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LA TEXO BUDGET.

This Place Shipped Ten and a Half Cars of Potatoes. Local Items.

June 11.—The fair weather of this week has given the farmers ample time to get their crops in good shape and nothing but a protracted drouth can prevent a big corn crop.

Potato shipping is about over with. We have shipped 10 cars and there will probably be another car yet. This has turned loose about \$4,000 in our midst and we assure you it was needed.

Mr. C. E. Hayes raised the banner crop. He had about one-half acre out of thirty that made at the rate of 150 bushels to the acre. They were the largest ever raised here, some weighing a pound. The cause of this large yield was he put double the amount of fertilizer, which goes to show we are not putting on enough.

We have decided to have a basket picnic on July 4th next. All the neighbors will turn out and bring their baskets and our friends are invited to come and help us enjoy the day. The candidates are invited to be present as arrangements will be made for them.

Miss Helen Smith, daughter of J. J. Smith, is here visiting her uncle, W. L. Smith.

Our Sunday school is doing

nicely and have invited Chappel Hill school to join with us on the 4th in celebration.

Walter Jones and John Walker averaged about 100 bushels of potatoes to the acre and got 90c. This is better than boll weevil cotton and about as sure a crop.

The health of this community is much better and everybody is working with a vim trying to get ready for the fourth so they can hear some "squall eagle" oratory.

REX.

This editor was aroused from sweet slumber last Tuesday morn at the unusually early hour of seven by repeated shots from, in his judgement, a 45 calibre six-shooter. The sounds seemed to emanate from directly beneath his window, and hastily getting into his day-garb he rushed madly down three flight of stairs expecting to behold the horrible sight of blood and murder—hence imagine the chagrin when arriving at the scene of disturbance it was found that not one drop of blood had been shed; only one of our good citizens, who after emptying his gun and failing to halt the maurader, gave chase on foot and succeeded in taking prisoner the would-be thief. Now we think Mr. Brooks should be very thankful to this party—as owls raise cane amongst chix.

GARRISON NEWS.

All the Local Happenings of this Thriving City. A Merry Fishing Party.

June 11.—We are sorry that it has been so that our little town could not be represented in the Messenger for the past few weeks and we will try not break the record again.

Mr. Walter Stalling returned from Dallas Friday where he has been attending school for the past six months.

The mineral and soda water Co's bottling works are now in operation under the management of C. F. Barrett. Send in your orders we can fill them with any kind of drinks that can be put in bottles—and by the way editor, we understand you are not enjoying the best of health. All you need is to come and take a few bottles of our mineral water. [This editor never indulges in any kind of a drink stronger than one of Odell's cream sodas, however, being as you can supply any kind of a drink that can be put up in a bottle, you may send along a quart of Paul Jones, as we have several friends who are particularly fond of the juice—Editor.]

Miss Fannie Birt Nelson from Nacogdoches is visiting her little cousin Willie Evans at Thursday. A large crowd of

and Friday on the Attoyac fishing. Two large eels were caught measuring 27 and 30 inches besides a number of other fish.

Mrs. Bill Lacy returned from Ollie Monday where she has been visiting relatives.

A crowd of Garrison young people went to the brick yard one night last week to watch them burn brick.

Mrs. J. D. Garrison has returned from Huntsville where she has been visiting her brother, Mr. Herbert Cochran.

Mr. I. M. Shepard's family have moved here from Cushing.

Leon Yates of Huntington is visiting the family of Mr. D. E. Cochran.

Mrs. Arthur Ireason of Nacogdoches spent Monday in our town visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Y. Garrison.

D. K. Simpson, who has been holding a position with H. B. Funchess at Beaumont for two years, is here visiting homefolks. L. T. AND M.

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ELKHART LOCALS.

Boy Kicked by a Mule. Local Happenings of a Week.

June 12.—Health of our town is reasonably good for this time of the year.

Mr. Frank Scott's little boy had a very painful accident, being kicked by a mule on the head crushing in the skull. There was little hopes of his recovery for awhile, but he seems to be improving now and it is hoped he may recover.

The potato crop has been dug and shipped, all parties realizing fair prices. Tomatoes are beginning to move and are bringing good prices.

John Tyler is painting his new house and when completed will be very beautiful.

Miss Boulah Kersh and Mr. David Holcomb visited Mrs. Hollingshead and family Sunday.

A nice time is reported at Mr. Ben Davis' Monday night at the ice cream supper.

Crops are fine and doing well.

This office was honored Saturday by a call from Mellie Foster of Throckm

who is visiting relatives in near Grapeland. Her husband publishes a paper at Throckm

The Messenger.

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GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

Manners in Business.

For the average man success frequently depends more upon his manner and appearance than upon his knowledge of his trade or business, or, as one might say, of his profession. A Chicago newspaper has lately been noting some failures and their causes. It cites the case of one man who was a successful salesman in a business house in Chicago, but was unable to get any custom when sent on the road. The general manager of the business went to lunch with him one day, to talk over the matter. The man crumbled crackers into his soup until it was thick, and then ate the mixture from the end of his spoon in great mouthfuls. When the meat was served, he shoveled it in with his knife, and had finished eating and was noisily picking his teeth almost before the manager had begun his meal. In reply to a question, he told the manager that he always took his customers out to lunch, and "used every method to win their confidence and friendship." The manager then said: "You couldn't sell me a stick of gum. No man whose personal habits are so obtrusively vulgar as yours could have the slightest influence with me. Had I lunched with you before sending you on the road, I would never have disgraced our house by giving it such a representative." These words hurt, says Youth's Companion, but the man profited by them, and to-day is one of the most gentlemanly as well as one of the most successful salesmen on the road. Another case cited is that of a minister whose uncivil manners annoyed his women relatives. They tried to help him, but he resented their suggestions, and men less able intellectually, but with more of the graces of refinement in their manners, were called to the opportunities for service in the pulpits of the large and influential churches. They used to teach manners in the old days. Now there is little formal instruction. If a youth does not learn good manners at home, he has to pick them up when he enters the world, or else be commanded respect. geniuses have ishness, but it is never of boor- young man to assume that he is a genius.

Political Geography.

A new study has been added to the curriculum of certain American colleges. It is known as political geography and is defined as the study of geography in relation to political and social institutions. To teach economic subjects, as well as other university branches a knowledge of elementary geography is required. It was found that many students, though primed with Greek and Latin, lacked anything approaching familiarity with this old-fashioned study. Hence the invention of political geography. The elementary side is taken up and, in connection with this, emphasis is laid upon an explanation of how each country studied came to be a separate, distinct country; upon its political institutions and the geographic influences that have affected them, and upon the present political problems of paramount interest in connection with each of the countries studied. The world events of the past two years have greatly assisted in making the course interesting. This year, while the class was studying Great Britain, the Irish question was agitating British politics; in the study of France, the great question of separation of church and state came up for discussion; the interest of the class in Norway and Sweden was enhanced by the news that have led to the separation of Norway from Sweden; the Balkan question has been at the forefront for a few months past and for two years the great Russo-Japanese war has made the study of Russia and Japan of especial interest.

The man "who knows it all" and deems himself all-sufficient for all occasions, and especially for emergencies, is a familiar figure in all employments, public and private. More men achieve failure by knowing too much and trying to do too many things to which they are not called by the opposite course. The doer, more frequently than the who keeps below a high standard to realize his aims. Dominated by a deep and abiding sense of capacity for usefulness and by an robust doubt of other men's abilities, this inflated personage is absent at all times and in any way.

SAN FRANCISCANS OWE MUCH TO THE KHAKI-CLAD REGULARS

SAVED LIVES OF THOUSANDS AND MUCH PROPERTY

History Records No More Heroic Fight Against Desperate Odds Than That Made by the Soldiers From the Presidio Under General Funston.

(Special Correspondence.)

Rarely has the United States army been called upon to wage war upon Nature in her wrath, but the San Francisco earthquake disaster offered the finest sort of spectacle of the army of a great nation in action. From the hour when the earliest heavings and quakings of the earth began on the morning of April 18 until the present hour Gen. Funston and his men have been fighting a winning fight with the titanic cosmic forces of the nether world, followed by patient, determined campaign against the lawless passions of the human race and the panic fear of a stampeded populace.

Earthquake shock and fire! What possibilities of horror and despair the thought of these two phenomena contains! Let one imagine himself standing at a vantage point amid the falling



Guardian of City.

ashes and smothering smoke of perishing Pompeii or Herculaneum. Let one imagine the instinct of self-preservation, madly trying along the avenues of their doomed city, ferociously struggling with each other to make their way through the narrow streets. Then imagine the jostling mass suddenly cleft by a column of khaki-clad troopers, blue-shirted sentinels flung out on every corner, skirmish lines intercepting with bayonets the human tide to keep it from flowing down the most perilous streets and byways. Think of the United States army, through its signal corps, its quartermaster department and medical service, rushing the frantic Pompeians, in tugs, launches, ferry-boats, automobiles, escort wagons, Doughertys and ambulances, out from the smother and foul gases, away from the tottering walls, the burying ash, into the green, undevastated fields of the countryside, across friendly arms of the sea, keeping up the Samaritan work, day and night, until, after a week of such battle as even the defenders of Badajoz might be proud of, the soldiers, who had never changed their clothes, never unlaced their leggings during the whole terrible time, hardly had snatched one hour's sleep in 48 or stopped even to wipe the sweat from their grimy faces, saw old Vesuvius stand smoking in sullen, malignant but futile wrath, cheated of all but a few hundred—perhaps a thousand—victims, instead of the tens of thousands whom the demon of the earth caverns had hoped to claim. Imagine not only this, but the American forces, by desperate feats of dynamiting imperiled palaces and blowing down menaced villas, checking the onward rush of conflagration, and finally defeating parent Nature in her work of destroying her children. Let one picture all this to himself, and then, with a slight change in the setting of the scene he will have an adequate idea of how the United States regulars fought to save the people of San Francisco and the remnant of their city.

The shocks began to heave the foundations of the city at precisely 5:13 on the morning of April 18. It was 131 years ago that night that Paul Revere started on his ride that roused the minute men of Sandy Middlesex. Longfellow was a prophet when he wrote:

"In hour of darkness and peril and need the people shall waken, and listen to hear the hurrying hoof-beats of that steed, and the midnight message of Paul Revere."

Soldiers' Presence a Blessing.

It was a Godsend to the people of San Francisco that 4,000 soldiers were quartered at the Presidio, so near at hand. No human police force, of any city, no matter how brave and en-

cient its personnel, how splendid its discipline and organization, could have coped alone with such a situation. The work of ghouls and looters had to be anticipated and reckoned with. Before the day of disaster had grown hardly three hours older plunderers and despoilers of the dead met sudden death at the hands of the soldiers. No questions were asked, no chance for an explanation were given. Judgment was grim and summary. It was only by resolute sternness that loss of life could be curtailed. People would rush into the very core of fire in the impossible attempt to rescue belongings. Example is contagious, and it was necessary to keep fire-mad folk out of the area of destruction. It was not proper or possible to leave it to their option whether or not to put their lives in jeopardy. The cashier of a bank attempted to enter the tottering, smoldering ruins of his institution to secure some papers. The sentinel halted him and forbade him to pass. He refused to obey, ran by the sentry, and was shot. It seems cruel, but such incidents restrained others—perhaps many—and thereby prevented loss of life. Hence it was humanity. In a short time the panic stricken learned that martial law was inflexible, but kind; that the hand of federal authority was stretched out to soothe and relieve, not to smite; that above all one must halt when the man with the rifle on his shoulder said "Halt!"

Within a few minutes of the time that the troop of cavalry deployed in front of the Palace hotel several companies of regular infantry, armed with axes, for service as pioneers, arrived in the business district. The presence of these grim, inflexible regulars was

would have been a crime of colossal magnitude in ordinary times, proved to be the sacrifice that saved the pleasant residence district of Pacific Heights and the western addition, the beautiful regions around Golden Gate park, from being obliterated, and with them the last trace of the once proud city of San Francisco.

A battalion of youthful sailors from the training station at Goat Island was among the first regulars sent to the relief of the burning city. Fresh from the drill ground, they appeared in all the ship-shape smartness of new leggings, white duck trousers, natty blue jackets and soft skull-caps. They were so trim and neat appearing that it did not seem at times as if they could be the real thing, but they were. With them came the far-famed "handy man," the "jolly," "soldier and sailor, too," the United States marine, with laurels from Guantanamo, Tientsin and Samar, to which he added the credit which long sustained and trying duty under distressful conditions deserves, and to him, as well as to his soldier and sailor brethren will the people of the New San Francisco some day dedicate a monument.

A salesman traveling out of San Francisco returned immediately upon hearing of the catastrophe, to succor his aged parents. He found their home destroyed, the family vanished. Frantically he searched the crowds packed in the parks and vacant lots. Suddenly a soldier in one of the streets barred his way.

"Fight fire!"

"I can't. I am searching for my aged parents. They have disappeared."

"Fight fire!" was the still sterner mandate. Again the searcher pleaded. The sentry lowered his gun and

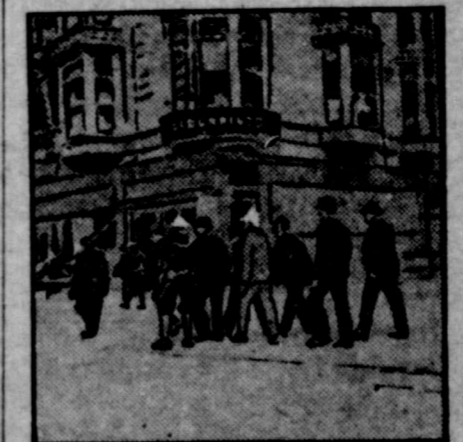


One of the Refugee Camps.

to the affrighted populace like a cool hand upon the brow of a fever patient. It helped calm the panic of the people, to see the soldiers facing the fire as if it were a human foe, directing the movements of the refugees and bringing order out of chaos. What does not San Francisco and the United States owe to the army for its work during the fire? Had there been no trained body of fighting men, disciplined to obey orders implicitly, yet discriminatingly and with common sense, to put duty before everything, ever before life itself, there would have been a story of horror from San Francisco such as would have appalled the ages. Civil law would have been impotent, crime unchecked. Looting would have become an industry, ravishing and murder pastimes. No hand but the strong hand of the army could have held the bestial passions of the criminal element in check.

Praise for Men of the Navy.

In praising the regulars it must not be forgotten that the term applies generically to the men of the navy as well as the army, and that navy includes marine corps. To Capt. McBride, of the navy, and the men from Mare Island navy yard is due credit for the work of wrecking the eastern side of Van Ness avenue, the grewsome work of "blazing a trail" which stopped the flames at that thoroughfare. These men, veterans in the handling of high explosives, experts at destruction—worked throughout Thursday night, April 19, torpedoing alike the palaces of millionaires, aristocratic hotels, business blocks and churches. The destruction of



Requisitioned for Work.

the breech-bolt sniggered menacingly.

"Fight fire!"

"O, yes, I'll fight fire, willingly!" exclaimed the exhausted man, and for 48 hours he worked with the firemen, volunteers and "involunteers," if one may coin the word, snatching a moment's repose beneath the trucks when the work lagged. After two days, with a crowd of fellow workers, he was released. Somebody who knew of his mission suggested that his folks might have been taken to Oakland by the authorities. He started to the ferry. By the time the Oakland mole was neared he fought his way to the bow of the boat. The instant before the gate was raised he looked beside him. There in the press at his elbow stood his aged father and mother, hand in hand. The soldier who stopped him to fight fire had been the means of his finding his parents.

ALDICE GOULD EAMES

CARE OF THE BATHROOM.

To Remove Yellow Stains from Porcelain Tub and to Keep Faucets in Good Shape.

Suppose we start with the bath tub (itself, if of "porcelain" (or, to speak more truthfully—earthenware) unsightly yellow streaks are apt to appear where the water flows from the faucets, and around the water escape and overflow grating. If the stained parts are gently rubbed with a rag dipped in a solution of oxalic acid and water—say three parts of water and one of oxalic acid—the stains will disappear. Several rubbings may be necessary if the stain is of long standing.

For a painted iron tub, stained in the same way, there is no remedy, but to remove the entire surface of paint with pumice stone, and repaint with the bath-tub enamel sold for the purpose. Before the paint is applied, however, the bath should be well scrubbed with a strong solution of soda, and the same holds good in the case of tinned copper baths, where the tin has worn off.

If the leak from the faucets, even when the water is screwed off, is very persistent, a new washer is needed, but the dripping is often caused by failure to screw off the water sufficiently tight. In one house, where the bath-tub (a tinned copper one) was kept like silver, a tiny china flower vase, in the shape of a swan, was tied to each faucet with baby ribbon, thus preventing even the inevitable after drops from descending on the polished surface of the bath.

Another method I have used is to have a cork, of a size to fit the mouth of the pipe, attached to the faucet with ribbon, but this, in my opinion, is one of the cases where prevention may be worse than cure! A bathroom encumbered with elaborate devices for preventing the inevitable wear and tear expected in a bathroom, is robbed of all its meaning and all its comfort.

The nickel plated fixtures around a modern bathroom may become a real difficulty if neglected and allowed to become tarnished and dirty. A gentle rubbing with a soft duster two or three times a week is all that is necessary to keep them in good condition.—Philadelphia Press.

FOR THE GARDENER.

The China Aster Seems to Belong to Autumn and May Be Started Outside.

The China aster seems to be an early autumn rather than to summer. Consequently, I do not deem it worth while to plant it inside in order to hasten its period of blooming. I should rather have these flowers through September and the first half of October than through July and August, but if one wishes the early blossoms it is a simple matter to start the seeds indoors, choosing the Queen of the Market, which is the earliest flowering strain of asters. One can now get these in a variety of colors.

During the warmer days the plants will be greatly benefited if the boxes are set on a sunny porch out of doors or on the ledge of an open window. They will thus be more vigorous and hardy and will endure the transplanting into the garden much better. Be careful not to apply too much water to the soil, keeping it barely moist but not wet, and also do not try to force the plants too rapidly in a very warm room. Most of them will thrive better in a comparatively cool temperature. Care must be taken to shade the tiny seedlings as they are starting, in order that they may not be dried out through the direct action of the sun. Do not have more plants than can enjoy the full benefit of sun and air.—Good Housekeeping.

Winter Beverage.

Three out of every five pounds of tea used in this country are consumed in autumn and winter.

Benign Earthquake.

A New England newspaper of 1727 announced that "a considerable town in this province has been so awakened by the awful providence in the earthquake that the women have generally laid aside their hoop petticoats."

A Saving Host.

The Salvation Army has 17,388 workers among children. It comprises 7,219 corps and societies and it has 13,262 officers wholly employed in its service.

Lucid as Mud.

A woman canvasser in a recent British election campaign asked a laborer whether he was in favor of protection and he replied by inquiring what it was. The question embarrassed the woman somewhat. She replied: "I can not go into precise details at the moment, but it is a subject of vital importance to all who care for wild birds."

Short-Lived.

Good intentions rarely survive headache that actuates them.

FARM, ORCHARD & GARDEN



BACK TO THE FARM.

Soon after graduation week
His home he'll hang his hat in,
And give the mule a roast in Greek,
A lashing loud in Latin!

But soon he'll strike
The same old song—
"Gee-haw! Gee-haw!"
And "Git along!"

For nothing classic in the mule,
Whose hide is far from brittle;
He knows more than is learned in school,
Although he brags but little.

He waltzes to
That same old song—
"Gee-haw! Gee-haw!"
And "Git along!"

ALFALFA MEAL.

"A new move in the development of the alfalfa industry is the organization of a company in Omaha which designs to put alfalfa on the market as a protein food in perfect mechanical form," the circular before us states.

It is further explained in the circular that "alfalfa meal is a mechanical preparation of alfalfa. In making the meal the alfalfa is reduced as fine as flour by special machinery. In the process of curing and reducing the protein element of the plant is all retained and made immediately available to the action of the digestive fluids of the animal. Alfalfa meal contains from 16 per cent. to 20 per cent. of digestible protein. It exists in the combinations nature has made in her most perfect forage plant, and in alfalfa meal it is in the most convenient and perfect form for economical feeding."

The plan of reducing alfalfa to a meal and thereby making it available as a dilutant protein food to use in connection with corn meal, and more particularly, to make it suitable for hogs, poultry and other stock which lack facilities for masticating the alfalfa in its natural state, appears to us to be a strictly logical development.

Alfalfa contains five to eight per cent. more protein than "shorts" and three to five per cent. more than wheat bran, and it would appear to need only the mechanical condition of grinding to make the alfalfa preferred by feeders to either of the others. And in case the "alfalfa meal" as meal meets the favor of the stock men as the known feed value of the plant seems to warrant, it will add an element to the stock food supply which will quite dispose of the wheat brain question. In other terms, if "alfalfa meal" shall succeed a wheat bran famine need never again exist, and the corn grower will have at command an unlimited supply of a dilutant protein food to mix with and balance his corn ration.

HOW MUSTARD ROBS WHEAT.

The plant-foods in the soil consist of certain salts or minerals, as common table salt and saltpeter. Certain of the salts are abundant enough in the soil at any one time to feed the crop for a season or many seasons.

Others, such as saltpeter (nitrate acid) are liberated, become available to the plant, or are rendered soluble, only gradually, that is, there may be enough of the saltpeter in the soil to last a crop only a few weeks. As it is used, more of this food is rendered soluble so that it can be used by the plant.

We have this process going on in the soil during the growing season; the humus or vegetable substance constantly yields a certain quantity of the saltpeter, and the growing plants are at the same time using a portion of this. When the growing crop contains weeds, there are two classes of plants drawing on this food substance.

Nearly all the weeds begin flowering and ripening seeds long before the wheat or flax or corn begins maturing its seeds. Now, a plant that is flowering and ripening seeds draws a greater amount of nutriment or food from the soil, proportionately, than does a plant that is merely putting forth green leaves. The demands of the mustard or French weed upon the soil during June and a part of July is greater and more insistent than an equal amount of wheat or other crop, and its demands must be first supplied.

In other words, the French weed or mustard is taking up the excess of saltpeter as rapidly as it is formed, leaving no surplus food to be drawn upon by the wheat or flax when its time comes to blossom and produce seed.

HILL-SIDE ORCHARDS.

The orchard on the top and sides of a hill must have different treatment from that growing on the level or gently-sloping land. The latter may be cultivated annually. The hill orchard cannot be cultivated, as that would result in disastrous washing during heavy

rains. One object in putting an orchard on a rather steep hill is to utilize it in a way that will prevent loss of soil and its fertility by the means of running water. But in the case of the hillside orchard it is not generally necessary to set out the trees on the native sod and leave them to their fate. In many cases, where the soil is composed of heavy clay, drainage is a help. We have seen clay hillsides that would hold water in holes and hollows for a week after a rain. In such soil the excavation made for the tree at the time of setting out will prove a veritable water bowl, in which stagnant water will remain for days to the great detriment of the tree. We call attention to this fact for the reason that many people have the idea that all land with a declivity is naturally well-drained.

The hill orchard will generally have to be kept in sod, but this does not always prevent the use of the spade around the trees. After the ground has become well filled with the roots of the trees it is sometimes advisable to use mulch. This destroys the grass, but does not disturb the soil. To what extent this can be practiced will depend on the conditions of soil, slope of land and rainfall.

HARVEST TIME COMING.

The harvest season is nearing, the time when old mother earth awards prizes for faithful and intelligent work and punishment to the lazy and shiftless. It is to be a fruitful season. The well-headed wheat, oats and barley make a beautiful picture as the fields bend to the summer winds and wave up and down as the billows on a summer sea; the pastures are covered with the snow of the white clover bloom loading the air with a delicate fragrance that mingles one of the breath of the crab-apple and plum groves of the spring; the red clover fields are a cardinal red, heavy as seldom ever before, a lordly crop above ground, while they have richly stored the earth with food for a succeeding crop. The crop has fairly reveled in the heat and moisture of June and its green uniform rank on rank will soon be out with tassel and ear, the golden wealth of a great state. Fruit is abundant, the bees all in the clover surfeited with honeyed richness, young roosters just trying to crow are advertising their fitness for the frying pan and their untimely end, the flowers are all on dress parade, the red of the roses, the royal purple of the wisterias, while the grass is a velvety green. Fine country to live in and fine time to live. "He that goeth forth weeping bearing precious seed shall doubtless return rejoicing bearing precious sheaves." This is the time of rejoicing.

FROG RAISING.

Can you give me any information regarding the raising of frogs for market? Possibly you can refer me to some work on the raising of frogs. We are thinking of starting a frog ranch and would like to gather all data we can before giving it a trial.—J. J. T., Colorado.

Every year or so this "frog ranch" idea is started. It is much like skunk farming! Most of the frogs and all the profits are started by lead pencil in some newspaper office. Thousands of pounds of frogs' legs are sold every year in the large cities. In New York there is a good demand for these "dainties," but so far as we can learn the frogs are caught one by one by people who make a business of hunting them in creeks and swamps, chiefly in northern New York and New England. So far as we can learn there is no such thing as a frog ranch—which we take it is a place where frogs are to be bred and cared for artificially. The scheme will not succeed, largely because the big frogs eat the little ones up and pay no such prices for the privilege as humans will. The United States fish commission at Washington has issued a pamphlet on the frog which is worth reading. We have no desire to start frog farming. The loss that would surely come from it would make croakers out of every one.

A mash composed of two quarts of oats, one quart of bran and a half pint of flaxseed makes a very good stimulant for young horses. Put the oats in the bucket first, over which place the flaxseed, pour boiling water over this and then put in the bran. Cover and let stand for four or five hours before feeding.

A farmer friend of ours the other day told us that ten years ago he began building up his herd of cattle with a registered sire. It worked so well that he has now a registered herd of cattle, hogs and sheep. It paid him well. It will pay others to do likewise.

It never pays to rush out to farm work right after eating dinner. Take a few moments to rest. More can be done in this way before night and with less fatigue.

CARE IN FERTILIZING ORCHARDS.

It is hard to get the soil too rich, or too full of vegetable matter for the best production of vegetables. With fruits the case is different. To secure the best results on thin land orchards must be fertilized, but it must be done with care and judgment. Excessive applications of stable manure, or other nitrogenous fertilizer, should always be avoided, especially after trees reach bearing age. Such applications induce a rank, sappy growth that makes pear trees much more liable to blight, and will surely cause destructive rotting of the stone fruits. With apples there is less danger, and they may safely be fertilized quite heavily. Excessive wood growth is, however, never desirable in a bearing orchard of any kind. The trees should be carefully watched, and be given such treatment as will give a crop of well-developed fruit; and, at the same time, a moderate growth of well-matured wood. The leaves should always be of a dark rich green, for pinched yellow foliage indicates starvation.

A NIGHT PASTURE.

During the cool of night after the sun's glaring face is hidden and those incessant flies have hidden away for a few moments of rest—this is the time for the over-heated and much-worried dairy cow to do the major part of her pasturing. Many experienced cowmen keep the cows in the barn all day and allow them to pasture by night only. By providing good ventilation and darkening the windows with old gunny sacks the flies give comparatively little trouble. Though this is well it is not to be advised unless one is intensively in the dairy business. Then he should give the method a fair trial. Keep account of quantity of milk given by the herd for a week on pasture by day and yard by night and then barn by day and pasture by night for another week, then again for a week same as first week, or, divide the herd equally and alternate the two halves. I think there will be little doubt that the night feeding will show up better than the day, but whether there will be enough difference to warrant the extra labor remains for each man to decide for himself.

EGG-EATING CURED.

Egg-eating is not merely a naughty habit in fowls. It is rather a natural impulse to correct mistakes in feeding. We have never failed to cure the most inveterate egg-eaters by giving them plenty of albuminous food, in cut green bone, meat, worms, etc., and a sufficient supply of sharp grit in oyster shell, pounded glass or crockery, etc. Sometimes we have seen fowls entirely broken of egg-eating by giving them a supply of ground oyster shell or other gritty stuff alone. Constructing nests in such a way that eggs deposited therein will roll away from the hen and slide through a hole in the bottom of the nest, into a drawer underneath, is taking useless trouble, even if the nests are made to work well. Hens do not like to lay in such nests, and will not if they can help it. Furnish all their needs of food, etc., and the hens will not have to try to find unnatural substitutes for their natural requirements.

WHITENASH FOR THE POULTRY HOUSE.

It is a good plan to whitenash the interior of the poultry house at this season of the year to assist in keeping down lice and vermin that may infest the poultry house during the summer.

We herewith give a good recipe for a whitenash that may be used outside or inside. It is made as follows: Slake one bushel of good lime in boiling water, keeping it covered while slaking; then strain and add one-half peck salt dissolved in warm water, three pounds brown rice boiled to a thin paste, one-half pound powdered Spanish whiting and one pound clear glue dissolved in warm water. Mix this all thoroughly with the slaked lime and let stand for several days. Apply as hot as possible with a clean brush.

SOIL FERTILITY.

Few soils are so lacking in fertility that they would not grow crops could the mineral plant food which they contain be unlocked and brought into fit condition for use. This important operation, as well as nitrification—or the conversion of nitrogen compounds into the form of nitrates—can proceed only in the presence of moisture. Crops plowed under for green manuring, and barn manures, can be made available only when there is sufficient moisture in the soil. There is a constant movement toward the plant roots to restore the equilibrium, or to make good that use by the plant. This movement of the moisture brings to the roots the soluble plant food.

It is well for a farmer to keep up his muscle, but not with the milking stool applied to the trembling cow's back. This method costs more than practice in a gymnasium.

SOME VEGETABLE DISHES.

Vegetable Salads Very Appetizing This Time of Year—The Value of Carrots.

I have lately noted an especially faintly salad that looks very appetizing these spring days: Cook some tips of asparagus, some string beans and a carrot, boiling each until quite tender in salted water; have the beans in 2-inch lengths and cut into slender strips; the asparagus stalks may be used for soup, as only the extreme tips are nice in this salad. Chill a couple of tomatoes and some of the small spring onions called shallots; these must be carefully peeled and then cut into inch lengths. Place a leaf of lettuce on a salad plate and lay the asparagus tips in a little pile at one side, a slice or two of tomato and a little heap of the beans on the other; wash and cut a couple of new radishes into rounds and lay them in another small heap next the beans. Serve very cold with French dressing, and the salad will be found delicious.

It is a pity, carrots are not better liked; they are both cheap and wholesome, something that can not be said of many eatables. They should not be peeled, but well washed and scraped; put on in boiling salted water and cook until perfectly tender; but they should not cook to a mushy condition; drain and they may then be served whole in a plain white sauce, or be sliced lengthwise and dipped in batter, then fried a nice brown in very hot fat. Carrots are excellent boiled, mashed, seasoned with plenty of butter and salt and pepper, a little milk added and baked like mashed potatoes. They flavor soups and stews better than any other vegetable and should be used plentifully at this season.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

HOW TO BUY GLOVES.

Try Glove to See If Elastic, and a Fragrance Like Russia-Leather Good Sign.

Many women buy their gloves carelessly. They do not examine the glove, and later find to their sorrow that the glove that seemed pretty and effective off the hand is badly made and of poor material.

"In selecting a pair of gloves," said a glove saleswoman, "the best plan is to test the kid by stretching

thumbs and fingers and pull. If the kid is soft and pliable, the pores small, even and not specially noticeable and the glove immediately takes on its original shape, it gives evidence of not only being elastic, and therefore full of new life, but of being of a fairly good quality. The heavy walking gloves can be tried in the same way, but as sure a test as any is in smelling them, and if there is a rather fragrant odor like that of Russian leather, they, too, should be all right. The stitching in the seams should all be carefully examined, to see that it is perfect and that there are none sewed so close to the edges that they will tear out. If well made they should have a small gore between each of the fingers."—Chicago News.

Date Pie.

Soak one-half pound of dates in three cupfuls of milk for half an hour, then set where they will heat up not cook. When hot, press through a strainer, cool partly, and fill a plate lined with rich paste. Bake and cover with a deep meringue made from the whites of two eggs beaten with one-quarter cupful of powdered sugar.

Porous Glass.

In porous glass, which is made in France, the holes are so small that neither dust nor draught can enter, and yet the ventilation is said to be excellent.

Percolating Water.

The highest known velocity of movement for water underground not flowing in a subterranean stream, but percolating through the soil, is 144 feet in 24 hours. It has passed through gravel at that rate near Tucson, Ariz.

Potato Omelet.

Mince a small onion, fry it brown in a tablespoonful of butter, turn in a cupful of hashed cold boiled potatoes and fry until they are brown. Make a plain omelet, and before folding sprinkle the potatoes over it.

Record Torpedo Drill.

When King Edward recently visited Jorfu he boarded the British battleship Implacable and saw the torpedo drill. On this occasion the ponderous booms and the nets were put in place in just 14 seconds, and taken in and stowed away in 40 seconds. This is considered record time.

Butterflies Cross Seas.

Butterflies are frequently migrants, and, frail as they are, they cross, for example, the seas that separate Great Britain from the continent.

THE FLOWER GARDEN.

Old Favorites Should Do Well with Attention to a Few Conditions—A List Given.

Among the flowers that are old standbys for the summer garden are asters, sweet peas, nasturtiums, poppy, phlox, castor plant and sunflower. Asters should be planted in boxes in March and transplanted in the garden in May. The nasturtiums and sweet peas should have poultry netting held in place by stakes to vine on. With the exception of the aster, these flowers should be sown the last of April. You can depend on these flowers every time if you give them a good soil to grow in and keep the weeds away from them. If prevented from ripening seed by gathering the flowers as fast as they appear, they will come into bloom early in the season and produce flowers well up to the frost time.

The old-fashioned sunflower can be used to advantage, and to give the garden a tropical effect the recinus or castor plant with its palmate leaves is strikingly effective.

The castor plant and sunflower should be used as a background for the garden, and should be planted on the four sides of the garden and next to the fence, and the space of from three to four feet of the fence should be filled in with the asters, sweet peas, poppies, nasturtiums and phlox.—Orange Judd Farmer.

THE NEW WASH-FROCKS.

We Have a Return of "Sprigged Muslins" and of the Quaint Styles of Long Ago.

Among the perfectly new kinks for wash frocks is the use of the old flowered—French—wash cottons—and figured calicoes so many of which they have the look of damask. Plain materials in the same weaves are employed to trim these, but the solid decoration is very spare. One such imported gown seen owned the charming title of costume bergere (shepherdess' dress). French calico was said to be the material, but the effect was like that of a toilet upon a Watteau fan. Upon a damasked white background were small bouquets of naturally tinted field flowers, tied with live knot ribbons in pale blue. This formed the upper dress, which was in a species of polonaise with faintly defined panthers' spots square neck and flounced

elbow sleeves. The lower portion of plain blue calico finely killed and made decidedly short, and with this ravishing toilet went a high gulspe and long undersleeves of embroidered white muslin.

Great stress is laid upon the style of the gloves for entire wash gowns. French authorities declare kid to be entirely out of place.—Washington Star.

Not Obtrusive.

An authority on such subjects once said that the moment a picture frame becomes noticeable something was wrong with it. This fact is so evidently true that even those of us who have no artistic education feel the incongruity of some things without knowing just what to say, or why, and it takes but a hint to open our eyes to certain points we had never thought about.

Lightning Flashes.

Recent efforts to measure the duration of flashes of lightning seem to show that it is often as brief as one-fortiethousandth part of a second. A flash lasting the fiftieth part of a second is considered about the extreme duration.

Phlox Drummondii.

The beautiful phlox drummondii has also been improved of late as regards the size of its flowers and is one of the most satisfactory summer flowering annuals.

Indian Matrimonial Notice.

Wanted—A match for a girl of respectable Agarwal family, Gaurer Bansal. The boy should be educated and between the age of 20 and 25 years. All communications to be addressed to Gian Chand clerk, Arsenal, Ferrozepore City.—Lahore Tribunes.

Swallowed by the Sea.

Since the sixteenth century 12 churches, a convent, a hospital and many hundreds of acres of land have been swallowed by the sea in the vicinity of Aldeburgh, England.

Thames Tunnel.

The Ratcliff-Rotherhithe tunnel, now being built under the Thames, will take five years to construct. Its length will be 6,852 feet, with an external diameter of 30 feet, which will allow a carriage way of 16 feet and two footways four feet eight and one-half inches wide. When it is finished there will be three tunnels under the Thames at London.

Sign of Health.

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THE hot weather reminds us of that good old song—"How'd you like to be the Ice Man?" which to our notion is far more appropriate just now than "Good Old Summer-time."

IF THERE is anything in indications, W. J. Bryan will be the next nominee on the democratic ticket for president. Already several states have instructed for him.

OUR correspondents will please bear in mind that this paper is published every Wednesday evening and to insure publication their articles should reach this office not later than Tuesday afternoon.

WE ARE authorized to announce this week Mr. John A. Davis as a candidate for justice of peace, precinct No. 5, subject to the action of the democratic party. Mr. Davis has filled this office for a number of years and this is pretty good evidence that his record has been satisfactory. If re-elected he says he will fill the office as in the past—to the best of his ability under the circumstances. Give his candidacy due consideration.

MONDAY and Tuesday were cleaning-up days in our little city and are glad to say that we now have clean streets, and sincerely hope this good work will be done as often as circumstances require it. Above all things lets have a clean town, free from that dirty paper, and other nasty, stinking rubbish so common to towns of this size. Such junk creates sickness and makes a town sluggish generally.

DID YOU ever pause to think of the different views of life the same person may have of life even in one short week? One morning you awake with the dawn, your physical condition in perfect order, you hear the birds sing and how their sweet songs thrill you with delight! The sun rises and what a great beautiful orb it is; how wonderful, how grand, how sublime, as it sends its radiant light to the hearts of dewy flowers, causing them to scintillate like diamonds in the heavens. This is indeed a beautiful world to that man who goes forth to his work whistling, with a heart full of gratitude. Perhaps the very next day he awakes with a stomach full of undigested food and a heavy head, consequently is out with himself and the world in general. And so it is from day to day. After all, our happiness and that of our friends depends largely upon our physical being harmonizing with the universe. It we only see it in the true light we find the world moving in the same old way.

THE editor acknowledges with thanks a season ticket to the Auditorium Skating Rink at Galveston. This rink is located on the beach and is said to be the best equipped rink in the south. We think we'll go to Galveston and "skete."

MR. J. H. MUSICK requests us to place his name before the people of precinct No. 5, as a candidate for constable, subject to the action of the democratic party. If elected to this office, Mr. Musick will feel at home and know what to do for he has had lots of experience along this line. He is one of our best citizens and is qualified to make a good officer. We commend his candidacy to your careful consideration.

WHEN one loses faith in a person whom he considers would prove true under any adverse circumstances, should he allow himself to think all men faithless, as many do? Nay! So long as we to our own selves be true it follows as the night the day that no matter how many prove themselves false, we still feel in our hearts that there yet remains those who are and ever will be the true blue.

Just draw this mental picture for yourself: A white-haired old mother sitting alone in the gloom of the evening, her children all gone out into the great busy world, the friends of her childhood either dead or far away, the sun of her life nearly set—just picture this to yourself. Wouldn't you rather hear that Christian old mother singing
"Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee;
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me,
Than to hear any prima donna
that ever lived singing a classical
composition of one of the "old
masters of music?"—Bryan's
Commoner.

When the express companies or any other carrying companies charge more than a reasonable compensation for taking the product of the fruit and vegetable grower to market, they commit not only a moral wrong, but they also display a very short-sighted financial policy. The best way to encourage the future development of a country, and thereby add to their own earning capacity, is to aid in every way the pioneers who are engaged in a business that means, if successful, future profit to the railroads and express companies. Like a frost that kills the early blossoms, the rapacity of the carrying companies may blight the effort that would otherwise promise a rich reward to them.—DeQueen (Ark) Bee.

Everyone knows innumerable reasons why it is foolish to worry the chief one being perhaps that it is so utterly useless, but science has added a new reason which is worth considering. It not only states that worry will kill, but explains why it will kill. Worry is a disease of the brain, a disease which destroys certain cells of the brain, often beyond repair. Like an enemy in the night, worry creeps upon the brain and begins its sledge-hammer process of destruction. The vitality of the delicate organism is slowly destroyed. Nature may repair the destruction if worry comes at intervals, but worry is a habit and its power grows each time that it is allowed admittance.—The Housekeeper.

GRAPELAND ENTERTAINS.
The Young People of Elkhart Last Sunday Afternoon.

Several Sundays ago the young people of Grape-land accepted an invitation from Elkhart's young people to spend the afternoon at the beautiful Elkhart lake. Every one had such a good time and were entertained so elaborately, that Grape-land extended Elkhart an invitation to come to our town, promising to reciprocate in some measure their unselfish hospitality.

Last Sunday afternoon the following young people came down: Misses Annie Laura Bennett, Laura Franks, Ruby Cromwell, Willie Cromwell, Duddie Driskill, Ida Stubblefield, Ethel Quarles Nora Driskill; Messrs. Lee Parks, Aldine Lively, Carlton Bridges, David Driskill, N. B. Cates, Quarles Kennedy, Dick Sheridan, Allen Star. They were met by a large party of our young people, and conveyed to Tyer's lake where the evening was spent in pleasant conversation or loitering upon the banks of the lake and listening to the musical trickle of the water as free from its imprisonment, it leaped forth over the dam.

Refreshments were served and at 6:30 luncheon was spread and to most of us this was the best part of the day. Every one seemed to enjoy the day, the only disagreeable feature being the dust while enroute.

Intensive or Extensive Farming.

Intensive farming was the subject discussed at an institute this winter. The speaker said: "Too many farmers are trying to farm more land than they can handle well. There are too many half-section farms managed by quarter-section men. Many a man gets a poor living from 160 acres who might do exceptionally well on 40 acres." There is a great deal of truth in this. More farmers are trying to do too much than there are who farm too little. The size of farm does not indicate the farming ability of the owner.

Few men seem to realize that it is better to get 80 bushels of corn per acre from 40 acres than get 35 bushels per acre from 80 acres. Other grains would run about the same way. A man will boast that he has cut 100 acres of meadow. But how much of the hay spoiled in the harvest? "The fact is, I got caught with about half of it—couldn't get the help I needed." So it goes. Extensive farming is a risky business unless one has a sufficient equipment and force of workers just when he needs them. The help problem is getting more serious each year. Some believe that big business will develop big men. Not so. Big men develop big business and business is not measured by the acre but by the bank account.—Successful Farming.

NOTICE.

The undersigned has been appointed by the County Judge of Houston County, Texas, Administrator of the Estate of David Gordon, deceased, and notice is hereby given all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to him at Daly's, Texas, which is his Post Office Address.
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He Was Hungry.

A sad, forlorn looking man was standing gazing into the far away distance as though he were trying the deep paths that lead through the labyrinths of eternity. His face was a picture of solemn grief and sorrow; his eyes were dimmed by the gathering tears; his appearance necessarily led to the inquiry: "What is the matter?" His reply was: "I am hungering, not for food, for I have plenty, but my desire is for something greater and more substantial; something that contributes more to happiness than all the dainty dishes an epicurean could devise. I hunger for that which makes heaven the place of happiness; and which alone can give happiness and joy and peace on earth. The want of it makes me feel like a poor, homeless, wandering, friendless orphan. I am hungering for someone to love me, some one that desires to ever be near me; some one who can sympathize with me in all my trials and afflictions in this life; some one, who in the hours of gloom that comes to all mortals, can with a loving smile, bring rays of light that will make the heart glad. Such love once was his. He had known it, felt its influence and had a soul full of sunshine and a heart full of gladness. He could once look into the sweet face of one whom he loved and there read the words of affection that sent a thrill of joy through every vein and nerve. But the cold, cruel hand of death dragged that loved one away, and now when he would call for one more look at that dear mother's face the cold, cold grave intervenes, and that face and form is hidden away never more to be seen.
Now he is continually yearning and hungering for a love like that which his mother gave, a love that each and every one on earth needs. "Some one to love them, to show that love in many ways." The God in heaven loves us, and will give us happiness and peace in the bright home above; but he has so constituted us that we must, to be happy and have joy on earth, have some one to love us here.—Exchange.

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FROM ORIOLE.

A Good Prospect of a Better Road From this Community to Grapeland.

June 12.—You are no doubt aware that the county Farmer's Union will have a big time on the 14th. of the present month. Mr. T. P. Vaughn will represent the Ground's school house Union there, and I learn that O. P. Pyle Editor of the National Co-Operator, will make an address on the occasion. All Union men who can should attend this meeting, as it will be quite interesting. Every farmer who wants to better his condition and have success in life should belong to the Union, as it has come to stay. It will not only be a benefit to the farmer but to all classes of men. If the farmer prospers everybody does; then why should there be any opposition to the Union by any one?

Farmers and every one else should be thankful for the bountiful showers we have had so far. A few more good showers would make a good corn crop. I notice a report from Temple, Tex. says: "Corn is commencing to tassel in this section, and with one or two more good rains the crop will be equal to that of last year, which would be a surprising result for rarely two big crops come successively. Even if there should be no more rain a great deal of corn would be made, but with proper showers the yield will be enormous."

Very glad to notice an account in your last paper of the voting contest. It is getting to be quite interesting.

Cotton at present is looking well and I do not hear any talk of the Boll Weevil.

Persons living on Rural Routes especially from Grapeland and Crockett should be subscribers to the Messenger, and other good papers and let "Uncle Sam" see that they appreciate his efforts to supply them with daily mail, as Inspectors are investigating the matter and such routes as do not pay will likely be discontinued.

From all that I can learn there is going to be an effort made to get a good road from this vicinity to Grapeland. If this be true and the Merchants and Business men of Grapeland will offer proper inducements their trade will improve from this section. [The Messenger, as before stated in these columns will contribute to the fund for improving the roads and we feel sure the merchants and other business men of Grapeland will do so if some one will take it up with them. Also, we are sure that the Business men of this town will treat your people RIGHT and give them as much for their money as can be had elsewhere. We extend you and the people of your section a hearty welcome to visit Grapeland and find out these things for yourselves—Editor.]

We have two saw mills convenient here—Luce & Shaver, and Tyler & Goodnight.

With best wishes for the success of the Messenger, I am,
A. K.

A Happy Mother.

will see that her baby is properly cared for—to do this a good purgative is necessary. Many babies suffer from worms and their mothers don't know it—if your baby is feverish and doesn't sleep at nights, it is troubled with worms. White's Cream Vermifuge will clean out these worms in a mild pleasant way. Once tried always used. Give it a trial. Price 25cents.
Carleton & Porter.

FROM NEW PROSPECT.

Local Happenings from this Community. Cotton in Prosperous Condition.

June 13—Health of the community is not very good. Mrs. J. H. Robertson is on the sick list this week. Mr. Herod is also sick this week and several others are having fevers.

We are having some dry weather now and the farmers are sure killing the grass. We have fine prospects for good corn crop but if we don't get some rain pretty soon corn will be cut short again.

Rev. Willie Kolb filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The Baptist meeting will start here Saturday night before the second Sunday in July.

Taylor McQueen visited Messrs Louis and Barton Herod Sunday.

Mr. Jack Baker and family visited Ma. Lee Finch and family Sunday.

Mr. Sam Bridges visited his father, Mr. Jno. Bridges last Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Owens, Arthur Chester and little Laura May have been visiting in this community several days.

Fletcher Weisinger was visiting Messrs. Herod Sunday.

B. F. McQueen and family spent last Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Baker. Mrs. Baker has been on the sick list for several weeks but is improving some.

Cotton crops of this community are very good, and we hear talk of Boll Weevil, but have not seen a single one. The peach crop of this section is not so very good.

I wish success to Messenger and the Contest.

Whistle Trigger.

Announcements.

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

For District Attorney, Third Judicial of Texas

Tom J Harris

of Anderson County

Porter Newman

of Houston County

For Representative

John B Smith

I A Daniel

For County Attorney

Earle Adams, Jr.

For County Judge

John Spence

J W Madden

E Winfree

For Tax Assessor

John H Ellis

For Tax Collector

A. L. Goolsby

Oscar C Goodwin

J W Brightman

For County Clerk

Nat E Allbright

C G Lansford

J J Collier

For Sheriff

A W Phillips

C E Lively

John C. Lacy

For District Clerk

Joe Brown Stanton

Nat Patton

For County Treasurer

D J Cater

For Commissioner Prec't No 1

T J Dotson

S H Lively

W W Davis

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2

GR (Ross) Murchison

C L Vickers

For Constable Precinct No 5

Chas Parker

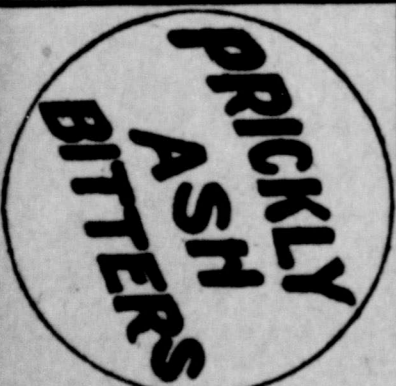
S. C. Spence

J. H. Musick

For Justice of Peace Prec't No.5.

F P Kennedy

Jno. A. Davis



THE SYSTEM PURIFIER
Dries Out That Bilious, Lazy Feeling.
Makes You Bright, Active and Cheerful.
CURES CONSTIPATION
SOLD AT DRUG STORES - PRICE \$1.00 PER BOTTLE

Will Cure Consumption.
A. A. Herren, Finch, Ark., writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar is the best preparation for coughs, colds, and lung trouble. I know that it has cured consumption in the first stages." You never heard of any one using Foley's Honey and Tar and not being satisfied.
Carleton & Porter.

The Messenger has a scholarship for sale cheap in Draughon's Practical Business College.

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

For The Blues.

If you are blue, dejected, and feel like the world has it "in for you," the chances are your liver is taking a few days off. Put it to work by using Simmon's Liver Purifier (tin boxes); its the best regulator of them all.

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An itching trouble is not necessarily a dangerous one, but certainly a most disagreeable affliction. No matter the name, if you itch—it cures you. Hunt's Cure is "It." Absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of itching known. First application relieves.

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FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE
Makes Kidneys and Bladder Right

FIZ-BIZ AGAIN

We have started our Fountain and are again ready to demonstrate that

WE KNOW HOW and do SERVE GOOD SODA WATER

OUR
.....ICE CREAM.....
IS A WINNER

CARLETON & PORTER

PORTER SAYS

ASK THE DRAYMAN how much freight he delivers to us and how often. We have on file more than eighty invoices of goods which we have received during the past five months of the year 1906.

Our goods are fresh all right, but we are **OLD IN THE DRUG BUSINESS**. We do not judge the purity, strength or **FRESHNESS** of the medicines we handle by the time of our purchase, or by the time we've had them in stock. Our knowledge of and familiarity with drugs is such that we can readily detect any impurity, and that **WITHOUT REGARD TO THE AGE** of the drug.

We buy in sufficient quantities to make our stock such that we can supply you what you want and as you want. It may be a source of satisfaction to you to know that our price to you is the same to your neighbor.

Carleton & Porter,
Druggists.

Geo E Darsey

Was too busy this week to write his "ad," but he is still at the same old stand selling more Goods Than Any House in Houston County, which is Proof that His : : :

Prices Must be Right.

You cannot induce a lower animal to eat heartily when not feeling well. A sick dog starves himself, and gets well. The stomach, once over-worked, must have rest the same as your feet or eyes. You don't have to starve to rest your stomach. **KODOL FOR DYSPEPSIA** takes up the work for your stomach, digests what you eat and gives it a rest. Puts it back in condition again. You can't feel good with a disordered stomach. Try Kodol. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

The sincerest tribute that can be paid to superiority is imitation. The many imitations of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve that are now before the public prove it the best. Ask for DeWitt's. Good for burns, scalds, chafed skin, eczema, tetter, cuts, bruises, boils and piles. Highly recommended and reliable. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Chas. Faris of the I. & G. N. Palestine, spent Sunday in town.

Following is the Schedule of Votes allowed on Subscription. Cash must always accompany order for Subscription.

	New	Old	
6 Months' Subscription	45 votes	35 votes	25c
1 Years' "	100 "	75 "	50c
2 " "	225 "	175 "	\$1.00
3 " "	350 "	260 "	\$1.50

VOTING COUPON

10 VOTES FOR

M.....
Most Popular Young Lady Most Popular Young Man Best Farmer (Mark out Two)

R. F. D. No. Postoffice.....

In The Grapeland Messenger--Merchants' Contest

Not Good After June 21

The Messenger-Merchants' Contest.

W. F. Hays,
Contest Editor.

Miss Davis is the proud leader in the Ladies' Contest this week; She has taken the proper view of the matter by going after subscribers, realizing that this is the best way to get ahead and the only way to remain so.

Miss Yarbrough takes second place this week and is, by no means asleep as her watch-word is "hustle."

Miss Caldwell, who is a comparatively new Contestant comes a close third this week, and is giving Competitors something to do to stay ahead of her. She also realizes the importance of working for the additional votes given with each subscription to the Messenger (see schedule below).

Misses Lively and Johnston are still in the game as evidenced by their increased vote in this issue.

Mr. McQueen again holds first place in Gentlemen's Contest. He is making it very warm for

his Competitors. You'll have to hustle boys to stay in reach of this popular young man!

Mr. Richards has originated a novel scheme to promote his candidacy—that of advertising by the card method—a nice way and we believe it will be a winner.

We extend a welcome to the new ones entering this week and will say that unless others enter soon, each one in this Contest will be sure to win a prize, as so far we are offering more prizes than there are Contestants, all of which are well worth working for.

Really the field is yet very promising for those who want to win and are willing to rustle.

Mr. Weisinger, so far the Best farmer in Houston county, leaves all others far behind this week, and if his opponents don't hustle or those who want to win, don't get in this race, he will have "a walk."

List of Contestants:

—LADIES—

Miss Adelle Davis, Grapeland,	1400
Miss Dora Yarbrough, Grapeland,	1210
Miss Ada Caldwell, Grapeland,	1100
Miss Allie Lively, Waneta,	1085
Miss Lillie Johnston, Grapeland,	805
Miss Ethel Braly, Percilla,	75

—GENTLEMEN—

Mr. Taylor McQueen, Grapeland, R. F. D. No. 3.....	1135
Mr. Frank Taylor, Reynard.....	1035
Mr. Hugh Richards, Grapeland,	845
Mr. Nathan Guice, Grapeland,	100
Mr. James J. Cook, Kennard,	10

—FARMER'S CONTEST,—

Mr. Jim Weisinger, Grapeland, Route 1,	550
Mr. J. S. Ferril, Percilla,	75
Mr. J. H. Beazley, Reynard,	45

Rules and Plans of Contest.

In each issue of the Grapeland Messenger there is published a coupon good for ten votes for either the most popular young lady, the most popular young man or the best farmer in Houston county, which, after being properly filled out, can be clipped and mailed to the Messenger and credit will be given to the contestant in whose favor it is issued. These coupons are good for one week only and positively cannot be polled after the expiration of the date printed on each one.

A more rapid way to secure votes in this contest is by getting new subscribers and renewals. Votes are issued according to the schedule elsewhere in this column. Coupons are issued with each subscription when cash accompanies the order, and they may be reserved and polled at any time during the contest.

No subscription will be accepted for less than six months and two six months subscriptions will not count as one year's subscription.

The contest will be conducted in a fair and impartial manner and no one connected with the Messenger will be allowed to take part otherwise than to supervise the voting.

Should any one after having entered the contest wish to withdraw they will be allowed to do so, but they will not be allowed to transfer their votes previously received to another contestant.

Votes must reach this office not later than 8 o'clock Wednesday morning to be published that week. Votes received later than 8 a. m. Wednesday will be published the following week.

An accurate account of all votes received will be filed and published each week, making it plainly seen that the contest is fairly conducted.

LADIES PRIZES.

- GOLD WATCH—by the Grapeland Messenger.
 - Pair of shoes—by Geo. E. Darsey.
 - Pair of Giesecke's \$2.50 Key Brand shoes, "always the best," by F. A. Faris.
 - Millinery Trimmed Hat—by Mrs Mary Etta Darsey.
 - Bottle of Perfume—by B. R. Guice & Son.
 - Box of nice Candy—by Bon Ton Cream Parlor.
 - Pair Ladies Hose—by Tims & Sheridan.
- ### GENTLEMEN'S PRIZES.
- \$20.00 Suit of Tailor made clothes—by the Grapeland Messenger.
 - Shumate \$1.00 Razor—by S. E. Howard.
 - Pair of walk Over Shoes—by J. G. Shipper & Son.
 - Pair of Gent's hose—by Tims & Sheridan.
 - Winner has choice of comb and brush, box of 5c. cigars, or 30 soda water checks—by Carleton & Porter.

FARMER'S PRIZES.

- Wagon & FIREMANN CO.
- Paid up life time subscription to the Grapeland Messenger and one year's subscription to the Galveston Semi-weekly News.
- One Diverse Cultivator.

The young lady receiving the highest number of votes in the entire contest will be awarded the Gold Watch. The young lady receiving the next highest number of votes will have first choice of the remaining prizes, and so on until all the prizes have been awarded. This rule applies in the gentlemen's contest, the first prize being a suit of clothes.

Unknown Friends.

There are many people who have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with splendid results, but who are unknown because they have hesitated about giving a testimonial of their experience for publication. These people, however, are none the less friends of this remedy. They have done much toward making it a household word by their personal recommendations to friends and neighbors. It is a good medicine to have in the home and is a widely known for its cures of diarrhoea and all forms of bowel trouble.

For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Mrs. Leaverton and daughter, Miss Dora, left last Saturday for Kemp to spend some time visiting relatives.

There Are A Few.

people who know how to take care of themselves—the majority do not. The liver is a most important organ in the body. Herbine will keep it in condition. V. C. Simpson, Alba, Texas, writes: "I have used Herbine for Chills and Fever and find it the best medicine I ever used. I would not be without it. It is as good for children as it is for grown-up people, and I recommend it. It is fine for La Grippe."

Carleton & Porter.

YOUNG WIDOW WILL FIGHT FOR MILLIONS OF HER FATHER-IN-LAW

Disposition of Estate of Samuel S. Brown, Pittsburg Magnate, Reveals Scandal.

LEFT MUCH MONEY TO HIS LATEST PET

Girl at the Last Supplanted Wife of Dead Son in the Old Man's Affections—Will Was Made as He Lay on His Death Bed.

"Better an old man's darling than a young man's slave," runs the old song.

Probably Martha E. Lewis will concur, but Mrs. Grace McGoodwin Brown, daughter-in-law of the late Samuel S. Brown, Smoky City magnate and multi-millionaire, can hardly be expected to.

Idolized and petted by her father-in-law for 15 years, taught to consider herself his heiress, and introduced everywhere as his daughter, she finds herself left a paltry \$30,000, while her supplanter, Martha E. Lewis, has been given a sum exceeding \$250,000.

And a contest in the courts which

tively estimated at \$20,000,000. He also left a will which is the bone of contention.

Mrs. Brown, young widow of the dead magnate's only son, had been told that she was to be his beneficiary. A goodly portion of the estate was to have been hers. Yet, when the will was read, she found herself cut off with a paltry batch of brewery bonds, and these to go should she remarry.

But Miss Lewis, bitter enemy of the millionaire's daughter-in-law, benefited to the extent of a quarter of a million and more. She had already supplanted the beautiful Kentucky belle as the head of the old man's

to Kentucky to superintend the building of a railroad in which his father was interested. There he met a blue grass belle—beautiful Grace McGoodwin, barely turned 16.

The boy's head was turned. It was plainly love at first sight. There was an ardent courtship, and the youthful suitor won. That day there came to the old man in Pittsburg this dispatch:

Princeton, Ky.
S. S. Brown, Pittsburg, Pa.:
I am going to be married to the dearest girl in the world.
WILL.

That same day this wire went back to Kentucky:

Pittsburg, Pa.
William Brown, Princeton, Ky.:
Wait, I am coming down that way this week.
S. S. BROWN.

For an answer this came back:
Can't wait.
WILL.

And this was the reply:

All right. Go ahead. God bless you both. Bring her home.
FATHER.

But it was not so fated. Will Brown, undisputed heir to the larger share of his father's millions, did not bring his bride home. She brought him home—in a coffin. Almost the next day he fell ill and was dead within a week. The bride-widow, almost ill with her grief, met her father-in-law and went straight to his heart.

"You must stay here with us, my dear," said the millionaire, "and be my daughter, too. I know Will would have wished it so."

Old Man's Daughter Dead.
So the girl stayed along with the old man, and year after year made herself better loved by him. Then came another blow—his only living child, his daughter Nellie, died in Italy.

"I am afraid my poor old heart will break," said the old man, bowed under this added weight of woe.

There was no one to turn to save his daughter-in-law now. He called her to him one day soon after the funeral, and said:

"Stay here with me, for I am left alone. Be the head of my household, and when I die you will be the same in my will as if you were my own daughter. And why not? Are you not the wife of my dead son, my only boy?"

Everywhere it was understood that the young widow was to be his heiress. Folks were told that Mr. Brown's life was insured for \$100,000 in her favor.

Martha Lewis Appears.

Mrs. Brown's sister married and she went back to Kentucky with her for a visit. That was the beginning of the end. When she returned she found that Miss Lewis had been asked to live at the Browns'.

"Grace," said the old millionaire, by way of making clear how things stood, "just take Marty and buy her some things, and show her how to wear them."

"Marty" was what Mr. Brown elected to call the pretty girl he had installed as his protegee in the big house. Young Mrs. Brown balked some, but she did as she was told. But she refused to introduce the girl to her friends, and she still was Mr. Brown's mentor when he went to New York on matters social.

Martha E. Lewis was the daughter of a boat caulker employed by Mr. Brown. When only a child in short dresses the millionaire had taken to her because she reminded him of his dead daughter when she was a tiny girl. When she grew older he made her his almoner in his many charities, and when she was out of her teens he had her made secretary of the Sunday school which he had endowed.

Apparently, however, the aged millionaire was still fond of his son's widow. She spent a part of the season with Mr. Brown last year and as the Christmas holidays were approaching she received a hurried call to come to the old man's bedside.

He was dying.

The young widow caught the first train. But as she sped through the darkness another will was being made in Pittsburg in the old Brown man-

sion. With a few strokes of the pen all she had believed was to be hers was blotted out. But no one told her this when she reached Pittsburg the next morning.

Young Mrs. Brown was received with open arms. Twenty days later Samuel S. Brown died. During those 20 days the deathbed will did not come to light. Mrs. Brown's friends say that it was purposely hidden so that she would know nothing about it until it should be too late. The millionaire died, surrounded by his family, while Mrs. Brown knelt at the bedside.

Will Kept Secret.

Never were greater efforts made to keep a will from becoming public. It was filed secretly. The authorities were ordered to keep it secret and meekly complied. The family lawyer furnished an extract to the newspapers, but all reference to either of the young women in the case was carefully eliminated.

"That's all we care to give out to the newspapers," was the lawyer's curt rejoinder when pressed for an explanation.

But the New York Sunday World's correspondent in Pittsburg made things so interesting for all concerned that finally the entire contents of the will were made public as provided by law.

Then the storm broke. The feud became public property. Promptly there came a demand from the officers of the Mary Brown church that Miss Lewis resign her position in the Sunday school.

Forced to Leave Sunday School.

The church had Mr. Brown's \$70,000. They cared no longer. They had bowed to his will in life, and they had installed his protegee to a position of distinction in church affairs. Now they would have no more of her. At a public hearing she was asked to resign, and she did.

Then she announced that she intended marrying and that was her ostensible reason for retiring. She and William Arthur Porter, a race-track employee of old man Brown's, had long been in love. In fact, they loved each other before he was taken ill.

Received Many Presents.

By the will Miss Lewis got in all \$60,000. This was only a small portion of her benefits. When she was 23—her last birthday—Mr. Brown handed the delighted girl \$20,000 in new bills. Only a few months before he had given her a beautiful big house on Greenfield avenue, worth \$20,000. This is where the bride will live when she returns from her honeymoon. She got \$20,000 worth of diamonds, too, and in all \$125,000 in cash, say Mrs. Brown's friends, before the old man's death.

The Browns have taken the daughter-in-law to their hearts. She is again mistress of the old Brown mansion, there to stay as long as she pleases. W. Harry Brown, the brother, even wealthier than S. S. Brown, who inherits the bulk of the estate, is understood to be against Miss Lewis' claim.

There was a tragic scene when the will was read. Mrs. Elizabeth Willard, sister of the dead man, knew nothing of it. When she heard it gave the young widow but \$30,000 in beer bonds she burst out weeping and ran from the room crying: "Oh, Samuel, how could you have done this thing?"

A strange feature of this strange case is that the millionaire provided better for the young widow after her death than during her life. A niche by his direction has been reserved for her in the rich marble mausoleum out at the cemetery. There she will rest with the others of the family's dead.

And whether an old man's fickle fancy changed at the last or a designing girl succeeded in a plot to secure wealth at the expense of reputation and standing in society, is the question.

Probably it will be answered in the courts.

EARTHQUAKE RECORDS

GOVERNMENT GEOLOGICAL SURVEY COLLECTS HISTORY.

International Seismological Association Invites Delegate from America—The Appointment.

Prof. Harry F. Reid of Johns Hopkins university, who is in charge of earthquake records for the United States geological survey, has sent out circular letters through which he expects to obtain important scientific data concerning the recent earthquake in San Francisco.

It may not be generally known that a few hundred dollars are devoted each year by the survey to the collection of records concerning earthquakes. No very active seismological investigations have ever been made by this bureau, but a small allotment is granted Prof. Reid, which enables him to correspond with observers all over the country and procure data recorded on seismographs at many different points. Reports of his investigations are published, from time to time, in the Weather Review, the official organ of the weather bureau.

It is interesting to note that Prof. Reid was appointed by the state department, as delegate from the United States to the international seismological conference held in Strasburg, Germany, from July 24 to 28, 1903. Delegates were present by invitation of the German government from 19 countries, and an international association was then formed for cooperative investigation of earthquake phenomena. The constitution adopted provides for a general assembly to meet at least once in four years and a permanent commission, composed of one delegate from each nation, which will direct the work of the association. A central bureau is located at Strasburg in connection with the imperial seismological station there, and reports are forwarded to its director and are published from time to time.

The association was joined by many countries but the United States has not yet signified its intention of becoming a member. The permanent commission or executive committee of the association was organized in Berlin last summer. Prof. Reid was present at that meeting also. After his return he recommended, as he did after his return from the Strasburg conference, that the United States join the association.

The director of the geological survey has recommended in a letter to the secretary of the interior, that the United States accept the invitation of the German government to join the international seismological association, provided that congress shall see fit to make the necessary appropriation. The total sum that congress is called on to appropriate annually is \$1,300, which includes \$800, the fee that the United States would be required to contribute to the association and \$500 for the expenses of the delegate.

It is not likely that a delegate from the United States will ever have anything more important or more disastrous to report than the records of the earthquake which devastated the metropolis of the Pacific coast.

Difficult Tongue.
Esquimo has the reputation of being a difficult tongue to understand, even more to speak. All manner of parts of speech may become joined to verbal roots and the whole may be conjugated like a simple verb—which is maddening to a foreigner. One missionary brought back a word which, when written on the blackboard, was quite 2½ yards long.—Boston Transcript.

Much Oftener.
Siliacus—Do you believe that clothes make the woman?
Cynicus—More often than the woman makes the clothes.—Royal.

Fine Neighborhood.
"You told me this was the finest locality you had ever struck."
"It is."
"But, my dear sir, I never saw so much sickness in one locality; someone appears to be sick in every home in it."
"I know it, and I am a doctor."—Houston Post.

A Paradox.
Customer—Have you some of that corned beef you let me have a can of the last time I was in here?
Grocer—No; I am sorry to say I haven't. That was a fine brand of beef, but nobody would buy it, so I sold it.—Judge.

Nothing to Go On.
"No, I have no idea how old she is."
"I thought you were old friends."
"We are. All I know about her age is that six years ago she was 22."—Cleveland Leader.

Delays Are Dangerous.
"The world owes you a living," says the Billville Banner, "but you must rise at break of day and whirl in and collect it!"—Atlanta Constitution.



MRS GRACE M. BROWN



SHE FOUND THAT MISS LEWIS HAD ROBBED HER OF THE CAPTAIN'S LOVE.



YOUNG BROWN PAID ARDENT COURT TO GRACE McGOODWIN, A BLUE GRASS BELLE—EARLY TURNED BLUE.



CAPT. SAML. S. BROWN

will enrich lawyers and furnish sensations to satisfy the most scandal-hungry dame is promised.

For Mrs. Brown and all the relatives of the dead millionaire assert that his latest will, executed on his death bed, was made under undue influence and is unjust and unfair.

Worth Over \$20,000,000.

Samuel S. Brown died last December. He left an estate scattered all the way between Pittsburg, New York and New Orleans which is conserva-

household before his death. That was the last straw; then came the open breach.

It is a strange story—how these two young women came into the life of the millionaire. There were a son and a daughter whom the old man idolized. When they grew up nothing was too good for them.

Inception of Romance.

Fifteen years ago William Brown, the millionaire's only son, was sent

CHARMS THAT BRING LUCK.

It is now obvious that the portion of society which takes its gambling seriously—it is a very large portion indeed—has become very superstitious. An instance in point is the buying of the ankha which, as now sold in Bond street in gold and jewels, is extremely popular, says the London Daily Mail.

The ankha is the sign of life, and consequently of good luck striving against bad.

Gambling has always gone hand in hand with belief in the efficacy of charms, but the fair votaries of bridge go much further and there are endless little ceremonies which are supposed to militate for or against their chance of winning.

A charming lady who might, without undue conceit, have styled herself "one who knows," quotes an instance: "Whenever you cut for a fresh deal or after a rubber," she said, "the one who cuts lowest has, as you know, the choice of cards and seats, and they invariably turn the winning people out of their seats and choose the

pack." Sometimes they elect to sit against the hinges of the table, because that is the lucky side.

As for the charms which are supposed to bring luck, their name is legion; the most favored are little dwarfs, lucky sixpences and the New Zealand greenstone.

It must not be supposed that these superstitions are confined to the ladies. Two well known card players at White's are extremely proud of possessing some pieces of a hangman's rope, and from the possession of these trophies they date their good luck.

Certain houses are considered lucky to play in, though of course a house which is lucky for one player may be unlucky for the other. Particular clubs also are much in favor among card players.

Tommy—Papa, what is a consulting physician?

Papa—He is a doctor who is called in at the last moment to share the blame.—Life.

Making Life Worth While

By PROF. ALBION SMALL.

haven of perpetual rest, and we all went there, we would organize a strike in two weeks and have the conditions changed.

We know to-day that there is no such thing as irretrievable ruin; by the knowledge and power we have we can rebuild what is destroyed. Had a flood like that which swept away Galveston devastated Rome at the time of Marius or Sulla there would have been no Augustinian age; had Athens been razed by earthquake and fire (such as struck San Francisco) at the time of the battle of Salamis there would have been no age of Pericles.

Life is secure, genuine, strong and vital only in proportion to our ability to sacrifice those things which in the present are dearest to us, to obtain those things in the future which are more worth while than the things we have sacrificed. This principle is dangerous in so far as we have the choice as to what is worth the sacrifice and on our decision in such cases rests our happiness and our destiny.

So deeply is the human impulse toward action and growth rooted in our natures, that we would find a condition in which there was nothing to do "the sincerest hell." Why, if Heaven were as it is pictured, a haven of perpetual rest, and we all went there, we would organize a strike in two weeks and have the conditions changed.

LOCAL NEWS.

Go to Howard's for your groceries.

Rev. W. H. Caldwell preached at Lone Star Sunday.

For prices to suit the times see Tims & Sheridan.

Miss Lucy Royall of Athens is visiting relatives here.

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

For pocket knives and razors and shears go to Howard's.

Mrs. Willie Adams and children of Palestine are visiting relatives in and near Grapeland.

A complete set of chinaware free with Roasted coffee at Darsey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard Miller of Crockett visited relatives here Sunday afternoon.

Our motto is Printing Perfectly Printed. A trial will convince you.

Get a sack of Wichita flour. It is the best that is made.
Tims & Sheridan.

Miss Julia Pritchard of Crockett visited in the city Sunday and Monday.

Another car of flour and feed stuff to arrive at Howard's this week.

Miss Nannie Howard, who is attending the normal at Crockett, spent Sunday and Monday at home.

Call at Tims & Sheridan's and get you a pair of Courtney's full vamp shoes. A trial will convince you.

Ney Sheridan, A. N. Edens and J. M. Rogers went to Palestine to attend a W. O. W. unveiling.

ATTENTION, LADIES! If your scissors are dull and can't be sharpened, send to Howard's for a guaranteed pair.

Mr. Guy Sherell and Miss Georgia Satterwhite of Crockett spent Sunday in the city as the guests of Misses Howard.

Rural route patrons should bear in mind that it requires a two-cent stamp to bring letters to the Grapeland post office the same as to carry them to any other post office.

W. R. Word, of Dyresburg, Tenn., writes: "This is to certify that I have used Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup for chronic constipation, and it has proven, with out a doubt, to be a thorough, practical remedy for this trouble, and it is with pleasure I offer my conscientious reference."
Carleton & Porter.

Jack Lewis, in company with his little nieces, Edna and Beatrice Lewis, left last Sunday for Kosse on a visit to relatives. Mr. Lewis will also visit Merkel, Abilene, and other points in West Texas for the benefit of his health.

If your stomach troubles you do not conclude that there is no cure, for a great many have been permanently cured by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Get a free sample at B. R. Guice & Son's drug store and give them a trial. They also cure constipation and biliousness.

Plenty of Lime at Darsey's.

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

It has been demonstrated that Messenger ads always pay.

Buy your peach and box crates at Darsey's.

Byron Bush of Palestine spent Sunday with his parents at Percilla.

Light clothing for hot weather at Darsey's.

County Attorney Jno. Spence was in Grapeland Saturday.

The best line of 5 and 10c fans in town at Darsey's.

Mrs. Helen Wright and Miss Mary Ella Pipkin of Palestine visited relatives here Sunday.

That peach and potato money, if spent at Tims & Sheridan's, will last you longer.

Dr. J. B. Smith, candidate for representative, was in town Saturday in the interest of his candidacy.

Mrs. G. R. Whitley left Sunday for Big Springs to visit. Mr. Whitley accompanied her as far as Ft. Worth.

Hon. J. J. Blount of Palestine was in the city Friday in the interest of his candidacy for Congress. Mr. Blount was distributing circulars setting forth his views on politics and his platform. Mr. Blount is advocating radical changes in governmental affairs, which, if carried out, would redound much good to the people.

No Other.

It is a class to itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc. it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised. We mean Hunt's Lightning Oil.

A. K. Fretz returned from Kansas last Saturday. He was accompanied by Messrs. Gage of Pratt, and Heatwole of Newton, Kan., who came with the intention of investing in real estate.

Constipation makes the cold drag along. Get it out of you. Take Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar cough syrup. Contains no opiates.

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We are glad to note that Mr. J. E. Hollingsworth is rapidly recovering from an attack of slow fever.

If you will make inquiry it will be a revelation to you how many succumb to kidney or bladder troubles in one form or another. If the patient is not beyond medical aid, Foley's Kidney Cure will cure. It never disappoints.
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If you want to get your moneys worth, and want to be SURE of this fact just send 50 cents to the Messenger and you will get more than your money's worth of good reading matter, besides a vote in the Contest.

The sworn statement of the manufacturers protect you from opiates in Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar—the cough syrup that drives the opiate out of your system. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Immigration From Europe.

Our Foreign Immigration Office, No. 2305 Mechanic Street (corner of Tremont), Galveston, Texas; in charge of Mr. J. E. Schelling, Foreign Immigration Agent, is now equipped for the handling of all matters pertaining to Foreign Immigration.

Mr. Schelling will give SPECIAL attention to the filling of orders for labor from the "HOME-SEEKERS" arriving Galveston on each ship. Orders placed with him should state the number wanted, the kind of work, and the wages, with a statement of the cost of board, etc.

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The Very Best Remedy for Bowel Trouble.

Mr. M. F. Borroughs, an old and well known resident of Bluffton, Ind., says: "I regard Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as the very best remedy for bowel trouble. I make this statement after having used the the remedy in my family for several years. I am never without it. This remedy is almost sure to be needed before the summer is over. Why not buy it now and be prepared for such an emergency? For sale by B. R. Guice & Son."

Last Friday afternoon Elkhart Ball Players met Grapeland's team, on the latter's ground, in a match game of ball. Elkhart played ball; Grapeland played—and the score stood 26 to 9 in favor of Elkhart.

Cured Hemorrhages of the Lungs.

"Several years since my lungs were so badly affected that I had many hemorrhages," writes Mr. A. L. Wood, Ind. "I took treatment with several physicians without any benefit. I then started to take Foley's Honey and Tar, and my lungs are now as a bullet. I recommend it in advanced stages of lung troubles." Foley's Honey and Tar stops the cough and heals the lungs, and prevents serious results from a cold. Refuse substitutes.
Carleton & Porter.

Jno. Shipper, who has been holding down a railroad position at Allenfarm, came in Sunday and will visit his brother, George, awhile. John has been in ill health for several months and thinks the rest will be beneficial.

How to Break up a Cold.

It may be a surprise to many to learn that a severe cold can be completely broken up in one or two day's time. The first symptoms of a cold are a dry, loud cough, a profuse watery discharge from the nose, and a thin, white coating on the tongue. When Chamberlain's cough remedy is taken every hour on the first appearance of these symptoms, it counteracts the effect of the cold and restores the system to a healthy condition within a day or two. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Lewis Sory left last Friday for Temple, O. K., where he has a position until September, when he will return to enter school.

There is no need worrying along in discomfort because of a disordered digestion. Get a bottle of KODOL FOR DYSPEPSIA and see what it will do for you. Kodol not only digests what you eat and gives that tired stomach a needed rest, but is a corrective of the greatest efficiency. Kodol relieves indigestion, dyspepsia, palpitation of the heart, flatulence, and sour stomach. Kodol will make your stomach young and healthy again. You will worry just in the proportion that your stomach worries you. Worry means the loss of ability to do your best. Worry is to be avoided at all times. Kodol will take the worry out of your stomach. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

To The Public:—

WE WANT to thank you for your liberal patronage since we have been in business. You keep us continually buying goods and we appreciate it.

A great many have wanted to know why they get such good results from drugs they buy from us. It is this: We buy only in small lots from the best drug houses and before they get old enough to lose their strength they are sold.

Give us your next bill and find out for yourself what others know.

B. R. Guice & Son.

Dolph Zachery had business in Crockett Wednesday.

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

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

WE ARE authorized to announce S. C. Spence as a candidate for constable of precinct no. 5, subject to the action of the democratic party. Mr. Spence is now serving in this capacity, having been appointed by the Commissioners Court to fill an unexpired term. He has made a good record since his appointment, and if elected, will no doubt continue to made a good officer. He respectfully solicits your vote.

Bill Johnston came up Tuesday to accompany his mother, Mrs. W. S. Johnston, to Houston where she will visit her daughter Mrs. J. M. Perry.

Mrs. Julia Wright is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Lively. Her children, Messrs. Jot and Henry Wright and Mrs. Robertson of Palestine and Mrs. Sullivan of Percilla, are here attending her bedside.

A man who is in perfect health, so he can do an honest day's work when necessary, has much for which he should be thankful. Mr. L. C. Rogers, of Braughton, Pa., writes that he was not only unable to work, but he couldn't stoop over to tie his own shoes. Six bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure made a new man of him. He says, "Success to Foley's Kidney Cure." Carleton & Porter.

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