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## Reynard Happenings.

Reynard, May 20.—We are having some pretty weather now, and the farmers have gone to work in dead earnest planting their cotton over. The prospect for a cotton crop is real gloomy, though we may make the best crop than for years—no one knows. The potato crop has about been marketed.

Douglass Beazley has served out the required time in the U.S. army and is at home with his bride. He was recently married to Miss Dean of Shreveport, La. They will make Reynard their home in the future.

Little Misses Laura, Lena, Cora Belle and Mary Alice Kent of Daly's spent last week at home with their papa.

Mrs. Maud Garrison and baby spent last week with her parents near Grapeland.

Miss Leota Kent returned Saturday from Crockett.

Herman Beazley left Sunday for Tyler where he will enter the Tyler College.

Misses Jessie and Gertrude Meriwether will arrive to day from their respective schools.

Mrs. T. S. Kent is in Jacksonville attending the closing exercises of the Baptist College at that place. She will be accompanied home by her son, Tom, who attended the school.

Some of our people attended church at Daly's.

Some of our young people took in the Parker re-union yesterday.

There will be preaching next first Sunday. Everybody invited to come. ZACK.

## Daly's News.

Daly's, May 20.—What little of the crops that are left looks remarkably well, notwithstanding so much heavy rain.

Rev. Campbell preached for us Saturday night and Sunday. We had a good congregation Saturday night, but not so many on Sunday on account of the Parker re-union.

Misses Mary Kate and Anna Chiles of Reynard attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Beazley and daughter of Reynard also attended church here.

Mrs. C. B. Dailey and son, Robert Smith, of your town are visiting relatives here this week.

Rev. J. L. Whitescarver has returned to his home at Mrs. Kyle's after visiting sometime in your town.

Our picnic and fish fry down on the creek was a failure on account of so much rain and the roads were so full of water and mud that it was impossible to get to the creek.

Miss Annie Belle Laster is visiting in Grapeland this week.

CHARLOTTA.

## Graveyard Working.

Those interested in the city cemetery are invited to be present May 30 for the purpose of cleaning off the ground. Everybody come and bring your hoes, rakes and well filled baskets.

Committee.

Miss Jessie Meriwether, who has been teaching school at Crockett, spent a few days with friends here this week before going to her home at Daly's.

## Shipper's Furnishings.

We have a very complete line of mens', ladies' and house furnishings which we would be glad for you to investigate.

We have each of these lines well assorted in sizes, styles and prices.

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extra trousers	white canvas shoes	lunch baskets
fancy vests	trimmed hats	table covers
straw hats	hose supporters	pillow tops
fine shoes	hand bags	lap robes
fancy sox	comb sets	medallions
suspenders	shirts	linens
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jewelry	purses	towels
shirts	collars	napkins
ties	belts	clocks

You will find our line of furnishings to be complete. Best goods, best styles, best materials, best workmanship and best values.

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Dr. LeGear's remedies	cake and crackers	snuff and tobacco
pattent medicines	baking powders	balona sausage
staple drugs	evaporated apples	cane seed
diamond eyes	oat meal	flour
tangle foot	pepper sauce	meal
machine oil	postum	rice
flavoring extracts	pickles	sugar
black pepper	bluing	coffee
chili powders	starch	bacon
tea and spice	soda	lard
mustard	soap	hams

The above is a list of goods that we carry in stock. Come in when you want a heaping money's worth. You will appreciate our values.

## J. G. Shipper and Son.

### Pensions for Old Soldiers.

Palestine, Texas, May 17.—Editor Messenger:—Under an act of the last congress all federal soldiers of the Civil war, and all soldiers of the Mexican war, who are 62 years of age are entitled to a pension of \$12.00 per month; all who are 70 years of age, to \$15.00 per month, and all 75 years of age or over, \$20.00 per month. They are entitled to these pensions by making proof of their age, not necessary to make any further proof, except that they served ninety days or more and were honorably discharged.

Thinking it probable that there are some soldiers in your county who have reached the ages above stated and are not drawing the full pensions to which they are entitled, I write this and ask you to publish it. If there are any such and they will communicate with me I will send them the necessary blanks to apply for the increase.

The above pensions are given regardless of the financial con-

### Corner Stone Laid

Monday night, by the light of a lantern, the corner stone was laid for the new club house at Elkhart Lake.

It was an impromptu affair. A suitable stone was found by one of the partys there on that evening, and standing upon this stone Mrs. Ned Morris made a pretty little speech, and Mrs. V. D. Wilson, in her usual sweet and charming manner, sang a song. Then a chorus was joined in by the fisher folk, and the corner stone was declared duly laid for the new building, which is to be one of the prettiest and best of the country club houses. —Palestine Herald.

dition of the soldier.

For Mexican veterans who are in indigent circumstances I can get by special bill \$20.00 per month regardless of age, and for the widows of Mexican veterans who are in indigent circumstances I can get \$12.00 per month.

Yours truly,  
A. W. Gano.

### To School Patrons.

All those who have not had their children enrolled in the Grapeland school district, drop me a card so I can attend to it.

B. R. Eaves, Enumerator.

### Excursion Season Opened

The I. & G. N. railroad announces their first excursion of the season to Houston and Galveston for Saturday, May 25.

The bathing season has opened and the Electric Park and all the beach attractions that were so popular last year are again delighting the populace.

The usual popular low rates will prevail.

When your back aches it is almost invariably an indication that something is wrong with your kidneys. Weak, diseased kidneys frequently cause a break down of the entire system. De Witt's Kidney and Bladder Pills afford prompt relief for weak kidneys, backache, inflammation of the bladder and all urinary troubles. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

## Augusta Items.

Augusta, May 19.—There has been a great deal of sickness in this community.

Mrs. Lou Dora Richardson (nee McMillion) died at her home in Augusta Sunday morning, May 12, at ten o'clock. Her attending physician, relatives and friends did all that could be done to stay the hand of death. It was hard to see her suffer and give her up, but we have the blessed assurance that she has gone to a brighter, better home where there will be no more suffering. She leaves a husband, two sons, relatives and friends to mourn her loss. May the God of the orphans care for the children and sorrowing husband. She was tenderly laid to rest in the Augusta cemetery Monday afternoon, May 13, Rev. R. B. Jones officiating.

Mrs. Bill McConnell and children are visiting relatives in Augusta this week.

We have had a great deal of rain, crops have been retarded and the farmers seem very much discouraged.

Miss Zera Gainey, who has been attending school at Crockett, has returned to her home near Augusta. AUGUSTA.

## The Parker Re-Union.

The Parker re-union was held at the Parker graveyard last Sunday and a large crowd was present. For about thirteen years it has been the custom of the Parkers to hold this re-union some time during May.

Some history concerning the family may be of interest to our readers, and we give the following:—

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Parker with their ten children came to Texas in the winter of 1859 from Robinson county North Carolina, and settled three miles northwest of Grapeland. Mr. Parker died in December 1861, and his wife died in October, 1890. Seven of the children are now living—J. N., S. T., F. H., and R. D., Parker; Mrs. Emma Powell, Mrs. E. H. Boxley and Mrs. C. S. Metcalf.

Rev. Houston of Elkhart delivered an address at 11 o'clock, and in the afternoon the young people from different communities sang a selection of beautiful songs. The dinner was the best the land could afford—and that's saying lots—and was in great abundance.

For a cold or a cough take Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup. It is better than any other cough remedy because its laxative principle assures a health, copious action of the bowels and at the same time it heals irritation of the throat, strengthens the mucous membrane. Contains Honey and Tar, pleasant to take. Children like it. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

There was another visitation of the strange, monster ants last night. They covered the are lights, and many of them fell to the streets. No one has yet been found to tell what they are or where they came from. The ants are about the size of a common house wasp, and have wings which they shed after the fall to the ground.—Friday's Palestine Herald.

## FOOD FOR THE BABY

### METHODS OF COOKING TO GET THE BEST RESULTS.

#### Barley and Oatmeal Gruel Should Be Made Fresh Every Day—Proper Preparation of Nourishing Beef Juice.

"How are some of the foods we are to give our babies to be cooked?" asked a young mother the other day when told to put barley gruel with the milk formula.

To a woman who has much experience with babies this may seem a foolish question; but, indeed, how is one to know until one is told? And I was glad that my young friend asked frankly about this, that all mothers should know how to make. She has never had occasion to know until recently, and now that I am telling her I mean to add the ways of cooking to some other things that may be given to small infants.

Gruels being first on the dietary list, let us begin with them. They are made, of course, with a cereal and boiled until all the nourishment is extracted. Then the liquid is strained off and is digested without difficulty, as a rule. Barley and oatmeal are the first given, and barley is preferred in the milk formulas unless there is constipation; then oatmeal is better. Both grains are ground into flour, and when making the gruel try to get flour, using the grain only when the flour is not to be had.

Make barley gruel by mixing a teaspoonful of the flour into a smooth paste with a little cold water. Have boiling in double boiler a pint of water, and into this pour the flour paste, taking care to keep it smooth. Let this boil for 20 minutes very slowly and strain if lumpy. To the same quantity of boiling water take two tablespoonfuls of oatmeal flour. If the grain is used—instead, two tablespoonfuls of the barley would be required, or three tablespoonfuls of oatmeal.

Gruel put into the modified milk should be made fresh every day and kept cold until used. For barley water, which is given sometimes when the stomach is in a delicate state, there are prepared extracts in the market, or it may be made by slowly boiling a cup of the grain and a quart of water. As the water boils away it should be renewed until the strength of the grain has been extracted. Then strain, and if the liquid is thick thin with boiled water.

Beef juice is early put on the baby's food list, and while easily prepared, it should be done carefully. The round is the juiciest part of the beef, and a pound of this should be boiled just long enough to heat it through. Then cut into bits and squeeze either through a meat press or an ordinary lemon squeezer.

Salt slightly, and if heated when given set the cup containing it into another of hot water. If heated too long it curdles.

Farina, given at some time to all small children, requires the most careful cooking—certainly twice the time that the directions given. In preparing all cereals for babies never forget that they cannot be overcooked and the chances are that they will be underdone. When this happens they form a soggy mass in the little stomach.

When an infant is old enough to have an egg to eat, always prepare it by codding, which renders it so much more digestible. To do this place the egg in boiling water and draw back immediately where the water will not boil. Let stay in this water for six minutes. The cooking will thus be far more even.

Broths are strong extracts of meat and the principle of cooking all is the same; always use cold water, let it be a long time coming to the boil, and then simmer instead of boiling. This extracts the good of the meat without wasting the liquid. Broth made with water that is boiling when poured over the raw meat is worthless.—Washington Star.

#### How to Apply Insertion.

To apply insertions by machine baste the lace on the material, then run a row of machine stitching as close to the edge as is possible; cut the goods from under the insertion, leaving sufficient edge to turn back and sew down.

#### Care of Leather Goods.

Leather goods never should be kept in a place that is extremely dry, as the heat will cause the leather to crack nor in damp places that will make it moldy.

To freshen traveling bags and book covers which have become shabby or spotted, rub them with the well beaten white of an egg.

#### Device for Curtain Rod.

Place a thimble on the rod and moisten the hem slightly to make the rod slip in a curtain more easily.

## THE DIFFERENCE IN TASTE.

Dogs Prized as Edible in China Are Here Fashion's Pets.

"He is the real thing in the way of a chow," said she. "Father bought him for me in Shanghai. Did you know they ate them there?"

"I had heard that the Chinese ate dogs, but I thought it was a fake, like the story of their eating rats."

"No; it is the truth. They do eat dogs, but only the chow variety. 'Chow,' you know, means 'edible.'"

"Yes, they eat chows. In every butcher shop you see chows' carcasses hung up, the same as we hang up the carcasses of pigs. The flesh is white."

"White?"

"Yes; like veal. The Chinese raise chows for food and feed them only soft, washy stuff, mashed vegetables and bread and milk. No meat whatever. Hence the white flesh."

"Notice Wu's black tongue. Well, chow tongue is a Chinese delicacy. They make soup of it. But it is very expensive, like our turtle soup, and it is only eaten by the rich."

"Isn't it strange that a dog so fashionable with us should be only an article of food in China?"

## BABY IN TERRIBLE STATE.

Awful Humor Eating Away Face—Body a Mass of Sores—Cuticura Cures in Two Weeks.

"My little daughter broke out all over her body with a humor, and we used everything recommended, but without results. I called in three doctors, but she continued to grow worse. Her body was a mass of sores, and her little face was being eaten away. Her ears looked as if they would drop off. Neighbors advised me to get Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and before I had used half of the cake of Soap and box of Ointment the sores had all healed, and my little one's face and body were as clear as a new-born babe's. I would not be without it again if it cost five dollars, instead of seventy-five cents. Mrs. George J. Steese, 701 Coburn St., Akron, O., Aug. 30, 1905."

## Has Record of Bad Luck.

J. M. Scanlan, a well known writer of San Francisco, poses as the most unlucky man on the Pacific coast. He has established 13 dailies and weeklies in California that have failed. He says that every check he receives either is unsigned or undated. The one lucky event of his life occurred while he was a private in the confederate army. While kneeling behind a low earthwork a cannon ball struck the top of the embankment, covering him with dirt and debris. "If I had been an upright young man I would have been killed," he reported, saluting his superior officer. Friday he regards with much suspicion.

## "Old King Cole."

"Old King Cole," the merry monarch of the nursery rhyme, has been identified with Cole, Coel, or Coll, a semi-mythical king of Britain, who, according to Robert of Gloucester and other old chroniclers, succeeded Asclepiad on the British throne about 225 A. D. He it was who built the walls around the city of Colchester, so named in his honor. Saint Helena is supposed to have been his daughter.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it intractable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Good words do more than hard speeches; as the sunbeam without any noise will make the traveler cast off his cloak, which all the blustering wind could not do, but only make him bizz it closer to him.—Leighton.

That Bald Spot does show when your hair is dressed, but it worries you just the same. Barry's Tricopherous grows hair on bald spots. 50 cents per bottle at your druggist's or by mail postpaid. Barclay & Co., 45 Stone Street, N. Y.

A bad imitation is often better than the real thing.

## "THE MARRYING SQUIRE."

Justice Geo. E. Law, of Brazil, Ind., Has Married 1400 Couples.

Justice Geo. E. Law, of Brazil, Ind., has fairly earned the title "The Marrying Squire," by which he is known far and wide, having already married some 1400 couples. Ten years ago he was Deputy County Treasurer. "At that time," said Justice Law, "I was suffering from an annoying kidney trouble. My back ached, my rest was broken at night, and the passages of the kidney secretions were too frequent and contained sediment. Three boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me in 1897, and for the past nine years I have been free from kidney complaint and backache."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

## Coach Horses Join Fox Chase.

They had some spirited horses in the old coaching days. Just 100 years ago a remarkable proof of this was given, and fortunately recorded for the astonishment of later motoring generations, in the case of the Liverpool mail coach. Horses were changed at Monk's Heath, between Newcastle-under-Lyme, says the London Tribune.

On this particular occasion a pack of foxhounds was heard in full cry just as the horses from Congleton were freed from the coach, and they started off with the harness on their backs and followed the run to the finish. One of them, a blood mare, stuck close to the whipper-in and took every jump after him through the two hours. And in the evening they took the return coach to Congleton as merrily as if they had been in the stable all the time.

## Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Wm. A. Stearns* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

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## Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

is an honest, tried and true remedy of unquestionable therapeutic value.

This medicine made from native roots and herbs contains no narcotics or other harmful drugs and today holds the record for the largest number of actual cures of female diseases of any medicine the world has ever known, and thousands of voluntary testimonials are on file in the laboratory at Lynn, Mass., which testify to its wonderful value.

Mrs. C. E. Fink, of Carnegie, Pa., writes:—Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—"I wish every suffering woman would take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and write to you for advice. It has done me a world of good and what it has accomplished for me I know it will do for others."

When women are troubled with Irregularities, Displacements, Ulceration, Inflammation, Backache, Nervous Prostration, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

## Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women

Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Out of her vast volume of experience she probably has the very knowledge that will help your case.

## THE DAISY FLY KILLER

destroys all the flies and affords comfort to every home. It lasts the entire season. Harmless to persons. Clean, neat and will not soil or injure anything. Try them once and you will never be without them. If not sent by dealer, sent prepaid for 50c. HAROLD HERRICK, 143 Dekalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## INVENTIONS NEEDED

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PUTNAM FADELESS DYES color more goods, per package, than others, and the colors are brighter and faster.

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## The King of Terror.

Itching Piles is instantly relieved and promptly cured by Hunt's Cure.

The deepest sympathy man can show to man is to help him do his duty.—Mulock.

For more reasons than one, Garfield Tea is the best choice when a laxative is needed: it is Pure, Pleasant to take, Mild and Potent. Guaranteed under the Food and Drugs Law.

## Prince Fond of Boxing.

Prince Waldemar of Denmark is a capital boxer and is ever ready to put on the gloves.

## Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, sweating feet. Makes new shoes easy. Sold by all Druggists and Shoe Stores. Don't accept any substitute. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Life, misfortune, abandonment, poverty are the fields of battle which have their heroes—obscure heroes, who are sometimes grander than those who win renown.—Victor Hugo.

## What's the Use?

Aches, Pains, Burns, Cuts, Sprains, and all similar afflictions are always instantly relieved; often entirely cured by an application of that unequalled remedy, Hunt's Lightning Oil. Don't suffer. Don't delay. What's the use?

## Would Grow Tobacco in Ireland.

An effort is being made under direction of William Redmond to repeal the law which prohibits the growing of tobacco in Ireland. It is held that soil and climatic conditions in Ireland are favorable to the production of a good quality of tobacco, and that its cultivation can be made profitable.

## Court's Acoustics Bad.

The acoustic properties of the courtrooms in London's new criminal courts building are so bad, it is said, that the other day a prisoner who had been sentenced to six months thought he had been sentenced to 12. He said to a warden: "One of the beaks gave me six months and another of 'em gave me six months before." Also, besides echoes, "reverberations" are complained of.

## EVEN IF DISCOURAGED

### TRY DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR YOUR RHEUMATISM.

The Pills Have Cured the Disease in Almost Every Form and Even in Advanced Stages.

Rheumatism is a painful inflammation of the muscles or of the coverings of the joints and is sometimes accompanied by swelling. The pain is sharp and shooting and does not confine itself to any one part of the body, but after settling in one joint or muscle for a time, leaves it and passes on to another. The most dangerous tendency of the disease is to attack the heart. External applications may give relief from pain for a time but the disease cannot be cured until the blood is purified. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are the best medicine for this purpose as their action is directly on the blood, making it rich, red and healthy. When the blood is pure there can be no rheumatism.

Mrs. Ellen A. Russell, of South Goff St., Auburn, Mo., says: "I had been sick for fifteen years from impure blood, brought on by overwork. My heart was weak and my hands colorless. I was troubled with indigestion and vomiting spells, which came on every few months. I had no appetite and used to have awful fainting spells, falling down when at my work. I frequently felt numb all over. My head ached continuously for five years.

"About two years ago I began to feel rheumatism in my joints, which became so lame I could hardly walk. My joints were swollen and pained me terribly.

"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were recommended to me by a friend, after I had failed to get well from the doctor's treatment. When I began taking the pills, the rheumatism was at its worst. I had taken only a few boxes, when the headaches stopped and not long afterward I felt the pain in my joints becoming less and less, until there was none at all. The stiffness was gone and I have never had any return of the rheumatism."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured such diseases as nervous and general debility, indigestion, nervous headache, neuralgia and even partial paralysis and locomotor ataxia. As a tonic for the blood and nerves they are unequalled.

A pamphlet on "Diseases of the Blood" and a copy of our diet book will be sent free on request to anyone interested.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists, or sent, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

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What Mac Said

"I am an engineer," writes Mr. W. H. McCormick, of Easton, Pa., "running a local freight, and some days I have been on the engine for 19 hours. I had always been troubled with sore kidneys and a tired, worn-out feeling, but since taking

Thedford's  
BLACK-DRAUGHT

I do not know what a lame back is. I have also been suffering with gastritis (inflammation of the stomach) and indigestion, with much pain and poor appetite, but now my appetite has improved and my stomach has grown stronger." Sold by dealers, everywhere. Price 25 cents and \$1.00. Try it.

# ROAD AND FARM IMPROVEMENT

## THE DRAGGING OF ROADS.

With Very Little Work a Good Road-bed May Be Maintained.

Once more we take up our parable and insist on farmers making preparations to make the best possible roads they can out of the material at hand, which is just plain dirt, and the more clay in it the better.

Farmers are fooling away the great bulk of their road taxes every year by not using a drag. The road drag may be made out of any light wood—pine, cedar, cottonwood, soft maple, box elder. If a post or log is used it should be seven feet long, about six or eight inches thick, sawed in two lengthwise, the two pieces put split side foremost about three and a half feet apart, held together by pieces of hard wood or steel rods. A log chain should be attached to the front and the team hitched to it in such a way that the drag is drawn at an angle of 45 degrees. The drag should be drawn up one side of the road and down the other when the roads are soft. The



Before Dragging

team used should be the heaviest, slowest-moving team on the farm.

The use of this will in the first place smooth the roads down, filling up the holes, taking off the bumps, and dragging a little dirt to the middle of the road. In the second place it will allow the winds to blow over it and the sun to shine on it; and the dragged road will be dry a day or two, and, if it has many ruts in it, sometimes a week, before the undragged will be dry.

Do not, however, expect the drag to do any good in sand or in muck, or where there are stones in the road or stumps or much grass, or where the water stands in the ditches on either side. The road drag, declares Wallace's Farmer, is the best road maintainer that has ever been discovered, and not only the best, but the cheap



After Dragging and Top-dressing.

est. It will not take the place of the grader in making the road in the first place, nor will it take the place of the side ditch which carries off the water nor will it do in any undrained land it is not everything in road-making but for the maintenance of the road after it has once been put in shape it excels every other implement ever yet invented.

If farmers don't take hold of this road drag it will not be many years before an attempt will be made to levy on them the expense of making macadamized roads, about three to five thousand dollars per mille, and these macadamized roads will cost more to maintain than that it will make and maintain a good dirt road with the materials and tools they have on hand.

### Using the Road Drag.

It seems that everybody has his own ideas about the road drag. A great many people try to make both the drag and the work a complex subject. It seems to me that it must be a dense person indeed who cannot see that the drag in itself is only a simple affair and that the best results are secured when it is used when the road is still a bit muddy.

### A Dry Barnyard.

The farm barnyard that has good drainage and keeps dry a good share of the time should certainly be the choring place of a happy farmer. If there is anything that is disagreeable in wet weather it is to have to keep one eye on the path ahead of you when scoudering around in the barnyard in order to keep from getting mired.

### Premier's Ticket Aided Murder.

A Russian journal tells the story of how the murderer of Gen. Lunnitz, prefect of St. Petersburg, obtained admission to the semi-official party at which the deed was committed. After the crime all the guests were detained and their tickets were examined. There was one ticket the rightful owner of which was not present. It was no other than that of Premier Stolypin himself. The murder had been committed under cover of the invitation ticket of no less a personage than the prime minister. The premier had not been able to go, and his ticket fell into the hands of a member of the secret police named Nakolene. He resold it to the revolutionists for \$10,000.

### No Need of Scratching.

Other afflictions may be more painful, but none more annoying than many forms of itching trouble. The quickest and most reliable remedy for itching diseases of any character is Hunt's Cure. One application relieves—one box guaranteed to cure.

### English Ribbon Trade Flourishing.

The English ribbon trade is said to be now in a more flourishing condition than it has been in many years, owing to the huge demands the dress-makers and milliners are making upon the output of the manufacturers.

He who is always hearing and answering the call of life to be thoughtful, and brave and self-sacrificing—he alone can safely hear the other cry of life, tempting him to be happy and enjoy.—Phillips Brooks.

It is a pity to be ill! Take Garfield Tea, the laxative exactly suited to the needs of men, women and children; it is made wholly of herbs; it purifies the blood, eradicates disease, overcomes constipation, brings Good Health.

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**ANTI PASS LAW—ITS PURPOSE.**

We find through the columns of the Grapeland Messenger that the "Kid" is still in the air about the legislature taking his mileage book away from him. But it is to be hoped that he will be willing, and will permit the people of Texas to try the law, and see if its effects will be detrimental to us. The greatest trouble with the Kid is, that a change in this respect will never come, and he realizes it. The law is here to stay. The Messenger boy thrust a small gaff in to Col. Ike's analytical power in the following article.

A dispatch to the Chronicle from Austin Monday contained an interview with nearly every member of both houses relative to their future political ambition. Hon. I. A. Daniel says he will not be a candidate for re election. As far as we are concerned Col. Ike could have retired long ago for a man who cannot tell the difference between a legitimate newspaper contract and a free pass ought to be at home.—Grapeland Messenger.

This is alright with Ike, about the only thing he would say about the article, should he accidentally see it, would be, that the boy has much to learn, and can only look at the question from a personal point of view.

The object of the Anti Pass Law was not made to reach such papers as the Grapeland Messenger, Crockett Courier and other country papers, but its real object was to reach the big dailies, who have a great part in shaping and moulding public sentiment. It was necessary to touch the small papers just the same way the dailies were. It is foolishness for one to say that the legislature made a mistake when they included newspaper men in the anti pass law. As a whole the papers of the state can almost control public sentiment on any question if they will get down to business in the right way. One of the great troubles with us, as a people, when it comes to making laws on any particular subject we leave the matter half finished too often, and much dissatisfaction arises, thereby causing the effects of the law to be condemned. We are all knocked out of the easy chair,

and I believe for the better. We ought to give this matter a fair trial, then if its effects wrought harm to us, we can remedy the evil. So come along "Kid," we will just have to make the best of it that we can. If I had had an opportunity I would have voted against the anti pass law, but we have the law and it is a far reacher and I am highly in favor of giving it a thorough trial.—Houston Co. Times.

Well, so are we since the thing is a law—there is nothing else to do. But we see no senece in an intelligent set of men enacting such a nonsensical law. It is an infringement on the rights of contract and we believe it is therefore unconstitutional, so why fool away time and money enacting such a law and then testing it? It is not in line with the anti-free pass sentiment of Texas nor the platform demand to include newspapers. If the legislators have a legal right to say newspapers cannot exchange their legitimate space for mileage, then they have a right to say the farmer cannot exchange his produce for merchandise and there would be just as much sense in such a law. The object of the law might not have been to touch country papers, but it touched them just the same. That great champion of the common people and illustrious statesman, Jas. S. Hogg, is the father of the anti-free pass sentiment in Texas, and there is not an instance in any of his speeches or writings where he referred to newspaper contracts.

The Times says, "As a whole the newspapers of the state can almost control public sentiment on any question," and intimates that newspaper folk could be bought with a mileage book and in so doing flings insult into the face of every editor in this state.

The action taken by the legislature on the anti-pass law was purely retaliatory in consequence of the action of the press of the state in standing up for the anti-pass law and defeating the attempted legislative salary grab embodied in the constitutional amendments voted down last November. The right of contract is a sacred constitutional right that cannot be brushed aside merely to gratify the spite of disappointed and revengeful politicians.

Yes, we say test the law and watch it burst into a thousand atoms.

Some people lay up everything for a rainy day and go hungry all through life, when in fact, where they may go it never rains.

Many a good girl has married an indolent man expecting to brace up, but found that she had to take in washing to pay for the braces.

The cheerful man is pre-eminently the most useful fellow. It is he who sees that everywhere the good outbalances the bad and every evil has its compensating balm. The habit of cheerfulness enables one to transmute apparent misfortunes into real blessings. He who has formed the habit of looking on the bright, happy side of things has a great advantage over the chronic oyspeptic who sees no good in anything.

H. C. Pierce is charged with perjury by the State of Texas and has been turned over to the Sheriff of Travis County by the Federal Court in Missouri.

Unless other matters should arise or the higher courts interfere Mr. Pierce will be brought to Texas within the next few days to answer the charges against him. Should the much wanted gentleman be brought into the State, it would not be at all unreasonable for the courts of Texas to decide to keep him here awhile and if necessary pay his board. It would be a risky thing to permit the slippery Mr. Pierce to get out of the State again. He knows a whole lot the people of Texas would like to be enlightened upon, and his presence in the Lone Star State would enable the legal department to make the oily fellow do a little talking that he might otherwise decline to do.—Lufkin Daily News.

**Dr. Robertson's Philosophy.**

A brave man never forsakes a friend, nor asks quarters of an enemy.

Eat, drink and be merry today, for tomorrow the groceryman may stop your credit.

The fellow who is eternally giving advice wouldn't be half so detestable if he would only take a little of his own medicine.

No higher compliment can be paid any man than to say he is a good citizen. If truly said, this comprehends everything, no matter what may be his peculiar religious or political faith.

The Arkansas legislature has passed a law prohibiting the sale or giving away of cigarettes and cigarette papers in that state. Evidently our neighbors have become mildly infected with the Texas idea.

The buzzard, we are told, is a very useful bird and is essential to the well being of society, but this in no wise affects the bad odor that attaches to him or makes him more acceptable as a household companion. And the same is true of the human species.—Pearsall Leader.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

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Will Rogers of Elkhart was in the city Monday.

Why have your clothes fit like meal sacks when R. L. Brooks can make 'em fit you?

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Howard wants your chickens and eggs at highest market price.

I have some good second hand buggies to exchange for new ones or will sell them. J. R. Smith.

Miss Mae Caldwell returned from Crockett Monday night. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Dan J. Kennedy.

Your pants without belt loops, or your clothes without buttons looks bad to some people. R. L. Brooks can fix 'em.

Misses Ida Lee Woodard and Dora Leaverton spent a few days in Crockett this week, the guests of friends and relatives.

The Farmers and Merchants State Bank have let the contract for their brick building to Mr. Norris of Crockett. Work will begin in a few days.

If you want anything in cutlery, we have it. Pocket knives razors, butchers and scissors. We buy the best and can please you at homes.

Mr. J. I. Campbell presented the Messenger with a very peculiar radish Saturday. The body was of extraordinary size, from which projected seven full grown radishes. It was well matured.

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Mrs. Florence McMeans and sister, Miss Carrie Hogue of Del Rio visited the family of Dr. McCarty a few days this week.

The Messenger has just delivered to the bank 5,000 customers checks. Take a good look at them and see if they would not do credit to any print shop.

Mrs. Mary Etta Darsey of this city and Mrs. Kent of Reynard went up to Jacksonville Saturday to attend the closing exercises of Jacksonville High school, returning Wednesday.

### Another Old Timer Gone.

The old wooden building which was built by Mose Spence & Co. several years ago, and which has been used by Geo. E. Darsey for the past ten years as warehouse, is being torn down and a new up-to-date brick building 27x100 feet will be erected in its place. This will give two new brick buildings in this block. The new bank building will join this building on the south. Both buildings will be modern up-to-date with iron and glass fronts.

Already there are many plans being laid by politicians for the 1908 presidential campaign, and the thing will be engineered in a way to catch the votes of each and every party or subdivision thereof so as to use them for certain candidates, or place them where they will do least harm. This is politics and the average voter is often placed many months before he casts his ballot, whether he knows it or not. Let us study the political checker-board this year that we may be able to spring a surprise on the political wire manipulation. — Florence Viditte.

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### Elkhart News.

May 20.—Health of community very good with the exception of chills.

Shipping potatoes is the order of the day. About 30 cars have been shipped from this place and about 25 more cars will be shipped from here the next two weeks.

Several young people of this place attended the Parker Reunion at Woodland Hall Sunday. Every one seemed to have enjoyed it immensely.

There was some little excitement in the home of Dr. Tyler Sunday night, caused by the explosion of a lamp. No serious damage done except Webb was struck by flying glass that inflicted quite an ugly gash on his face.

Much to the displeasure of some its most progressive students, our Public school closed Friday.

Mr. Frank Salmon of Crockett is visiting in our city.

Hon. Ben Rogers went up to Palestine Saturday.

Madam Rumor says there is to be some weddings soon.

Miss Vella Strickland of Austin is visiting Miss Sallie Wolf.

Jno. L. Tyler of Pensacola, Fla. who has been visiting the family of Dr. Tyler, went up to Palestine Sunday night where he will remain for several weeks.

Mr. Watson has sold his store house to Mr. Byrum of Percilla and will soon move to his old home place at Alder Branch.

### No Need of Scratching

Other afflictions may be more painful, but none more annoying than many forms of itching trouble. The quickest and most reliable remedy for itching diseases of any character is Hunt's Cure. One application relieves —one box guaranteed to cure.

### Oriole Happenings.

May 18.—Your paper has just reached me again and I find it quite interesting. Glad to see some more of Dr. Robertson's Philosophy in this issue.

We are having some pretty weather now and the farmers are very busy.

Mr. Lem Lane and family have moved to Palestine. We are sorry to lose Mr. Lane as he was a thrifty farmer.

The Farmer's union near here has re-organized and I hope they will be successful in helping the farmers. Every farmer should join the union.

The ladies of this community have organized a Ladies' Aid Society and on the night of the 17th they gave a box supper which was a complete success. It was well attended and was an occasion of much pleasure to all who were present. Mrs. Lizzie Robison is president and Mrs. Ada Jones is secretary. They are working for the benefit of the church and Sunday school. It is their intention to give a dinner in July and have music and speaking that day. If they have this dinner you must come out Mr. Editor and get acquainted with the people out here. By the way we have some pretty girls out here. A. K.

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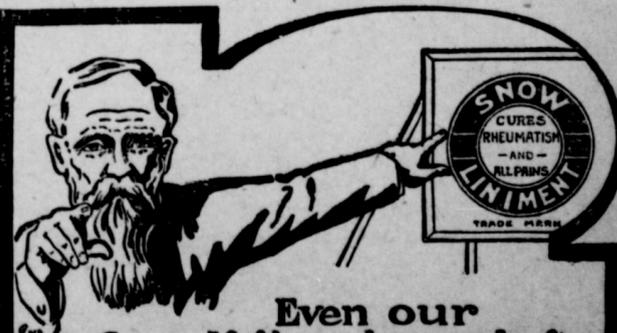
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# The Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor.

GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

A message was received in Denver to the effect that the famous Pablo herd of buffaloes of the Flathead reservation in Montana had been sold to the Canadian government.

Fire totally destroyed the Wisconsin Central freight depot at Minneapolis, causing a loss of \$400,000.

Frederick S. Jackson, attorney general of Kansas, announced that as soon as he can secure the evidence that will warrant a prosecution he will instruct some county attorney to begin the prosecution of a traveling salesman selling liquor in Kansas.

The three receivers appointed by the state supreme court for the property of eight brewery companies and the Helm Real Estate Co. in Kansas qualified, and orders giving them the right to take charge of all property in the state belonging to the defendants were issued.

John W. Seaton, a well-known mining man of Cananea, Sonora, Mex., has mysteriously disappeared, and it is now believed that he has been murdered, as when last seen ten days ago he had a large sum of money on him.

A torrential rain flooded many sections of New Orleans. Water was more than a foot deep in parts of Canal street, where the big stores are located.

A balloon which left Philadelphia at 12:45 o'clock landed at Matwan, N. J., at 2:15, having covered the 60 miles in an hour and a half.

Henry Watterson, just back from Europe, discusses the political situation, and says cheap grain and plagues only can spell hope for democrats.

John Orson Johnston, president and general manager of the Columbus Gas and Fuel Co., Columbus, O., fell dead at the telephone in his residence just as he had finished a conversation with his family physician, making an appointment for a conference.

Benedict Gimbel a wealthy Philadelphia merchant, was arrested in New York on the double charge of exerting improper influence over Ivor Clark, a 16-year-old boy, and attempted bribery of the county detectives who made the arrest, and lies in St. Mary's hospital, Hoboken, N. J., unconscious from wounds believed by the police to have been self-inflicted.

At the trial at Wilkesbarre, Pa., of 13 alleged Black Hand conspirators, an Italian witness testified that there were 50 branches of the order in the United States.

Thaddeus Stevens Ross, of Oil City, Pa., was shot three times and instantly killed in that city Wednesday by Miss Belle Stroup. The woman then shot herself through the heart.

As the result of ptomaine poisoning, two members of the family of H. Jordan, of Wadesboro, N. C., are dead, and all the others, except Mrs. Jordan, are suffering from the same cause.

The hearing of the case against Andrea Innoco and Catherine Esposito, his wife, on the charge of murdering Miss Catherine MacCreedy, of New York, in her villa near Caserta, Italy, Feb. 25, 1905, began at Caserta, Italy, Wednesday.

Ed Tate, an alleged safecracker, who was held in Peoria, Ill., on the charge of opening the school board safe and destroying the N. C. Daugherty script, escaped from St. Francis hospital.

Gov. Harris of Ohio granted a respite on June 7 to James Cornelius, of Canton, who was sentenced to be electrocuted Friday for the murder of his wife.

Roosevelt refuses to discuss Stevens letter which resulted in ousting of canal chief. Admits that "impertinent letter" was written.

Seventeen-inch fall of snow in Denver. Drop of 30 degrees in temperature results in killing of all fruit. Valleys suffer most.

Judge Sweetland, at Providence, R. I., rules that dance halls may bar United States sailors in uniform if they desire, and denies a plea for damages.

Freight car abuses will be ventilated at the meeting of the American Railway association this week in Chicago.

Daughters of the American Revolution end the dispute over finances by indirectly approving the investment of organization funds in the stock market.

Members of the Anglican church in western Canada are unable to find enough rectors to fill the pulpits.

Wisconsin legislators make little progress in choosing a United States senator to succeed John C. Spooner and may adjourn without an election.

Emperor William shuts down on luxury in the army in an official note prescribing a bill of fare for messes at which he is present.

The safe of the State Bank of Agra, at Agra, Lincoln county, Okla., was blown open by dynamite and about \$1,000 stolen.

Despite the energetic efforts of the officials and workmen, the Jamestown ter-centennial exposition will be opened this week unready.

## DESSERTS OF FRUIT

APPETIZING AND HEALTHFUL LITTLE DISHES.

Chartreuse of Orange an Improvement Over the Usual Form of Jelly—Pineapple Marmalade and Peach Cream.

**Chartreuse D'Orange.**—Make a clear orange jelly with one and one-half pints of water, six oranges, sugar to taste, one and one-half ounces of gelatin; divide four oranges into quarters, have two plain molds, one about one and one-quarter inches more in diameter than the other; pour a little jelly in the bottom of the large mold; place in this a layer of orange quarters, cover with more jelly, but just enough to get a smooth surface; set on ice to set; when quite firm put the small mold inside of large one, right in the center, so that the vacant place between the molds be the same; in this vacant place put more orange quarters, filling up with jelly till the whole space is filled. Place on the ice; whip one pint of cream with one-half ounce of dissolved gelatin, and some sweetened orange juice, adding a little at a time, else the cream will not rise in a froth; when the cream is ready and the jelly set, remove the inner mold by pouring warm water into it, and fill the space of the chartreuse with the whipped cream. Set on ice for an hour, turn out, and serve.

**Pineapple Marmalade.**—Grate two large, fully ripe pineapples, and to each pound of the fruit thus prepared add three-quarters pound of loaf sugar, the juice of two lemons, and the grated yellow rind of half a lemon. Bring to the boiling point quickly and cook until clear, which will take about one hour. Skim often and, when done, seal in small jars.

**Peach Cream.**—Wash two cups of canned peaches, rub through a sieve, and cook for three minutes in a sirup made of boiling a cup of sugar with one of water. Have soaked one-half package of gelatin. Add this to the sirup and peaches. Stir a few moments to dissolve the gelatin. Place in a pan of snow or ice water, heat until nearly cold, add whites of six eggs beaten stiff. Beat all the mixture until it begins to harden. Pour into mold, set on ice or in cold place. Serve with cream.

**Banana Compote.**—Make a sirup of four tablespoonfuls of water and four tablespoonfuls of sugar; add the rind of one-half lemon, two cloves, one inch of stick cinnamon; cook ten minutes, then drop into the sirup six bananas cut into fourths. It is best to cook just enough pieces of banana at a time to cover the bottom of the saucepan. When the fruit becomes transparent and soft take it up carefully, put into a pretty dish and pour over the sirup. Cool and serve with whipped cream, slightly sweetened and flavored with lemon.

**Pretty Shadow Work.**  
Sofa pillows, bureau covers, mouchoir cases, pin cushion tops and glove cases all are quickly and effectively done in shadow work, often the whole set being made to match. A very attractive set of this kind has a butterfly design, three large ones on the pillow and a flight of butterflies on smaller pieces. The material is a sheer lawn. The pillow has three large butterflies—one blue, one pink and the other yellow—done in shadow stitch. Certain spots and markings on the wings are outlined in the outside in contrasting colors, while the body and feelers are outlined in black. Glass beads in black, white and opalescent tints to match the color of the butterfly are used very freely on the right side with brilliant effect. The flights of butterflies on the other pieces are worked in the same delicate tints, charmingly combined. The beadwork is, if anything, more beautiful in the smaller design.

**Three Useful Don'ts.**  
Don't wash the face in hot water before starting out for a walk. It opens the pores of the skin and makes them more sensitive to dust and dirt.

Don't use soap and water as soon as you return. Rub a good skin food into the face, and wipe off with a soft cloth.

Don't wrinkle the forehead when worried or draw the brows together in a frown when bright light strikes your eyes. Nothing ages a woman so quickly as deep ridges on the forehead.

**Bookshelf Curtains.**  
Pongee curtains are used effectively with oak bookshelves. If the curtains are shirred on two rods, one at the top and the other at the bottom, the protection to the books is quite as efficient as if glass doors are used. The curtains should run easily, however, as otherwise access to the books is difficult.

**Precaution Against Sewer Gas.**  
A damp towel thrown over a stationary wash basin is said to prevent danger from sewer gas.

# THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFE TIME

95,000 acres in the "Garden Spot of the World," is now being opened up to the American People.

## DR. CHAS. F. SIMMONS'

Atascosa County (Texas) Ranch now on the Market.

Opportunities like this seldom occur. \$210, payable \$10 per month, without interest, buys two lots for a home or business in town and a farm of from a 10-acre truck farm to a 640-acre farm in balmy South Texas.

President Roosevelt said:  
"TEXAS IS THE GARDEN SPOT OF THE LORD."

Investigation will show that this 95,000 acres comprises one of the finest bodies of Agricultural and Truck Farming land in the entire state, commencing about 36 miles south of San Antonio and about two miles south of Pleasanton (the county seat of Atascosa County), and extending through Atascosa and a part of McMullen Counties, to within 17 miles of my 60,000-acre Live Oak County Ranch, which I in four months last year, sold to 4,000 Home Seekers, on liberal terms, without interest on deferred payments, which gives the poor man, from his savings, a chance to secure a good farm and town lot for his home in town. I will donate and turn over to three bonded Trustees, \$250,000 from the proceeds of the sale of this property to the purchasers, as a bonus to the first railroad built through this property on the line which I shall designate.

This property is located on that middle plain between East Texas, where it rains too much, and the arid section of West Texas, where it does not rain enough.

Its close proximity to San Antonio, the largest city in the State, with a claimed population of over 100,000, enhances its value as a market for Agricultural and Truck farm products far beyond the value of similar land not so favorably located.

**Topography.**  
Level to slightly rolling. Large, broad, rich valleys, encircled by elevations suitable for homes; 90 per cent. fine farming land, balance pasture land.

**Forestry.**  
Ash, Elm, Gum, Hackberry, Live Oak, Mesquite, Pecan, abundant for shade, fencing and wood.

**Soil.**  
About 60 per cent. rich, dark, sandy loam, balance chocolate or red sandy loam, usually preferred by local farmers, and each with soil averaging from 2 to 4 feet deep, with clay subsoil, which holds water.

**Climate.**  
Mild, balmy, healthy, practically free from malaria, few frosts, no snow, no hard freezes; continuous sea breeze moderates extremes of heat and cold, producing warm winters and cool summers. Average temperature about 62 degrees.

**Rainfall.**  
From the Government record, it is safe to assume that the rainfall on this property has been fully 35 inches per year, which is more than some of the old States have had, and is plentiful for ordinary crops properly cultivated, and for Grass Growing.

**Improvements and Water.**  
This property is fenced and cross-fenced in many large and small pastures, with four barbed wires, with posts about 12 feet apart. Also a number of fine shallow wells.

Also, a number of fine lakes and Tanks.  
Also, a number of fine flowing Artesian Wells, whose crystal streams flow for miles and miles down those creeks, whose broad, rich valleys, irrigable from these continuously flowing streams, make it the ideal place for the Marketing Gardener who desires to raise from two to three crops of marketable produce on the same ground every year.

**Farming and Truck Farming.**  
Seasons never end.  
This land is adapted to profitable culture of Beans, Cabbage, Celery, Cucumbers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Beets, Carrots, Onions, Radish, Squash, Strawberries, Cauliflower, Okra, Oyster Plant, Peas, Raspberries, Turnips, Apricots, Cantaloupes, Grapes, Irish Potatoes, Olives, Sweet Potatoes, Bananas, Dates, English Walnuts, Figs, Melons, Peanuts, Barley, Blackberries, Broom Corn, Lemons, Plums, Tobacco, Alfalfa, Rye, Oranges, Peaches, Pecans, Corn, Cotton, Oats, Wheat, Apples, Pears.

Page 63 of the book entitled "Beautiful San Antonio," officially issued by the Business Men's Club of San Antonio, dated May, 1906, says:

"It is readily conceded by all those who know anything about Texas that the most prolific agricultural section is that which recognizes San Antonio as its logical center, particularly that portion directly south of San Antonio, with the Gulf of Mexico bordering on the southeast and the Rio Grande bordering on the south and west.

"Within the last four or five years, in the territory named, special attention has been given to growing vegetables, they maturing at a time when they secure the maximum prices on Northern markets, which markets they virtually invade without a competitor. The profit in growing vegetables in this territory will be seen by an examination of the following figures, secured from reliable sources, showing

**Net Earnings Per Acre:**  
"Watermelons from \$75.00 to \$200.00.  
"Cantaloupes from \$40.00 to \$75.00.  
"Cabbage from \$125.00 to \$225.00.  
"Cauliflower from \$75.00 to \$225.00.  
"Beans and Peas from \$100.00 to \$125.00.

"Tomatoes from \$125.00 to \$400.00.  
"Potatoes from \$60.00 to \$150.00.  
"Onions from \$150.00 to \$800.00.  
"Tabasco Peppers from \$500.00 to \$900.00 per acre.

"The Chicago Record Herald publishing the following individual experiences in South Texas:  
"Men who came here with \$500 and \$600 a few years ago are now independently rich.

"A young man who came to this country for his health, bought 18 acres and in one year cleared over \$6,000 from it, which was \$333.33 per acre.

"Another man, 65 years old, from 79 acres, sold \$5,000 worth of produce, from which he realized \$63.29 per acre and then raised a Cotton crop on part of it, which made him \$35 per acre, which made the same land net him \$98.29 per acre for that year."

"Another man from 80 acres in 1904 realized as follows: From Onions, \$2,226.91; from Cotton, \$1,800; 200 bushels Corn; 12 tons Hay; 5,000 pounds Sweet Potatoes.

"Another made \$3,200 from five acres of early Cabbage, which was \$640 per acre, and grew a second crop of Corn and Peas on the same ground that year.

"Another realized \$27,000 from 90 car loads of Cabbage, averaging \$300 per car, which was \$207.69 from each of the 130 acres he had planted.

"Another netted, above all expenses, \$60 per acre on Potatoes, and planted the same ground in Cotton that year from which he realized \$35 per acre, which made that ground yield him \$95 per acre.

"Another realized \$32,966 from 230 acres in Melons, which was \$143.33 per acre.

"Another netted \$21,000 from 35 acres in Onions, which was \$600 per acre.

"Another netted \$17,445, or \$79.25 per acre from nine cuttings of 220 acres in Alfalfa, which yielded in one year 2,475 tons and sold at \$11 per ton.

"Another received \$900 from one acre in Cauliflower; sown in July, transplanted in August, and marketed in December."

The same authority quotes the following statement from the Hon Joseph Daily, of Chillicothe, Ill., who owns thousands of acres in the Illinois Corn Belt. He says:

"I am one of the heaviest taxpayers on farm lands in Mason and Tazewell Counties, Illinois, and I have been familiar with the conditions around San Antonio for 12 years. Any thrifty farmer can get rich, and make more money off of this cheap land, acre for acre, than any land in the State of Illinois, that sells from \$150 to \$225 per acre."

Come to the land of beautiful sunshine and almost perpetual harvest.

Where the people are prosperous, happy and contented.

Where the flowers bloom ten months in the year.

Where the farmers and gardeners, whose seasons never end, eat home-grown June vegetables in January, and bask in mid-winter's balmy air and glorious sunshine.

Where the land yield is enormous and the prices remunerative.

Where something can be planted and harvested every month in the year.

Where the climate is so mild that the Northern farmer here saves practically all his fuel bills and three-fourths the cost of clothing his family in the North.

Where the country is advancing and property values rapidly increasing.

Where all stock, without any feed, fatten winter and summer, on the native grasses at 1 bush.

Where the same land yields the substantial of the temperate and the luxuries of the tropic zones.

Where the farmer does not have to work hard six months in the year to raise feed to keep his stock from dying during the winter, as they do in the North and Northwest.

Where there are no aristocrats and people do not have to work hard to have plenty and go in the best society.

Where the natives work less and have more to show for what they do than in any country in the United States.

Where houses, barns and fences can be built for less than half the cost in the North.

Where sunstrokes and heat prostrations are unknown.

Where sufferers with Asthma, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Hay Fever and Throat Troubles find relief.

Where, surrounded by fruits and vegetables, which ripen every month in the year, the living is better and less expensive than in the North.

Where the water is pure, soft and plentiful.

Where the taxes are so low that the amount is never missed.

Where Public and Private Schools and Churches of all denominations are plentiful.

Where, peace, plenty and good will prevail.

Where it is so healthy that there

are few physicians and most them to make a living supplement their income from other business.

**\$1,000 Reward will be paid to any one proving that any statement in this advertisement is not true.**

**C. F. SIMMONS,**  
215 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Tex.

SAW CHANCE FOR REVENGE.

Request of Dying Woman Had Much Method in It.

Alfred H. Love, the famous peace advocate, had been protesting in Philadelphia against the great quantity of military features in preparation for the Jamestown exposition.

"Really," he concluded, with a smile, "one would think that the whole world was animated and kept progressing by a spirit of hatred and revenge and bitter enmity. One would think that—but perhaps you know the story.

"A pale, wan woman, on her deathbed, said in a weak voice to her husband:

"Henry, if I die, promise me one thing."

"Gladly, my poor darling. What is it I am to promise?"

"Promise me that you will marry Mary Simpson."

"The man started.

"But," he said, "I thought you hated her."

"I do, Henry," the dying woman whispered. "I want to get even with her."

Settling the Difficulties.

The ingenuity of the Chinese in surmounting difficulties is well illustrated by the following dialogue, which recently took place on the Imperial Chinese railway. Traveler: "I wish to ship these two dogs to Peking. What is the rate?" Railroad official: "No got any rate for dog; one dog all same one sheep; one sheep all same two pig; can book four pig." Traveler: "But one dog is only a puppy; he ought to go for half fare." Railroad official: "Can do all right?" Then turning to his clerk, "Write three pig," he said.

Ex-Senator Is Wealthy.

Since politics went wrong with him in South Dakota Richard Franklin Pettigrew, formerly senator from that state, has lived mostly in New York, where, it is said, he displays about as much sagacity in the stock market as any of the most seasoned bulls and bears and has accumulated a pile of money, behind the shelter of which he feels much more comfortable than he was ever able to feel while serving his fickle public in the senate. Mr. Pettigrew has not abandoned his citizenship or interest in South Dakota.

Asbestos in Luzon.

Rich deposits of asbestos covering hundreds of acres and containing thousands of tons of the valuable mineral have been located in the mountains of northern Luzon, Philippines. Samples examined in the bureau of science at Manila, says the Far Eastern Review, are pronounced excellent in quality, with only one to two per cent. of alloy. The deposits are in-laid between talcum and silica (both valuable deposits), and the fields of asbestos are within a few miles of excellent harbors.

Far Ahead of Her Sisters.

Among the 700 or 800 women in the United States who are following the sacred calling of pastors, there is said to be only one who has so far qualified for the distinguished degree of D. D. This woman preacher is the Rev. Augusta J. Chapin, a member of the Universalist church. This denomination counts about three-score duly ordained women among its ministers, so that, even among her fellow pastors, the Rev. Augusta holds quite an unusual place.—New York Sun.

As to Whist.

The late James Payn was one of the accomplished whist players of his day, besides being a superlatively brilliant journalist and novelist. Whist was his lifelong study. He was never happy out of the sound of "Bow Bells," as it were, being a thorough Londoner, and went daily to his club—the Reform—for 30 years for his afternoon rubber. After playing for all these years he made the remark that there were millions of different leads and plays in whist that had not even been attempted.

An actor who is well grounded can't very well fall down.

# THE HOUSE OF A THOUSAND CANDLES

By MEREDITH NICHOLSON  
AUTHOR OF "THE MAIN COURSE," "ZELDA DORRIS," ETC.  
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## CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

One thing only I found—the slight scar of a hammer-head on the oak paneling that ran around the bedroom. The wood had been struck near the base and at the top of every panel, for though the mark was not perceptible on all, a test had evidently been made systematically. With this as a beginning, I found a moment later a spot of tallow under a heavy table in one corner. Evidently the furniture had been moved to permit of the closest scrutiny of the paneling.

Glenarm House really promised to prove exciting. I took from a drawer a small revolver, filled its chambers with cartridges and thrust it into my hip pocket, whistling meanwhile Larry Donovan's favorite air, "The Marche Funebre de Marionnettes." My heart went out to Larry as I scented adventure, and I wished him with me; but speculations as to Larry's whereabouts were always profitless, and quite likely he was in jail somewhere.

The ham of whose excellence Bates had hinted was no disappointment. There is, I have always held, nothing better in this world than a properly baked ham, and the specimen Bates placed before me was a delight to the eye,—so adorned was it with spices; so crisply brown its outer coat; and a taste,—that first tentative taste, before the sauce was added,—was like a dream of Lucullus come true. I felt that I could forgive a good deal in a cook with that touch,—anything short of arson and assassination!

"Bates," I said, as he stood forth where I could see him, "you cook amazingly well. Where did you learn the business?"

"I can hardly say I know it, sir. Your lamented grandfather grew very captious, Mr. Glenarm. I had to learn to satisfy him, and I believe I did it, sir, if you'll pardon the conceit."

"He didn't die of gout, did he? I can readily imagine it."

"No, Mr. Glenarm. It was his heart. He had his warning of it."

"Ah, yes; to be sure. The heart or the stomach,—one may as well fall as the other. I believe I prefer to keep my digestion going as long as possible. Those grilled sweet potatoes again, if you please, Bates."

The game that he and I were playing appealed to me strongly. It was altogether worth while, and as I ate guava jelly with cheese and toasted crackers, and then lighted one of my own cigars over a cup of Bates's unfailing coffee, my spirit was livelier than at any time since a certain evening on which Larry and I had escaped from Tangier with our lives and the curses of the police.

The day had cleared much material for fireside reflection, and I reviewed its history calmly. There was, however, one incident that I found unpleasant in the retrospect. I had been guilty of most unchivalrous conduct toward one of the girls of St. Agatha's. It had certainly been unbecoming in me to sit on the wall, however unwillingly, and listen to the words—few though they were—that passed between her and the chaplain. I forgot the shot through the window; I forgot Bates and the interest my room possessed for him and his unknown accomplice; but the sudden distrust and contempt I had awakened in the girl by my clownish behavior annoyed me increasingly.

I rose presently, found my cap and went out into the moon-flooded wood toward the lake. The tangle was not so great when you knew the way, and there was indeed, as I had found, the faint suggestion of a path. The moon glorified a broad highway across the water; the air was sharp and still. I followed the wall of St. Agatha's to the gate, climbed up and sat down in the shadow of the pillar farthest from the lake. I drew out a cigarette and was about to light it when I heard a sound as of a step on stone. There was, I knew, no stone pavement at hand, but peering toward the lake I saw a man walking boldly along the top of the wall toward me. The moonlight threw his figure into clear relief. Several times he paused, bent down and rapped upon the wall with an object he carried in his hand.

Tap, tap, tap! The man with the hammer was examining the farther side of the gate, and very likely he would carry his investigations beyond it. I drew up my legs and crouched in the shadow of the pillar, revolver in hand. I was not anxious to invite an encounter; I much preferred to wait for a disclosure of the purpose that lay behind this mysterious tapping upon walls.

But the matter was taken out of my own hands before I had a chance to debate it. The man dropped to the ground, sounded the stone base under the gate, likewise the pillars, evidenti-

ly without results, struck a spiteful crack upon the iron bars, then stood up abruptly and looked me straight in the eyes. It was Morgan, the caretaker of the summer colony.

"Good evening, Mr. Morgan," I said, settling the revolver into my hand.

There was no doubt about his surprise; he fell back, staring at me hard, and instinctively drawing the hammer over his shoulder as though to fling it at me.

"Just stay where you are a moment, Morgan," I said pleasantly, and dropped to a sitting position on the wall for greater ease in talking to him.

He stood sullenly, the hammer dangling at arm's length, while my revolver covered his head.

"Now, if you please, I'd like to know



Like a Flash He Flung the Hammer Over His Head and Drove It at Me.

what you mean by prowling about here and rummaging my house!"

"Oh, it's you, is it, Mr. Glenarm? Well, you certainly gave me a bad scare."

His air was one of relief and his teeth showed pleasantly through his beard.

"It certainly is I. But you haven't answered my question. What were you doing in my house to-day?"

He smiled again, shaking his head.

"You're really fooling, Mr. Glenarm. I wasn't in your house to-day; I never was in it in my life!"

His white teeth gleamed in his light beard; his hat was pushed back from his forehead so that I saw his eyes and he wore unmistakably the air of a man whose conscience is perfectly clear. I was confident that he lied, but without appealing to Bates I was not prepared to prove it.

"But you can't deny that you're on my grounds now, can you?" I had dropped the revolver to my knee, but I raised it again.

"Certainly not, Mr. Glenarm. If you'll allow me to explain—"

"That's precisely what I want you to do."

"Well, it may seem strange,"—he laughed, and I felt the least bit foolish to be pointing a pistol at the head of a fellow of so amiable a spirit.

"Hurry," I commanded.

"Well, as I was saying, it may seem strange; but I was just examining the wall to determine the character of the work. One of the cottagers on the lake left me with the job of building a fence on his place, and I've been expecting to come over to look at this all fall. You see, Mr. Glenarm, your honored grandfather, was a master in such matters, and I didn't see any harm in getting the benefit—to put it so—of his experience."

I laughed. He had denied having entered the house with so much assurance that I had been prepared for

some really plausible explanation of his interest in the wall.

"Morgan—you said it was Morgan, didn't you?—you are undoubtedly a scoundrel of the first water."

"Men have been killed for saying less," he said.

"And for doing less than fire through windows at a man's head. It wasn't friendly of you."

"I don't see why you center all your suspicions on me. You exaggerate my importance, Mr. Glenarm. I'm only the man-of-all-work at a summer resort."

"I wouldn't believe you, Morgan, if you swore on a stack of Bibles as high as this wall."

"Thanks!" he ejaculated mockingly.

Like a flash he swung the hammer over his head and drove it at me, and at the same moment I fired. The hammer-head struck the pillar near the outer edge and in such a manner that the handle flew around and smote me smartly in the face. By the time I reached the ground the man was already running rapidly through the park, darting in and out among the trees, and I made after him at hot speed.

The hammer-handle had struck my mouth, and the whole lower half of my face stung from the blow. I abused myself roundly for managing

to hear him thrashing through the undergrowth, and came out presently at the margin of the lake about 50 feet from the boat-house. I waited in its shadow for some time, expecting to see the fellow again, but he did not appear.

I found the wall with difficulty and followed it back to the gate. It would be just as well, I thought, to possess myself of the hammer; and I dropped down on the St. Agatha side of the wall and groped about among the leaves until I found it.

Then I walked home, went into the library, alight with its many candles just as I had left it, and sat down before the fire to meditate. I had been absent from the house only forty-five minutes.

## CHAPTER VIII.

### A String of Gold Beads.

A moment after I had flung myself down before the fire, Bates entered with a fresh supply of wood. I watched him narrowly for some sign of perturbation, but he was not to be caught off guard. Possibly he had not heard the shots in the wood; at any rate, he tended the fire with his usual gravity, and after brushing the hearth paused respectfully.

"Is there anything further, sir?"

"I believe not, Bates. Oh! here's a hammer I picked up out in the grounds a bit ago. I wish you'd see if it belongs to the house."

"It doesn't belong here, I think, sir. But we sometimes find tools left by the carpenters that worked on the house. Shall I put this in the tool chest, sir?"

"Never mind. I need such a thing now and then and I'll keep it handy."

"Very good, Mr. Glenarm."

We were not getting anywhere; the fellow was certainly an incomparable actor.

"You must find it pretty lonely here, Bates? Don't hesitate to go to the village when you like."

"I thank you, Mr. Glenarm; but I am not much for idling. I keep a few books by me for the evenings. Anandale is not what you would exactly call a diverting village."

"I fancy not. But the caretaker over at the summer resort has even a lonelier time, I suppose. That's what I'd call a pretty cheerless job,—watching summer cottages in the winter."

"That's Morgan, sir. I meet him occasionally when I go to the village; he's a very worthy person, I should call him, on slight acquaintance."

"No doubt of it, Bates. Any time through the winter you want to have him in for a social glass, it's all right with me."

When I plunged into the wood in the middle of the next afternoon it was with the definite purpose of returning to the upper end of the lake for an interview with Morgan, who had, so Bates informed me, a small house back of the cottages.

I took the canoe I had chosen for my own use from the boat-house and paddled up the lake. The air was still warm, but the wind that blew out of the south tasted of rain. I scanned the water and the borders of the lake for signs of life,—more particularly, I may as well admit, for a certain maroon canoe and a girl in a red tam-o'-shanter; but lake and summer cottages were mine alone. I landed and began at once my search for Morgan. There were many paths through the woods back of the cottages, and I followed several futilely before I at last found a small house snugly hid away in a thicket of young maples.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)



## NOT LOOKING FOR HONORS

Bright Youth Had Reason for Being at Foot of Class.

Every sporting man in Salem and vicinity has heard of "Dinah" Brown, says a Massachusetts exchange. Some three or four years ago he, the writer and eight other young men were on a polo tour of Knox county, Maine. One morning we visited a country schoolhouse.

After a good half-hour show-off of the respective talents of the pupils,

during which time we noticed that one bright-faced little chap, who was at the foot of the class, seemed to be the smartest scholar in the room, the teacher wanted to know if we had any questions to ask.

"Dinah" wanted to know what such a smart little chap was doing at the foot of the class.

Without the least hesitation the lad replied:

"If that fellow from Salem was half as smart as he thinks he is he would notice that the foot of the class is nearest the stove."

## PEER-ACTRESS MARRIAGES

We have a sufficiently fair percentage of happy results from the intermarriage of peer and actress to make one try and believe that these unions are no worse than the everyday marriage, writes the earl of Rosslyn in Public Opinion. When "simple faith" weds "Norman blood," simple faith must first be prepared to show she is as well educated and refined as the Norman-blooded relatives and friends of her husband expect. Then, in these go-ahead days she will

live down the opposition of such a union, and prove herself a worthy member of the peerage.

See Harm in Alcohol.

A Berlin periodical, the Literarische Echo, has collected and printed the opinions of over 100 authors on the effect of alcoholic drinks on brain work. A large majority of them pronounce it to be injurious, and advocate moderation or abstinence in the use of alcohol.

## Pe-ru-na Relieves Spring Catarrh.



MISS DORA HAYDEN.

"Without hesitation I write to thank you for the great relief I have found in your valuable medicine, Peruna, and will call the attention of all my friends suffering with catarrh to that fact. Besides I cheerfully recommend it to all suffering with catarrh in any form."

—Miss Dora Hayden, 819 6th St., S. W., Washington, D. C.

### A Case of Spring Catarrh.

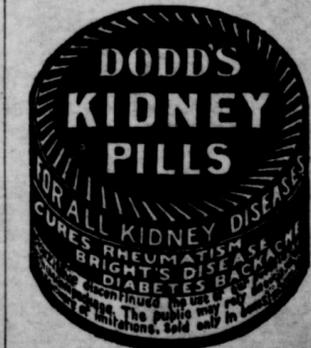
Mrs. N. P. Lawler, 423 1/2 N. Broadway, Pittsburg, Kas., writes: "Last spring I caught a severe cold, which developed into a serious case of catarrh. I felt weak and sick, and could neither eat nor sleep well."

"A member of our club who had been cured of catarrh through the use of Peruna advised me to try it, and I did so at once. I expected help, but nothing like the wonderful change for the better I observed almost as soon as I started taking it. In three days I felt much better, and within two weeks I was in fine health. Peruna is a wonderful medicine."

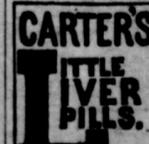
### Fighting with Ants.

The Indians of the Mauritius dispose of termites, or white ants, in this manner: When they see their covered way approaching a building, they drop a train of syrup from this way to the nearest nest of black ants. The first ones that see the syrup follow it up till they reach the termite passage. They return to their nest, and in a few hours a black army starts out for the white ant stronghold. With great fury they rush into the galleries, and in a short time entirely destroy the enemy, and each one, on its way home, carries a dead termite, probably to eat.

The reward for a good deed done is in having done it.—Emerson.



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**Telling the Truth.**

A saloon keeper of Washtuona, Wash., named Mustard, is reported to be using a unique scheme to advertise his business, incidentally telling some straight truths on his business cards which he freely distributes to his friends and customers. On one side is his name and business address, on the other he has printed the following:

"Friends and neighbors: I am grateful for past favors, and having supplied my store with a fine line of choice wines and liquors, allow me to inform you that I shall continue to make paupers, drunkards and beggars for the sober, industrious part of the community to support.

"My liquors will excite riot, robbery and bloodshed.

"They will diminish your comfort, increase your expenses and shorten life. I shall confidently recommend them as sure to multiply fatal accidents and incurable diseases.

"They will deprive some of life, others of reason, and all of peace. They will make fathers fiends, wives widows, children orphans, and all poor. I will train your sons in infidelity, dissipation, ignorance, lewdness and every other vice. I will thus 'accommodate the public'; it may be at the loss of my never dying soul, but I have a family to support—the business pays—and the public encourages it.

"I have paid my license and the traffic is lawful, and if I don't sell it somebody else will. I know the Bible says 'thou shalt not kill,' 'no drunkard shall enter the kingdom of heaven,' and I do not expect a drunkard maker to fare any better, but I want an easy living and have resolved to gather the wages of iniquity and fatten on the ruin of my species.

"Should you doubt my ability, I refer you to the pawn shops, the poor house, the police court, the hospital, the penitentiary and the gallows, where you will find many of my best customers have gone. A sight of them will convince you that I do what I say."

Yes, this is the truth, but whiskey and patent medicines are still advertised in most newspapers as remedies and cures.

There must be a mistake somewhere.—Commercial Union.

When your food has not been properly digested the entire system is impaired in the same proportion. Your stomach needs help. Kodol for Indigestion and Dyspepsia not only digests what you eat, it tones the stomach and adds strength to the whole body. Makes rich pure blood. Kodol conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Prof. M. H. Hogan of Sloeum is conducting a singing school in Grapeland. The class is progressing nicely and Mr. Hogan is an efficient instructor.

Cascasweet for babies is the best remedy for colic, summer complaints, diarrhoea and sour stomach. It is especially good in cases of teething when irritation affects the stomach and intestines. Cascasweet is a pleasant, safe remedy, containing neither opiates nor narcotics; all the ingredients are printed plainly on the wrapper. Endorsed by mothers because it acts so quickly. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

It wont hurt to have your clothes cleaned and pressed occasionally. See R. L. Brooks, at Clewis' store.

**Remedy for the Boll Weevil.**

Feeling an interest in the farmers of Texas and being a practical farmer myself, I beg to submit to the public a remedy for destroying the boll weevil, which, from experiments of my own, I am confident will prove to be entirely effective.

The remedy is simple and any one can use it, and is as follows:

Let each farmer build a "hot bed" across his farm, or any part there of, say one bed to every five or ten acres, and when the cotton comes up in the bed and begins to bud, the weevil will begin to eat the buds, and by poisoning these buds with London Purple or Paris Green, sprinkling the same freely over the young cotton in the beds, the weevil will flock there and eat of the poison, which promptly destroys them.

These beds should be kept in the fields from the time the cotton is gathered in the fall until about the first of the following May, as by destroying the remnant of the preceding crop of weevils, none are left to work on the next crop of cotton. If the beds should be injured by cold weather, renew them and keep them going all the winter as much as possible. However, the fall and early spring work will get nearly every one of them, especially in the spring, when the weevil first begin to appear. The beds should be from four to six feet wide, well fertilized, the cotton seeds piled upon the fertilizer, then covered over, and as the cotton comes up and gets large enough to bud, keep the buds well poisoned and there is no question about the result. I have demonstrated this remedy on my own farm and know that it will work all right, but to prove most successful it should be adopted by farmers generally, each man trying to kill the weevils on his own farm.

I do not doubt in the least that if this plan is followed by the farmers in Texas, and given a full and fair test, in twelve months there will not be a boll weevil in the state.

D. C. Poe.

DeWitt's Carbolyzed Witch Hazel Salve does not merely heal on the surface; it penetrates the pores and promptly relieves pain, caused by boils, burns, scalds, cuts and skin diseases. It is especially good for piles. Beware of imitations. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Miss Dora Lee returned from Eros, La., last Thursday, where she has been with her father attending school. She was met here by her grand-father, Mr. E. G. Penington, who was overjoyed because of her return.

**What's the Use?**

Aches, Pains, Burns, Cuts Sprains, and all similar afflictions are always instantly relieved; often entirely cured by an application of that unequalled remedy, Hunt's Lightning Oil. Don't suffer. Don't delay. What's the use?

Sam Howard came in Saturday night from West Texas where he has been for the past three months. His many friends are glad to see him again.

**Do not Suffer**

No use suffering from Itching Piles when one box of Hunt's Cure is absolutely guaranteed to cure any case. One application will convince you of its merits.



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your baby? You wonder why he cries. Buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and he will never cry. Most babies have worms, and the mothers don't know it. White's Cream Vermifuge rids the child of worms and cleans out its system in a pleasant way. Every mother should keep a bottle of this medicine in the house. With it, fear need never enter her mind. Price 25c. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

When we see so much in people that disappoint us, it is not because they are always mean. They are often peculiar and we have to make allowance for their idiosyncrasies. Not all the faults we see in others are sins. They are weaknesses and infirmities that are to be deplored and they ought to be corrected; but they can exist without sin. For in them we find no vicious motive to injure others.—Exchange.

**If You Don't**

succeed the first time use Herbine and you will get instant relief. The greatest liver regulator. A positive cure for Constipation, Dyspepsia, Malaria, Chills and all liver complaints. Mr. C—of Emory, Texas, writes: "My wife has been using Herbine for herself and children for five years. It is a sure cure for constipation and malaria fever, which is substantiated by what it has done for my family." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Mr. Will Stovall and family of Willis have been visiting Mr. Stovall's sister, Mrs. Dora White. They returned home Tuesday and were accompanied by Miss Minnie White.

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Grapeland, Texas.

Miss Lella Howard has returned home from Crockett, where she has been teaching school.

**CONSTIPATION.**

Its Cause and How to Cure it.

Eat too much, Stomach feels bloated, All out of sorts, Don't feel like work to-day. Guess I've another case of biliousness. "Take anything?" "Yes; some pills, but no results; suppose I'm getting ironclad. Sometimes I double the dose, then they physic me so hard I'm too weak to work. Think I'll have to try something new." "Ever try Prickly Ash Bitters?" "No; I've heard a good deal about it, but never tried it." "Well, you'll be pleased with the results."

The purgative action of Prickly Ash Bitters not only removes hard impactions, gas and impurities, but it strengthens the muscular action of the bowels which causes them to move regularly. Prickly Ash Bitters is a bowel tonic and regulator in the truest sense. It promotes daily evacuations, establishes healthy movements and is the best known remedy for disordered digestion, flatulence and a constipated habit.

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