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ALL THE NEWS FROM DANIEL

Sept. 11.—The community had a good rain this week.

Crops at this place are very short, due to the protracted drought. Everybody is busy gathering their crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hale spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hill spent Sunday in Crockett with Mr. Joe Reynolds and family.

Miss Nona Woolems was on the sick list, but is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Thompson spent Saturday in Crockett trading.

Mr. and Mrs. Page Hale spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hale and daughter.

Miss Maude Sims has returned to her home at Ratcliff after a visit at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Winfree of Crockett are spending a few days here with Mrs. Winfree's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill spent Sunday with homefolk.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Glenn visited Crockett last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thompson visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Thompson.

The protracted meeting starts at Concord the night of the twenty-third. Rev. J. W. McLeod and J. N. Cunningham from Nacogdoches will conduct the meeting.

With much success to the Messenger, **SUNSHINE.**

League Program

Opening Song No. 72.
Leader—Adelaide Selkirk.
Subject.
Reading—Melba Brock.
Recitation—Mary Lou Darsey.
Song—Bess Howard, Thelma Lee and Adabelle Leaverton.
Reading—Carrie Spence.
Recitation—Mable Boykin.
Business session.
Prayer.
Roll call.
Closing Song.
Benediction.

NEWS ITEMS FROM VOLGA

Sept. 13.—Here comes Princess again to tell you people about this rainy weather. It has been raining here every day for almost a week, and the farmers are looking blue, as the rain is doing so much damage to the cotton. I see some of the farmers have planted their fall gardens, and the rain is fine for them.

Messrs. John and Earnest Robinson spent Sunday with Mr. J. Adams.

Quite a crowd of young people attended the party at A. W. Williamson's Friday night, and it began to rain about 9 o'clock and we had to stay until the wee hours of morning.

Mr. Jack Knighten returned home from Okla., Friday night where he has been for several days.

Earnest Robinson is seen quite often at J. Maynard's. Stay with 'em Earnest, Miss Kate is a charming young lady.

Homan Speer of Weldon paid Volga a pleasant visit Wednesday night.

Messrs. Homan Speer, Leo Goodrum, and Jack Wilson of Weldon attended the party at J. Gardiner's Wednesday night.

I wonder what is so attractive at Weldon for Chester Gardiner. Messrs. Jack Knighten, Hoyt Porter, Glomie Bray, and Harvey Thornton attended the party last night at Albert Williamson's. We were glad to see them as they are all fine dancers.

Wishing grand success to the Messenger,

PRINCESS.

Diarrhoea Quickly Cured

"I was taken with diarrhoea and Mr. Yorks, the merchant here, persuaded me to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After taking one dose of it I was cured. It also cured others that I gave it to," writes M. E. Gebhart, Oriole, Pa. That is not at all unusual. An ordinary attack of diarrhoea can almost invariably be cured by one or two doses of this remedy. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

OLD GRAY'S GOOD LETTER

September 14.—There has been much speculation in regard to the attitude of the United States in regard to the trouble that exists in the republic of Mexico. Many of our leading men are doing all in their power to bring about a war between the United States and Mexico, and it seems that our congress is well divided on this issue. It goes without saying if there was a Roosevelt at the head of affairs the war spoken of would have been well under way. We hear men say that it would not be a breakfast spell. We beg to differ with such ideas. If such should be it would be a war of long duration and would cost thousands of lives and millions of dollars. Further, the invaders of an enemy's country, matters not how strong they are, they have the worst end of the bargain, hence we think it will be far better for this government to "hands off" except to intervene in a peaceable manner. It is true that the Huerta government has been quite defiant because she knows that there are other powers that are ready to strike should our government invade Mexico. This government has a "White Elephant" on her hands now—the Phillipine Islands—that are absolutely a curse to our government. We are gaining no good from that quarter, but are spending thousands to maintain our interest there. Such would be the case if Mexico was conquered and annexed to the United States. We believe that it will be best to protect our citizenship in Mexico as best we can and leave the bloodthirsty devils to fight it out.

As we predicted in a former letter, the sweet sound of the wedding bells has been heard, two fond hearts made one, two loving hands clasped to begin life's voyage for weal or for woe. Early on the morn of the 6th inst. there was seen a handsome turnout emerge from the home of Col. Alsbrook of Slocum. A glance at the occupants was evidence that cupid had done his work well and that an event of great importance would take place. Followed by a number of friends the couple was soon en route to Palestine. Arriving at the above named city at 2:30, marriage license were procured, and in the presence of quite a number of friends the solemn words were spoken, declaring Mr. T. H. Lockler and Miss Zula Alsbrook man and wife. Many were the congratulations extended the bride and groom. After the ceremony the couple returned to Mr. Lockler's home in this community, where a host of friends met them to bid them God speed on their journey. The day following the young couple were entertained by Mrs. Eula Jones. Here again they met many friends who placed upon them many good wishes for the future. The bride is one of Slocum's fairest daughters, and has many friends there as well as here. She is particularly noted for her beauty and high traits of char-

acter. The groom is one of our most prosperous young farmers and is highly respected by his many friends. The young couple will please accept the best wishes of Old Gray for the heavenly bliss that awaits them in the future.

And again the wedding bells peal forth and tells us that a love that is as deep as the sea and as high as the heavens moved two loving hands and hearts to bow to the solemn rites of matrimony. Last Sunday eve Mr. Mat Baker was united in marriage to Miss Tenney Collins. These young people are highly respected in their respective communities. The bride is highly admired for her exquisite beauty and amiable disposition. The groom is an enterprising young farmer. They have many friends who wish them smooth sailing over life's great sea. Old Gray doffs his cap to the young couple and wishes them happiness and success.

For three days we have had almost a continuous rain and a portion of the time the rain has been heavy. What damage has been done cotton cannot be ascertained, but we hope however that it will be slight.

It appears that Antrimite does not relish our query, "Fools ask questions wise men cannot answer." We would suggest that Antrimite had better keep his weather eye on the situation, if there should come along a fool killer, he had better pull for the tall timber. As ever,

OLD GRAY.

Petit Jurors for Second Week

To appear Monday, October 20th, 1913:

W M Ferguson	J B Fuller
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THE MESSENGER.

Kennedy Bros. had the misfortune to lose their two big draft horses Sunday morning, both dying within forty minutes of each other. So sudden and peculiar was their death, that an autopsy was performed. The brains of both horses were in a state of degeneration, and the cause of their death was pronounced blind staggers.

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In case you must have one before that date call on me at the Anthony Cottage.

Mrs. GEORGE MOORE



FRAN

BY
JOHN BRECKENRIDGE ELLIS

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Fran arrives at Hamilton Gregory's home in Littleburg, but finds him absent conducting the choir at a camp meeting.

CHAPTER II—She repairs thither in search of him, laughs during the service and is asked to leave.

CHAPTER III—Abbott Ashton, superintendent of schools, escorts Fran from the tent. He tells her Gregory is a wealthy man, deeply interested in charity work, and is a pillar of the church. Ashton becomes greatly interested in Fran and, while taking leave of her, holds her hand and is seen by Sapphira Clinton, sister of Robert Clinton, chairman of the school board.

CHAPTER IV—Fran tells Gregory she wants a home with him. Grace Noir, Gregory's private secretary, takes a violent dislike to Fran and advises her to go away at once. Fran hints at a twenty-year-old secret and Gregory, in agitation, asks Grace to leave the room.

CHAPTER V—Fran relates a story of how Gregory married a young girl at Springfield while attending college, and then deserted her. Fran is the child of that marriage. Gregory had married his present wife three years before the death of Fran's mother.

CHAPTER VI—Fran finds Mrs. Gregory a sweet, sincere woman and takes a liking to her.

CHAPTER VII—Gregory explains that Fran is the daughter of a very dear friend now dead. Fran agrees to the story. Mrs. Gregory insists on her making her home with them and takes her to her arms. The breach between Fran and Grace widens.

CHAPTER VIII—It is decided that Fran must go to school. Grace shows persistent interest in Gregory's story of his dead friend and hints that Fran may be an impostor. She threatens to marry Bob Clinton and leave Gregory's service, much to the latter's disgust. Fran declares that the secretary must go.

CHAPTER IX—Grace begins nagging tactics in an effort to drive Fran from the Gregory home, but Mrs. Gregory remains staunch in her friendship.

CHAPTER X—Fran is ordered before Superintendent Ashton to be punished for insubordination in school. Chairman Clinton is present. The affair ends in Fran leaving the school in company of the two men, to the amazement of the schoolmangers of the town.

CHAPTER XI—Abbott, while taking a walk alone at midnight, finds Fran on a bench telling her fortune by cards. She tells Abbott that she is the famous lion tamer, Fran Nonpareil. She tired of circus life and wanted a home.

CHAPTER XII—Grace tells of seeing Fran come home at midnight with a man. She guesses part of the story and surprises the rest from Abbott. She decides to ask Bob Clinton to go to Springfield to investigate Fran's story.

CHAPTER XIII—Fran enlists Abbott in her battle against Grace. Egged on by Grace, Gregory insists on his wife going to church, something she has not done since Grace became one of the household.

CHAPTER XIV—Fran offers her services to Gregory as secretary during the temporary absence of Grace. The latter, hearing of Fran's purpose, returns and interrupts a touching scene between father and daughter.

CHAPTER XV—Fran goes fishing with Mrs. Gregory's brother, Abbott, whose retention as superintendent is to be decided that day. Finds her sitting alone in a buggy. He joins her and is discovered by Clinton and his sister.

CHAPTER XVI—Grace tells Gregory she intends to marry Clinton and quit his service. He declares that he cannot continue his work without her. Carried away by passion, he takes her in his arms. Fran walks in on them, and declares that Grace must leave the house at once. To Gregory's consternation he learns of Clinton's mission to Springfield.

CHAPTER XVII—Clinton returns from Springfield and Abbott at Fran's request, urges him not to divulge what he has learned. On Abbott's assurance that Grace will leave Gregory at once, Clinton agrees to keep silent.

CHAPTER XVIII.

Just Thirty Minutes.

During the week spent by Robert Clinton in search of Fran's life-secret, a consciousness of his absence and its cause was like a hot iron branding Gregory's brain. What a mocking fatality, that it should have been Grace to send Robert on his terrible errand—an errand which must result in ruin! Mrs. Gregory would be pitted when it became known how she had been deceived; Fran would be pitted because she was a disowned daughter; Grace would be pitted for trusting in the integrity of her employer—but Gregory, who of all men needed pity most, would be utterly despised. He did not think of himself alone, but of his works of charity—they, too, would fall, in his disgrace, and Walnut Street church—even religion itself—would be discredited because of an exposure that could avail nothing.

Gregory had been too long proclaiming the living God not to feel Him as a Presence, and in this Presence he felt a shuddering fear that could suggest no relief but prostration. He as well as Abbott Ashton had kept himself informed of Robert's movements as far as they were known to Miss Sapphira, hence the day of Robert's

she said, looking at him steadily. "I can endure much," she went on, in a milder tone, finding him silent; "I often wonder if many women could endure as silently—but there must never be a name mentioned between us."

Her manner was so unwontedly final, that he stood looking at her, not knowing how to resume the pressing subject of his past. They were in that



"My God! Then Somebody Has Told You About Springfield. It Was Fran!"

same silent attitude when Grace Noir came in from the hall.

Grace turned up the lights, and then—"Oh!" It was impossible to prevent an unpleasant expression of the mouth at discovering Gregory so near his wife. "Am I in the way? I am looking for company, and I heard the doorbell—please excuse me!" she added, biting off the words.

"Of course you are not in the way," Gregory returned desperately. "Company, you say? And you heard the doorbell—is Bob Clinton—" He grew white. "My eyes are bad, for some reason," he muttered, and switched off the lights again.

"How very dark you have it in here!" said Grace reprovingly. "Of course Mr. Clinton has been shown the back-parlor, where it is light. I will go to him there, and leave you two—" she paused irresolutely, but neither spoke.

Grace had no sooner gone than Gregory with an effort found his voice. "Lucy, my conscience has tormented me until it will not let me rest—about you. It's right to know something more about my life than I have ever told—"

"Right in there," said the maid's voice, from the hall, and Abbott Ashton and Robert Clinton entered the half-light.

While Robert was greeting Mrs. Gregory with exaggerated pleasure, in order to escape facing her husband, Abbott spoke to the other with an odd sense of meanness, as if he partook, by mere nearness, of the other's cowardice. "I wish to speak to you for a few minutes, Mr. Gregory."

Gregory, like an animal brought to bay, said, "I suppose you've some excuse about playing cards with Fran."

"More important than playing cards," Abbott returned. Gregory fought off the inevitable: "If you refer to losing your position at the public school—"

"No, Clinton has come home from Springfield, and we have a matter—" "It's pressing business," spoke up Robert, who all this time had been asking Mrs. Gregory if her mother was well. "Simon Jefferson was no worse, if Fran was hearty, if Grace Noir was at home—and private business."

"I have no business," Mr. Gregory exclaimed, in fear, "that my wife need not know."

"This is—" cried Robert. Then remembering, he struck the keys a resounding chord.

Mrs. Gregory was about to leave the room.

"No, no!" exclaimed Mr. Gregory, starting to the door to intercept her. "I want you to stay. I'll have no secrets from you, Lucy. I want you to hear what these gentlemen have to say." He glared at Abbott as if daring him to speak the words that must destroy his wife's last feeble hold on her position.

"I hope Mrs. Gregory will excuse us," said Abbott, smiling at her as cheerfully as he could, "but she knows that there are matters of business that women don't understand, or care to learn. This is something that relates merely to you, Mr. Gregory, and ourselves."

"Of course I understand you, Abbott," said Mrs. Gregory gently, "and Mr. Gregory is wrong to insist on my interrupting—women are always in the way—" She smiled, and, slipping around Gregory, had reached the door, when she came face to face with Grace Noir, entering. At sight of her—for Grace did not pause, but went over to the piano—Mrs. Gregory apparently reconsidered, and stepped to her husband's side.

"So you did come," Grace said, smiling at Robert. "Shall we go into the other room?"

Robert reveled in her beauty, and to that extent his anger against Gregory flamed higher. "Pretty soon," he said, "pretty soon, Miss Grace—in just twenty minutes—" he looked at his watch, then at Abbott.

"I must tell you, Mr. Gregory," Abbott began rapidly, "that I had just thirty minutes to consummate the matter with you—just half an hour, when we came here, and ten minutes are already gone. Only twenty minutes are left."

"What do you mean by your twenty minutes being left?" Gregory blustered.

Abbott spoke carefully, at the same time drawing a little farther away from the man he despised: "Bob has been to Springfield about that matter, you understand."

"No, I don't," cried Gregory. "Or if I do—tell it out—all of it."

"He has been to Springfield," Abbott went on, "and he got on the inside of the business, and the interests are determined that—that they will retaliate on you for your successes in the past, and at the same time be a help to Bob."

"I don't understand," Gregory gasped blankly.

"Me neither," muttered Robert. "It's very simple," Abbott maintained. "The Springfield interests want to give you a blow, and give Bob a helping hand. Therefore, you are to transfer your secretary to his store, where a bookkeeper is needed."

"Oh, indeed," interposed Grace Noir icily. "I am a mere pawn, I presume, to be sent where I am wanted. But I would like to ask Mr. Clinton if he found out anything about Fran, while he was in Springfield?"

"Fran is all she claims to be," Robert declared bluntly.

"All? You can prove she's no fraud?"

"My pockets are full of proofs," Robert exclaimed, looking significantly at Gregory.

"Dear Fran!" murmured Mrs. Gregory with a sweet smile of reminiscence.

"Abbott," Mr. Gregory gasped, as he began to realize the compromise that was offered, "you have always been my friend—and you have been interested in my charities—you know how important my secretary is to my work. It is true that I did wrong, years ago—very wrong—it is true that I bitterly—what shall I say?—antagonized the interests at Springfield. But that was long ago. Am I to be punished now—"

"Mr. Gregory," said Abbott, clearly and forcibly, "I have nothing to do with any punishment, I have nothing to do with demanding the release of your secretary. I am a mere agent of the interests, sent to you to demand that your secretary be dismissed in the morning; and if you cannot see your way to promise me now that you will dismiss her, my office is ended. If you can promise to send her away, I give you my word the transactions shall be forever hushed up, so far as we are concerned. If you cannot promise, all will be revealed at once."

"In just ten minutes," said Robert, Clinton, consulting his watch.

Grace stood looking at Gregory as if turned to stone. She had listened intently to every word as it fell from Abbott's lips, but not once had she turned her head to look at him.

"You are cruel," Gregory flared out, "you are heartless. If I send away the only one who is in perfect knowledge and sympathy with my work—"

"Then you refuse?"

"Of course I refuse. I'll not permit the work of years to perish because of an unreasonable and preposterous demand. You wouldn't exchange your position here for Bob's grocery, would you, Miss Grace?" he ended appealingly.

"Yes—if you dismiss me," Grace answered, her eyes smoldering.

"Lucy"—Gregory was almost beside himself—"tell her she must stay—tell these men we cannot go on with our work, without her."

Not for worlds would Mrs. Gregory have betrayed her eagerness for Grace to go, but for no consideration would she have asked her to stay. "Mr."



"In Just Ten Minutes."

Gregory," she responded, "I cannot conceive of your being in the power of business interests to such an extent as to drive you to anything that seems

like taking your heart's blood."

"I refuse!" cried Gregory, again.

"Of course I refuse."

"Very well," said Abbott, turning.

"But what are you going to do?"

Gregory asked shrilly.

"I shall go now; my endeavor to straighten out things—or rather to keep everything peaceful and forgotten—comes to nothing, it seems. Good evening, Mrs. Gregory."

"But wait! Wait! Let us discuss this alone—"

"It is useless now, for the time has expired."

"That's right," Clinton confirmed, clicking to his watch.

"And all of it is going to be told? Everything?"

"Unless you will dismiss your secretary."

"But you insult Miss Grace to speak in that way. Good heavens, Abbott, what are you doing? How can you insult that—the best woman in the world?"

There was a moment's silence. Then Mrs. Gregory turned to her husband and said quietly, "If Miss Noir is the best woman in the world, you should be the last man in the world to say so."

He covered his face with his hands. "Everybody has turned against me," he complained. "I am the most miserable man on earth because for mere caprice, for mere spite, for no earthly good, it is the determination of people who have lost positions and the like, to drive me wild."

Robert Clinton thumped the keys of the piano with one hand.

"Why, hello, Mr. Bob!" cried Fran, dancing into the room. "So you're back, are you?" She shook hands breezily.

"Come back, Abbott, come back!" called Gregory, discovering that the young man was indeed going. "You know what I must do, if you drive me to the wall. I am obliged to do what you say. State the condition again if you have the courage to say it aloud."

"The past will be forgotten," said Abbott solemnly, "if you give your word that your secretary shall go in the morning."

"And you'll take me in her place," spoke up Fran decidedly.

"The time is up," said Clinton harshly. "It's too late now, for I shall tell—"

"I promise, I promise!" Gregory cried out, in an agony of fear. "I promise. Yes, I'll dismiss her. Yes, she shall go! Yes, let Fran have the place."

"Do I understand you to dismiss me, Mr. Gregory?" asked Grace, in a low concentrated tone, leaning slightly forward.

Fran turned on the lights to their fullest extent, and looked about with an elfish smile.

Hamilton Gregory was mute.

"I have your promise," said Abbott, bowing gravely. "That's enough."

"Yes," groaned Gregory, "but it is infamous."

Fran looked at Abbott inscrutably. "Third time the charm," she said in a whisper. "I'm proud of you this time, Abbott."

Grace turned with cold dignity, and moved slowly toward the hall door.

Fran slipped between Clinton and the piano, and began to play softly, carelessly with one hand, while she watched the retreating figure.

In a very short time, Gregory found himself alone in the parlor. Abbott and Clinton had withdrawn rather awkwardly. Mrs. Gregory had melted away unobtrusively, and Fran, last of all, had given the piano a final bang, and darted out of the house.

Gregory stood pale and miserable. It seemed as if all the world had deserted him. The feature without Grace would be as dreary as now seemed his past with Fran's mother. He suffered horribly. Was suffering all that life had left for him? Perhaps he was reaping—but is there no end to the harvest? One sows in so brief a time; is the garnering eternal? A bell rang, but he was not curious. Voices sounded at the front door, footsteps passed, then silence once more—silence and despair. Gregory went to the open window, and leaned heavily on the sill, taking great breaths, staring dully.

Footsteps were heard again. They were near by. They stopped at the door—they were hers. Gregory started up with a low cry of reanimated hope. Whatever happened—he was about to see Grace Noir once more.

(To be continued.)

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LETTER FROM J. E. BEAN

Editor Messenger:—Some time ago you published a letter from me on the school district, how gotten up and how managed, and no one replied in the way of criticism or otherwise. While I know it met the approval of a large majority of the voters of Houston county, and yet no approval by way of endorsement from anyone, whether it was because of the insignificance of myself or the negligence on the part of those who approved or disapproved, whether one or the other, if you will grant me space I come again on another subject in which the same spirit of management is manifested, namely, the Grapeland road bond issue. About two years ago the question of good roads prevailed in calling for an election on a bond issue for the purpose of claying and building good roads in the following described territory: Beginning on the Elkhart Creek south of Grapeland where the I. & G. N. railway crosses said creek, thence in a northern course with the W B line of said railway to S B line of Anderson County and then S W with said county line to the N E B line of the S. C. Box league, thence S 15 E with said line to its corner, thence S 75 E with said Box S B line to the Trinity River, thence down and with the meanderings of said river to the mouth of Elkhart creek, thence up and with the meanderings of said creek to the place of beginning, containing the territory on which a bond issue was voted by the people living in said territory who did not know what rate of taxes it would take to procure the needed amount of money for the purpose of building good

roads in the district. The inquiry was made by different individuals as to what the rate of taxation would be, and it was settled on that it would not take exceeding 15c on the hundred dollar valuation. The people wanted to know, and with the understanding that 15c would be sufficient they cast their ballots in favor of the bond issue, and so they got the bond issue without any understanding as to the amount of money they needed. Now, to the real issue: The rendition value was gotten and the amount suggested by somebody, I do not know who, which was \$25,000 and to procure that amount the rate was raised 11c above what the people voted on themselves, which raised the rate of taxes from 15c to 26c. We do not understand and would like for someone to explain how such things can be legally done and why done if not legal. And further, if the rate of 26c on the hundred dollars was sufficient to procure the bond issue and create a sinking fund and pay the interest on bonds, what necessity was there in adding 7 1-3c to the 26c, which has raised the rate to 33 1-3c? If preceding that raise the rate was sufficient what was the raise made for and by what authority was it raised? In other words, who had any lawful right to take the business of said district in charge without the say so of the people in the district? We want to know and it is our privilege to know and it is the duty of the authority exercising in the matter to show us plainly in black and white. I have solved in my own mind the purpose of the 7 1-3c raise. Whether I am correct or not, it is for some to answer or treat with contempt or too insignificant to notice. The conclusion I have reached is that the authorities

exercising in the matter forgot that they needed a general boss in the district in the management of the business and when they conceived that idea they had 7 1-3c added to create a sinking fund to pay that boss \$75.00 per month. If anyone knows of the authority you will do the voters a great favor by giving the information.

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Millions in the air. Think of it:—Every time you open your mouth, in goes a whole menagerie of microbes, germs and bacteria. When the liver, stomach and bowels are active, these germs are harmless. If they are torpid, it is just the condition needed to set up disease; which at this season is generally of a malarial nature. The moral is—use Herbine to keep the liver, stomach and bowels in a state of health and activity. It cures indigestion and constipation. Price 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

If your food does not digest well, a few doses of Prickly Ash Bitters will set matters right. It sweetens the breath, strengthens the stomach and digestion, creates appetite and cheerfulness. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. adv

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Appreciated

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Ballard's SNOW LINIMENT

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If the wound is cleaned and the liniment applied promptly, the healing process begins at once and the wound heals from the inside outwardly, thus performing a perfect cure that leaves no scar. If the wound heals on the outside too quickly, the scab forms under the surface and breaks out into a running sore that is hard to cure and inevitably leaves a bad scar.

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The healing demulcent qualities of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound are not duplicated in any other medicine for coughs and colds. Any substitute offered you is an inferior article. Refuse to accept it for it can not produce the healing and soothing effect of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. Insist upon the genuine, which contains no opiates. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. Adv.

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THURSDAY, SEP. 18, 1913

RATIONAL MARKETING

One of our correspondents has emphasized the importance of properly marketing cotton and the need of some practical system or understanding among the cotton farmers to that effect, so that a huge amount may not be thrown on the market at one time or at any time to weaken prices. Much has been said and written in this connection, but we doubt whether the farmers themselves fully estimate the importance of rational selling.

Glancing over the market report today we made note of the following bulletins of well known cotton brokers:

One says, "Expect heavy movement. Temporarily will depress prices." Another says, "There is little chance for the crop eventually to prove burdensome, but heavy marketing may cause temporary depression."

It seems there is no grounds for belief that cotton brokers in general have anything in common with the every-day cotton farmer, but if the latter would only note the information these people give out, they would do themselves a great favor.

All crops that farmers expect to put on the market should be placed there or not placed there according to trade conditions—a rule followed by all successful business men—and the great mass of farmers are doing themselves a great injury when they fail to keep in every day touch with the market.

The amount of money that could be saved by rational marketing will a hundredfold prepay for any trouble it may entail.

Grapeland is a town that has made good in every sense of the word.

Fall business in Grapeland is opening up, but we do not hear anything about the trades day.

Much of the cost of marketing heavy products raised on the farm will be saved when the roads are improved so the cost of hauling is reduced.

"Fatty" Bud Russell of the South Houston Times remarks "that it's a darned hard proposition to run an automobile on a wheelbarrow income." The Irishman said there are two kinds of automobiles—the Ford and the Can't afford. Most editors own the latter kind, so why should we worry!

People who are now discontented and want to move to some section of the country they think is better, should remember that it is easier to make this a better community than it is to find one.

"An open split is threatened," says a headline in the Galveston News. We thought it was already here, for we notice some of them are split six inches, some to the knee, and we have heard of some being split as high as the waist.

The Messenger carries a half page advertisement this week announcing the dates of the Houston County Fair. It is to be hoped that many of our people will find time to attend the fair at least one day, and if possible carry along something to exhibit.

These rains are soaking Old Houston County through and through. Fine fall pastures, fine fall gardens, fine turnip patches, persimmons getting ripe, 'tater digging time not far ahead, the best grape crop for years, plenty of wood and plenty of water—it would be a dabfoolled old idiot who would not be an optimist.

District Attorney Richard Maury is making time exceedingly interesting for social clubs which are part saloon and part several other things down in Houston town. His detectives are unearthing evidence that is proving annoying to some of that city's "leading citizens." Here's to his absolute, complete, sweeping, and overwhelming success.

A contemporary rises to remark that Huerta and Martin H. Glynn, the man who says he is governor of New York, are in the same boat, Uncle Sam hasn't recognized either. Glynn didn't assassinate his chief, in a literal sense, but he played the traitor part all right, and we have our own opinion about his conspiring. He is a cold, hard politician, and when the moment came that he thought he could gain by becoming a deserter, desert he did.

S. H. Lively has resigned as Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, the same has been accepted by the court, and C. H. Beazley sworn in as his successor. In resigning, Mr. Lively did the commendable thing, in fact, he ought to have resigned when his family removed to Walker county last spring, and then there would have been no strife and no ill feelings aroused. He is succeeded by an estimable gentleman, whom we believe, will render the people of the precinct efficient and conscientious service.

Mr. Elmer Grounds and Miss Bertie Burden, two popular young people of the San Pedro community, were married Sunday evening at the home of Mr. Bill Davidson, 'Squire Davis officiating. The Messenger wishes them a happy and prosperous life.

Mrs. H. A. Phillips and children have arrived from Crockett, and now Allison seems to be very happy and well pleased. They will occupy one of the residences recently erected by Dr. McCarty.

Mrs. W. T. Warner and children left last week for Merkel, where they will reside in the future with Mrs. Warner's mother, Mrs. W. D. Martin.

BLACK HOLE OF CALCUTTA

One hundred and fifty-seven years ago, during a war between England and India, Surajah Dewlah, leader of the latter force, crowded 146 Englishmen into a part of an old fort, a small chamber, twenty feet square, and almost air-proof, keeping them there the whole of one hot night. The horrors the Englishmen endured can be imagined better than described. Next morning of the 146 men, 23 were alive.

That was the "Black Hole of Calcutta," held during these one hundred and fifty-seven years as the standard of cruelty. However, the world was not so far advanced in all that civilization means then as it is now, and India has always been looked upon as the country of barbarism, a country sorely lacking in humane characteristics. But for Surajah Dewlah, a native of India, and the commander of the India troops, to be guilty of that unspeakable crime, was even in that distant day, considered atrocious in the extreme. The whole world stood aghast.

On September 8, 1783, on Convict Farm No. 3, known as Harlem Farm, near Houston, in Fort Bend County, twelve negro convicts, who had been sent there for small terms of two and three years, were brought forward to take a punishment. The reason for this punishment was that they had not picked enough cotton. A day's work for a citizen in good cotton is something like 250 pounds. A day's work for the same man, were he a convict would be four, five, or six hundred pounds. And because each of these negroes had not picked something like half a bale of cotton each day they were to be punished. The punishment was to consist of cramming and jamming them into a dark cell, 9 feet 8 inches long, 7 feet one inch wide, and 7 feet high. This cell was built to "keep out air". What air gets into this cell comes through four small pipes, seven-eighths of an inch across—the air space is less, of course—and these are so small that they are easily clogged. And in the top of the cell are six two-inch holes through which the foul air filters. Fill this little space with the fearful stench that comes from

contact with the sweat of the human body and from the fumes of a powerful disinfectant used each time the cell is cleared of prisoners—a stench that makes the stock yards smell tame beside it.

One or two of the convicts were placed into this hell at noon, the others near night. They were given some bread and a bucket of water, a guard shut the massive door and stationed himself before it, and so the terrible night began.

Everything that lives, be it human, animal or plant, must have air, and so no sooner had the heavy door swung on these doomed black fellows than their physical bodies at once began to cry out for air. There was an insufficient amount of air to be had in that hole for one person, and the twelve men were soon gasping for breath and experiencing convulsion after convulsion. They shouted to the guard for mercy, but none was forthcoming; they yelled, they prayed, they moaned and groaned. Madness seized them, and they bit and clawed each other like inmates of the infernal regions. One of their number was discovered to be silent and stiff, and they shouted to the guard that there was a dead man in there, but this information had no effect on him. "They were in there to be punished," he has since explained; "we were instructed to pay no attention to them when they yelled." Other people, who were close enough to hear the groans and shouts of the victims, say that toward midnight the noise died down; eight of them were dead by that time, and the others were unconscious. Those alive lay with their mouths glued to the air holes.

Sixteen per cent of Surajah Dewlah's victims survived; 66 2-3 per cent of the victims of Texas' Black Hole of death suffered and died the death of the damned.

No more canst thou wear the crown for cruelty, O Surajah Dewlah! No more art thou a leader in inhumanity, O India land! Texas has snatched that diadem from thy keeping—Texas of Anglo-Saxon blood and Christian religion!

MORRIS CLEWS BILFEL.

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NEW GOODS ARRIVING EVERY DAY

To arrive this week: Seed oats
Chops, Bran, Wheat Shorts, Mountain Peak and Happy Day Flour.

Give us a trial. We will do our best to please you.

Bring us your produce. Top prices always.

CASH GROCERY COMPANY



We are
Filling
Our Big
Store
with a brand new
stock of
Fall and
Winter
Goods

We will be better prepared to take care of your wants this fall than ever before.

Our stock will be much more complete.

We have just opened the nicest and noblest line of new clothing and overcoats that we have ever shown.

Our shoe stock will be more than double the size of any previous season.

Our dress goods are exceptionally strong.

We have a complete line of notions and novelties.

You will always find BARGAINS in our Grocery Department.

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Bros.

"KEEP THE PRICE DOWN."

LOCAL NEWS

Dr. G. H. Black, The Dentist, adv.
Saturday is bargain day at the Variety Store. Adv.

See those nobby fall samples at Clewis' tailor shop. adv.

Mae Bean went to Lovelady Tuesday morning on some business matters.

We will deliver meat every morning. Phone us your orders. Adv. Caskey & Lively.

Our grocery department is complete in every respect. Adv. Kennedy Bros.

Call on J. P. Royall for repairs in shoes, harness and saddles, at Clewis' shop. Adv.

If there is anything you want for your kitchen, you can find it at the Variety Store. Adv.

Hulls and meal are POSITIVELY CASH—NO CREDIT. Don't ask it. J. W. Howard. adv.

Just arrived, car of cypress shingles. See us. Adv. T. H. Leaverton Lbr. Co.

E. H. Darsey is making some improvements on his place in town, which he recently purchased, and will soon move here.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. All troubles of any kind of wearing apparel carefully treated. Give him a trial. adv.

See T. H. Leaverton Lumber Co., and get a glass for that window that bothered you all last winter. Adv.

Mountain Peak and Happy Day flour. Too well advertised to comment on. Adv. Cash Grocery Co.

LIVER BUTTONS FROM HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Balky Liver and Upset Stomachs Quickly Put in Prime Condition.

When the best physicians in the world's greatest health resort don't bother to write prescriptions, but just say "Get a box of Hot Springs Liver Buttons for your bowels and liver," then all who suffer ought to know enough to cut out Calomel, and get a box to-day. They surely put your liver and bowels in regular working order—25 cents.

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Malaria or Chills & Fever

Prescription No. 666 is prepared especially for MALARIA or CHILLS & FEVER. Five or six doses will break any case, and if taken then as a tonic the Fever will not return. It acts on the liver better than Calomel and does not gripe or sicken. 25c

DR. P. H. STAFFORD

Physician and Surgeon
Office at Porter's Drug Store

Make Our Bank Your Depository

It is not what we make but what we save that makes us happy in old age, therefore we advise our customers to save part of their earnings in a systematic way. This you can do by economizing and placing your savings with us for safe keeping, subject to check at any time.

We Want More New Business

We cheerfully refer you to our old customers. Give us your account. We will appreciate it.

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GUARANTY FUND BANK

Bring us your chickens. Adv. Kennedy Bros.

The Variety Store—the place for bargains. Adv.

Ladies' work a specialty. adv. Clewis, the Tailor.

Fresh mackerel at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

See Clewis, the tailor if your clothes are dirty. adv.

Fresh car of Belle of Waco flour at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

Mrs. J. B. Lively is visiting in Palestine.

3000 fall and winter samples arrived at Clewis' tailor shop. Place your order early. adv.

T. H. Leaverton Lbr. Co., sell the best paint on the market, "Masury's." Adv.

Miss Jesse Meriwether of Reynard visited in Palestine last week.

Swift's Premium Hams and Breakfast Bacon at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herod of Salmon announce the arrival of a boy baby.

If you desire satisfactory work, carry your old clothes to Clewis. adv.

To arrive this week, one car Texas Red Rust Proof Oats. Adv. Cash Grocery Co.

Rev. W. N. Warlick left Saturday for Able Springs, in Kaufman County, to conduct a ten days meeting.

Work was resumed Monday morning on the Masonic building after a two weeks' lay off caused by being unable to get brick.

Doors, windows, paints, glass, stains, columns, moulding—everything in the building line. Adv. T. H. Leaverton Lbr. Co.

If it is fruits or vegetables you want, we have them. Phone us your wants. Adv. Cash Grocery Co.

Friday and Saturday we will have a fresh shipment of turnips, cabbage, celery and onions. Adv. Kennedy Bros.

Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Cromwell and children returned Saturday morning from Elkhart, where they had been on a visit.

The Messenger and the Galveston Semi-Weekly Farm News one year each for only \$1.75. Do you want them?

Mrs. Lee Debolt, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Whitley, returned to her home in Tyler Saturday at noon.

Put your stomach, liver and blood in healthy condition and you can defy disease. Prickly Ash Bitters is a successful system regulator. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

LOST—Ladies gold bar pin. Reward if left at Messenger office.

Bring us your eggs. We pay 18c per dozen. Adv. Kennedy Bros.

Sam Herod has gone to Austin to attend the State University again the coming term.

Mrs. A. N. Henry returned to her home in Palestine Sunday, after spending a few days here with relatives.

Saturday was a cold rainy, sloppy, drizzly, gloomy day and there was not much business going on.

WATCH LOST—Silveroid case, New Era movements, Home-made leather fob. Leave at Messenger office and get reward. Adv.

Notice

I have a fine Jersey bull now ready for service at my lot. Service fee \$2.50 cash with a guarantee. J. W. HOWARD. (Advertisement)

Mrs. George Stewart, who has been spending several months here with her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Darsey, left for her home in Butler, Ga., last Wednesday night.

Notice

Leave your laundry where the laundry boy can get it on Tuesday evening as school will start and compel us to gather it Tuesday evening. Adv. J. W. Caskey.

Have Your Horses Shod

Now have a good horse shoer, who will be at the shop every day and can shoe your horses. Satisfaction guaranteed. Adv. A. C. Driskill.

Little Chenault Anthony, who has been spending the summer with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Spence, returned to his home in Houston last Thursday in order to be there when school opened.

Crockett's new steam laundry opened for business Wednesday, August 27. We have an up-to-date plant in every respect, and are in a position to give the very best work obtainable anywhere. We shall establish an agency in Grapeland, who will call for your work. All work guaranteed. adv.

Dan Williams and Miss Ida Ham, two popular young people who live east of town, were married Wednesday night of last week at the residence of Rev. W. N. Warlick, who officiated. The Messenger wishes them a long and happy married life.

The Grapeland Masonic Lodge have set aside Thanksgiving day, Nov. 27, to lay the corner stone of their new building. It will be a big day for the Masons, and no doubt many visitors from a distance will be here.

Those remembering the Messenger since last issue, and for which they have our thanks, are as follows: C. B. Lively, Percilla; Oran Rialls, Route 4; R. E. Martin, Route 2; John Masters, Rte. 1; Mrs. Josie Taylor, Grapeland.

Delivery Service at Market

The City Meat Market now has with them Mr. Will Musick, an experienced meat cutter, and have put on a delivery service, and will deliver meat every morning. Telephone us your orders. Both phones. Adv. Caskey & Lively.

Notice

My farm for sale, 370 acres four miles from Grapeland. 200 acres in cultivation. All under good fences and cross fences. One new 7 room house, one 5 room house and two tenant houses. Plenty of good water, clayed roads, good school and church 1 mile. I will sell this place on easy terms. Come today or tomorrow or you may be too late. FORD NEWMAN. (Advertisement)

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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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There is no seed so fertile as money. Every single dollar is productive. The closer you plant the greater your harvest. MONEY IN THE BANK, unlike the crops of field, need no cultivation, and it is not endangered by frost or drought.

F. & M. STATE BANK

Our Line of Dry Goods Will be Complete this week

and we will SAVE YOU MONEY if you buy your entire bill from us.

Men's and boys' Furnishing goods, including Suits, Hats, Shoes, etc., in latest styles and best quality. In fact, any member of the family can be fitted up in our store. SHOES A SPECIALTY.

FARMERS! Get your seed oats and plant them now. They will help solve the feed problem. Plenty of seed oats on hand.

Remember I will sell you a genuine John Deere Wagon. There is none better made.

Car of corn to arrive this week. If you want corn leave your order with me so you can get it out of the car.

Come in to see us and if you don't see what you want ask for it. We will be glad to serve you

T. S. KENT

"QUALITY IS THE THING."

Through an oversight the Messenger failed to mention that Miss Esther Davis had gone to Livingston and will teach school near that place this fall. J. O. Edington is the latest to acquire some Grapeland dirt, having purchased a block with two residences from M. P. Herod in the west part of town.

Citation By Publication

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Bird F. Kerr, deceased, the unknown heirs of I. G. Collins, deceased, the unknown heirs of S. T. Colbert, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Benjamin Davis, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest County to your County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the Court House of said Houston County, in the town of Crockett, on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in September, A. D. 1913, the same being the 6th day of October, A. D. 1913, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 2nd day of August, A. D. 1913 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 5464, wherein Neal H. Montgomery is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Bird F. Kerr, Dec'd., the unknown heirs of I. G. Collins, deceased, the unknown heirs of S. T. Colbert, deceased, the unknown heirs of Benjamin Davis, deceased, A. J. Crenshaw, L. B. McQueen, J. M. McQueen, Buena Neal, Leslie Neal, C. O. Edge, T. E. Edge, Belle Lively, F. A. Lively, Tullie Sims, E. H. Sims, T. H. Dailey, Mrs. E. C. Hill, Geo. W. Mobley, Henry Dailey, Thos. F. Dailey, Balis E. Dailey and Robert S. Dailey, are defendants, and said petition alleging that the plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described tract or parcel of land, same being a part of the Bird F. Kerr 640 acre survey and a part of the Benjamin Davis 372 acre survey, situated in Houston County, Texas, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the North West corner of the Benjamin Davis H. R. of 372 acres, a stake from which a Hickory mkd. X brs. N 40 E 6 vrs. Thence South with the West Boundary line of said Davis survey 50 vrs. to a rock in the North Eastern corner of the M. P. Mead survey. Thence South 38 1-2 vrs. to a crooked forked Sweet Gum standing on the bank of Lively and Harman Branch from which another Sweet Gum 12 in brs. N 2 E 1 2-10 vrs. Thence down with the meanders of said Branch to a stake in the North bank of same and East Boundary line of said Davis survey, from which a chinquapin 8 in brs. S. 74 E. 5 1-2 vrs. Do 9 in brs. N. 17 W 11 vrs. Thence North with said line 315 vrs to the North East corner of the original survey, stake from which a Post Oak mkd. D. D., another mkd X brs N 35 E 5 vrs. Thence West with the North Boundary line of said survey about 21 vrs to the South East corner of a 54 1-2 acre survey described in deed from Geo. E. Calhoun to E. H. Darsey. Thence North 297 1-10 vrs to a rock for corner. Thence West 213 6-10 vrs to a rock for corner, same being the South East corner of the Geo. E. Calhoun 133 acre tract. Thence North with the East Boundary line of said 133 acre tract 1450 7-10 vrs. Thence East with the South line of a 26 acre tract 240 vrs to a stake in

the East Boundary line of the Bird F. Kerr survey. Thence North with the E. B. line of said Kerr survey 559 2-10 vrs to the North East corner of said Kerr survey. Thence West with the North Boundary line of said survey 690 vrs to a stake, same being the North West corner of the said 133 acre tract, a Sweet Gum mkd X for witness tree. Thence South with the West Boundary line of said 133 acre tract, continuing same course to a stake at the North West corner of the Benjamin Davis survey, 2,009 vrs to the place of beginning, including 199 acres on the Bird F. Kerr survey and 43 acres on the Benjamin Davis survey.

Plaintiff sets out in his original petition all of the deeds and other written instruments under and by virtue of which he claims title to said land. Plaintiff alleges that he and those under whom he claims title to said land have had and held the continuous, peaceable and adverse possession thereof, cultivating and using the same under deeds duly registered, paying all taxes due thereon for periods of five and ten years respectively, and plaintiff specially pleads the five and ten years' statutes of limitation in bar of any claim of title held by the defendants adverse to plaintiff's title. Plaintiff alleges that there are no deeds out of Bird F. Kerr and Benjamin Davis, the original grantees of said tracts, conveying said land, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. That said land was once claimed by I. G. Collins, and there is no deed from him conveying same, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. That a part of said land was at one time owned jointly by W. H. and Henry Crenshaw, but that Henry Crenshaw having made no conveyance of his interest in said land casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. That at one time Thos. R. Dailey asserted some title to a part of said land, but there is no legal conveyance out of said Thos. R. Dailey conveying said land, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title. That a part of said property was at one time conveyed to S. T. Colbert and there being no conveyance out of the said S. T. Colbert to same, a cloud is cast on plaintiff's title, and plaintiff further alleges that any other and further claims of defendants in and to said land are unknown. Plaintiff prays judgement for said land, removing all clouds therefrom, substituting all missing instruments and quieting his title to same.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, John D. Morgan, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, this the 2nd day of August, A. D., 1913.

John D. Morgan, Clerk, District Court of Houston Adv. [SEAL] County.

To prevent pneumonia, a cold settled in the lungs should be attended to at once. Put a Herick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster on the chest and take Ballard's Horehound Syrup internally. It's a winning combination. Buy the dollar size Horehound Syrup; you get a porous plaster free with each bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.



Notice to the Public!

I have no special low price to offer you on any one or two articles, but I have a reasonable price on everything that I offer for sale. If I were to sell you one article below cost I would have to charge you too much for something else. I am not in business for my health and I don't know anyone else who is. We all must have a profit

and I only ask a small profit on everything that I offer for sale. My stock is not as large as some others, but the quality is as good. I can show you almost anything in Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Hats and Groceries.

Ladies! Don't forget the Rest Room when you get tired. It is yours to use when you are in town. Trade where you please. It is just as free to other people's customers as it is to mine.

MY MOTTO: "QUICK SALES, SMALL PROFITS AND THE GOLDEN

RULE APPLIED TO BUSINESS

W. R. WHERRY.

NEWS FROM LIBERTY HILL

September 13.—Health of this community is very good and some of our neighbors are sowing turnips and I think we have had enough rain to bring them up, and it is still raining.

"A short horse is easily curried," so is a short crop easily gathered, and most of the farmers of this neighborhood are almost through.

One of the teachers for our school was in the neighborhood Thursday looking for a boarding place. We understand she secured board but the writer has not learned where.

Mr. A. S. and Miss Dollie Moore will attend the teachers institute that is to be held in Crockett next week. From there they will go to take up their school work.

Mr. Homer Holcomb, while feeding his father's shingle mill happened to the misfortune of getting three of his fingers cut off. Homer says he is getting along nicely.

We are going to have Rev. Carr from Alto to preach for us Saturday night and Sunday at 11 o'clock and Sunday night. We feel sure the service will be well attended and his hearers will have a gospel feast, as Rev. Carr is an able preacher.

As crops are almost gathered some of our neighbors are moving in hopes of finding better pasture.

We regret to lose Prof. Mason, our former teacher. He goes to Augusta where he has a position as teacher in the Augusta high school.

Mr. Fred Ramey sold his place to his father and bought Prof. Mason's place. We are glad to have Father Ramey back with us. He is getting back home and all the children will be glad to see him at his place in the pulpit and in the Sunday School.

"Uncle" Tom and "aunt" Paralee Holcomb left Wednesday for Ratcliff to spend several days with friends and relatives.

SUNBEAM.

Geo. Brailsford of Latexo spent Sunday in the city.

J. W. HOWARD

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WHEN THE BOWELS DON'T MOVE

At the regular morning hour you're uncomfortable and the longer this condition exists the worse you feel. A dose of

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IS THE REMEDY YOU NEED

It quickly sets things moving. You feel better at once, and after a copious bowel movement, you experience that thrill and joy of living, that exhilaration of spirits and activity of body and brain that only those can feel whose internal organs are in a state of functional activity and cleanliness. It helps digestion, sweetens the breath and restores vigor of body and brain. Try it. Sold by all dealers in medicine.

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Will cure your Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headaches, Cramps, Colic, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts and Burns, Old Sores, Stings of Insects Etc. Antiseptic Anodyne, used internally and externally. Price 25c.



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for Backache, Rheumatism, Kidneys and Bladder.

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You can not sell your land without an Abstract showing perfect title. Why not have your lands abstracted and your titles perfected? We have the ONLY COMPLETE UP-TO-DATE ABSTRACT LAND TITLES OF HOUSTON COUNTY
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Saved Girl's Life

"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

"It certainly has no equal for la grippe, bad colds, liver and stomach troubles. I firmly believe Black-Draught saved my little girl's life. When she had the measles, they went in on her, but one good dose of Thedford's Black-Draught made them break out, and she has had no more trouble. I shall never be without

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

in my home." For constipation, indigestion, headache, dizziness, malaria, chills and fever, biliousness, and all similar ailments, Thedford's Black-Draught has proved itself a safe, reliable, gentle and valuable remedy.

If you suffer from any of these complaints, try Black-Draught. It is a medicine of known merit. Seventy-five years of splendid success proves its value. Good for young and old. For sale everywhere. Price 25 cents.

Have Had The Proof

The following are a few extracts from better prominent business men who have had the proof as to the ability of our graduates.

"We have had two of your graduates in our employ and both have given entire satisfaction. Your work is thoroughly practical and all you claim for it."

"I am clerk of the District Court, I have had one of your graduates in my office for several months, and find her competent in every respect."

"I have one of your stenographers in my office; she takes notes in shorthand rapidly and transcribes them neatly and accurately on the typewriter, and her general work is such that I can highly recommend your school."

"Having employed several of your graduates, I think your institution is the best of its kind in this country."

"We have had six of your graduates in past few years; they were all good, send us another."

"There is such a scarcity of business colleges that fit their students for real business that we cannot refrain from praising and endorsing your college, since several of your students have proven competent in our office."

"We have in our employ a young man who is giving the highest degree of satisfaction. I, therefore, unreservedly commend your college."

"We have had one of your graduates for the past twelve months as bookkeeper and stenographer, and he has handled with ease the departments of our rapidly increasing business."

"As you well know, I have had a number of your students in my office. I take this opportunity of saying that every student that I have had from your school shows superiority of training over students that I have had from other schools."

"I have one of your graduates; his service is satisfactory. The discipline, to say nothing of the actual knowledge gained, would more than pay parents for the amount expended for their child in your institution."

"I have given your graduates a thorough test, and have found them to be accurate and quick with their work. The thorough and practical training you give fits them for any kind of a position."

Write for catalog containing hundreds of endorsements together with name and address from business men who pay our graduates good salaries, and then you will be convinced of the reason why some competitors of ours are disposed to deny the fact that with our famous Byrne Systems we can give you a better course in half the time and at half the expense that they can. Address Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas. Adv.

Take **Herbine** for heartburn, sour belching or constipation, it cleanses and strengthens the liver, stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

The Teachers' Institute of Houston County is in session at Crockett this week. All the teachers from this end of the county went to Crockett Monday morning for the meeting.

Despondency

Is often caused by indigestion and constipation, and quickly disappears when Chamberlain's Tablets are taken. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Money Talks

By Paying Cash for what you buy you can get much

BETTER VALUES

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ICE ALL the TIME!

Now handled in car lots and you can get it any time in any quantity.

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS:

You can get ice on Sunday until 12 o'clock at the ICE HOUSE, near the water tank.

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Style Pays Big Dividends in Homes

when occasion arises for selling. Buyers like character and individuality and homes that possess them frequently bring much higher prices than houses built merely for use. We've studied these little things carefully and find they can usually be applied with but little extra cost. Particularly is this true when we are consulted on the original plans. And again in the selection of lumber, there are frequently ways of securing the desired results at lower cost than primarily calculated, and when this is possible we are keen to put our customers wise to the saving. These incidents tell only a part of the building story you should know in full before spending your money. Ask us for more facts.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY

School Books Are Arriving

We will appreciate your patronage in tablets, pencils and all

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Porter's Drug Store

Darsey's Store News.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY IN THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER.

EDITED BY DARSEY'S SALES FORCE

Darsey's Store, Grapeland, Texas, September 18, 1913

Our Purpose

As the name implies, this paper is to be devoted to news pertaining to our store. It is our aim in publishing this page from week to week, to give the trading public, news around our store, as it really is. We hope to make this one of the most interesting features of this paper, and can only do so by your cooperation. We have spared no efforts in making this store the leading store in this section of the state, and want to do everything in our power to keep it thus, and will at any time, appreciate any suggestions or criticisms that you may offer, that tends to the good and up-building of our business.

The main purpose of this sheet, is to get you thoroughly acquainted with our goods, our sales people, and our way of doing business, and to arrange the many things that we have to offer in a plain, systematic way, so that they may be understood by all.

Again we ask you for your aid and suggestions, for we realize the impossibility of running a business complete in every way, without the assistance of our friends. If at any time you see where we are making a mistake, we will appreciate your calling our attention to the fact. We thank you for the hearty patronage you have given us in the past, and we hope to merit a greater share of same by getting closer to the trade, and having you feel an interest in our business. When you are in Grapeland, we shall be very glad to have you make our store your headquarters, and we assure all a hearty welcome, whether you come to buy or not. We have the goods, and will be glad to have you ask to see them.

A big flock of bluebirds has just arrived at our store. They are the "Soul of Happiness" and bring good luck.

Hardware

This department is under the supervision of our good-looking clerk, Mr. Chas. Haltom, who is famous for his pleasing ways, and the knowledge he has of hardware. We have just installed 25 feet of regular hardware shelving, and the way Mr. Haltom has things displayed is a picture to anyone. We have the biggest and best line of builders and shelf hardware in the country, also the biggest assortment of cutlery.

Shoes

Our line of shoes needs no introduction to the people of Grapeland. We all know the quality of leather and workmanship that go into Brown's Star-5-Star line, and we have a big line of White House shoes for men and women, and Buster Brown shoes for boys and girls. We have now enroute, a big shipment of ladies' dress shoes, in the leading colors and shapes, including the new and popular, straight laced English style shoes, that are now being shown by the stores in the larger cities. See us for your fall footwear.

Gents Furnishings

We have the most complete and up-to-date lines of men's shirts, hats, shoes, hose and so forth ever shown in Grapeland. Our fall suits have been delayed in shipment, but we hope to have them on display by the first of next week. We have in making, the niftiest line of ties ever brought here, and it will be to your interest to wait and see them, if you want to be a style setter. We have enroute, a big shipment of men's cravenetted coats and men's overcoats, and can make them at very interesting figures. We have just opened our line of men's dress pants, and our line of all wool fabrics is very popular in make and pattern.

Our New Goods

We feel a little disappointed in not having all of our new fall line open by now, but on account of delays in shipping, a large part of our fall orders have not yet arrived. Our goods in all lines, are carefully chosen from the leading patterns and colors, and you will do well to come and make your selections early. We hope to be able to have our entire fall line on display in a few days. Our buyers are busy all the time looking out for new things, and as soon as same can arrive, we shall have them open for your inspection.

Furniture

This department is in charge of our old stand-by, Mr. Richards, whose years of experience in this line, we would embarrass Mr. Richards to tell, for by doing so you would know he is older than he looks. We have been very busy this week, putting up and arranging the car of Fort Smith Furniture that we have just received, which is the most artistic in design, smoothest in finish and best in quality, ever before shown here. We have just unloaded a car of the famous BUCK'S stoves and will be glad to have you inspect our display now on the floor of our building. If you need anything in furniture, it will be to your interest to see Mr. Richards. We make a specialty in arranging and selecting bed room suites, and fitting out newly married couples.

Groceries

Our grocery department is in charge of Mr. Nat Davis, who has had several years of experience in this line and knows what the people want. Our stock of groceries is always kept fresh, as we receive our goods each week. We have just opened a nice line of the Beechnut products in glass jars, in addition

to our extensive line of canned goods. Our staple grocery stock is always complete, and we boast of having the best in town.

We have added to this department a sanitary, rat proof flour bin, which is painted white and covered with screen wire, thus insuring cleanliness. We have on hand, a supply of the famous Oriole Flour.

When you are in a hurry for groceries, 'phone us your order and it will be delivered immediately.

Personal Mention

Simond's saws satisfy.

Padgitt Brothers Saddles and harness.

We buy eggs and country produce.

Just received: A car of Texas Red Rust Proof Oats.

School Children! Watch the black board in our show window.

O'Cedar polish makes scarred furniture look like new.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fox of Reynard were shoppers here this week.

Ask to see our line of lace and fancy work table covers and piano scarfs.

We still have a few pairs of low quarter shoes which we are closing out at low figures.

We are headquarters for Stetson hats. "Git yo'se'f a John B. boy."

Gasoline engines are labor savers. We have one for every purpose.

We shipped Mr. Chas. Walling of Elkhart a bill of goods for his commissary this week.

Diamond Edge is a quality pledge. Look for it on your next pocket knife.

Messrs. Bill and Bud Lively of Waneta sold cotton here this week, and traded quite a nice bill with us.

Miss Ellen Logan is helping in our Millinery Department now.

Mrs. Sambo Pridgen of Daly's was a visitor in our dry goods and millinery departments this week.

Mr. Bob Hodges of Salmon was here selling cotton and buying goods. He always makes our store his stopping place as well as his shopping place.

That Grapeland is a good cotton market, is proven by the number of bales weighed here; that we pay the top price is shown by the number of bales we buy.

Big purses, little purses, coin purses and German silver mesh bags at remarkably low prices.

Why wait to buy that new wide tire wagons. Come in and let us tell you about it.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grounds and family of Belott were visitors at our store Tuesday, and took advantage of the many new goods and excellent values we are offering.

Mr. J. B. Long of Augusta was one of those selling cotton here this week. Mr. Long is a good friend to the sales people and are always glad to have him call. He says he likes our way of doing business.

Mr. L. H. McElroy of near Denson Springs was a pleasant caller at our store last Tuesday. Mr. McElroy is one of the most prosperous farmers of his community, and to prove it, drove home in a wide tire Fort Smith wagon from our stock.

Given Away

Gratis

In the Indiana and Ohio floods, the cyclone at Omaha, the Mississippi overflow and other disasters of the year 1913, thousands of

The FREE SEWING MACHINES

were destroyed and new machines given away without cost to holders of The FREE insurance policy.

See Pictures in our Windows

Buy The FREE Sewing Machine and secure policy which protects the machine against loss by flood, tornado, cyclone, fire, breakage or any other cause. The only insured machine.

WE SELL IT

Early Fall Showing of the Season's Latest



This line contains some of the most popular goods and most beautiful patterns shown. Don't fail to see our line of Dress Goods, Ratines, Jacquards, Foulards, Crepes, Poplins. Whipcords, Suitings, Brocaded Poplins, Satins, Silks and Velvets. These goods range in price from 10c to \$2.50 per yard.

UTILITY GINGHAMS make the best school dresses. Big beautiful assortment to select from, per yard . . . 10c

We have the most beautiful line of laces, embroideries, ribbons and all kinds of trimmings ever shown here.

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