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## PERCILLA LETTER.

Pleasant Showers in this Community. A Sad Accident to one of our Neighbors.

June, 26.—After a long silence I ask admission to your columns.

The rains have come in timely plentifulness, and the corn crops are all most assured as being abundant in these parts, for which we should be very thankful. The cotton is looking fine and blooming abundantly. The weed is not large to its age but is fruiting well, and is promising.

A very sad incident occurred Sunday morning about 10 o'clock on Mr. Sam Lively's place in which he was the unfortunate recipient of the force of its determination. He went to get a brute out of his field and had succeeded in securing him and placing a rope on his horns with which he was leading him to a gap, but on nearing the gap the brute became enraged and plunged at him hooking him down and running over him and turning on him was on him with his feet, raking him a number of times with his horns, goring him once rather seriously. How Mr. Lively made his escape is difficult to understand; but he says that he scrambled out from under him and escaped to a tree which he climbed. Help was summoned and he was relieved of further danger. He is said to be doing well at present.

Well, the time has come for us to be tormented with flies and candidates. We are glad that to us belongs the right of thinning them out—indeed hope that we may deal very prudently in this; that we may act wisely and select according to true merit, and not allow personal prejudice or personal favor to actuate us in this matter of duty to our country. As to this writer, all things else being equal, and as to which he claims the right to judge, he is in favor of the young man. True merit deserves to be rewarded. The young man who has battled with obstacles, poverty and adversity, displaying energy, pluck and perseverance is undoubtedly meritorious if he has qualified himself for any important position, and especially so if he is morally sound. It is not a question with me as to his father's good name or bad name, or whether I know his mother; but is he competent? Is he honest? Can he be trusted? Can he, and will he do the work. If he fills the bill thus I am willing to engage him, even if his father is not worth a canceled stamp.

LA PEN.

Rev. H. E. Harris filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday and Sunday. Bro. Harris accompanied by his little daughter, Fay, left for points in Arkansas, where he will conduct a series of meetings.

Don't Be Backward.

Do not hesitate to ask for a free sample of Chamberlain's stomach and Liver Tablets. We are glad to give them to anyone who is troubled with biliousness, constipation, or any disorder of the stomach. Many have been permanently cured by their use. B. R. Guice & Son.

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A beverage that is prepared on most scientific principles. By the method adopted in the double-evaporation process the alcoholic strength is absorbed to a minimum. Where a beverage to tone up the constitution or a mild table beverage is required the Malt Sap, on account of its purity, is highly recommended. For sale at

## THE BON TON ICE CREAM PARLOR

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### FROM REYNARD.

Young people's Entertainment. A Large Rattler Killed on the River.

June, 26.—One glorious and much needed rain came yesterday evening; a great many were not looking for rain before July. Oh, ye of little faith! Do not think corn was suffering very much but would have done so soon.

We ate our first melon Sunday at Mr. Jack Beazley, and by the way he has a fine crop of corn and cotton as we have seen in a number of years; it is on fine fresh red land and planted early.

Reynard and Daly's united in one grand Picnic at the lake on the river last Thursday. The following families were present: T. S. Kent, G. B. Kent, C. H. Beazley, J. L. Chiles, Mrs. C. B. Dailey, Mrs. Hills and Mrs. W. D. Taylor; it was the first picnic some of us have been in two or more years but we had not forgotten how to eat and enjoy a picnic in all its details.

Messrs. Herman Beazley and Sumner Rials are going to give the young folks an entertainment Friday night at the home of Mrs. T. S. Kent in honor of Herman's birthday. Hurrah for the young folks! Let the people know that Reynard is not dead yet.

Candidates are coming fast and thick. Harry Black (colored) killed a huge rattler on the Smith farm last Friday having 30 rattles. He said his head was as broad as his hand.

The rain will cause us to work more but who minds to work for such a rain; it will insure a good corn crop and now for some more dry weather and sunshine and we will make a good cotton crop. Zack.

### To My Friends.

I have put my name before you as a candidate for Constable of Precinct No. 5, and in as much as it will be impossible for me to see each of you before the election, I trust that in my absence you will give me due consideration. I believe I can fill the office satisfactorily, and will exert every effort to do so if I am elected.

Respectfully,  
S. C. Spence.

## FIRST CAR

The first solid car of Elberta Peaches were shipped out of Texas last Tuesday from Grapeland. The car was loaded by W. W. Lively, Lewis & Irwin, J. S. Yarbrough and R. B. Edens. Banners were tacked on each side of the car bearing this inscription: "Texas' First Car Elbertas, from Grapeland, Texas."

This is a score for our truckers in the peach industry, and we have the famous Jacksonville country skinned when it comes to early fruit and a matchless grade Grapeland will yet make Texas' fame far reaching with Elberta Peaches.

Mr. W. D. Small, an old time printer and a veteran newspaper man, was in to see us awhile last Saturday, having come in from Augusta to run up to Palestine. Mr. Small has been living at Augusta for some time and is manager of a large experimental farm. He reported a very fine prospect for crops.

### Do You Itch?

The cup of human misery is never quite full until some form of itching skin disease is added. Then it overflows. Hunt's Cure is a specific for any itching trouble ever known. One application relieves. One box is guaranteed to cure any one case.

A. M. Carleton was up from Crockett Saturday.

### BOOKKEEPING

Shorthand, Typewriting and Telegraphy at Greatly Reduced Rates.

A number of Business Colleges have been advertising big reduced rates for a three months summer course. We can beat it. If your time is worth anything, we can give you the most thorough, practical, and extensive course to be had at a less cost than you can get a course of any kind in any other school, even if they give you every cent of your tuition free. Will also secure you a good position. Write for facts and figures that will prove our claims beyond the shadow of a doubt, to the most skeptical. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

### Campbell Club.

Was Organized in Grapeland Last Thursday Afternoon.

A Campbell Club was organized in Grapeland last Thursday afternoon. The citizens met at 5 o'clock last Thursday afternoon and organized a very large and enthusiastic Tom Campbell Club, to be known as the Grapeland Tom Campbell Club. Dr. F. C. Woodard was elected president and B. H. Logan secretary. Every voter in the city signed the club except two, one a republican and the other for Colquitt. Speeches were made eulogistic of Colonel Tom Campbell by Hon. J. F. Weeks and S. T. Howard of Palestine, who were here and assisted in the organization. It is generally conceded that Houston county will go solid for Campbell.

### HAYS SPRINGS.

Recent Rains a Benefit to Crops. Protracted Meeting to Begin Soon.

July 1.—Farmers of our community have been very busy for some time tustling with "general green".

Corn has been greatly benefited by the recent rains; it is growing nicely now and bids fair to make a good crop. Cotton is doing well and promises a good yield, if Weevils don't bother it.

Health of the community good at this writing, and we should all be enjoying life as we are beginning to live on the products of this years crop, such as roasting ears, black-eyed peas and water-melons, however, they are not plentiful yet with some of us.

Mrs. Della Keen, who has been spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown, returned to her home in Leon County on Friday of last week.

Mr. J. H. Pennington has recently moved into our community; he lives with Mr. A. K. Freiz. We are glad to have him with us and hope he has come to stay.

Mr. John Spence of Elkhart Creek was visiting his brother, A. B. Spence of our community, today. They also attended church services today as this was Rev. Coberly's day to preach for us.

Mr. Cryer of San Antonio interested the little folks awhile at the school house last Thursday night with his Graphophone and then made an interesting talk to the older people on socialism. Mr. and Mrs. Cryer is visiting J. S. Eaves and wife.

According to present arrangement, Rev. Coberly will begin a few days meeting at Hays Spring on the 20th. of this month. Rev. J. M. Lively will probably help in the meeting. We hope the people will all be ready and work to make the meeting a success. We need a good old time revival here, and let us have it.

Success to Messenger and readers.  
JULIUS.

### It's Fine.

C. M. Johnson, Louisville, Ky., writes: "I have used your Hunt's Cure and it is fine." We have many similar letters. Hunt's Cure is a strictly guaranteed remedy for any variety of skin diseases. It stops itching instantaneously.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Saddler of Kountze are visiting relatives in Grapeland.

## Farm For Sale Cheap!

On account of getting my shop burned at Sulphur Springs, the pressing need of cash with which to go in business again I have decided to sell my farm consisting of 67 acres of the M. P. Herod place, regardless of price to the highest bidder, so if you are interested write me and make your best bid.

B. E. Blount,

Box 274

Rosebud, Texas.



## TONIC TREATMENT

Weak Stomach and Sick Headache Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

The symptoms of stomach trouble vary. Some victims have a ravenous appetite, others loathe the sight of food. Often there is a feeling as of weight on the chest, a full feeling in the throat. Sometimes the gas presses on the heart and leads the sufferer to think he has heart disease. Sick headache is a frequent and distressing symptom.

A weak stomach needs a digestive tonic and that there is no better tonic for this purpose than Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is shown by the statement of Mr. A. C. Merrill, a mining man, of Oneals, Calif., a veteran of Battalion C, Third U. S. Regular Infantry.

"I had never been well since I left the army," he says, "always having had trouble with my stomach, which was weak. I was run down and debilitated. Could keep nothing on my stomach, and at times had sick headache so bad that I did not care whether I lived or died. My stomach refused to retain even liquid food and I almost despaired of getting well as I had tried so many kinds of medicine without relief. Then I was bitten by a rattlesnake and that laid me up from work entirely for a year, six months of which I spent in bed. One day a friend recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to me and I began taking them. They cured me when all other medicine had failed. I have recommended the pills to a great many, for during my recovery every one asked me what was helping me so and I told them Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I cannot speak too highly of them."

If you want good health you must have good blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills actually make new blood and restore shattered nerves. They are sold by all druggists or sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50c. per box, six boxes for \$2.50 by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

### TICKLESOME TRIFLES.

"Mamma, what is a grass widow?"  
"A grass widow, dear—is a lady whose husband plays golf."

"Johnson says he has four bath-rooms in his new house." "Made a plumber's paradise of it, eh?"

"The doctors have finally agreed upon the cause of Jenkins' illness." "They've held another consultation, eh?" "No; a post-mortem."

"Ah, dearest," sighed young Brokeleigh, "I cannot live without you." "Why not?" queried the girl with the obese bank balance. "Did you lose your job?"

Knicker—I see the new San Francisco buildings will dispense with all ornamental features.

Bocker—Then there will be no janitors?—N. Y. Sun.

Stella—Sav, let's cut slang out. Bella—You're on. You call me down whenever I spring a line of bum English and I'll do the same for you.—Cleveland Leader.

"I overheard Jones last night saying that his wife was beautiful."

"He must be as blind as a bat."

"But he was saying it to her."

"He's a diplomat."—Houston Post.

"Then you have no sympathy for the deserving poor?" asked the person working for charity. "Me?" replied the rich and great man. "Why, sir, I have nothing but sympathy for them."

"Better come to the hospital to-morrow. I'm going to perform a very important operation on old Skads."

"What for?"

"Five thousand dollars."—Houston Post.

Most of us at times feel the need of a post-graduate course in the school of experience.

### KNOWS NOW

Doctor Was Fooled by His Own Case for a Time.

It's easy to understand how ordinary people get fooled by coffee when doctors themselves sometimes forget the facts.

A physician speaks of his own experience:

"I had used coffee for years and really did not exactly believe it was injuring me although I had palpitation of the heart every day.

"Finally one day a severe and almost fatal attack of heart trouble frightened me and I gave up both tea and coffee, using Postum instead and since that time I have had absolutely no heart palpitation except on one or two occasions when I tried a small quantity of coffee which caused severe irritation and proved to me I must let it alone.

"When we began using Postum it seemed weak—that was because we did not make it according to directions—but now we put a little bit of butter in the pot when boiling and allow the Postum to boil full 15 minutes which gives it the proper rich flavor and the deep brown color.

"I have advised a great many of my friends and patients to leave off coffee and drink Postum, in fact I daily give this advice." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Many thousands of physicians use Postum in place of tea and coffee in their own homes and prescribe it to patients. "There's a reason."

A remarkable little book, "The Road to Wellville," can be found in pkgs.

## THE STRIKE AT SKELTON SCHOOL

By JULIA F. DEANE

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Ever since Maggie McClure had entered as a trembling, bashful primary, the Skelton school had been ruled by a lady principal. While she held in her hand a scepter, she so skillfully concealed it with feminine arts and charms that not one of her little subjects dreamed he was anything but a free and independent republican.

It had happened that the powers that be had decreed that this dearly beloved wielder of the scepter should be displaced by a common man, who had yet to learn that the art of concealing his scepter was of more value with these small subjects than many high-sounding titles.

Now Miss Mullins was round and rosy of face, with tendrilly curls that knew not the curling iron. Miss Mullins also had an extremely popular way of making one so happy that one forgot one's skill in making spit balls.

Consequently when the news was spread abroad that Miss Mullins had been displaced by a common man every citizen and citizeness within reach of the beams of her merry eyes felt it a personal grievance, and there was drafted an imposing document to be submitted to the principal, threatening dire but somewhat indefinite things.

The responsibility of leadership was weighing upon Maggie's youthful shoulders, for it was Maggie who had laboriously drafted the document of protest, with frequent trips to dictionary, and it was Maggie who had insisted on an organization of the grieved ones and had made them solemnly promise to do great deeds out of loyalty to Miss Mullins. Consequently, as a matter of course, it was Maggie who had been unanimously elected as the leader of the new union.

One morning when Principal Hefter mounted the steps to the school building, a crowd of defiant-faced youngsters met him. They stood at the entrance of yard and doors, self-constituted pickets, labeled in gaudy letters: "School Boys and Girls Union." "We demand the return of the most popular Miss Mullins in the Skelton school."

As the principal put his foot on the top step and adjusted his glasses to

Roderick Dhu, whose short, fat legs, unfitted for the military stride, continually doubled under him as he vainly endeavored to keep step to the "Right—left—right—left."

Suddenly and without warning the life died out of their song, and, turning her head to discover the cause, Maggie saw a squad of policemen, summoned by the principal, advancing toward them as if on business bent. Loosening her hold upon little Roderick's hand and wheeling around that she might face her followers, she called:

"Cowards! Will ye desert your cause because of a few blue-coats? Remember the brave deeds of your forefathers, and stand fast! Forward march now, double quick, to yonder shelters, where we will prepare to meet the enemy," and she pointed tragically toward a large barn at the rear of the school-house.

Under the stimulus of the words of their leader, the forces rallied sufficiently to reach the hospitable roof of Widow Flaherty's barn. Widow Flaherty, who lived in the upper story of the barn, was a devout admirer of the departed Miss Mullins, and, Maggie knew, would be a valuable addition to her forces.

When the policemen made their way to the temporary fortress, with many sly jokes and laughs at the easy task before them, they met with locked doors below and a vigorous response from the upper window:

"And don't ye dare set a foot on me premises, not a one of ye, and if my voice can't make it plain to ye, I've somethin' that will talk so ye'll understand it," and she held to their view a kettle of boiling hot water.

The arguments of the widowed proved unanswerable, and the policemen departed.

The victory was won, but alas for the way of great leaders. In the corner of Mrs. Flaherty's barn, as the November afternoon darkened into evening, sat the victorious leader of the hundred, her face buried in her apron, weeping with a woe not to be comforted. What cared she that tonight her name would be upon the tongue of every boy and girl in the ward, that even now the newsboys in the streets were crying her as the chief attraction of the evening paper?

These things were as nothing, for—awful thought—Roderick Dhu, the idol of her heart, was lost. In that fearful moment when the advance of the enemy seemed to endanger her cause, she had dropped the hand of the infant Roderick, and in the confusion which followed he had strayed away.

It grew still darker. Something must be done, for Roderick Dhu feared the dark shadows of the night, and it was drawing near to that delicious hour when he was wont to lay his little head upon Maggie's devoted shoulder and start on his journey to Slumberland.

As she hurried past the deserted school-house, she bethought herself that she had forgotten to search that building.

Was that a light at the end of the hall? Probably the janitor, still at work.

Through the glass door Maggie peeped. She drew back in dismay. She had quite forgotten that this was the office of the despised principal. How the hot blood did pump itself up from her valiant heart, as she beheld the hated tyrant sitting in his chair, reading lamp by his side. What was that? Maggie's heart stopped pumping for very astonishment, for, snuggled close in the tyrant's arms, as comfortably as he ever lay in Maggie's own, was the recreant Roderick, looking up into the tyrant's face with the same fascinating good-night baby ways that Maggie loved. And the tyrant—the hated tyrant—Maggie's eyes almost swallowed up her face, they grew so large from looking, this same tyrant was smiling down into the baby eyes as he softly crooned a lullaby. The voice ceased singing, and the worried look that Maggie had noticed upon the face of the principal that morning, returned. The intuition of her sex, stimulated by a somewhat troubled conscience, told Maggie that the worried look was one for which she was responsible. As if fearful that she might be led to change her mind, she bolted into the room, planted herself in front of the astonished principal, and explained somewhat incoherently:

"Oh, sir, it was me that did it all! I stirred 'em up, I did. They'd never a one of 'em dared do it without; they said so themselves. And when the cops came, they'd everyone of 'em backed out, but I called 'em cowards. And it was then I lost the baby, and I wished I'd never been born before I ever heard of a strike or a union, sir. And then you found him, and cuddled him up for the night just as he likes to be cuddled, and I'm so sorry I made all the trouble, and you don't need to worry any more about the old strike, for I'll declare it all off to-morrow morning, and the kid that dares to stay away, I'll—I'll—"

and although Maggie's fervent voice and earnest eyes spoke volumes, the words were interrupted by a strange choking in her throat.

If the reporters could have looked into the Skelton school just then, they

would have found abundant material for a scoop, for the erstwhile leader of the strike, as the pent-up emotions of the day found vent in a veritable Niagara of tears, felt herself drawn close to the tyrant's side, her head resting upon his immaculate coat sleeve, as he tenderly wiped away the tears.

When interviewed the next day as to the settlement of the novel strike, the principal only smiled a quiet smile and said:

"Yes, the strike is settled, and I anticipate no further trouble. And the medium you ask? Well," and the principal thoughtfully stroked his mustache, "you can tell the public that it was accomplished through the medium of a board of arbitration, a very small board, weighing in the aggregate not over 60 pounds."

When pressed for details by the curious newspaper men, he pleaded urgent business engagements.

### EXPORTS TO SOUTH GROW

Sales of Argentina Will Be \$10,000,000 More This Year Than They Were Last.

Washington. — Commerce of the United States with Argentina aggregates over \$40,000,000 per annum and is growing very rapidly. In the fiscal year 1905, ending June 30, the total was \$39,000,000, in the calendar year 1905 the total was \$45,500,000 and in the eight months of the fiscal year 1906, for which the department of commerce and labor, through its bureau of statistics, has presented figures, the total of \$34,333,500 seems to justify the prediction that for the full fiscal year which ends June 30 it will reach \$50,000,000.

Notwithstanding the rapid growth in the trade of the United States with Argentina, the percentage of its imports supplied from this country is comparatively small, being but 13 per cent. of its total imports, while we supply 36 per cent. of the imports of Venezuela, 34 per cent. of those of Colombia, 29 per cent. of those of British Guiana, 25 per cent. of those of Ecuador, 18 per cent. of those of Peru and 15 per cent. of those of the Dutch West Indies. The South American countries whose percentages of imports from the United States are less than that of Argentina are: Brazil, which takes but 11 per cent. of her imports from us; Chile, 8½ per cent.; Uruguay, 8½ per cent.; Bolivia, 6.23 per cent., and Paraguay, 3½ per cent. The total imports of all South America are, in round terms, \$450,000,000, of which the United States supply about 13 per cent., and the total exports of all South America are \$630,000,000, of which the United States take about 22 per cent.

Naturally the United States take a small percentage of the exports of Argentina, since the products of that country for exportation are largely of the same character as those of the United States.

### BULLET FOR FRENCH DUELS

With Which Parisians Can Shoot at Each Other with Perfect Safety.

Paris.—Parisians have been enabled by the invention of a hollow bullet to "train" for duels under the realistic condition of shooting at and being shot at by a living man instead of practicing at an inanimate target which does not fire back.

Dr. Deirillers is the inventor and he has opened a club called "La Societe l'Assaut au Pistolet." Forty of the best "shoots" in Paris fired in pairs at one another one morning recently in the Jardin de Paris.

Of 272 shots fired 202 hits were recorded. Two participants each made full scores and in the final round shot each other over the heart. While all wore goggles and some padded blouses and gloves, one victor shot in his buttoned frock coat. The bullet is harmless and can be used several times, but the blow on the ball of the thumb of one of the contestants required surgical treatment.

The training is of unique value for a real duel. Men who never missed a "dead" target were quite disconcerted by the raising of their opponent's arm to fire.

### COXSWAINS ARE COURTEOUS

French and American Man-of-War's Men Bow Politely After Collision.

New York.—There was a slight collision in the fog in the North river the other day between the running boat of the American cruiser Colorado and the steam launch of the French flagship Marsellaise.

Filled with the spirit of courtesy the coxswain of either boat was profuse in his apology for having rubbed the paint off the side of the other.

Usually when men-of-war launches hammer into each other the air rings with the thickest of billingsgate, but the other day, following the collision, the coxswain of the French launch took off his sailor cap and bowed to the pilot of the American launch.

Home of the Palm. Malaga exports 4,000,000 palm leaf hats to New York annually.

**Physical Impossibility.**  
The House Cat—You're getting fat and apoplectic. I can see your finish.  
The Pug Dog (making an effort to turn his head, but giving up)—That's more than I can do, anyhow.—Chicago Tribune.

"De reason," said Uncle Eben, "why de elephant an' de mule figures so much in politics is dat one allus wants to be on parade an' de other is allus ready to kick."—Washington Star.

## INTERESTING LETTER

WRITTEN BY A NOTABLE WOMAN

Mrs. Sarah Kellogg of Denver, Color., Bearer of the Woman's Relief Corps, Sends Thanks to Mrs. Pinkham.



Mrs. Sarah Kellogg

The following letter was written by Mrs. Kellogg, of 1028 Lincoln Ave., Denver, Col., to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass.:  
Dear Mrs. Pinkham: For five years I was troubled with a tumor, which kept growing, causing me intense agony and great mental depression. I was unable to attend to my house work, and life became a burden to me. I was confined for days to my bed, lost my appetite, my courage and all hope.

"I could not bear to think of an operation, and in my distress I tried every remedy which I thought would be of any use to me, and reading of the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to sick women decided to give it a trial. I felt so discouraged that I had little hope of recovery, and when I began to feel better, after the second week, thought it only meant temporary relief; but to my great surprise I found that I kept gaining, while the tumor lessened in size."  
"The Compound continued to build up my general health and the tumor seemed to be absorbed, until, in seven months, the tumor was entirely gone and I a well woman. I am so thankful for my recovery that I ask you to publish my letter in newspapers, so other women may know of the wonderful curative powers of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

When women are troubled with irregular or painful periods, weakness, displacement or ulceration of the female organs, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation, backache, flatulence, general debility, indigestion or nervous prostration, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles.

No other medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female ills.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She is daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham and for twenty-five years under her direction and since her decease has been advising sick women free of charge. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

Remember that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing women, and don't allow any druggist to sell you anything else in its place.

## Girls' Help

At a certain age, all girls need the help of a pure, reliable, tonic medicine, to establish a regular habit, that it may remain with them through life. Much terrible suffering, in after years, is prevented, and sturdy health assured, by taking

## WINE OF CARDUI

WOMAN'S RELIEF  
at this critical time of life. "I gave Cardui to my young daughter," writes Geo. Maston, of Greenwood, Neb., "and now she is a rosy-cheeked girl, happy, light-hearted and gay." Strongly recommended for all female troubles. Try it.  
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EAT AT COLBY'S



**ABOUT HOLLYHOCKS.**

**How to Grow Them from Seed Instead of the Old-Fashioned Way from Cuttings.**

The old-fashioned way of increasing a stock of hollyhocks was by cuttings, that is, taking pieces of young shoots, consisting of two joints with lower leaves removed, and rooting them in fine soil in August. That is the only way of increasing a stock of any given variety, as the hollyhock does not come true from seed.

The July number of the Garden Magazine, however, advises growing from seed, as less troublesome than the tedious cutting method, and as securing very satisfactory results from the new and better varieties of to-day. Directions for this mode of propagation are given, and should be put in practice this month.

"Sow seeds in July in a drill one inch deep in a sunny, rich soil, leaving plenty of space between the seeds to allow the young plants to grow without crowding until the next spring—not less than four inches. The drills should be 18 inches apart, to permit cultivation either with the wheel cultivator or hand hoe. At the approach of winter protect the plants by a light covering of straw and leaves with the boards placed over all, both to hold the covering and to shed water. This is of course best done by having two boards joined together to form an inverted V. If it is desired to keep the colors separate, of course they must be labeled in the rows where sown; but if a mixed bed of hollyhocks is wanted it is far better to mix the seeds before sowing, for somehow or other it is hard to plant a mixed bed from separate colors—at least it is hard to get it done satisfactorily.

"When the covering is removed the following spring the plants will be in perfect condition to transplant to the positions they are to fill in the garden. When lifting them take great care to dig deep and secure intact the long, fleshy roots, as they are the standby of the plants during the stress of hot weather and drought. The reason why there are so many hollyhocks of only average quality seen, and so few really good ones, is that insufficient care is given to preparing the soil. The hollyhock is a plant that can hardly be overfed, and revels in a deep, rich soil. Double dig the place where they are to be planted and put a generous quantity of rich manure in the trench when refilling it; or feed freely all through the growing season with nitrate of soda, one-half ounce, and superphosphate and kainit, one-fourth ounce each, to two gallons of water. Give this once in three weeks.

"The all-outdoor cultivation of hollyhocks is far more simple than the old way of starting them under glass and, moreover, gives us plants with stronger constitution. Treated in this way as a biennial, it will give better results than when grown as a perennial."

**Commencement Pudding.**

Soak one-half package of gelatine in a g.l. of water for three hours, then pour over it one-half pint of boiling water. Add one and one-half cupsful of sugar and allow both sugar and gelatine to become thoroughly dissolved by placing the bowl in a dish of boiling water and stirring the mixture. Add next one cupful of orange juice, strain and set away to cool. When it begins to thicken add the unbeaten whites of eight eggs, place the bowl in ice water and beat until thick. Pour into molds to harden and serve with a custard made as follows: Two-thirds of a cupful of sugar in one-half cupful of milk in the double boiler, add the grated rind of one orange and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Beat up the yolks of the eggs used in the pudding, add to them one-third of a cupful of milk. Pour this into the hot milk, beat and boil five minutes in the double boiler.

**Converts in Sumatra.**

rom Sumatra, the Rhenish missionary society reports a year of harvest such as it has never before seen. The number of pagans baptized during the year was 4,712, besides 136 Mohammedans. The total of Christians is now 61,764. In 307 schools 14,519 boys and girls are under instruction.

**Oxidized Mummy.**

A miner who lost his life 2,000 years ago was taken from a copper mine in Chile recently. Copper oxide had mummified his whole body.

**Care Free.**

"Prehistoric man was very ignorant; he did not know how to build a house or dam a river."

"He had the advantage of us."

"I'd like to know how?"

"He did not have to live in a flit and damn a janitor.—Houston Post

**Retorted.**

He—Do you think it would be foolish of me to marry a girl who was my inferior intellectually?

She—More than foolish—impossible.—Courier Journal

**CHILD'S AWFUL SKIN HUMOR**

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**GOTHAM GRIST.**

In New York city there is one policeman to each 459 persons.

New York's cemeteries, with their 2,155 acres of land, are sufficient for the burial of the city's dead, at the present death rate, for 150 years.

Since Peter Minuit, in 1624, bought Manhattan island from the Indians for \$24 in merchandise, there has been a daily average of 39 persons arriving in the territory now known as New York city.

If the sewers of New York city were placed end to end in a straight line they would reach from here to Pike's Peak, 1,710 miles; and the paved streets of the city would make a road along one side of them all the way.

If the wind that blew over New York city in one week recently should continue its way, at its average velocity, it would make the circuit of the earth and be back there the last week in August, for it moved at the rate of nine miles an hour.

**DOES YOUR BACK ACHE?**

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**Bad Effect of Athletics.**

"This man," explained the hospital doctor, "is the victim of athletics." "Ah, overtrained, I suppose." "No, he never trained a bit. The fellow who hit him had, though."—Philadelphia Ledger.

**Never Fails.**

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**Only Rich in Embryo Yet.**

The Bud—How did you get your start in life, senator? The Senator—Why—er—I haven't really got started yet, you know. I am only worth \$10,000,000 as yet.—Judge.

Dignity is a convenient thing with which to compliment deserving dullness.—Puck.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

A tennis suit should be tried in open court.

**"HE RAN FOR LAWYER."**

**But There Was a Doubt as to Whether He Had Ever Caught the Office.**

A man from Pennsylvania went to Vineland on a business errand. The town was strange to him, and he was unacquainted with the man (a lawyer) he had gone to see. The directions he received were so indefinite that he found himself on the edge of the town without having come to the house he sought. Then he met an old negro and asked the way of him and learned that the house lay about a quarter of a mile farther down the road.

"The man I want to see is a lawyer," he said to the old man. "Is this Mr. Dash down the road a lawyer?"

"He ain't no lawyer that I ever heard tell of," answered the negro. "You're sure?"

The old negro scratched his head in deep thought. Then a gleam of remembrance lighted his eye.

"Now I think of it, boss," he said. "pears like I do recollect he ran for lawyer one time."

**"Many Good—One Best."**

So many Oils and Liniments are advertised it is hard to decide which to buy. I tried a number before using Hunt's Lightning Oil. After using it once, however, I realized I had found the best there was, and it was useless to look further. If it fails it's "all off." No other liniment will hit the spot if Hunt's Lightning Oil fails.

C. G. Young, Oswego, Kansas.

Lloyd George, now a member of the British cabinet, was addressing a meeting in Wales, and his chairman said: "I have to introduce you to the member of Carnarvon boroughs. He has come here to reply to what the bishop of St. Asaph said the other night about Welsh disestablishment. In my opinion, gentlemen, the bishop of St. Asaph is one of the biggest liars in creation; but he has his match in Lloyd George."

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"Yes. What would you do about it?"

"Well, if I were you, I'd make it a point always to tell the truth when he's around.—Catholic Standard.

**Different Kinds.**

"A man in politics should have lots of friends, shouldn't he?"

"It depends," answered Senator Sorghum, "on whether they are friends who want to do something for you or who want you to do something for them."—Washington Star.

**Still Spiteful.**

Her—Yes, she married him to spite another girl.

Him—But why did she divorce him?

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"What for?"

"Cause mother and father don't like our new neighbors."—Washington Star.

**Too Much So.**

"Why do you call that ferocious bulldog of your 'cy?"

"Because when he once attaches himself to a person he clings to one so."—Baltimore American.

**Innovation in Oregon.**

Some palefaces recently from the east have been putting up fly screen doors to their houses. The next thing we know we will be having flies on the bay.—North Bend Harbor.

**Hard to Shut Up.**

"Putting a parrot in a strong cage," remarked the Observer of Events and Things, "doesn't shut the bird up altogether."—Yonkers Statesman.



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**Marconi Anticipated.**

An Egyptologist and an Assyriologist were disputing about the relative advancement of the two ancient peoples whom they were studying.

"Why, sir," cried the Egyptologist, "we find remains of wires in Egypt, which prove they understood electricity!"

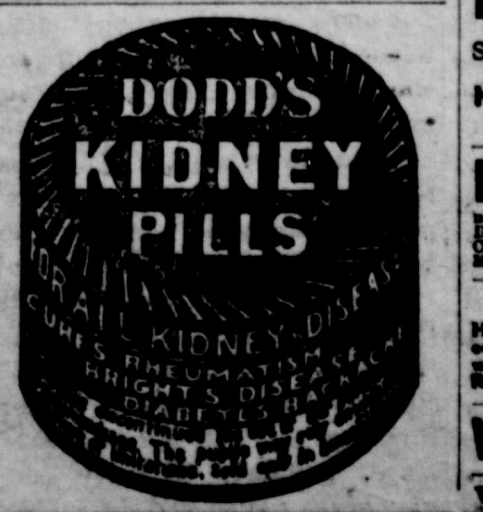
"Pshaw!" answered the Assyriologist, "we don't find any wires in Assyria, and that shows that they understood wireless telegraphy!"—Stray Stories.

**Best He Could Say.**

"What do you think of these peep-a-boo shirtwaists the girls are wearing?"

"Well, they're almost clothes."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"As near as I kin make de difference out," said Uncle Eben, "it's dis way. De speculations dat wins is investments, an' dem dat loses is gamblin'."—Washington Star.



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SEVERAL months ago the business men of our little city went in together and had a lot of folders printed descriptive of our town and its industries for the purpose of enclosing in letters, and thus get our town before the world in a favorable way. To a certain extent, the good these little folders have done can already be felt. If nothing more, it shows that our business men are progressive and are proud of the town. Following is an extract of a letter to Lewis & Irwin, from a commission merchant of Chicago:

"I note the circular which you enclosed in your letter, covering the industries of your place. I would like very much indeed, to be able to visit you and I think the coming fall I will take an extended trip to Arkansas, Texas and one or two other southwestern states, and become personally acquainted with the associations. You certainly have adopted a trade mark that is unquestionably original. I have never heard of 'The biggest town of its size in Texas' before—I never heard it stated that way."

SEVERAL of our exchanges have editorials that sound very much alike. They must be written by D. S. Swift, or C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys.

IT IS NOW admitted that the governor's race is between Bell, the conservative candidate, and Campbell, the radical candidate. Take your choice between the two.

Considering the disadvantages under which Albert Luker has to labor—(he's printer, editor and devil)—he is turning out the best paper in the state. The Messenger is always chock full of county news and is printed as clean as new money.—Houston County Times.

Thanks, Bro. Times. We are sure the public will bear with us while we bow our head to blush—for we certainly have one coming. But we will not take all the credit—our printer must have what's coming to him, for he has helped considerably to make the Messenger what it is.

WE DO NOT believe Lanham has any right whatever to dictate to the people who shall be his successor. But this is what he is doing. He has been supporting Judge Bell for quite a while and has done and is still doing everything in his power to nominate this man. Lanham was afraid to leave his candidate with the voters, so when the special session of the legislature convened, he set about to defeat the thing which our people were clamoring for. The defeating of the blanket primary, necessitates a nomination by convention, and the "machine" in Texas is so powerful, the friends of other candidates have got to act with good judgement, else the corporation's candidate be nominated.

AN IMPROVEMENT that has recently been made is the saw dust walk extending from the livery stable to the Dr. Woodard building. There will come a time some day when this old sandbed will be a thing of the past, and good clay roads will be here instead. Front street could be clayed at a small expense, and get this much out of the way.

**Things That Pester Us.**

We have been pestered more or less all our life about first one thing or another. As a small boy we were pestered about having to wash our face of cold mornings before breakfast, and having the toe itch at night, and having to wait for the second table when we had company at our house. Then as a young man we were grieved and "pestered" about our whiskers being of a deep chestnut sorrel color and also about the persistent efforts of the north half of our Prince Albert coat to hang six inches lower than the south half.

Then after we got married we were pestered about losing our hair, and having to get up of cold nights and walk about seventeen and a half miles while holding a colicky first-born at arms length to the tune of rock-a-bye-baby.

We finally drifted into the newspaper business and thought that our trials were o'er, but the first day we tackled the job we succeeded in sticking a pen through our left ear and got our whiskers stained a dark navy blue. But one of the worst things to pester us since we became an editor is our printing press. The press has pestered us every way it could think of. The first time we came near it, it tore a diagonal plug out of our pants, and it seems to take a delight in biting holes in our editorials and chewing the rhyme out of our poetry. We are not the only one that is distasteful to our press, for just last week while our devil was standing close to it singing "Everybody Works but Father," it turned loose and kicked him on his stomach with all its might. Now, what did the press want to kick our devil for? Was it because he was singing "Everybody Works but Father" or was it for pure cussidness? We have about concluded that there is no place this side of New Jerusalem where a man will not be pestered.

However, there is one consolation in this reflection that no one thing has a monopoly on the pestering business, and in just a few days the house fly will be on hand to use our bald heads for toboggan slides and the little gnat will be here to crawl up our nostrils and make us sneeze in church.—Joe Sappington.

**Got Her Rhetoric Mixed.**

She was newly married and did not know a little about either house keeping or shopping and was giving her first order at a grocery. It was a crusher; the clerk, a clever man, could interpret them easily. "I want two pounds paralyzed sugar," she began. "Yes'm anything else?" "Two cans of condemned milk." "Yes'm. He put down pulverized sugar and condensed milk." "A bag of fresh salt and be sure it is fresh." "Yes'm anything more, madam? We have some nice horse radish just in." "No" she said, "it wouldn't be of any use to us we don't keep a horse. Then the clerk sat down and fanned himself with a washboard although the temperature was freezing.—Ex.

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Grapeland, Texas

**Crockett Locals.**

Miss Carry LeGory and aunt, Mrs. Lucinda Long, are spending a few weeks at Mineral Wells for the benefit of Mrs. Long's health.

Roy Dupree of Oakhurst was in Crockett yesterday and today. W. T. Clark of Mineral Wells is in Crockett for a few days.

Mrs. M. E. McClure of Alto is visiting her mother, Mrs. Goolsby, this week.

Mrs. W. F. Hatchell of Hermosillo, Mexico, is on a visit to relatives in the city.

Hon. John A. Beall, formerly of Henderson, but now a citizen of Dallas, was in Crockett a few days this week.

Mrs. John Wood of Groveton is the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. B. Harkins.

Prof. W. King, superintendent of the Palestine schools, is in Crockett for a few days.

Dr. H. J. Cunyus and family of Abilene have returned to Crockett for a visit. Dr. Cunyus is in poor health.

J. W. Hail has returned from a business trip to San Antonio.

Mrs. Dr. Collum of Kennard Mills was a guest of Mrs. E. Winfree for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Norris of Groveton were in Crockett this week for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Phillips of Groveton are visiting Mrs. Phillips' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kelley.

**Time Won't Wait.**

The flow of time never ceases. From the cradle, through a few brief years, to the grave; a lifetime, in which has been accomplished—what?

What did you accomplish last year? Did you add to your knowledge? Did you win advancement? Did you make your pay grow?

"Hadn't time"—nonsense. Thousands, working as many hours as you, learned, advanced, bettered their pay.

The spare moments you wasted they used in study. You knew they were studying while you were having what you thought a good time.

It wasn't time you lacked, but application.

Time didn't have to wait for the young man that got the promotion in the shop where you work.

He had made the most of time. He had made himself ready for the job ahead of him, and he got it.

Soon he'll be ready for a still

better job.

Meanwhile, what about you? Time won't wait, remember. If you want to get ahead study today.—Ambition.

**Picnic Program.**

The committee appointed to arrange the program for the second annual picnic of the Farmers Union, submit the following:

N. S. Herod, master of ceremonies.

1st. March, with music.

2nd. Song, led by W. R. Campbell.

3rd. Address of welcome by J. F. Garrett.

4th. Music, conducted by F. A. Lively.

5th. Speech by O. P. Pyle of Mineola.

6th. Music. Dinner.

1st. Music.

2nd. Speech by J. F. Sloan of Madison County.

3rd. Music.

4th. Miscellaneous.

Respectfully,

F. A. Lively

N. S. Herod

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Mr. Mike McCarty of Porter Springs was in the city this week visiting his brother, Dr. W. D. McCarty.

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**Birth Reception.**

Editor Messenger:

One of the most pleasant social functions the writer has had the opportunity of attending, was on last Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Spence, the occasion being the joint twenty-first birth reception of Jack E. Spence and Albert H. Luker.

About thirty-six young people assembled at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Spence to do honor to the young men who have now discarded the mantle of boyhood and entered into man's estate, and the pleasures of the evening will long be remembered by the guests.

Miss Callie Spence assisted the young men in entertaining, and nothing was omitted to make the guests have a good time.

The parlor and dining hall were beautifully decorated, the colors used being pink and white. Refreshments served at intervals consisted of ice cream, nabiscos and cherries; sliced watermelon.

At a late hour the guests departed for their homes, expressing to host and hostess their sincere thanks for the pleasures of the evening, and wishing the young men many happy returns of the day.

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John H Ellis  
For Tax Collector

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Oscar C Goodwin

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J J Collier  
For Sheriff

A W Phillips  
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For District Clerk

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An Irish couple were awakened in the middle of the night by a terrific thunder storm. After a particularly heavy crash the wife cried: "Och, Pathrick. hiven help us; it's the Day of Judgment that do be upon us! We'll all die sure."

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A Mississippi farmer will have cause to remember his recent visit to Memphis, says an exchange. He stopped at a well known cafe and among other things ordered a sirloin steak. A bottle of tobasco sauce was on the table and mistaking it for catsup he spread it quite lavishly on the steak and settled down to enjoy the meal. He cut off a big piece, but no sooner had it struck his mouth than he began to feel like his tongue was on fire. He twisted and turned and soon had the eyes of everybody in the dining room fastened on him. The more he twisted and screwed his face the hotter the steak in his mouth got. He didn't know what was the matter. He could stand it no longer, and reaching up his hand he jerked out the burning bite and threw it on the floor and in a very dramatic way exclaimed: "Now, gurn yer, blaze!"

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R. J. Mayher, No. 406 South Clark St., Chicago, writes as follows:

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### Old Chronic Sores.

As a dressing for old chronic sores there is nothing so good as Chamberlain's Salve. While it is not so advisable to heal old sores entirely, they should be kept in a good condition, for which this salve is especially valuable. For sore nipples Chamberlain's Salve has no superior. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Several ship loads of railroad rails have recently been unearthed in Liberty county by a Houston firm that had purchased the mineral right to the land. Inquiry into the matter reveals the fact that the rich deposit had been received from Scotland by wealthy planters who contemplated the construction of a railroad to Dallas in the pioneer days of this country. The war came on and the promoters were killed, wounded and bankrupted until nothing more was thought of the enterprise until the recent discovery. The rails were hand made and manufactured of a superior grade of steel, and they are estimated to be as good as new. At the time of their receipt they were unloaded on the bank of the river which was of a deep quick sand soil and the great weight forced into the ground to a depth of thirty feet, and all trace of it had been lost.—Center Champion.

### Stimulation Without Irritation

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# The Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor.

GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

## Kind of Men Needed.

If one were to go to the president of the United States and ask him to name the country's greatest need, he would reply in his quick, conclusive way: "Clean men." He knows, says the Delineator. Smart men there are by the thousands; rich men abound more than in any other age of the world; able men are found in every state and township, but even from a population of 80,000,000 the chief executive has difficulty in finding the man of exceptional character for a post which requires a square and flawless morality. It is to his credit that he misses no opportunity to preach manhood. But neither presidents nor preachers nor teachers can do the work of fathers except in their own families. We do not mean to underestimate the marvelous influence of the mother. In most lands men who reach success give their mothers the credit. "All that I am I owe to my mother," said Lincoln. "It was you who taught me to write so. You really did, dear mother," said the crabbed Carlyle. We get our moral qualities from our mothers, our mental from our fathers, say the physiologists, and as we look back we find this maternal affection the loveliest thing on earth. But isn't there a conviction down deep in our souls that we should have done much better if our fathers had taken time and trouble to share our confidences in the years that counted most?

## Some Dogs Are Lucky.

A big touring car rolled up to the entrance of a roadside "hotel" over in Jersey one day lately with two men in the front seat and two women and a beautiful cocker spaniel in the tonneau. One of the men ordered some drinks for the party, and as they sat refreshing themselves, relates the New York Press, the spaniel made it known that he also was thirsty. "He wants a drink," cooed one of the women. "Well, how about it?" remarked the man who was driving the machine to the German waiter. "Wait a minute," replied that functionary, and he disappeared behind the swinging doors leading to the barroom. Presently he emerged carrying a tin drink shaker filled with water. The cocker barked his appreciation and scrambled up on the seat nearest to the point where the waiter was holding the tin vessel. When the dog had finished drinking one of the women opened her purse and handed the waiter a half dollar. He made more out of that order than his employer had for the other drinks. Not so bad to be a waiter sometimes.

It is the opinion of an eastern contemporary that every sign of the times indicates that the people of America are advancing to a higher ethical plane. Things that heretofore have been tolerated are now condemned. The ancient excuse that others have done it—that it is the way of the world—is less accepted. The big corporation must show greater rectitude of conduct than was displayed by individuals in the old days. From those to whom much power have been given correspondingly more is required. As wealth has increased a new burden is laid upon it. It must carry it or else suffer the consequences that inevitably follow failure to do that which society demands.

An Oklahoma historian raises the question whether men of the European race saw that country before John Smith landed at Jamestown. Doubtless they did not, since De Soto did not go so far west and Coronado hardly so far east. But the white man has been making up for lost time by getting into the garden patch of America with both feet, and to the number of nearly 1,000,000 in the last 16 years. And he is there to increase and multiply.

Justice Gould, of Washington, in sentencing a man to be hanged, named Tuesday, October 30, as the day of execution. "I see no reason," remarked his honor after court had adjourned, "why Friday should be hangman's day exclusively. Friday is as good a day as any other, and I do not wish to put the slightest opprobrium upon it."

Mr. Gladstone knew how to admit that he was in the wrong. On one occasion he did so, candidly and handsomely, as became a gentleman. But he preferred to keep clear of the necessity for apologies and had scant belief in their efficacy.

# WHAT TO DO WITH THE QUEEN OF MOONSHINERS PUZZLES U. S. OFFICIALS

## Authorities Feel They Must Have Recourse to Strenuous Action to Restrain Betsy Simms.

## YOUNG, FEARLESS, AND IDOL OF OUTLAWS

### In Prison for Dealing in Whisky That Had Paid No Revenue, She Severely Cuts Jailer in Attempt to Escape—Three Indictments Now Against Her.

Much as has been written of the ways and doings of the mountaineers of North Carolina, any person at all familiar with the lives of the inhabitants of that romantic region cannot but feel that the half has not been told.

Loyal to a degree that holds life worth nothing if a friend can be served, an enemy punished or a traitor put to death, the mountaineer is typical of a state of existence the world has long outgrown.

The average man of more sedate temperament and cooler blood leaves the avenging of his wrongs to courts of law and the judgment of his fellows, but in the mountains each man is a court of law unto himself, and is not satisfied with the slow methods of justice with which other communities are conversant.

It has been found a matter of monumental difficulty to impress upon these people that there is wrong in the making of "moonshine" whisky. To them the product of the corn they grow is theirs, whether it is converted into the stuff of life or the delectable liquid of the worm and still. The efforts of the "revenuers" to put a stop to the distilling of the juice of the corn necessarily, therefore, are not looked upon with favor, and conflicts with the officers of the law are frequent. Just now the federal officials have a complication to deal with which is more than usually knotty.

"Queen" New in Jail. "The best-looking gal in the mountains!" Betsy Sims, "Queen of the Moonshiners," is languishing in the big and lonesome jail at Columbus; the high-up little mountain town which is the county seat of Polk, one of the smallest and most isolated of the North Carolina counties. What to do with her is the problem puzzling the authorities.

Betsy, though only 22, is as daring and well-versed a woman, both in the ways of making whisky and of sell-

ing it, as one could find in that wild country, even in a full day's ride, and she is as pretty as she is adroit and daring, with a killing pair of eyes, bright and well-filled cheeks and hair which defies conventionalities. Betsy has had no little figure in Polk county since she was 16, for even at that early age she began her work as a seller of contraband whisky. She made herself such a figure, in fact, that even the older moonshiners began to look up to her and in their rude way to idolize the plucky girl, who had been bred all her life to think the selling of whisky was an act of the very best sort, and that the "revenuers" were a race of people who deserved only death and who were sent out as oppressors of the people. Such is the faith which is literally the backbone of Betsy's point of view, and that of her moonshiner companions, who make corn whisky in the shaded and well-hidden hollows in the mountains, through which run streams whose waters are always just cool enough to give the distillery worms the right touch.

## Capture of Betsy.

Betsy has year by year become more and more daring, and more beautiful. A few months ago she became extremely bold in her sales of whisky, going to and from the stills, sometimes alone, and sometimes with male companions. Finally the state authorities decided it was time to stop her, so they sent three deputy sheriffs for Betsy. The deputies had the good fortune to find her, on foot, and very near the South Carolina line, which she knows perfectly well. When she saw the three deputies coming, she knew they were not her friends, and made a bold dash for the line. As a sprinter she is a success, and her running was like that of the Grecian girls who competed in the ancient Olympian games. The deputies did not stop to admire, however, but gave chase and dashed across the state line, coming up with and taking hold of the stout and charming Betsy about a hundred yards over in South Carolina.

Betsy was nearly out of breath from the run, but had voice enough left to give a signal, which brought out of the thick bushes near by five

in hand, and while they fingered these, they parleyed with the detaining deputies, letting them understand that they were willing to pay cash for Betsy's appearance in "cot." and that they were "willin" to put up \$25 in greenbacks if Betsy could be set free now and 'pear at Columbus next term.

## Deputies Made Terms.

The deputies thought it wise to temporize, and decided to take the cash, which the moonshiners gallantly put up, and Betsy retired with them, looking back archly at the officers, her charming eyes sparkling with defiance and the roses in her cheeks deepening until they were like peonies. Her face was framed in a pink sunbonnet of the type which is worn on week days by all the mountain girls.

Betsy did not let her daring and her adventures end with her capture, but the very next day her moonshiner friends showed up with \$150, they having sold a horse for that sum. There was a "big meetin'" not far away, and it was thought it would be a good time to buy an extra lot of

mountaineer with a knife, and "glittin' off light," as the other side of the case put it. Betsy was put on the second floor of the jail, this prisoner whose name is Chalmers, being on the floor above. A rather rude flight of steps leads from the second to the third floors, through a well-locked trap-door of wood.

## How She Broke Jail.

The weather was cool, and there was a fire in Betsy's room. She did not feel equal to the task of getting out of jail unaided, so she sought the companionship of Chalmers. They talked to each other, commonplace while the jailer was anywhere within hearing, but business when he was out of the way, the business being the best means of getting out. Betsy was the more resourceful of the two, and so, taking a "chunk of fire," she went up the stairway and set fire to the trap-door, burning a hole therein, through which Chalmers descended. He and Betsy, after passing the compliments of the day, for they were acquainted, decided on the mode of action, and then Chalmers fell to work to make a hole through the side of the jail, while



whisky, and so it came about that then and during the remainder of the month of April Betsy sold nine barrels of the stuff, some of it in Polk county, some in Rutherford, and some over the line in South Carolina. But, although she kept in touch with her business all the while, she showed up at the term of Polk county superior court the second week in May, escorted always by a party of her moonshiner friends. She wore a different dress and a different hat on each of three days, this being the most important event in her existence to date.

## Got Cases Continued.

There were three indictments against her, but she contrived, on one plea of another, and by means of a tremendous lot of swearing by moonshiner friends, to get the case continued, always putting up a cash bond for appearance. She thus invested \$200. Then the attention of the judge was directed more particularly toward her, and he found the extent of her work, and the damage she was doing in parts of two states, in her open violations of the law. She must have felt in the very air that something was wrong, for when the judge took his seat on the morning of the fourth day Betsy failed to show up. The judge issued a bench warrant for her, and she was found at the home of a moonshiner not far from the little town, brought back and tried, and the judge decided to make an example of the bold young creature by sending her to jail at Columbus for four months.

## Astonished the Moonshiners.

The moonshiners were simply paralyzed by the sentence, for some of them thought that Betsy bore a charmed life, so to speak, and one of them, in an outburst of admiration, had said on the third day that she would "come clear," and that "no judge an' no jury can tech her, in my min'." But Betsy had not quite reached the limit of her resources. The jail at Columbus is an old-fashioned barn of a structure, three stories high and of brick, and is generally slimly tenanted. It happened that when Betsy first entered its walls a man was there on his way to the penitentiary to serve 12 months for the practice of the gentle art of manslaughter, he having in some kind of mix-up slain a fellow-

Betsy made a rope out of blankets and bedding, and arranged such goods and chattels as she had with her in shape for quick removal. Chalmers, with true gallantry, decided that it was best for him to go through the hole first, thus testing the latter, and, incidentally, the rope below. Out he got and fitted away.

## Nearly Vanquishes Jailer.

Betsy was going, too, but as she was half-way through the hole she felt the rude hands of the jailer upon her, and was hauled back into the room. This aroused her fighting instinct to the limit, and like a Honess she sprang upon the jailer, who had a bad quarter of an hour, for not only was Betsy a good wrestler, but a star hair-puller and scratcher. Not satisfied with these accomplishments, she whipped out a knife and cut the jailer five times. He was compelled to knock her down and then to tie her hands and feet.

The matter was at once reported to the judge, who ordered that she be placed in the strongest cell and closely watched, and at the next term of court she will be indicted for an assault with intent to kill, not to speak of another indictment for attempt to escape. Some of her moonshiner friends have in a quiet way made threats that she will not stay in jail long, but the county authorities say they can hold her.

Betsy's exploit in the jail has given her an added importance and value among her associates.

## Poor Marksman in Mexico.

A recent unfortunate occurrence in army circles in Mexico indicates that marksmanship may be still further developed to advantage. It seems that a common soldier attacked a fellow soldier with a razor. A general mix-up resulted and a lieutenant ran to the scene. Fortunately he was armed with a pistol. He drew it and fired at the malcontent, but, as it happened, missed him altogether and killed an innocent bugler who was looking on. This only made the affair livelier, and at last one strong fellow pinioned the ruffian. Thereupon a sentinel, who had caught on from his post, fired away, and hit in the breast the brave man who had the ugly one down.



# LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

For Years Senator Gorman Leader on Democratic Side--Place Difficult to Fill--Practical Joke of "Dave" Culberson.



WASHINGTON.—A wide gap was made in the Democratic ranks in the senate when Arthur Pue Gorman, of Maryland, died a few days ago. There have been few more forceful characters among the Democrats in that body. He grew up with the senate; knew all its traditions and regarded it as the greatest legislative body in the world. For many years Mr. Gorman was the real, as well as titular, leader on the Democratic side of the senate. It was his genius that thought out political schemes and it was his management that secured for the Democrats the most there was in the situation. His place will be difficult to fill, as there are few men of his temperament and sagacity now on the minority side of the senate.

Mr. Gorman was almost born to the senate, as he first took service there at the age of 13. His rise from the humblest position in the senate, that of page, to the highest, that of leader of his party on the floor, is another illustration of the possibilities ahead of young America. He always had an ambition to be a senator even when he scurried around the chamber as a little page running errands for the senators. He was a protegee of Stephen A. Douglass and learned his first political lessons from that distinguished man. By attention to his duties Mr. Gorman in 14 years that he was employed by the senate, became in turn a messenger and assistant bookkeeper, assistant postmaster and then postmaster of the senate.

## THE CULBERSONS, FATHER AND SON.



Senator Culberson inherits his phlegmatic temperament from his father, the late judge or as he was better known "Dave," Culberson who for more than a score of years was a member of the house from Texas. Old man Culberson was one of the rich and rare characters in the house, a man of great ability but averse to exercising it unless absolutely pushed into a contest. In his later years of service he was regarded as the nestor of young Democrats in the house and they all went to "Uncle Dave" for advice which he freely gave. The old man, however, was an inveterate practical joker and some of the young fellows had cause to repent following his advice at times.

A few years ago a young man came to the house from Alabama named Jesse Stallings. He was very anxious to make a name for himself by some fine oratorical effort on the floor. He asked Mr. Culberson to give him some suggestions and let him know when it was advisable for him to "butt in," as it were, in debate. One day Gen. Bingham, of Philadelphia, was in charge of a big appropriation bill in which there were some strong provisions in the interest of the old soldiers. Culberson called Stallings to his seat and said:

"There's your chance, Jesse. You hear Bingham talking about the old soldier? You just ask him what right he has to do so. Why he kept a grocery store in Philadelphia during the war and never smelled powder?"

This was Stallings' opportunity, and as soon as he got recognition he started the house by addressing Gen. Bingham thus: "What right have you to champion the old soldier? You who never smelled powder except as you sold it over a store counter? Let some man who has been to the front take up their cause."

Here the house burst into a roar of laughter and Gen. Bingham, who was laughing louder than anyone else, walked over to Stallings with the congressional directory in his hand and pointed to his splendid war record as he said: "Somebody has been putting up a job on you, Stallings."

## FLOODING CONGRESS WITH PETITIONS.



When John Quincy Adams retired from the presidency and took up service in the house of representatives one of his greatest achievements was to preserve to the people the right of petition. There was a disposition on the part of some members of congress to shut off this right, but through the efforts of Mr. Adams the privilege was retained and has been enjoyed ever since. Mr. Adams little thought at the time he was fighting for this right it would in the future be lightly regarded and used really as a franchise for a business enterprise. There has been established right here in Washington agencies that undertake to flood congress with petitions on almost any subject. They send out letters to parties interested in public measures and offer "to circularize the country by letter or wire" for so much money.

Speaker Cannon probably receives more petitions than any other man, not excepting the president. Appeals are made to him as the one potent factor in legislation. When these machine-made petitions come pouring in "Uncle Joe" scarcely gives them a thought, but when a letter or a telegram bearing the stamp of individuality reaches him he is sure to give it his consideration. The telegram form of petition is overworked also, and when 200 or 300 couched in exactly the same language reach the speaker from different portions of the country he knows at once that they have been inspired from the same source and are probably paid for by one man. This destroys their efficacy.

## THE SUICIDE OF REPRESENTATIVE ADAMS.



The recent suicide of Representative Adams, of Pennsylvania, is the first instance, so far as is known, of a member of the house taking his own life. A few years ago Representative Chickering, of New York, was found lifeless on the sidewalk outside a hotel in New York city having fallen from his bedroom window. It was always a doubt whether he fell by accident or threw himself out with suicidal intent. There was no doubt, however, about "Bertie" Adams' act and it stands unique in the history of congress. Away back in war times Senator Lane, of Kansas, committed suicide during a recess of congress, but aside from his case and that of Mr. Adams there is no authentic record of any other member of either house having taken his own life.

The deliberation with which Mr. Adams went about his suicide is still the wonder of his associates in Washington. He was the last man on earth who would have been suspected of contemplating such an act. He was the last man also who anybody would have thought had the nerve to decide upon this act before hand. His whole life here in Washington had been of such a butterfly character and so at odds with the gruesome idea of shooting his brains out, that the first report of his suicide could scarcely be credited. It was not believed he had the courage to fire a bullet into his head.

In the opinion of Speaker Cannon and many who knew Mr. Adams his suicide was an extraordinary courageous thing to do. He had exhausted all there was in life, was a bankrupt and was slated for defeat in seeking a renomination and was threatened with cancer. He had nobody dependent upon him and nothing evidently to live for; so that he was not shirking any responsibilities in shuffling off this mortal coil. Looking at it in this way his friends consider that their old associate displayed real courage in taking himself out of the way.

## FARMER AND PLANTER

### FEEDING WORK ANIMALS.

A Few Suggestions as to Feeding and Caring for Animals During the Busy Season.

Now that the season of planting, cultivating and harvesting, and later on of gathering and housing, is with us, it may not be out of place to say something as to how farm animals should be fed during this busy season of hard work and hot suns.

It may be safely stated in the outset that more than three-fourths of the deaths of farm horses, not counting old age, are caused from injudicious feeding that produces colic, or some of the sympathetic diseases, of like nature, caused directly or indirectly either by the manner of feeding or the quality of the food given. If the plowman will feed his horse (or mule) as he feeds himself it would be a pretty safe rule to go by, for neither man nor beast feels like or is capable of doing hard work immediately after eating a full meal. It is cruel to require a horse to perform hard work on an empty stomach, and it is dangerous to make him do it when his stomach is full. It is even more dangerous to him than it is to the man, for his stomach, in proportion to his size, is smaller than the man's. A farm horse (or mule) in the working season should be fed regularly three times a day, morning, noon and night. His breakfast and noonday meals should be of concentrated food, such as will give him the greatest strength in the least volume, and there is nothing better for this than corn and oats, corn preferably because it is cheaper, and if he is fed in the morning two hours before going to work, he might be given a little hay, for while it takes corn only two hours to digest, it takes three for hay, and for this reason it should not be fed to them at noon, which should be the lightest meal of the day. At night he should be given a full feed of corn or oats, with all the hay he will clean up. It is an evil practice some farmers have of combining the night and morning feeds into one by putting in enough corn and hay at night to answer for the morning feed also. This is an indolent, extravagant and dangerous habit. It may give the man an hour or two more sleep in the morning, but he pays dearly for it in the waste of feed, for much of the hay that is not eaten is mouthed over, and in hot weather partially soured by morning, so that the horse, having gorged himself the night before, will not eat it, goes to work without his breakfast, and at noon is in condition to bolt his food like a half-starved man, without chewing it, followed by indigestion and colic, and a horse that once has colic is more susceptible to it afterwards than one never affected in this way.

As a rule no hay should be fed at all at noon, but an excellent substitute is a bundle of fodder. It is light, cooling and refreshing, not bulky in the stomach, and most acceptable to the animal on hot days. No horse should be fed when he is very hot. It is as liable to cause indigestion as he is to founder when allowed to fill himself with cold water under the same conditions. There should be an interval of twenty or thirty minutes between the time he stops work and getting his feed, which should be given to him at regular intervals.

If farm horses are properly fed and cared for there is no reason why they should not keep in good condition throughout the season, for there is no work on the farm sufficiently hard to reduce them in flesh if they are given proper attention; but, as a rule, when the season is over they are very low in flesh, with unsightly sores on shoulders and backs, presenting a marked contrast to the city draft horse whose seasons are never over, who works every day, Sunday excepted, rain or shine, year in and year out, doing harder work and more of it, yet all in good, hard flesh, with a sleek, glossy hide, and not a scar on him. The reason for this difference between the two animals is one gets proper feed and attention at the proper time and the other does not. One is acquainted with a curry-comb and brush, the other would run away at the sight of either. One is owned by a merchant who had to buy his horse and buy his feed; the other is owned by a farmer who raised his horse and raised his feed and does not count the cost of either.—Southern Agriculturist.

**Paste This in Your Hat.**  
Buy a farm, young man. No matter how small it may be, buy a farm and prepare it so that your land will provide you a living. Twenty years from now the man that owns his farm will be independent and will have at his command the means of a livelihood. The expansion of manufacturing can not go on forever, and there will come a day in this country, as there has in others, when the supply will exceed the demand, and the only absolutely sure occupation will be farming. Buy a farm while one may be had.—Charlotte People's Paper.

## FROM A ONE-MULE FARM.

An Illustration of What Can Be Accomplished by Intelligent Farming.

The following communication is sent us by Mr. Raymond L. Griffiss, 35 Wall street, New York, whose experience as president of the Southern Immigration society has brought him into close touch with the agricultural problems of the south and with the possibilities which that section offers to immigrants. Mr. Griffiss adds that he can prove every word of his story (we do not doubt it, for we know what can be done in the south), and offers to send the name of the "King" of the little "Kingdom" and other information in regard to what has been done by others to any who will write him:

As an illustration of what can be accomplished on Georgia land by studying the soil, supplying it with the necessary plant food, diversifying crops, using brains as well as hands, and superintending everything personally, a southern farmer has year by year added to his possession, until his one-mule farm has become one of the largest in the world, covering 30 square miles of land, and giving employment to 1,250 men, women and children.

His average for years has been 25 bushels of corn per acre and 1,000 pounds of seed cotton. Some acres yielded 65 bushels of corn, 35 of wheat and two bales of cotton. His land at first was worth \$10 per acre, now \$60. His cattle now number 500, besides his 100 thoroughbred Jerseys and Holsteins, which have produced each year 20,000 pounds of butter at 18 to 25 cents per pound. With agriculture he has combined manufacturing, and his raw material has been turned into valuable manufactured articles by means of the steam gin, oil mills and fertilizer factory. He has employed negro labor only. His saw mill cuts his lumber for his houses, etc.; his brickyard turns out his brick; his wagons are made in his shop. His own railroad, 17 miles long, hauls materials to his factories and his marketable products to the outside world.

The average production of lint cotton is one bale to two and one-half acres on good, bad and indifferent farms, but it is not at all uncommon for a good farmer to raise a bale to the acre by good culture and abundant fertilizer. Intensive farming, which applies the lessons of science and experience, has achieved some remarkable results.

The following is the average annual product of this farm: 2,200 bales of cotton, 120,000 gallons of cottonseed oil, 3,000 tons of fertilizer, 20,000 bushels of corn, 10,000 bushels of wheat, 1,000 bushels of rye, 5,000 bushels of oats, 6,000 of peas, 20,000 pounds of butter, 100,000 pounds of fat cattle, 5,000 pounds of bacon and hams, besides such crops as sweet and Irish potatoes, watermelons, ground peas, sorghum, etc.—Country Gentleman.

### Must the Smoke-House Go?

And now there's something else new. They are trying to abolish the old smokehouse, where we used to hang up the meat, start a fire smothered with corncobs and hickory chips, close the door, and leave the good sweet country hams to cure in wholesome smoke. A correspondent of a contemporary wrote inquiring where he could "get essence of smoke for meat so that it will not have to be hung up in the old way." And our contemporary was progressive enough to tell the correspondent where he could get the "extract of smoke." What in the world is the extract of smoke, how is it used, and what are we coming to anyway?—Gastonia Gazette.

### HERE AND THERE.

—There are in the United States two hundred kinds of insects that are called squash, cucumber, watermelon and canteloupe sucking bugs.

—The Colorado beetle is destroying Irish potatoes, and worms and bugs have destroyed many gardens in northern Texas. Fruit is falling off badly.

—Every dairyman should know that the quicker the milk is cooled after taken from the cow the better and more healthful it will be and the longer it will remain sweet.

—The young pigs need perfectly dry quarters, and it is about two to one that they don't get them the first three weeks of their existence.

—It is estimated that 45,000,000 eggs are consumed every day in the United States, and yet there are people who fear the poultry business will be overdone.

—Six or eight pigs in a single litter well grown out are worth more than double the value of the ten or a dozen brought up in a half-hearted manner.

—The man who owns a good farm free from mortgage, and who invests most of his money at home—in better stock or living better—is the center of a financial world of his own. He's the king pin!

—Eternal vigilance will be the price of young chickens, now that the hot weather has set in. Cleanliness must then be observed or vermin will swarm and "take off" the chirpers by the score.

## "Be Pleasant Every Morning Until Ten O'clock; the Rest of the Day Will Take Care of Itself."

This is one of the best little sermons we know. Have you ever stopped to think that the morning is the time when your temper is usually ruffled, and have you ever stopped to think that the cause of bad temper in the morning is nearly always because your stomach has not been working properly during the night? It has contained a lot of indigestible substances that form gas and makes you have dreams. It breaks up your rest and you wake up in the morning tired, instead of refreshed, as nature intended you should.

Our grand sires required no admonition to "Be pleasant every morning until 10 o'clock; the rest of the day will take care of itself," for they digested their food and woke up full of life and energy ready for the day's duties, and this was because they lived on simple foods instead of highly seasoned palatable concoctions, which contain no nourishment. Nature gave us milk, wheat and eggs, and on these foods a person can live indefinitely, but if the milk is skimmed, and if the outside of the wheat is taken off the kernel, and if the lime, the salt, and the iron, which is in the outer part of the wheat berry, if these are all removed, you have simply starch alone; the starch goes into the stomach and becomes sugar.

Do you know that a person would starve to death on plain white bread and water? Do you know that he could live indefinitely on whole wheat bread or on whole wheat food and water? These interesting facts are all set forth in a book called "Back to Nature," which tells about proper living and gives recipes for meals of the simple kind—the kind that makes you strong and well; the kind that makes you "Pleasant every morning until 10 o'clock." This book is published at a great expense, but it is given free to every reader of this paper. It is an advertisement of "EGG-O-SEE," the great food—which is made from whole wheat, which is baked and predigested and is all ready to serve from the package you buy at your grocers. You get more life and energy from a 10-cent package of EGG-O-SEE than you will get from a thousand dollars' worth of white bread. This is no idle claim. It is a scientific fact. We want to tell about this simple food question, so write us and say "Please send me a copy of your book 'Back to Nature,'" and the book will be sent you at once without charge. Address EGG-O-SEE CO., No. 10 First Street, Quincy, Ill.

### ORACULAR OBSERVATIONS.

Many a good resolution quickly runs down at the heel.

A pretty girl can teach a man most anything but good common sense.

It pays to look a mule in the face when you have anything to say to him.

About half of the things bought on credit would not be bought if cash were demanded.

Have you noticed that the bottom of a cup of joy that runs over is seldom far from the top?

It's a good deal better to think poetry than to write it, and better to write it than to print it.

### Beyond Expression.

G. W. Farlowe, East Florence, Ala., writes:

"For nearly seven years I was afflicted with a form of skin disease which caused an almost unbearable itching. I could neither work, rest or sleep in peace. Nothing gave me permanent relief until I tried Hunt's Cure. One application relieved me, one box cured me, and although a year has passed, I have stayed cured. I am grateful beyond expression."

Hunt's Cure is a guaranteed cure for all itching diseases of the skin. Price 50c.

A man and wife shouldn't take themselves too seriously. There's such a thing as falling out by sheer force of gravity.—Puck.

From the way some men prepare to go to heaven they must imagine that all they need is a letter of credit from their bankers.

### \$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

If a girl really has beautiful arms she is naturally well qualified to learn to play the harp.—Somerville Journal.

Civilization consists largely in courting by mail and contracting debts. The happy savages do neither.

It must be fine to be so rich that you don't have to think about keeping up appearances.

The man who pays his debts isn't the one who borrows trouble.

The seat of conscience often seems to be in the liver.



**LOCAL NEWS.**

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

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

Plenty chops and bran at Darsey's.

Miss Dora Yarbrough visited in Elkhart last Sunday.

For prices to suit the times see Tims & Sheridan.

Screen Doors and Wire Screen Cloth at Darsey's.

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

Plenty of Fruit boxes and crate at Darsey's.

Miss Buna Guild of Crockett was in the city last Saturday.

Drink Malt Sap at The Bon-Ton its delicious and invigorating.

Dr. and Mrs. McCarty returned home last Saturday from a visit to relatives in Mississippi.

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

If not, why not? Malt Sap, the refreshing beverage. You will find it at The Bon-Ton.

Candidates Smith, Lacy and Ellis of Crockett were here last Saturday.

You loose money every time you fail to buy a pair of Courtney's Full Vamp Shoes at Tims & Sheridan's

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dunham, formerly of San Antonio, are visiting relatives near town. Mr. Dunham has lately moved to Palestine.

Do you wear Schloss Bros. clothing? If not, why not? None better at \$10, \$12.50 and \$15. Geo. E. Darsey.

Mr. J. J. Guice has finished his residence in East Grapeland sufficiently to move into it and will soon be ready to enjoy town life right.

What about painting your house. We have plenty of Linseed Oil, White Lead and Ready Mixed paints. Get our prices. Geo. E. Darsey.

Henry Sexton, the county road convict guard who was accidentally shot several weeks ago, died of his injuries at his home in Crockett last Thursday night.

D. C. Poe and Riley Murchison of La Texo were in the city last Saturday, selling a very fine beef they had killed. Mr. Poe stated that crop prospects around his home were all that anyone could wish.

Misses Loye Darsey and Nannie Howard and Master Murdock Darsey left last Sunday for Georgia where they will spend two months visiting. We hope they will have a pleasant visit.

Mr. Ursprung of Palestine, who recently purchased the Totty Hotel, filed suit against the present occupants for possession of the property. The case came up in Esquire Davis' court last Thursday and resulted in a verdict for the defendants, W. H. Caldwell and Miss Sallie Caldwell. Notice has been given of an appeal by the plaintiff.

Car flour and feed stuff to arrive at Howard's this week.

Hog Fencing and Barb Wire at Darsey's.

A new lot of razors and strops at Howard's.

Mrs. Ida Totty of Palestine was in the city several days last week.

You can get a good Ice Cream Freezer at Darsey's.

Howard has a pure cider vinegar.

Miss Ada Caldwell is visiting in Crockett this week.

Try us on cutlery, we have the best. S. E. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Saxon of Crockett visited in town last Sunday.

Lee Clewis wants all the beef hides and bees wax. Pay cash strictly.

You should just try one! Malt Sap, the non-intoxicating drink on ice at The Bon-Ton.

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

**ROBERT CASKEY,**  
**BARBER.**  
SHOP AT TOTTY HOTEL.  
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To buy your drugs, or have your prescriptions filled, for we have a brand new and clean stock of drugs. We also keep toilet articles, sundries, a complete line of rubber goods and a nice assortment of fancy and stick candy, cigars, smoking tobacco, etc.

We handle the famous White Rose perfume. If you want something fine, try it. Also other select brands of of perfume.

Come to see us when in town.

**B. R. Guice & Son.**  
Prescriptions accurately compounded.

Hon. Joseph W. Bailey has taken a fall out of the newspapers by criticising the special rate of postage which applies to newspapers, magazines, etc. Mr. Bailey says the government pays out twenty-seven million dollars annually on account of the second class postage privileges and argues that the people ought to pay the postage if they want to read magazines and papers. The Chronicle recognizes that there are many abuses of this special rate to newspapers and magazines, abuses that ought to be corrected, but the good senator, if he really desires to relieve the mail of some of its burden, should at once begin to war on the senatorial and congressional habit of sending out thousands of worthless public documents, speeches, garden seed, and hundreds of other things that go to swell the postal expenses and the greater part of which are absolutely worthless so far as the public is concerned. The franking privi-

**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 \$3.50 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.**

Paid up life time subscription to the Grapeland Messenger and one years' 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.

**The Messenger-Merchants' Contest.**

W. F. HAYS, Contest Editor.  
CONTEST CLOSES AUGUST 4th, 1906.

Miss Caldwell again holds the "coveted first place." She does so by hustling for subscribers, as very few coupons have been turned in for her which is very commendable in our sight and also makes it much easier for her to continue to hold the leading place.

Many changes in relative position of other contestants will be observed by referring to the list below.

If you have a friend in the Contest—and no doubt you have—you should renew, or come in as a new subscriber, and help them out a little. Honest endeavor is always to be aided and approved by all those who love honor and

thrift, hence don't wait for one to ask you to subscribe, or pay up for the paper you have been receiving so long, just send it in at once as the Contest will close now pretty soon, and to be sure you will continue to get as good a paper in the future as in the past, but the opportunity to aid one of the worthy Contestants will soon be gone.

We say to all: "Go after 'em!" It isn't very long 'till your name will be called and we know you desire to be the leading one.

Readers will note the increased interest in Farmer's Contest since the advent of Messrs. Spence and Cunningham. "To the hustler goes the prize."

**List of Contestants:**

—LADIES—

Miss Ada Caldwell, Grapeland,.....	3820
Miss Dora Yarbrough, Grapeland,.....	2895
Miss Lillie Johnston, Grapeland,.....	2005
Miss Adelle Davis, Grapeland,.....	1985
Miss Allie Lively, Waneta,.....	1380

—GENTLEMEN—

Mr. Frank Taylor, Reynard.....	2865
Mr. Hugh Richards, Grapeland,.....	2580
Mr. Taylor McQueen, Grapeland, R. F. D. No. 3.....	2115
Mr. Nathan Guice, Grapeland,.....	320
Mr. Carl Sory, Grapeland,.....	105
Mr. James J. Cook, Kennard,.....	10

—FARMER'S CONTEST.—

Mr. Jack Spence, Grapeland,.....	610
Mr. J. B. Cunningham, Grapeland, R. F. D. No. 2,.....	240
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 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 years' 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.

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

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

R. F. D. No.....    Postoffice.....

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lege should be restricted very much restricted and reformed, and when that is done and the abuses of the second-class rate shall have been abolished it will not be necessary for the public to pay an increased subscription price in order to get the news and keep abreast of the times.—Wills Point Chronicle.

**Ineeda Laundry**  
...Agency...  
The Best Laundry in the South.  
I have the agency for the Ineeda Laundry of Houston. Basket leaves every other Wednesday night. Bring me your washing and have it done right. All work is guaranteed....  
**Carl Sory, Agent,**  
At Carleton & Porter's Drug Store