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WE MUST HAVE MORE ROOM!

Our Tremendous Stock of Fall Merchandise will soon begin to arrive and we must move out our present Stock in order to make room for it, therefore we have inaugurated a

Grand Summer Clearing Sale!

Everything in summer goods must go, nothing will be reserved. We are going to have the swellest line of fall merchandise ever brought to this town, and we cannot afford to carry over any goods. We have made the prices so low that any body can afford to buy, and you can readily see you are saving money.

READ THESE EXTRAORDINARY LOW PRICES:

LADIES' OXFORDS. \$2.50 Styles cut to \$1.85 2.00 " " " 1.55 1.75 " " " 1.35 1.50 " " " 1.15 MEN'S OXFORDS. \$3.50 Styles cut to \$2.95 3.00 " " " 2.35 2.25 " " " 1.55 \$1.75 and \$1.50 styles cut to \$1.15	MEN' PANTS, SUMMERWEIGHT. \$3.50 styles cut to \$2.95 3.25 " " " 2.50 3.00 " " " 2.15 2.50 " " " 1.75 2.00 " " " 1.25 1.50 and 1.75 styles cut to .95 PAPER FANS. 35c and 40c grades now 25c.	20c and 25c " " 15c. 10c and 15c " " 7½c LADIES' DROP-STITCH AND LACE STRIPE HOSIERY. 40c grades now.....25c 6 palmetto fans for.....5c Boys' summer suits, sizes 7 to 14, \$1.00 and \$1.50 grades now.....50c	MEN'S HATS. \$3.00 Styles cut to \$2.15 2.50 " " " 1.75 \$2 & 1.75 styles cut to 1.25 1.50 " " " .95 MEN'S SUMMER-WEIGHT UNDERWEAR. 50c grade undershirts, 35c 40c and 35c grade undershirts, now..... 25c 25c grade undershirts, 15c	LADIES' VESTS. 50c grade now.....30c 25c " "18c 15c " "10c 10c " "7½c EMBROIDERY. 20c and 25c grades now 16 2 3c 15c and 17½ grades, now 12½c 10c and 12 1-2 c grades now..... 7½c
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Come Early and get first choice. Remember when these goods are gone the prices cannot be duplicated.

Yours for Business With boll Weevil Prices,

J. G. SHIPPER & SON,

HOWARD

Has just received a Mixed car of Flour, Bran, Chops and meal. Also have a full line of staple and fancy groceries. All as cheap as the cheapest.

Latexo Happenings.

Messenger—No rain for this week of consequence, so the roads are beginning to dry up. Farmers are plowing their water soaked cotton.

Mr. Riley Murchison made very fair sales of his cantaloupes shipped to St. Louis.

The Texas & Louisiana Orchard Co. are now planting their fall crop of potatoes.

Mr. Joe Berrie spent Sunday in Galveston.

Mr. Joe Tucker lost his wife last Saturday morning. She leaves a little babe only a few

hours old and several older children.

Mr. J. H. Porter and little girl have been quite sick this week, but are reported better.

Johnnie Johnson, colored, who is working for Texas and La. orchard Company., has the black jaundice, but is reported better this morning.

Mr. T. H. Leaverton had a break down with his saw mill last week but is expecting to start up again in a few days.

Mr. Getch and wife have been quite sick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Starling Boykin, Mr. and Mrs. Jas Richards and

Mr. and Mrs. Murdock Murchisons families of your town was visiting Mr. M. Murchison last Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Royal of Athens. Mr. Murchison (Grandpa) was taken violently ill while they were here. He is better today.—Rex. July 25.

To The Peach Growers.

To the peach growers of the Grapeland community:—The shipping season is now over so far as car shipments are concerned. Returns are all in. While the results are small, yet compare favorably with other shipping points so far as we can learn, and I wish to state further that this being our first experience with car shipments and my first effort at the management of a packing and shipping shed, I did not expect that the management would be at all perfect. While there has been some mistakes in the minor details, I feel confident that the result is as good as could be expected under the circumstance with which we had to labor. I take pleasure in thanking the growers for their promptness in bringing in their stuff and aiding me in every way possible to carry on the business successfully. Also the laborers for their good behavior and their faithful efforts to do their work as directed,

Grapeland Public School,

Grapeland, Texas.

To the Children in the Country:

Have you good school advantages at home? If not, you should do your best to go off to school, for we are living in a progressive age and cannot afford to start out in the world without a good education. If we do, we shall miss a large part of the enjoyment of life, besides being at a disadvantage in all kinds of business.

Now we have more room in our school and in case you mean to go away from home to school we extend you a cordial welcome. In a good graded school is a fine place for a boy or girl to learn.

You may see any member of the Grapeland School Board or Judge Newman and he will fix up your transfers without any trouble. You can't afford to neglect your transfers a single day because **NO TRANSFERS WILL BE GRANTED AFTER AUGUST THE FIRST.**

A. W. CAIN, PRINCIPAL.

especially the ladies who so faithfully assisted in the packing.

Respectfully.—J. S. Yarbrough.

P. S. I suggest that we have a meeting at the packing shed on Saturday August the 5th, for the purpose of taking care of the shed furniture. J. S. Y.

Rev. Harry Hamilton, pastor of the Christian church, was presented Monday with a round trip ticket and expense money for a pleasure trip to Mineral Wells by his congregation and friends in Crockett, as an evidence for the high esteem in which he is held by them.—Crockett Courier,

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GRAPELAND, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JULY 27, 1905.

BEGIN RIGHT NOW.

The Messenger has been patiently waiting for the City Council to take the initiative in the matter of having the city cleaned up, but as that honorable body seems to be dormant, we deem it proper that something should be said to arouse the citizens to a point where some activity will be taken, and that immediately. It is unnecessary to refer to the dirty condition of the town and the results that will follow such uncleanness.

There is lots to be done and no time should be lost in doing it. These stagnant ponds should be drained, back alleys cleaned out, weeds cut and all manner of trash should be burned.

It is imperative that immediate action be taken in order to put the town in a healthful condition before real hot weather is upon us. Gentlemen of the Council, awake from your slumbers and let's have a cleaning up! Begin right now and keep it up until this old town shines like a new dollar.

There would be no necessity for strikes and labor troubles if we followed out the golden rule to "Love our neighbor as ourselves." The spirit of greed and selfishness is at the bottom of all strikes and until this spirit is eliminated from our midst, we shall always have with us turmoil and strife. This old world is a pretty good old place to live in—nothing the matter with it. Nature has done her best to provide for all, and man alone is responsible for the state of things that exist. Here and there springs up a man whose sole desire is to do all the good he can, but the majority of us are cast in the same mould as Cain, and we reply, "Am I my brother's keeper?"—The Magnet.

The oil wells at Humble are on fire and have been furiously burning since Sunday afternoon. The fire was caused by lightning striking one of the large tanks, and efforts to control the flames were of no avail. At this writing 12 men and 50 mules are missing, believed to have perished in the flames. The Texas Company is the principal loser, and two and a quarter million barrels of oil have been destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$600,000 without a cent of insurance.

When the Panama Canal is finished we are going to take a trip around the world.

The boiler of the U. S. gun boat Bennington exploded in the harbor of San Diego, July 21, killing 34 men and injuring 76.

A cleaning up would add a hundred per cent to the beauty of the town, to say nothing of bettering health conditions.

Let's have a cleaner city.

There is lots of sickness in town just now and we charge it up to the dirty condition of this town.

This must be the day of pests. We have the mosquitoes, gnats, flies, boll weevils, boll worms, etc., and the delinquent tax collector.

Yellow fever has broken out in New Orleans and up-to-date 154 cases and 34 deaths have been reported. Texas has quarantined and every precaution is being taken to prevent the pest from coming this way.

Fancy Y. C. sugar 15 lbs. \$1.00.
J. J. Brooks.

Mr. Geo. E. Darsey is having his office oyer hauled and made larger.

A full store, we have got to sell the goods. We have made the prices low. W. B. Faris.

Mrs. H. S. Robertson went down to Crockett Wednesday to visit relatives.

All our men's youth' and boys' summer clothing will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Some rare bargains. Come quick. W. B. Faris.

We are all in business for the money there is in it, not for our health. Therefore don't buy till you get my prices. I might save you money. Anyway, try me and find out. J. J. Brooks.

If you want pure drugs, fresh drugs and good drugs, the kind that makes sick folks well, and despondent ones happy, Lively is the man you want to see. That's the only kind he keeps and he's always got a full stock.

Say, times are hard, and the boll weevils are here and it's still raining, I know that it takes unusually low prices to make you un-grip that dollar, see if I could do it with low prices, when you need anything. J. J. Brooks.

Every reader of the Messenger should take advantage of Geo. E. Darsey's cut price sales, as it is seldom they have such a chance to get such goods at such prices. For particulars see his ad elsewhere.

The dull season is on hand and we know that it takes unusually low prices to move more than our share of merchahdise. If we can save you with low prices and good goods call on us. J. J. Brooks.

All of our \$2.25 patent leather slippers are going at \$1.75; our \$2.00 slippers at \$1.50; misses patent leather slippers, 11 to 1 1/2, price \$1.50, now \$1.25; 8 to 10 1/2, \$1.25, now \$1.00; all our misses' slippers not patent leather, at 50c under the dollar. These are mid-summer bargains you will not find often.
W. B. Faris.

The Holcomb Reunion.

The Holcomb reunion held at Cold Springs 4 miles S. W. of Alto on the first of last week was the greatest one yet. About four hundred were there, over two hundred being the Holcomb relation. Tents were on the ground and people remained all night; two days were spent on the ground and still provisions enough left to supply the crowd another day. The second day was spent in thanksgiving and they had a regular campmeeting time.

The Holcombs have been having their annual reunion for several years, and always have a good time. This time 15 wagons loaded with provisions come from Houston county. We hope the Holcombs will live to have many more happy reunions. We are told that Henry Holcomb made a great speech on the second day. We know Henry, and Houston county hasn't a better citizen in it.—Rusk Press Journal.

Notice.

Dr. L. Meriwether is our authorized agent at La Texo, and is authorized to solicit subscriptions, advertising and job work, and to collect for same. Prompt attention will be given to all matters of business, and any favors shown him will be highly appreciated by us.

Wanted This Fall.

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

We are offering most excellent values in calicos, gingham, bleached and brown domestic, this week. Remember I'll appreciate your trade in this line and will not be undersold. J. J. Brooks.

The Grapeland Messenger, a neat and newsy paper, now reaches our exchange table. It is edited by Albert Luker, until recently an attache of the Shiner Gazette.—Hallettsville Herald.

Recollect I pay cash for my goods and get the benefit of all cash discounts, don't have to pay long winded credit prices and charge my customers accordingly. J. J. Brooks.

Eld. J. J. Brooks, wife and son visited Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Brooks at San Pedro Sunday. Mrs. D. L. Brooks has been on the sick list for several weeks, but we are glad to note that she is improving.

I'm top heavy on tobacco, too much, and I'm reducing the price. Now don't fail to see me before you buy. I'll save you money sure. J. J. Brooks'.

The many friends of Lee Eaves will be glad to learn that he is rapidly recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever. Lee is now located at Annona.

Remember you take no chances of getting old or worthless drugs when you buy from Lively. Everything's new and the best the world affords.

Mart Brooks a Grapeland negro who was sentenced to work out a fine on the county roads several weeks ago for selling whisky, made his escape one evening last week. He claimed he was sick, and was left at the camp, and in the absence of the guard he secured a file and filed the chain loose. All efforts to capture him have proved futile so far.

PURE DRUGS
AND
PATENT MEDICINES.

TOILET ARTICLES
—IN—
GREAT VARIETY.

FRONT STREET DRUG STORE

When you want a lead pencil get a good one. We keep them. If you are needing some writing material come here and pick out something to suit your taste. We carry a select line of pen points and holders, ink, plain or fancy writing paper and envelopes, mucilage, insect powder, fly paper, chewing gum and an endless list of similar articles. Come and look for yourself. No trouble to us to show goods—that's what we're here for.

CARLETON & PORTER, Druggists.

STATIONERY
—AND—
FANCY GOODS.

A FAIR PRICE
—FOR—
RELIABLE GOODS.

G. A. Brimberry has our thanks for substantial favors.

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

Two weeks of great bargains at Darseys.

Walter Newman went up to Palestine Wednesday.

No better Flour than the Invinible Guarantee printed on every sack. W. B. Faris.

Those wide tire wagons at Darseys are just the wagons for this sandy country. Cash or easy payments.

Bud Cook of Augusta passed through Grapeland Monday en route to the Indian Territory.

Our entire lot of mens and ladies summer hats at cost, to close them out. Geo. E. Darsey.

Joe Adams of Crockett, Albert Laster, Grapeland, J. S. Newman Augusta, are new readers of the Messenger.

"Almond Cream" for sunburn, chafing. Softens and preserves the skin, 25 cents per bottle at Carleton & Porter's.

I'll make the other fellow sell you goods cheaper than he ever sold in his life if you will only get my prices before you buy. Try me and see. J. J. Brooks.

The family of J. S. Carnell left Tuesday for Rogers, Belle county, where they will make their future home. We wish them success.

J. E. Holdingsworth, J. M. Selkirk, Zack Harmon, D. W. Martin, Dock Kyle and Jno. A. Davis were in Palestine Monday and Tuesday attending court. They are witnesses in the case of State vs. B. S. Harrison.

Geo. Scarbrough, R. B. Edens, Ney Sheridan, Dave Leaverton, Turner Skidmore, John Lewis and Jim Saxon left Monday night for College Station to attend the Farmers Congress. We hope they will have a pleasant time.

B. R. Guice and little son Arthur came in from Tyler Monday night to spend a few days with relatives and friends. Mr. Guice says heavy rains have done considerable damage around Tyler.

Messrs. Bob Spense and Hosea Anthony and Misses Callie Spence and Zuma Anthony went down on the excursion Saturday night to see sights in the Sea Wall city.



G. R. WHITLEY,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

And Dealer in

REAL ESTATE.

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

If you want fruit jars see us. W. B. Faris.

Dr. Kirkpatrick was in from Augusta Tuesday.

Fresh Lemons at the Front Street Drug Store.

Great bargains in tobacco. W. B. Faris.

Wagons, wagons, a car load just received. Geo. E. Darsey.

Lion Coffee 15 cents per package. J. J. Brooks.

J. N. Sory has our thanks for some nice peaches.

New lot of fruit boxes and crates just in at Darseys.

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

Will Spruil was up from La Texo Saturday.

Just received this week a beautiful line of Fancy candy. Bon Ton.

Don't forget that J. J. Brooks will give you more tobacco for your money than any one.

1,500 yards best cotton plaids ever put on the market at 5 cents. W. B. Faris.

Mrs. Boykin and little Bess went to Jacksonville last week to meet Sidney, and visit a few days.

Pure ribbon cane molasses for 35 cents per gallon Sorgum 25cts. at Darseys'.

J. S. Newman of Augusta passed through Tuesday en route to College Station to attend the Farmers Congress, which is in session this week.

IF WE SERVE YOU AT OUR
Soda Fountain
YOU GET

The Best Service,
The Best Goods,
Can we do more?

The Bon-Ton Ice Cream Parlor,
ODELL FARIS, Proprietor.

Everything Neat and Clean.

Courteous Treatment.

GEORGE E. DARSEY'S CUT PRICE SALE!

On all Summer Dress Goods, Lawns, Ladies' and Men's Hats, Low Cut Shoes, Slippers and Oxfords, Men's and Boys summer Clothing.

We will begin on Monday, July 31st, and continue for TWO WEEKS Cutting the price on all summer goods. About the middle of August we expect to leave for the Northern Markets and we want to close out every piece of summer goods before going to market, so NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO GET IN AT PRICES THAT YOU SELDOM GET, and on just the goods you need. Remember these are not old shelf worn or bankrupt stuff that is dear at any price, but new up-to-date goods at cut prices to sell out before receiving our fall stock of goods.

SUMMER DRESS GOODS AND LAWNS.		Hats. SUMMER Hats.	SUMMER CLOTHING AT SACRIFICING PRICES.
All 5 cent Lawns now	4 cents per yard.	All Men's, Ladies, Boys, and Misses' Straw Hats at Actual Wholesale Cost during this sale.	During this Sale we will give 25 per cent discount on all Summer Clothing including Men's, Young Men's, Boys' and Children's suits, coats and pants, so if you are in need of clothing of any kind or size it will be money to you to see our clothing and get our prices, as the price that we are making on all summer clothing is money saving prices to all buyers.
" 10 " " " 8 " " "		One lot of Prints of the following brands: Sentinal Blues, Alsatian Blues, and Medina Reds, as long as they last at	
" 12 " " " 10 " " "		3 1-3 Cents Per Yards.	
" 15 " " " 12 " " "			
" 20 " " " 15 " " "			
" 25 " " " 20 " " "			

LOW CUT SHOES	JUST RECEIVED A CAR OF THE BEST WAGONS EVER SOLD IN GRAPELAND. IF YOU WANT A GOOD WAGON WITH SAND PROOF BOXES, WE HAVE THEM.	DON'T THINK
Slippers and oxfords at extremely low prices. We want to sell during this sale every pair of Low Cut Shoes, Slippers and oxford that we have and had rather lose a few dollars than to carry them over until next season. Our assortment is too great to undertake to describe, but if there is anything in summer footwear it will pay you to see us before buying. We call your attention to one lot of Ladies' White Canvas Oxfords, worth \$1-50, in this sale they go at even money, \$1.00, sizes 3 1-2 to 5 only.		That as we are making cut prices on all summer goods that we have overlooked our grocery department, we have not, as we have a full line of Groceries, Hardware and Furniture, Doors, Windows, Barbwire, Lime, Nails, etc., which you are invited to thoroughly inspect and get our prices, which will be as low as the lowest, if not lower.

Don't Forget the Time and Place, from Monday, July 31, to Saturday, Aug. 12. We will take Chickens, Eggs, Bees Wax, Hides and Bacon during this sale. Respectfully,
George E. Darsey.
GRAPELAND, TEXAS.

LOCAL NEWS.

Nice lemons at the Bon Ton.

Edgar Brooks is confined to his bed this week with fever.

All our negligee shirts going at 50c on the dollar. W. B. Faris.

Col. W. D. Taylor was up from Reynard Saturday.

Darsey has the best lot of wagons ever sold in Grapeland.

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

Clay Jones of Percilla was in town Saturday on business.

Trunks, valises, and suit cases at J. J. Brooks'

Ike Murchison was up from Crockett on business Saturday.

Oxidine three bottles for \$1.00. J. J. Brooks.

Miss Ida Collman Lively is visiting relatives at Augusta.

Our motto—under buy, under sell, cash. J. J. Brooks.

Why not let Lively say you something on your next drug bill? It's plum easy.

I'm prepared to sell you a pair of pants or Dress Shirts cheaper than anyone. J. J. Brooks.

Harley Phillips came in from Neches Monday night to spend a few days with friends.

We are opening up new goods every week, don't buy till you get our prices—J. J. Brooks.

I'll buy in exchange for merchandise eggs, chickens, hides, and beeswax. J. J. Brooks.

2,200 yards best yard wide domestic, regular 9 cent goods going at 6 cents per yard at W. B. Faris'.

Ross Murchison will pay cash for beef hides.

Fruit jars, jelly glasses, extra tops and rubbers at Darsey's.

Remember my prices cant be beat—come and see me when you need any thing. J. J. Brooks.

If you need any doors or windows, see Darsey if you want lowest prices.

Mrs. Royal and daughter of Athens are in the city visiting relatives.

John Gainey, who has a position in the Massey Business College at Houston, came in Saturday and will visit home folks at San Pedro for several days.

I'll sell you Jelly glasses at 25 cents per doz. Mason quart Jars at 85 cents per doz. half gallon, at 85 cents. J. J. Brooks.

Mid-Summer Clearance Sale!

Of a beautiful line of summer Hats, excellent made, trimmed and shaped to fit the fascinating taste of young and old; large or small.

Our \$6.00 Hats now \$ 4.50
" 5.00 " " 3.50
" 2.50 " " 1.50
" 1.50 " " 1.00
" 1.25 " " .80

And a nice line of Hack and trimmed Hats from 50c to 75c. To make room for my immense fall stock I will sell at cost all ribbons, laces, embroideries, silks, in fact every thing that can be found in an up-to-date millinery store. Come while it is to-day.

MRS. J. J. DAVIS.

A Car of White Wave Flour just received at Darseys.

R. L. Brooks of Ratcliff visited his Grapeland friends Sunday and Monday. Always glad to see Lester.

Everything new. Don't buy old bankrupt, shelf worn goods when you can buy new dependable merchandise at the same price. J. J. Brooks.

Wagons with sand proof boxes, just the thing for a sandy country like around Grapeland, see them Geo. Darsey.

Hunter McCloud passed through Monday en route to Marlin. Mr. Hunter had been visiting relatives at Augusta.

We have the most complete and cheapest stock of men's dress shirts in Grapeland, see our 50, 60, 75, and \$1.00 values. J. J. Brooks.

Editor McCelvey and Judge Winfree of Ratcliff passed through Sunday en route to Palestine.

Mrs. P. H. Blalock and little son of Livingston are in the city visiting Mrs. Blalock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Cocke, of Jacksonville are in the city visiting Mrs. Cocke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Selkirk.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wheeler of La Texo passed through last Sunday en route to Palestine to spend the day.

Miss Annie Star came down from Elkhart last week to visit her sister, Mrs D. L. Brooks, a few days.

Mrs. Birdie Lively and father, Mr. B. F. Campbell, made an overland trip to Palestine Sunday.

Any size wagon you want on easy terms, at Geo. E. Darseys.

H.W. Huff was up from Daly's Tuesday with a load of fine peaches that he shipped out by express.

Full line of merchandise, Wells & Co. shoes just received. Don't fail to see them before you buy your next pair. J. J. Brooks.

The negroes had a big day at Crockett Sunday. A special train was run from Palestine, and quite a number went down from here.

The preserving season is here and I want you to remember that I will appreciate your trade in fruit jars, jelly glasses, rubbers, and extra jar tops. J.J. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Owens returned to Palestine Saturday after spending several days visiting relatives near town.

Your Trade
is appreciated and all orders entrusted to me will receive careful and prompt attention.

My Stock
of staple and fancy groceries is always complete and you are invited to inspect the same. I make a speciality of high grade goods and make my prices as reasonable as possible.

I carry a well selected and up-to-date stock of notions and shoes. Come in and look through my stock.

Jim Saxon.

Olan Davis left Monday for Allenfarm, Clay, Montgomery and Bragg to visit friends.

NOW'S THE TIME!

WE GUARANTEE RIGHT PRICES, HONEST GOODS.

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

GOODS ARE NOW BEGINNING TO ARRIVE.

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

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

We Want Your Trade.

W. B. FARIS.

Real Estate For Sale.

Never before in the history of this country has the rain fell in such torrents to damage the crops to such an extent that a few people have become disheartened at the surprising occurrence and are wanting to leave. Heretofore good crops have always been made, and even now plenty will be made to supply their needs. Now being decidedly the time to buy property, as it will double in value as the months go by. Whatever you want see me and I will get it if not on my list.

490 acres bordering on I. & G. N. railroad, 4 miles south of city; timber, oak, sweet-gum, black walnut; 150 acres in cultivation; 150 acres hog pasture. 1 good 4-room cottage; 2 tenant houses; 3 wells of good water; barn, and a fine stream running through property. Perfect chain of title. For awhile.....\$8.00 Per Acre.

100 acres 4 miles west of Grapeland, all under high state of cultivation; good orchard; fine Bermuda pasture; good houses; an ideal fruit and truck farm; good community; healthy location, going at.....\$1,250

160 acres 5 miles west of town; 69 acres in cultivation; good water and houses.....\$5.00 Per Acre

I also have several thousand acres of fine orchard and farm lands in tracts to suit purchasers. Address,

G. R. WHITLEY,

THE REAL ESTATE MAN, GRAPELAND, TEXAS.

LIFE IN THE NAVY.

Grapeland Boy writes an Interesting Letter.

Newport, R. I., July 16, '05.
To the Messenger and friends:

After nearly 2 year's silence I have concluded to let the good people at home know that I have not forgotten them yet. When I last wrote I was in the summer manouevers around Maine's rocky coast. Shortly afterwards I was transferred to the U. S. S. Atlantic, a nice heavy battery cruiser manned by 300 men and 16 officers. After going aboard at Pensacola, Fla., we sailed on April 30 for San Juan, Porto Rico, arriving there 5 days later. We found the gulf stream very calm. We coaled ship here and started across the Atlantic, leaving San Juan May 12, arriving at Santa Cruz De Tenerife 14 days later without seeing land at all. Santa Cruz is an island 300 miles from the northern coast of Africa—2,780 miles without an accident or slow down. When we anchored the American Council informed us that an uprising was expected in Tangiers, Morocco, at any time. We also had orders for the South Atlantic fleet to proceed there as fast as possible. The South Atlantic fleet consisted of the U. S. S. Brooklyn, flag ship of rear admiral Chadwick, Atlantic, Castine, Marietta. The two latter ships are small gun boats. It was a race to Tangiers. We were the last to sail, leaving at 12 o'clock mid-night, arriving the next afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Brooklyn had been anchored 3 hours and the other two arrived that night. Here we stayed for 6 weeks. No trouble came up but still we had to stay, living on young camel's meat. Tangiers is one of the captofs of Morocco. We sailed from there to the Rock of Gibraltar, only a distance of 48 miles. I had a nice liberty there and visited the Spanish side. Went through parts of the largest fort in the world, having a gun for each year making 1,904 guns.

Our next port was Las Palmas, one of the Canary Islands, situated 60 miles from Santa Cruz. There we began on a long journey down the coast of Africa, only stopping long enough to coal ship and get provisions to last us to the next port. Of Siencie Leone I could tell very little from the bay. 300 miles from there to Liberia. Liberia is a country allotted to the negroes 53 years ago. We arrived there on July 24th, their 52nd

anniversary. Many negroes who came there from the United States told us that the younger negroes were getting barbarous.

From there we sailed 1800 miles to St. Paul de Loardo Island, a small place 12 miles from the mainland of Africa. Our next port was Cape Town, Cape Colony in the southern part of Africa, 1,831 miles from St. Paul. There we met a great many English for the first time in three months. We heard our own language again. I obtained a leave and went up to Johannesburg to visit the diamond mines. I saw some of the largest mines in the world in operation, employing some 2,500 to 3,000 men, women and children. It was awful cold there in August. I hated to leave South Africa after being there six weeks. The city was open to American sailors from the time we arrived till we left.

On September 3rd we sailed for Jamestown, St. Helena. I went out to see the first burial place of Napoleon Bonaparte. It was 8 miles up a mountain and no conveyance whatever. Very few of us went.

We sailed from there to Santos Brazil, said to be the most unhealthful place in the world. Sailed from there to Montevideo, arriving 6 days later. We only remained here two days and sailed up the Rio de La Platta river, to Buenas Aires, Argentine Republic, a city of nearly 1,000,000 inhabitants. Over three-fourths of them speak Spanish. It is second to the best port in the world. We lay here for 4 weeks, leaving on October 12 for Ilha Grande, Brazil, where we had preliminary target practice. From there we sailed to Rio de Janerio, the finest natural harbor in the world.

Small-pox was so bad that no one was allowed off the ship. From Rio de Janerio went to Bahia, Brazil. This is the most beautiful city I ever saw. Fruit was so cheap and fine here that the ships were loaded when we left for Trinidad Island, 2,800 miles. Here we received orders to proceed to Hampton Roads, stopping at Bridgetown, Barbados, December 19, 2,000 miles from our destination. We put on all speed possible, and some of the crew volunteered to go down and help fire, trying to reach home for Xmas, and would have succeeded had it not been so rough around Cape Hatteras that we had to stop until the storm went down. Arrived in Hampton Roads, December 28, at 9 a. m. There we remained

until December 31, leaving for Annapolis, Md., where all the crew were transferred to different ships. I, with 26 others, was sent to the receiving ship at Philadelphia. There we were transferred to the Hancock at New York. I was then sent to the Yankee, then to the Dixie at Monte Christi, San Domingo, making a short cruise to Colon, Panama, up to Guantamma, Cuba. Here I had to leave all my old shipmates and go to the New Ark. On April 12 I was transferred to the Iowa, a first-class battleship manned by 500 men and 36 officers. It has a battery of 4 12 inch gnns, 8 8 inch gnns, 6 4 inch gnns, 21 6 pounders, 4 colts automatic and 2 3 inch field pieces.

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Married.

Mr Chas. Kennedy of Augusta and Miss Nezzie Keisler were married on July 25th at the home of the bride in Huntsville. Rev. H. M. Whaling officiated.

The bridal couple passed through Grapeland last Friday en route to Augusta, where they will make their home. Mr. Kennedy is a leading business man of that place, and has many friends whom the Messenger joins in best wishes for a happy life.



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Waneta.

To the Messenger and its many readers:—I will try and pencil you a few dots to let you know how we are getting along in this neck of woods.

We are still combatting old Gen. Green. He has held us a pretty good fight, but we are about to subdue him and run him out of the cotton patch.

The boll weevils are getting in their work all right, and besides we have other pests, and the delinquent tax collector, who calls on us and causes us to have to go to the house and get our receipts and see how they correspond with his claims that he has against us.

The health of this community is not very good. There is lots of chills and fever.

Old Uncle Ruben Lively died Thursday night and was buried Friday in the Muse cemetery. The old man was 80 years of age. He leaves a wife and 6 or 7 children, a host of grand children and many friends to mourn his death. I say to all let's live that life when it's ended, we can cross over and strike hands on the eternal shore where death never comes and parting is no more.

The wedding bells are ringing. Charles Moore of Augusta took him a life time partner Wednesday night and Charles Kennedy hied away to Huntsville to get him a life sentence.

The Baptist protracted meeting begins the first Sunday in August at Red Prairie school house near Waneta.

Our merchant at Waneta, Mr. Jeff Tims, still pushes goods over the counter and take in exchange such as chickens, eggs and money, if he can get it. Well as this is my first to the Messenger under its present manager and editor, I will close and sign my name.—PAPA'S PLOW BOY.

Johnnie Jenkins, who was arrested several weeks ago for an attempt to rape the daughter of Jim Robertson, had an examining trial before Squire Davis last Friday afternoon. Jenkins was allowed bond in the sum of \$500, but was remanded to jail without making same. G. R. Whitley is attorney for defendant while attorney Jess Duren represented the State in County Attorney Spence's stead.

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