone while iron does not. And because of the terrific speed of the traveler it shot through our sphere of influence by sheer momentum, as an iron ball may be thrown or shot past a magnet which would divert and retain it had not its momentum carried it by. Some comets which pass very close in their circuit around the sun are only kept from falling into it by their awful momentum, the speed of some of them at that period of their flight being over a million miles an hour. These are the possible solutions which occur to me at this time. However, I am free to admit that my reasoning faculties have been considerably disturbed, and tomorrow I may entirely reverse my opinion of tonight."

"Did it touch us at all?"

"I think not—except atmospherically."

"Why the vibrations, the winds, the terrible air pressure and the vacuum in which we all so nearly perished?"

"More speculation. The earth undoubtedly sensed the approach of the mysterious stranger and evidenced it to the extent of quivers of apprehension. The other physical manifestations were probably electrical, magnetic and etheral, while the pressure and vacuum were caused by actual physical contact."

"But did you not say there was no physical contact?"

"Except the physical contact of their buffeting atmospheres, supposing that the visitor carried its own atmosphere along with it, or the contact of its solid body itself with our atmosphere in case it had none of its own. The result would have been practically the same in either case. Now for the sake of the argument let us assume the earth to be a ball as large as an apple, and our friend of a few moments ago to be a much smaller ball—say the size of a pea. For the purpose of the illustration we will also suppose the larger ball which represents the earth to be moving but slowly. Now you throw the smaller ball past the larger one so closely that it just skims it but with a distance the thickness of a piece of paper between them. You will readily understand that for an instant there is considerable air commotion on a small scale in that fraction of a second and fraction of an inch when the balls are so close together—first a rush of wind as the small ball approaches and forces the air ahead of it, next a compression of air at the closest point between them, and third the suction which all rapidly moving bodies create behind them and which is a partial vacuum. This is illustrated by the fact that a cannon ball may snatch one's breath away without hitting him. It was so with us but upon a much vaster scale. First we had our violent winds, then the compression when the visiting body was hurtling directly over our heads, and lastly the vacuum as it rushed away dragging the air after it. The gale which followed that was caused by the air rushing back to place in the restoration of normal-atmospheric equilibrium. As soon as that was restored the wind ceased."

"And the awful roar?"

"It could hardly be expected that the passage of a large body through space at an inconceivable velocity would be attended by absolute silence when it comes in close contact with

another body. You know the sound that a bullet makes in passing through the air. Very well. Now that bullet might not make a sound that the human ear could hear in passing through anything as intangible as space, but you must remember that this body of which we speak is hundreds of miles in diameter and that whilst a modern bullet travels with a velocity of only two thousand miles an hour, this small world may well be going two hundred thousand miles an hour—one hundred times as fast. Therefore, no matter how thin the ether of space may be we might well expect sound to accompany an object of that size traveling at that enormous speed."

"You spoke, professor, of the visitor's having an atmosphere. Would it be possible in the event such is the case that it is inhabited by human beings?"

"I would scarcely think so. In the first place its size would hardly seem to justify such a thing, yet were its other conditions favorable its area is sufficient to support a population of several millions, that is judging its conditions to be similar to those upon favored places on this earth. But it



Rapidly They Searched the Grounds.

may be safely assumed that if it does possess a human population—and by human I mean reasoning and speaking creatures, they would in all probability be vastly different from us physically, mentally. But as to what these differences might consist of no one can have any conception." He started as though surprised, leaned forward and rubbed his finger across Alan's bosom. A black streak instantly appeared in the wake of the finger. "Were you not dressed in black when you arrived here this evening?" he demanded crisply. "And you, too, doctor—and you?"

They looked at each other in wonderment. From head to foot they were gray, as gray as had ashes been filtered over them through a sieve, while by the glow of the lanterns and brighter electric lights the ground seemed to be carpeted with a sooty snow. In their absorbed listening they had not noticed the phenomenon, but now as they lifted their faces upward they were conscious of the falling of a soft, impalpable substance, fine as flour, sinking as gently as thistle down. Desmond brushed a spoonful of it into his palm, scanned it, rubbed it between his fingers, smelled it, even tasted it, then shook his head.

"Undoubtedly organic dust brushed from the visitor by atmospheric friction," he muttered. He suddenly bent over with another sharp exclamation of surprise. "Hello! What's this?"

A small twig had come twirling down to his feet and he picked it up and turned it over slowly as they crowded around him. "Any of you ever seen anything like this?" he demanded at length as he passed it from hand to hand. Critically they scanned it. The twig was about the length and size of a lead pencil and at its end was a leaf black as jet, perfectly round and about the size of a silver dollar. Upon the leaf and extending from rim to rim was stamped in glittering white a strange cabalistic design. Doris leaning forward for a better view gasped sharply and clutched at the ornament below her throat. Removing it with a quick motion she laid it beside the leaf, while from all sides arose expressions of amazement. For in size, in color, in design, in all respects save that her trinket was of jade and diamonds whilst the leaf was all vegetable they were identical.

"A most marvelous coincidence," muttered Desmond dreamily, his eyes half closed. "Inexplicable. The plot is thickening fast. Dust falls. Vegetation descends. What if after all—my God, what's that?"

He turned his face quickly upward, every eye following, every ear alert. From above came first a strange cry unlike any sound they had ever heard before from the throat of man, fowl or

beast, quivering yet sharp and insistent, bearing the notes of both appeal and threat as though the thing that uttered it knew not what his next act should be and in his indecision uttered the double note. And while those below were still staring open mouthed and speechless before the oncoming of this new mystery, there came a rush as of mighty wings, a fanning of the air that swept their faces, while from out of the darkness there settled before them a monstrous shape that rooted them in their tracks and caused every hair upon their heads to prick and pull. Manlike of head and limbs, yet manlike in such a way as no mortal eye had ever seen before, with huge bulging eyes, a cavernous mouth hung with loosely flapping lips, thin arms and legs that seemed to be made of cords instead of flesh and muscle and his reddish body loosely hung about by a strange skin, he was more the fantastic apparition of a delirium than any creature known to man since the grotesque flying shapes of prehistoric ages. And more marvelous than all else, attached to his shoulders by huge brachial muscles that ran downward to his hips were a great pair of batlike wings with a spread of full thirty feet, and with these now fully extended he crouched before them in the attitude of a bird just alighting.

Slowly he scanned them, his great eyes glowing luminously in the dusk, his broad mouth working fantastically and his head craned forward as though trying to read in their faces what manner of creatures they were, and whether his next movement should be one of friendship, antagonism or flight. Then his eyes settled upon Doris, who now paralyzed by a terror infinitely greater than had possessed her at the approach of the hostile world, could only stare at the monster like one chained to the spot. Then slowly he raised one long arm until its index finger pointed at the ornament which she held in her hand, and with a strange croaking sound and a curious birdlike hop he came straight towards her.

(To be continued.)

PARROT FAILS AS WATCHDOG

Polly Couldn't Call "Burglars! Burglars!" and Now Lies Dead at Allentown, Pa.

Allentown, Pa.—Burglars entered the home of Thomas Stern, and before attempting to rob the house took the precaution to strangle the family parrot, which the Sterns had installed as a watchdog, believing the bird to be better than any canine as a guardian of the family at night. The Sterns, however, neglected to teach Polly to squeak "Burglars! Burglars!"

In the night members of the Stern family heard Polly yell "Maggie, Maggie," and then all was quiet. They thought Polly was dreaming and paid no attention to the calls.

In the morning Polly was found dead in the yard. The burglars had taken the family jewelry at their leisure.

PROVIDES FOR HIS SHAFT

Will of George H. Valentine, Manufacturer of Cigars, Filed at Reading.

Reading, Pa.—The will of the late George H. Valentine, who operated cigar factories in Philadelphia, Womelsdorf and elsewhere, was filed for probate in court here. The entire estate of about \$200,000 goes to the son, H. Leroy Valentine, with the exception of \$1,000, which is to be invested for the use of the Womelsdorf Cemetery Company, and to keep the decedent's monument in repair. The son is named as executor.

CHESSBOARD HATS FOR MEN

Awe-Inspiring Color Combinations in Latest Parisian Headgear—Frenchmen Wearing Them.

Paris.—Checked or parti-colored hats for men are the latest innovation in boulevard fashions. They have brims and crowns of totally different shades. Gray and black, green and gray, black and blue, gray and white being the combinations most in favor. Other hats are covered with a large chessboard pattern in which these colors alternate.

A number of Frenchmen are now wearing them, and the makers declare that as soon as the fashion is definitely taken up they will introduce far bolder types with four or five different colors, arranged in squares or rings. Americans here so far have fought shy of these hats, though it is considered probable that the latter will not take long to cross the Atlantic.

Doctor Travels in a Box Car.

Louisville, Ky.—A new method of travel has been adopted by Dr. Stephen Quinby, a local physician, who has gone to spend the winter in Arizona. Dr. Quinby chartered a box car, fitted up living quarters and will travel to Arizona in it with his wife and two children.

HATS FOR THE YOUNGSTERS

Season's Models Show That the Designers Have by No Means Forgotten the Younger Element.

The kiddies are not forgotten in the making up of materials for their headwear. There is a cotton seal plush in white and colors suitable for children's hoods and capes, as well as for brims of ladies' hats, for the entire hat, or for turban effects.

Velvet manufacturers say that great quantities of black velvet have been sold, not only for the making of pressed velvet hats, but for trimming, and also for drapery effects.

Of course, ribbons will be utilized to no little extent.

Satin and moires are again to the fore, says the Millinery Trade Review. The latter will be the favorite of the two materials. All these materials, especially in piece goods, are represented in the manufactured hats, in plain shapes, tailored hats, pattern hats and trimmed hats.

Moire used as facing and trimmings will be featured widely for early fall. Moire ribbon, both narrow and wide, is shown, from which is developed many new and interesting high ribbon cockades.

An imported model shows the use of mustard colored moire ribbon, forming a stunning high plaited fancy with a base of the shirred moire ribbon. Another clever use of this ribbon, about two inches wide, is noted, forming a succession of flat bows, which are placed in a high standard of velvet of the same shade as the ribbon, making a simple but effective trimming.

BEST TO KEEP IN SEASON

Headgear Not Suitable to Weather Does Not Look Suitable and is Not Healthy.

All the shops have for some time shown felts, beavers, velours and suchlike wintry hats, though none too early for our winter's choice. But many women are foolish enough to wear their new purchases immediately.

Soon there will be no season as far as clothes are concerned, for already we wear felts in early September and straws in March. It is an absurd practice, and one which should not be continued if only from the health point of view. In the warm days of autumn, felt hats, however light, are bad for the hair, and the transparent straws when worn in the keen winds of early spring are often the primary causes of neuralgic headache. A woman should—weather of course permitting in normal seasons—be content to wear her pretty straw millinery until the last of September at least, and her felts until the end of March. Still, as long as the shops show the new hats it goes without saying that numbers of women will buy them and wear them without delay. In our long winters there is ample time for fascinating velours, or clipped beaver, that has helped to tempt us into prematurely early autumn headwear this season.—Boston Herald.

PRETTY DANCING GOWN.



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Of pink Charmeuse with a tunic of pink tulle to match. The high cut on the shoulder and low front is this season's attractive style for low neck.

Fashion's Fancies

Check patterns are coming quickly to the fore as blouse materials.

Imitation furs are taking the place of the expensive peltry. These fur cloths form little vests, cuffs and collars on jackets.

Velvets, corduroys and velveteens are important for afternoon suits, and the corded effects seem to be most generally used in costumes.

Muffs will be of more mammoth size than ever this winter. The furriers have seen to that. They are also desperately concerned in working up original little fittings for the neck in the guise of high stocks.

Materials are, as a rule, supple, soft and wide. The tones are soft and neutral, allowing for the introduction of the color note by means of the vests, girdles, velvet collars and ornaments so much in vogue.

Stunning jackets of Scotch knitted goods for the cool autumn days will appeal to the woman who enjoys a cross-country tramp. Made in the Norfolk style and resembling a heavy cloth in texture, they are decidedly good looking.

Soft New Porcelains.

Have you seen the fascinating Danish porcelains in soft gray and white that are being shown in interesting vases, candlesticks and fruit bowls?

One attractive piece that could do duty for flowers or fruit is a Danish peasant girl in her native costume, with quaint cap and sabots. Her frock is gray, her apron, cap and sabots white. She leans gracefully forward, apparently walking, and drags beside her great baskets, each fully six inches in diameter, of plaited gray and white porcelain.

Besides the beauty of this vase, it permits delightful effects with short stemmed flowers, and is especially graceful as a center piece filled with purple and white grapes, or blue plums and green gages.

To Make Fur Bands.

When you desire to cut fur in narrow bands place it hair side downward upon a marble slab and measure off the desired width.

Mark with a pencil and cut with a sharp knife, following the pencil mark indicated. Care must be taken not to mutilate the fur.

If you desire to join the bands, neatly overcast them with linen thread on the skin side.

Red is Worn.

Deep red shades are coming more to the front than was anticipated earlier in the season.

USE FOR RIBBON REMNANTS

Make Attractive Serviette Bands When They Are Carefully Put Together.

Small ribbon remnants have a knack of collecting in large numbers, and it is not easy to find useful purposes to which they may be put. One good way in which pieces of strong ribbon about seven inches in length and two inches in width may be utilized is the making of serviette bands to take the place of the ordinary rings. In the accompanying sketch we show a band of this kind, and the ribbon should be cut into a point at one end, lined with satteen and bound at the edges with narrow ribbon, or a fine silk cord may take its place if preferred. It can be made to fasten



either with a small button or button-hole, or a snap fastener cut from an old glove may be used.

An initial or number can be worked in the center of the band in some strongly contrasting shade of color.

The upper sketch shows the band spread out perfectly flat, and in the lower illustration it is shown bent into shape and fastened together.

As these little articles can be easily made, at a very trifling cost, they should not be forgotten at those times set aside for preparing work for bazaars.

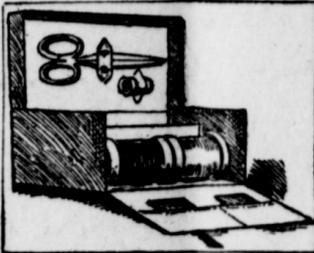
Embroidery Freely Used.

Lingerie dresses show combinations of embroidery and maline laces; twenty-seven-inch embroidery flouncing, forming tunics or skirt draperies, is mounted on accordion platted batiste or net foundation skirt. All-over embroidered batiste and cotton crepes form entire dresses.

OF USE TO THE TRAVELER

Little Workbox That May Be Said to Be Almost an Indispensable Adjunct.

Men who travel much frequently find themselves without the possibility of help when such a little disaster happens as the losing of a button, and as often as not the necessary articles wherewith to remedy the defect are absent. Under these circumstances a small case fitted up in the manner



shown in our sketch will prove a most acceptable gift to any man who may be called upon to do a little needlework for himself.

It can be made with any small cardboard box of a suitable size, and if the lid is not already hinged on it should be fastened on by pasting a piece of broad tape across the back. The front of the box should be cut out and hinged on at the lower edge in the same manner, and the whole box can then be neatly covered with silk or linen. A piece of wire is run through the front part of the box, and the ends bent upward and cut off with a pair of snippers. On this wire are suspended two reels of cotton—one black, the other white, so that they will revolve freely as the cotton is drawn from them. Directly behind the reels a small cardboard partition is fixed across, making little compartments for various kinds of buttons, tape, etc. On the inner side of the lid two straps are sewn, one for a thimble and the other for a pair of scissors. On the front of the box, which falls forward in the way illustrated when the lid is raised, two small pockets are arranged, in which packets of needles may find a place. A small pincushion and a needlebook with flannel leaves, some black and brown boot buttons and shoe laces might also be stowed away at the back, and would no doubt come in useful.

GARMENTS IN DAYS OF RAIN

Question of Material Just Now Is One of the Very Greatest Importance.

At this season of the year the selection of the "dressier" coats and suits is one limited only by the purse or taste of the buyer, and the most serious question confronting the average man or woman along the subject of "clothes" is what to buy that will be good looking and yet be serviceable in both rainy or sunny weather. The "cravanette" answers all requirements and is suitable for every occasion where a rain repellent garment is desired.

The secret of the popularity of this material is that its appearance never indicates that it is a waterproof fabric, but when wearing it in a storm its rain-proof qualities are quickly appreciated.

For auto wear, riding habits, costumes for outdoor sports and for chauffeurs' outfits this cloth is admirable, as it comes in three weights and in various shades and weaves.

PAYS WAGES DUE 20 YEARS

Manufacturer in Philadelphia Who Failed in 1893 Settles Old Debt to Workers.

Philadelphia.—J. Morton Brown of this city, former owner of the Woodstock Mills in Norristown, that failed in the panic of 1893, finished paying off his old employes recently, when he sent out check to the amount of \$800 to 208 men and women whose addresses he had received as the result of an advertisement.

Mr. Brown went through bankruptcy, but the fact that his mill hands of twenty years ago had been deprived of that portion of the wages which was due them caused him uneasiness. Until this year he had never been able to pay them in full. He is not a rich man, but he has saved until he could get together the money that was due his employes.

College Expels Smokers.

Buckhannon, W. Va.—Two students of the West Virginia Wesleyan college were expelled for smoking cigarettes and the same punishment is to be meted out to others who broke the college rule.

Parrot Arrested in Gotham.

New York.—A parrot was arrested and held in the Tombs here because it was lost and disturbed a neighborhood with its shrieks for its owner.



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The Thirty-Third Legislature

The regular session of the Thirty-Third Legislature will pass into history with a record of striking industry fewer blows than perhaps any of its predecessors in the past quarter of a century and it has done some things to commend it. It is true no one rode the steed of genius down the legislative thoroughfare and no one ran up the flight of stairs that leads to the hall of fame but, taken as a whole, their work shows they sniffed progress and peeped through the key-hole of opportunity and have become possessed with a desire for usefulness.

It is true the Legislature had some vaudeville minds in it but so long as we have galleries, there will be those who play to them. The Legislature has made an honest effort to experiment with progress and expand industry in the face of powerful opposition and they not only prevented opportunity from hang-

ing crepe on our door but they have prized open the gate that leads to prosperity. Taken as a whole, it is the best Legislature Texas has had in many years.

Gambling Degrades Citizens

An effort is being made to revive racetrack gambling in Texas by permitting small bets. This would be a step backward that Texas people can not afford to take. Gambling is demoralizing upon the young men of the country and we as citizens can not afford to permit it. Breeding fine horses is not dependent upon racetrack gambling, as has been abundantly shown. Let us encourage animal husbandry, but by legitimate, honorable and lofty means. The character of our young men is the greatest asset that Texas has and any law that has a degrading influence upon Texas' young men is destroying not only the honor and citizenship of the state, but our wealth and influence. Let your representatives in the legislature know that you favor Christian citizenship and that you are opposed to racetrack gambling.—Farm & Ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sory of Livingston passed through Grapeland Monday morning en route home from Palestine, where they had been visiting relatives.

The only way to get the last word with some women is to say it over the phone, then ring off and order the instrument taken out of the house.—Harpoon.

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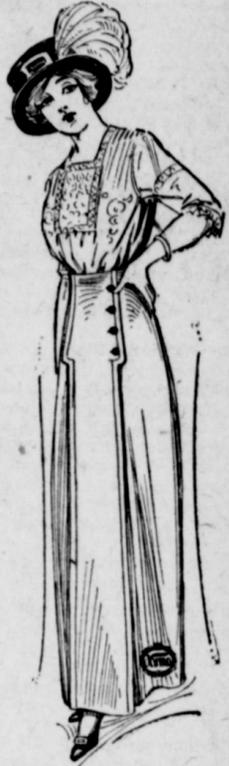
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Trio—Misses Howard, Kent and White.
Paper—The Helpfulness of the Indignation of Jesus—Annie Louis Taylor.
Quartette—Messrs. Tim Garland, Marvin Gilbert, Jno. R. Owens and Hamilton Morris.
Song by league.
Benediction.

JUNIOR LEAGUE
Subject—The Body in which we live: 1, Cor. 3: 16-17; John 2, 21.
Leader—Carrie Spence.
Opening song by league.
Prayer.
Reading—Mabel Boykin.
Recitation—Thelma Clewis.
Song—Lucindy Darsey, Julia Owens Oliphint, Killough Richards and Jack Spence.
Reading—Mary White.
Reading on Paul—Ross Brock.
Song—Rena Ross Richards, Adelaide Selkirk, Earl Howard and Roy Wherry.
Recitation—Melba Brock.
Business session.
Report of Committee.
Roll Call.
Reading by Sup't.
Closing song.
Benediction.

J. M. Coatney, who lives south of town on the Crockett road, was in town Saturday exhibiting the foot of a large eagle, which he caught in a steel trap. Mr. Coatney said the bird measured 5 feet from tip to tip. Eagles are something of a novelty for this country.

MASURY

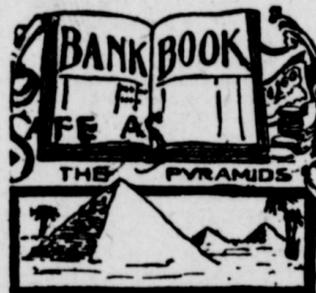
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