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## Shipper <sup>Not</sup> Going to Retire from Business.

We are not going to retire from business, but are going to move our stock, but until January 1, 1908 we will be at the same place doing business, and giving the best values possible for the money. We want to reduce our stock as much as possible and we are making

## Some Special Prices For Cash!

If you have not visited our store this season you have missed seeing one of the best stocks of general merchandise in East Texas, a stock that is well assorted in dry goods, notions, shoes, clothing, men's and ladies' hats, misses' and ladies' wraps, muffs, furs, blankets, comforts, lace curtains, window shades, rugs, table covers, clocks, pictures, medallions, wagon sheets and bows, toy wagons, cooking stoves, stove pipe, barrels, kegs, grips, trunks, axes, guns and ammunition.

## —Collections Are Important With Us—

Owing to the fact that we are going to move we won't be able to extend to our customers the accommodations we have in the past. Selling goods on a credit is a thing of the past with us. Collections are now being pushed and we expect all parties owing us to come in and settle their accounts and notes. You bought the goods with our expectation of paying for same this fall, and we don't mind asking you to pay your account any more than you do to ask us to credit you. So hoping to see you in our store at an early date to buy goods or settle your account, we remain,

## Your Business Friend, Shipper.

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Nice Fancy Stick Seat for \$35. Better Stick Seat for \$45. Nice Pannel Seat for \$40. Better one for \$50. Top Buggies from \$50 up to \$85.

These are no "Cheap John" Buggies, but good nice stuff.

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A. B. GUICE, Grapeland, Texas.

I WANT TO DO YOUR BLACKSMITH WORK

# The Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor.

GRAPELAND, TEXAS.

## EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE

Floods are reported on upper Red River, and much damage has been done in many places.

Official figures on suicide that San Francisco leads in the greatest number of suicides, St. Louis being fourth and Chicago sixth.

John Bailey, surveyor general at Portland, Ore., slipped on the stairs at the Hirsch building in that city, and, falling, broke his neck.

Probably the largest crowds ever seen in Memphis assembled Friday to meet the President and the Gulf-Lakes delegation to the Waterways Convention.

Count Boni de Castellane failed to appeal before the Court of Cassation in the divorce proceedings, thus giving Anna Gould an absolute divorce.

The colossal statue of the late Mark Hanna, modeled by the late Augustus Saint Gaudens, was cast in bronze at the Mount Vernon, O., foundry Friday afternoon.

Two Jersey cows, in Paris, licked up a handful of Venetian red that had been accidentally spilled, and both died within two hours from the effects of the paint.

A negro recently bought a residence in a fashionable residence district of Washington, and there is now a race disturbance in that city of refuge for over-ambitious negroes.

Dallas Democrats are arranging for a banquet in honor of Governor Campbell on the occasion of his visit to that city on October 19, when he will formally open the State Fair.

The severe drouth that had prevailed in the Concho country for some time was broken last week. Streams were filled, tanks overflowed and vegetation generally revived.

H. L. Mooneyhan died at Paris Wednesday as a result of morphine poisoning. Mooneyhan's home was recently destroyed by fire and he claimed to have lost quite a lot of money.

Charles Haggood, a bridge foreman for the Jasper and Eastern, was shot from ambush Monday morning and instantly killed while walking along the tracks in the vicinity of Craven, La.

The Governor is examining plans for the addition to be added to the State Insane Asylum in Austin for negro patients. It is to cost \$25,000, and will accommodate about 200 patients.

Preparations are being made for the prosecution of search for oil in West Dallas. The water in a shallow well sunk by I. J. Willingham on his farm is strongly impregnated with oil, and it is believed that by sinking a well to the depth of about 1700 feet a flow of oil will be encountered.

Friday a Rock Island switch engine pulling a long freight train onto the Bushy Creek bridge near Halleyville, I. T., jumped the track, turning over and falling down an embankment, killed Frank Stewart, the fireman. The engineer escaped by jumping.

Crowded to the limit at the very beginning of the season with a great volume of business in the Southwest, the railroads running through Indian Territory have commenced to "borrow" additional equipment wherever they can.

In a difficulty at Mooresville, in Falls County, Sunday night, John M. Young of Levi, McLennan County, instantly killed a man named Hudson. The tragedy is said to be the result of trouble long standing.

New Hope, Dallas County, is moving to secure the proposed Dallas-Greenville interurban line.

David Kiber of Corsicana, who was run over by a train at the Union Depot at Dallas Sunday night, died from the effects of the accident Friday.

One hundred screw worms were extracted from the ear of a young son of Mr. Stephens, near Ben Franklin, a few days ago. This is the fourth case of persons in that vicinity having been treated for screw worms.

## MYTHS WOVEN ABOUT SIMPLE MEXICAN PEON

PEDRO ALVARADO NOT MINING CROESUS HE HAS BEEN REPRESENTED TO BE.

### EXTRAVAGANT TALES ARE WITHOUT TRUTH

Believes Himself to Be Worth Millions, But in Reality Has Hard Work to Raise Comparatively Small Sum—Systematically Plundered by Those in His Employ—Is Famed Throughout Region for Generosity, But Shirks Publicity.

Mexico City.—Pedro Alvarado, about whom fiction and fancy have woven tales of fabulous wealth and countless treasures, is a Mexican peon. Willingly has he submitted to the flattery and adulation which his fellow townsmen have lavished upon him on account of his ownership of a bonanza silver mine, albeit in the profits of that mine he has had but a meagre share.

All the extravagant tales of Pedro Alvarado's wealth, of his ability to pay the Mexican national debt, and of his efforts to commission several regiments of Mexicans to subdue the Yaquis, are pure myths.

He believes himself to-day the wealthiest man of the universe, and no one has ever dared to dispossess him of the delusion he cherishes, that his mine is the greatest thing of its kind in the world. But notwithstanding he is reputed to be worth \$150,000,000, he has had the greatest trouble within the last three months to raise \$300,000. The fact that he only has been able to accomplish this at a sacrifice of practically all he possessed has still failed to bring him to a proper estimate of his fortune.

#### Lack of Management.

As one approaches Parral on the branch of the Mexican Central railroad from Jimenez, tales of Alvarado's greatness are heard on all sides, if the average Mexican peons are doing the talking. If, on the other hand, one strikes the expatriated American who has been living in the vicinity for a year or two, he will confidentially tell one, "on the side," that the Mexicans are simply reporting what they have heard. If one fraternizes with the peons for any length of time one will find that their ideas of Alvarado's wealth are derived largely from the rich ore which their relatives employed at the mine abstract surreptitiously from time to time.

#### Visit to Alvarado.

After becoming acquainted with the important developments at Parral, if one has the necessary influence and pull with somebody who is on friendly terms with Alvarado, an invitation to visit his property is soon forthcoming. While his ideas of hospitality differ in many respects from those to which we are accustomed in the United States, still, when showing his guests his property, he seems to forget his alleged greatness and becomes quite chummy with those he is entertaining.

The invitation to the writer of this article to go into the Palmilla mine called for a prompt attendance at the mouth of the shaft at 8 o'clock in the morning. The mine being situated on the very top of one of the highest peaks in the district, and the road leading to it being very difficult, the visitor was half an hour late.

#### Sitting on Ore Pile.

Alvarado was found sitting on the apex of one of his richest ore piles. Without even so much as rising he extended his hand smilingly as the interpreter performed the introduction.

After a time Alvarado suggested a halt in the exploration, and seating himself passed around cigarettes and began to talk about his output and other items connected with the operation of the mine. The exaggeration he made use of was staggering. He thought nothing of saying that before long his mine would afford employment to 100,000 men, and backed this up with the assertion that he would hold 10,000 tons of ore every day, once he got the mine working as he planned to have it.

This sort of talk easily suggested the origin of many of the stories of wealth that one hears in Mexico and elsewhere concerning this interesting personage.

#### Exploring the Mine.

Strange as it may seem, Alvarado is almost totally in ignorance of what is being done from day to day at his property. Those in charge of the development, who seem to be mostly relatives, are satisfied to give him a percentage of the daily receipts, pocketing a good deal of the balance and spending the rest upon silly operations that fail to make any appreciable improvement of the mine.

After a while Alvarado suggested a continuation of the exploration of his mine, and showed the way into huge chambers cut into the rock from which great quantities of ore had already been abstracted. Here and there the interpreter pointed out big streaks of the rich chlorides of silver that go to make the property a bonanza. Then came the hardest part of the trip—the descent of what is known as a "chicken ladder," which is not any too agreeable for one unaccustomed to moving about in mines.

#### The "Chicken Ladder."

The chicken ladder is a huge post inclined at about 45 degrees, upon which wooden blocks have been fastened about 14 inches apart. Wonderful to relate, the Mexican peons employed in the mines, carry on their backs suspended by heavy thongs across their foreheads leads varying in weight from 75 to 100 pounds. They mount the chicken ladders with the utmost celerity and do not seem to think the performance anything wonderful.

At the bottom of the chicken ladder a group of Mexicans were squatted in one of the drifts, consuming the ever-famous tortilla, which, together with the everlasting friola, makes up



Loaded Ore Wagons Leaving Mine.

the daily fare of these human beasts or burros.

Alvarado is careful to see that his visitors do not miss any important item in his mine, and on this occasion it was all of four hours before he had shown everything he wished to exhibit. Then came an invitation to dinner, and the invitation having been accepted, the mine owner accompanied his guest to the surface and gave the necessary orders to his cook.

While Alvarado was waiting the call of the cook his visitor had an excellent opportunity to study his personality and his character. He is a little man, weighing about 120 pounds, quick, alert and extremely nervous. He has a well-shaped head with prominent forehead, topped by a short crop of black hair. He wears a stubby beard that shows the lack of care. His features are pleasant, barring an unusually pointed nose, and when he smiles he shows some very good teeth.



Where the Richer Ores Are Sacked

He is 44 years old. He has a keen sense of humor, appreciates a joke, and is always ready both to give and take. His knowledge of things is limited to the confines of Chihuahua, his native state. He knows almost nothing of the world.

He is a devout Catholic, and in various little nooks in his mine chapels have been constructed, which he never passes without doffing his cap and making the sign of the cross.

#### A Generous Giver.

His charity abounds on all sides, and he constantly has men employed in excess of his needs simply to keep their families out of want. When he was asked why he still retained the antiquated burros and ore wagons to carry his ore to Parral instead of installing a tramway, he said: "What would all my men and 500 burros do if they had no ore to carry?" It is along this line or reasoning that Alvarado has built up a philosophy of his own, which, while it perhaps is comical, cannot help arouse certain admiration for his

character.

Up to five months ago Alvarado's mine was hoisting about 150 tons a day, of which about 50 tons were sent away for treatment and the balance left on the dumps. The American mining engineer is almost overcome when told that it takes 500 men to accomplish such a little work, but of course, he does not appreciate the extraordinary conditions that prevail at the Palmilla.

While no one at the mine knows definitely what the ore yields per ton, it is believed that the high grade will average from \$25 to \$500 per ton, and that the low-grade will run from \$15 to \$35 a ton. The values are all present in silver, with some occasional lead ores.

The mine at the time of the visit referred to was making about 800 gallons of water per minute, but the pumps were quite able to take care of this flow. Here again one is put in close touch with Alvarado's lack of business sense. Instead of draining the mine by a tunnel which he could easily run at the base of the mountain, where his mine is located, he goes to work and has all the water pumped to the top of the hill, from where it flows to the bottom again

through sluices built for the purpose.

The surface equipment at the Palmilla is on a par with the best which can be seen at any large American mine. His repair shops are of the best and he has never been known to turn down any suggestion for improvements that have ever been made to him, unless the offers interfered with his principles. There is a leak somewhere, however, between the gross profits and the net income, which up to this time no one has ever been able to explain. It is this unknown drain that has practically ruined Alvarado to-day and that has made it necessary for him to pledge all he owns to raise a bare \$300,000.

#### He Shirks Publicity.

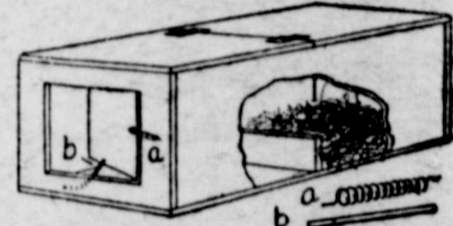
Strange as it may seem, Alvarado personally shirks publicity. On no account would he allow a photograph of himself to be taken, although quite willing to have his entire mine and equipment photographed under any



### HOMEMADE TRAP NEST.

Trap Nest which Works as Well as More Elaborate Ones.

Seven years ago I devised a trap nest which is simple and works well. I can find no fault with it that does not apply to any other kind, writes a correspondent of Farm and Home. The constant attention they require is more than I care to give, so I do not use them now. They are simple of construction and anybody with eyes and hands can make them. The first thing is a box 13 or 14 inches wide and deep and two feet long. Nail a three or four inch board across center on bottom to retain nesting material. Cut an opening in one end eight inches square and make the door 7x8 inches. Nail some small



The Details of Trap Nest.

hinges on inside to hang the door. Get some small spring wire and turn some springs, a, on a half inch spindle, 2 1/2 or three inches long. Fasten one end to the door, the other to side, so that when the door is pushed in the spring will be strong enough to pull it back shut.

Fasten with two short nails or screws a piece of rat spring, b, like those used in corsets at the opposite side of door on the floor of nest box. Raise this spring and have it just long enough to prop the door two-thirds open. Have a little notch cut in door to hold it up. When the hen pushes her way into the nest the door will relieve this spring and when the hen steps into nest compartment the door closes. Put on a check so the door will not swing out. Hinge a cover on top of other end of box to gather the eggs and take the hen out. Don't make these boxes tight but leave plenty of change of air. Look at them every hour when the hens are busy.

### SOME BEE DON'TS.

If You Let Them "Slide" They Will Disappoint You.

Don't forget that there is a winter coming.

Don't forget that it will soon be here.

Don't forget that bees cannot live through the winter on beeswax and air.

Don't forget to see that they have something more substantial.

Don't forget that the sooner you do it the better it can be done.

Don't think that because you have only a few colonies of bees they do not need attention.

Don't think that, if they do need it any old time before Christmas will do to fix them up.

Don't think that you haven't time just now.

Don't think that you can't leave the plowing or the roots for a few hours.

Don't think that the bees have plenty of honey for winter, unless you know they have—unless you have seen it or given it to them, or felt the weight of it.

Live bees are worth money; dead bees are not. Remember that bees are living animals—or insects—and if they haven't enough of the proper food to keep them alive they will die. The fact that you can give them their winter's supply of food all at once (if they haven't already got it for themselves) is no excuse for not giving it to them at the proper time. Look them up. If they haven't a laying queen and enough honey for winter, see that they are "put right." The sooner the better. Do it now.

### Keeps Bees Strong.

Many experienced beekeepers contend that it is not worth while to remove bees for the sake of getting rid of the moths. Vigor and strength are the only reliable protection. If a colony has a young queen and is strong in numbers they will carry out the eggs and moths as fast as they are found. Sometimes they will sting the moths to death or will seal them to the bottom or some other part of the hive. Italianizing the apiary is also recommended to reduce the trouble with moths.

A cockerel can be distinguished from a pullet at three months of age, as he will be crowing by that time.

Ducks seldom become broody, geese are apt to become broody after laying the first litter.

The value of the world's railways is put at \$27,775,000,000.

## KIDNEY DISEASE

A disease that comes on gradually without the knowledge of the victim; its symptoms are so trifling they are misunderstood; hence proper treatment is too-often delayed beyond the possibility of recovery.

## PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

Is a Life Saving Tonic.

Used when the trouble is in the early stage it quickly checks the progress of the disease, strengthens the failing kidneys, stimulates the torpid liver and drives out the paralyzing uric acid poison through the bladder and bowels. To those who suffer from kidney disease in the more advanced stage it is of priceless value.

Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label.

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Price \$1.00 per bottle.

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In a Few Days I will Have Plenty of  
**Meal and Hulls**

Save your Orders for

# Uncle Polk.

Our Entire Stock of  
**Drugs are for Sale**

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**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

**B. R. Guice & Son**

Drugs and Cold Drinks

### TOOK FIRST PREMIUM

At Second Annual State Fair of Arkansas,  
Held at Hot Springs

The big school of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Typewriting, and Telegraphy, the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, carried off first honors. The entire South should feel proud of the institution, as it is now enrolling more students for daily personal instruction than any other business college in America, and through its well equipped and extensive employment bureau, it is placing every

graduate in a good position. Miss Frierson, who has been demonstrating their method of touch typewriting, won first premium as the fastest typewriter operator.—Hot Springs Daily News, October 11.

Don't get out of patience with the baby when it is peevish and restless, and don't wear yourself out worrying night and day about it—just give it a little Cascasweet Cascasweet is a corrective for the stomachs of babies and children. Contains no harmful drugs. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

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### "Correct English, How to use it."

A monthly magazine devoted to the use of English.

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#### Partial Contents.

Course in Grammar.  
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**CORRECT ENGLISH**

Evanson, Ill.

### His Leg Was Broken.

Saturday afternoon Shorty Butler, horse-trader, was the victim of an accident that cost him a broken leg. His horse slipped on the muddy paving on Spring street, and the horse fell upon him. Both bones of one of his legs were broken just below the knee.

Just after the accident the victim was carried into Doyle Bros. store, and Dr. Dunn attended him. Later he was carried to his home in Old Town.—Palestine Herald.

Shorty will be remembered as the horse trader who use to visit our town quiet often, and his friends here will be grieved to learn of his misfortune.

### Actual Facts.

For upwards of fifteen years Hunt's Cure has been sold under a strict guarantee to cure any form of itching skin trouble known. No matter the name—less than one per cent, of the purchasers have requested their money back. Why? it simply does the work.

TO MAKE

**The Farmers  
OF HOUSTON COUNTY**

**Prosperous**

SELL YOUR  
**Cotton Seed**

TO

**D. W. Harmon**

Thomas A. Edison, the great American inventor, says "Fully eighty per cent of the illness of mankind comes from eating improper food or much food; people are inclined to overindulge themselves". This is where indigestion finds its beginning in nearly every case. The stomach can do just so much work and no more, and when you overload it, or when you eat the wrong kind of food, the digestive organs cannot possibly do the work demanded of them. It is at such times that the stomach needs help; it demands help, and warns you by headaches, belching, sour stomach, nausea and indigestion. You should attend to this at once by taking something that will actually do the work for the stomach. Kodol will do this. It is a combination of natural digestants and vegetable acids and contains the same juices found in a healthy stomach. It is pleasant to take. It digests what you eat. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Communications for publication must reach this office by Tuesday at noon to insure publication. Letters reaching us later than that will have to be held till the following week, or cast in the waste basket.

### Why Colds Are Dangerous.

Because you have contracted ordinary colds and recovered from them without treatment of any kind, do not for a moment imagine that colds are not dangerous. Everyone knows that pneumonia and chronic catarrh have their origin in a common cold. Consumption is not caused by a cold but the cold prepares the system for the reception and development of the germs that would not otherwise have found lodgment. It is the same with all infectious diseases. Diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles and whooping cough, are much more likely to be contracted when the child has a cold. You will see from this that more real danger lurks in a cold than in any other of the common ailments. The easiest and quickest way to cure a cold is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The many remarkable cures effected by this preparation have made it a staple article of trade over a large part of the world. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

### Fish and Harriman

Mr. Fish and Mr. Harriman are having a desperate struggle for control of the Illinois Central. The struggle is costing a lot of money, but no one believes that either Mr. Fish or Mr. Harriman will pay it out of their own pockets. Who then? Chiefly the people who pay freight rates based on stock consisting largely of water. While the stock is being used as a financial football between Fish and Harriman the people who pay the freight might just as well reach for their pocket-books and be ready when the expense account is presented.—Bryan's Commoner.

### For Chapped Skin

Chapped skin whether on the hands or face may be cured in one night by applying Chamberlain's Salve. It is also unequalled for sore nipples, burns and scalds. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

A young lawyer whose cases were few, was asked to defend a poverty stricken tramp accused of stealing a watch. The lawyer pleaded with all the ardor at his command, drawing so pathetic a picture with such convincing energy that at the close of his argument the court was in tears, and even the tramp wept. The jury deliberated but a few minutes, and returned a verdict "Not guilty." Then the tramp drew himself up, tears streaming down his face as he said, "Sir, I have never heard so grand a plea. I have not cried before since I was a child. I have no money with which to reward, but (drawing a package from the depths of his ragged clothes,) "here is the watch; take it and welcome."—Ex.

### You Read the Other Fellow's Ad

You are reading this one. That should convince you that advertising in these columns is a profitable proposition; that it will bring business to your store. The fact that the other fellow advertises is probably the reason he is getting more business than is fall to you. Would it be well to give the other fellow a chance

### To Read Your Ad In These Columns

**CHAMBERLAIN'S  
COUGH  
REMEDY**

**CURES  
Coughs, Colds,  
CROUP,  
Whooping Cough**

This remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other harmful drug and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult.  
Price 25 cents, large size 50 cents.

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Advertising Rates Reasonable, and made known on application.

### Made an Assignment.

F. M. Bridges, who has been conducting a merchandise business at Percilla, made an assignment in favor of his creditors Saturday afternoon. Assets are about \$400 and liabilities are about \$700. The business was turned over to Weeks & Whitley, attorneys for Mr. Bridges.

One of the humorous situations caused by the legislation of the thirtieth is that the negro employees at the state capitol, such as porters, janitors, and boot blacks must make an affidavit that they are not related by blood or affinity to the heads of the departments in which they are employed. Even the governor's dusky messenger must swear the governor is not his kinsman.—The Paris Advocate.

There promises to be something doing in the peanut industry in Texas next year. Factories are being established in several places and thousands of acres of peanuts will be planted. In Rains county alone the farmers have agreed to plant ten thousand acres. The demand for peanut oil, peanut butter and salted peanuts is growing and the crop is said to be more profitable than cotton.—Pittsburg Gazette.

It has been frequently suggested, and the suggestion is to our mind a good one, that every farmer place his name on his road gate. Not only would persons in driving to a place more easily find it, but it would add more pleasure and interest to people driving from place to place. This last result would have special effect with regard to well kept farms and pretty houses. An observing person will seldom pass a beautiful farm without desiring to know who is its enterprising owner.—Sanger Courier.

This is sort of a topsy turvey world. No one seems to be satisfied. One man is struggling to get justice, and another is flying from it. One man is saving up to buy a house and another is trying hard to sell his dwelling for less than it cost, to get rid of it. One man is spending all the money he can earn in taking a girl to the theater or show and sending her valuable presents in hopes that he may eventually make her his wife, and his neighbor is spending all the gold he has saved trying to get a divorce. One man keeps a pistol to protect himself against burglars, while his neighbor doesn't keep one for fear of shooting himself or some member of the family. One man pays for his paper in advance because he can read it with a greater relish, while another takes it four or five years without paying one cent for it, and enjoys it hugely all the while. Surely a queer old world this is.—Panola Watchman.

The Bon Ton always keeps a fine supply of good cigars. We want your trade in this line.

### Reynard News.

Oct. 27.—We had the heaviest rain Saturday morning since spring.

Mrs. T. F. Daily and little baby spent Saturday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Kent.

Glen Beazley returned to Tyler to-day.

Messrs Jack, Homer, and Herman Beazley, Sumnar Rials, and Pledger Chiles and sister attended church at Daly's to-day.

Miss Addie Pennington of Daly's spent a few days the past week with her sister Mrs. Jack Beazley.

Albert Kent and F. Green of Crockett, were here last week, buying cattle. We understand that they intend running a beef market in Crockett.

Mr. R. B. Edens of Grapeland was in our midst last Thursday.

Mr. Kleckley and family visited his daughter, Mrs. Jim Garrison.

G. B. Kent will begin with his cane this week.

Sorry to report that C. H. and J. H. Beazley are both on the puny list.

Jack Beazley and wife and Miss Pennington visited the county capitol to-day.

The hold up in cotton seems to be holding up the world. Hope cotton will win out.—Zack.

### More Than Enough is too Much

To maintain health, a mature man or woman needs just enough food to repair the waste and supply energy and body heat. The habitual consumption of more food than is necessary for these purposes is the prime cause of stomach troubles, rheumatism and disorders of the kidneys. If troubled with indigestion, revise your diet, let reason and not appetite control and take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will soon be all right again. Sold by B. R. Guice & Son.

### Mr. August Peterson Dead.

The news was received Sunday morning of the death of Mr. August Peterson, which occurred at his home near Waneta Sunday morning.

On Saturday Mr. Peterson was returning home from Palestine in company with a Mr. Jones, where they had been to sell some cotton. Mr. Peterson fell from the wagon and sustained injuries which proved fatal. He never regained consciousness after the fall.

Mr. Peterson was a well-to-do farmer of Houston county, and came to Texas at an early day from the old country. He was about 68 years of age, and leaves a family to mourn his death.

The Messenger extends sympathy to the bereaved ones.

### Remember

It's not how you live, but how's your liver. If not in perfect order, make it so by using Simmon's Liver Purifier,—tin boxes only. Its the surest, safest and most agreeable aid to that organ ever put up.

### Gin For Sale

We have a good steam gin for sale in the town of Grapeland at a bargain. Apply to

Davis & Murchison,  
Land Agents.

### Fifty Years a Blacksmith.

Samuel R. Worley of Hixburg, Va., has been shoeing horses for more than fifty years. He says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm has given me great relief from lame back and rheumatism. It is the best liniment I ever used." For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

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Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Boots, Shoes, Clothing and  
Groceries of All Kinds.

We sold lots of goods last week, and have lots more to sell. Our bargains are still on for you. Our prices and quality will stand the test. Just come in and see for yourself.

We have the goods and will give you as much for your money as you will get anywhere.

Our motto is:

**Good Goods For the Least Money.**

It don't pay to buy cheap trash. We will treat you right in everything.

## F. A. Faris

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## ALL SIZES

# Oils, Paints, Varnishes, Brushes.

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PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS

If you take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills you will get prompt relief from backache, weak kidneys, inflammation of the bladder and urinary troubles. A week's treatment 25c. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

The crowd that went up to Palestine last Friday to see the Clansman expressed themselves as being greatly disappointed, the show having a bigger reputation than anything else.

Prof. Perkins went to Dallas Friday night to spend a day at the fair. Mr. Perkins had to lay over at Mineola about twenty four hours on account of the engine breaking down, and reached home Monday at noon.

**A Safe,  
Simple System**

The System of paying by Check was devised for all men, for any man, for you....

It is suited to the needs of any business either large or small. It makes no difference whether you pay out \$10. or \$10,000 a month, a checking account will serve your needs....

Pay by check; the method puts system into your business and gives you a record of every transaction....

**The Farmers & Merchants  
State Bank,  
Of Grapeland  
HOUSTON COUNTY DEPOSITORY**

**LOCAL NEWS.**

Fresh bananas at the Bon Ton  
John Guice will sell you a fine suit of clothes cheap.

If you want a good wagon see Geo E Darsey

Every bite of our candy taste like more. The Bon Ton.

For a good pair of shoes go to Howard's.

Apples, oranges, bananas, lemons, etc., at the Bon Ton.

Hides! Hides! Cash paid by Clewis.

Judge Porter Newman of Crockett was in the city Tuesday.

If you think the trade is dead fall in at Howard's when in town.

A few second hand wagons cheap for cash or easy payments. Geo E Darsey

Carry those old clothes to Odell Faris and let him fix 'em up like new ones.

Let us hand you a Lemon. Fresh box Just opened at the Bon Ton.

Don't buy wire said to be as good, but go to Darsey's and get the genuine Baker Perfect at 3/4c

The next time you come to town, drop around and pay the Messenger that dollar you owe. We need the money.

The Bon Ton is headquarters for all kinds of fruits and nice fancy candy. A convenient place to drop in.

The depot at Lovelady burned last Thursday night. We did not learn the origin of the fire, nor the amount of the loss of property.

One year's subscription FREE to the Messenger to the first person that sends us in the meaning of Bs. Bv. and Lp. at Darsey's, Nov. 1 to Jan. 1. This offer is good for five days.

**We Reiterate.**

That for more than fifteen years Hunt's Cure has been working on the afflicted. Its mission is to cure skin troubles, particularly those of an itching character. Its success is not on account of advertising, but because it is surely does the work. One box is guaranteed to cure any case.

**Special Notice**

Beginning Friday November first and continuing until after January first we will not charge any goods to any one for any length of time.

We hope that you will not ask us to violate from the above for if we sell you and not your neighbor he would have a right to think that we was showing partiality. Respectfully.

Geo. E. Darsey.  
Oct. 28th 1907

**Some Other Changes.**

Among other changes to be made in Grapeland business circles in the next few days, we note the following: Frank Owens is going to quit the hotel business and open up a restaurant, provided he can get a house; J. J. Guice & Son will move their stock of goods into the house now occupied by Mr. Owens; Ike Whitaker is going to move his jewelry shop into the house occupied by Guice & Son, and will also open up a picture gallery; the postoffice is going to be moved to some place and postmaster Hill informs us that in all probability he will move into the building next door to the Messenger office and now being occupied by Mr. Whittaker, That's moving around some, isn't it?

Bs. Bv. and Lp. at Darsey's November 1 to January 1.

Groceries! Groceries! always Groceries at Howard's.

I make old clothes new, and new clothes too. Odell Faris.

John Spruill has returned home from Hall county.

Don't forget Bs. Bv. and Lp. at Darsey's Nov. 1 to Jan. 1.

Dr. McCarty reports births as follows: a boy to Mr. and Mrs. John Pelham, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Web Finch.

Cash! Cash! Cash! Every thing cheap for cash, November first to January first at Geo. E. Darsey.

Miss Eva Murry and Mr. Clem Valentine were married in Crockett last Saturday night. Miss Eva has many friends in Grapeland who join us in extending congratulations.

If you want shoes that will stand cold wet weather buy Brown's Star-5-Star Shoes. We have them in men's, women's and children's.

George E. Darsey.

DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve is good for little burns and big burns, small scratches or bruises or big ones. It is healing and soothing. Good for piles. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

**Turkeys, Chickens, And Eggs Wanted**

Bring us your chickens eggs and turkeys, we will pay you the top market prices for them. Geo. E. Darsey.

At the furniture store you will find bedsteads, dressers, Chevals, bureaus, side boards, dining tables, center tables, kitchen sates, rocking chairs, Parlor and dining room chairs, matings, window shades, mattresses, bed springs and everything usually found in an up-to-date furniture store. When you come to Grapeland come around and let me show you what we have and how cheap that we are selling. J. R. Richards, in the new brick store, south of Darsey's.

**Six Pairs Buster Brown Shoes.**

We are glad to state that we have added six pairs of Buster Brown Shoes to our list of premiums for the boys and girls getting up our Cash Register Checks, we expect a letter from the doll house this week, see our ad next week for the additional premiums to be added to our list of Cash Register Check getters, this is a free proposition to all and the premiums will be distributed according to the amount of cash register checks that each boy or girl gets up by Dec. 14th.

Geo. E. Darsey.

Best Y. C. sugar 20 pounds \$1.00. Any quantity at Darsey's.

We are selling occasionally, a gold ring or watch, too nice for the young man himself to wear. We carry a fine line at Howard's, or will take your order for anything you want.

Good yard wide brown domestic 7 cents a yard, any quantity at Darsey's.

Mr. Geo. Scarborough and family have moved to their former home at Denson Springs, where Mr. Scarborough will engage in farming and stock raising. We regret to lose this good family.

If you want to buy furniture cheap see J. R. Richards at the Furniture Store.

**MONEY TO LOAN**

**We Handle Real Estate.**

If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.

**WARFIELD BROS.**

Office North Side Public Square

CROCKETT, TEXAS

Letter to A. L. Brown  
Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir: We shall feel obliged if you write us how you came out on your first few jobs Devoe as to gallons expected and used. Take Job A. You made your price expecting to use 25 gallons Devoe, and used 15. Job B. You expected to use 15 and used 10. And tell us what paint you had used before. Of course, you judge Devoe by what you have used before.

Here's how a few came out. M. A. Thomas, painter, Lynchburg, Va., writes: My first job with Devoe, I estimated 37 gallons; it took 25. Since then I have used nothing else.

C. B. Edwards, Raleigh, N. C. had used 30 gallons paste paint on his house, and bought 30 gallons Devoe; A. E. Glenn, his painter, said it wouldn't be enough. Had 16 gallons left.

Mayor W. W. Carroll, Monticello, writes: Painter estimated 35 gallons for my house; took 20 gallons Devoe.

Gilmore & Davis Co., contractors and painters, Tallahassee, Florida, say 2 gallons Devoe spreads as far as 3 of any other

paint they know, and covers better.

S. A. Cullard, painter, Sanford Florida, estimated 50 gallons for Odd Eellows and Masonic Halls; they took 29 Devoe.

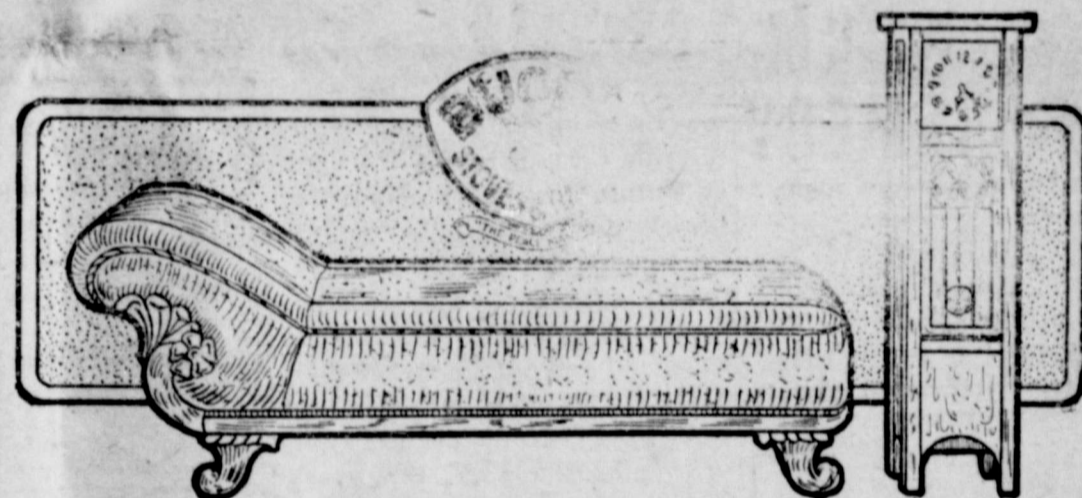
Jones & Rogers, Merkel, Texas, estimated 10 gallons Devoe for Mr. Pratt's house and bought 5 gallons for first coat; it painted two coats.

Erb-Springall Co, San Antonio Texas, painted two houses same size for D J Woodward, one lead-and-oil, the other Devoe. Devoe cost \$12 less for paint and labor. Tom Masey's painter, Walnut Springs, Texas, estimated for his house 10 gallons Devoe; he had 4 left. You see how it goes.

Even the best painters can't guess little enough at first.

Yours truly,  
F. W. DEVOE & CO., New York.  
P. S. Geo. E. Darsey sells our paint.

Mr. Geo. Cutler and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Fannie Cutler, arrived in the city Friday night from West Texas on a visit. Mr. Cutler is now out at Augusta and Mrs. Cutler is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spruill.



**The New Furniture Store.**

Grapeland is not on a boom, but is constantly improving. The newest thing is the New Furniture Store, where you can get Furniture, Stoves, Iron Beds, Mattresses, Matting and everything in Furniture at least possible prices.

Iron Beds at \$2.25, 3.50, 3.75, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00 and up to 20.00 Colors, White, Pink, Blue and Green, and White and Black, White and Blue and White and Green combination.	Suits, Golden Oak Finish. We have regular matched suits at \$20, 25., 27.50 and 32.50. We can also match up suits from our odd dressers, wash stands and beds, as low as \$16.50 for real nice goods.
DRESSERS AT \$7.50, 8.00, 11.00, 12.50, 13.50 and..... \$15.	OAK BEDS at \$2.25, 3.25, 2.75, 4.50, and up to..... \$12.50

Safes, rockers, chairs, dining tables, center tables, book cases, writing desks, bed springs, etc. Call around.

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MGR. NEW FURNITURE STORE.

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STYLISH HAIR CUTS

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Cures all Coughs and assists in expelling Colds from the System by gently moving the bowels. A certain cure for croup and whooping-cough.



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**City Livery Stable**

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Good Rigs Furnished on Short Notice.  
Special Attention Given Commercial Men, and trips made to any part of the County.

**Peanuts Value.**

Washington, October 20.—The futherance of peanut oil manufacture in the United States, is the text of an interesting report submitted by Consul D. I. Murphy from Bordeaux, France. Among other things, Mr. Murphy states that the annual value of the peanut crop in Tennessee, Virginia, and South Carolina is between \$8,000,000 and \$10,000,000. From these figures, the accuracy of which Mr. Murphy does not however, assert, he draws the conclusion that a very profitable industry might be established in the manufacture of arachide oil, if such an industry is not already in existence in the United States. Upon this he says:

"Arachide oil, when well clarified and fresh, is preferred to the best olive oil for table use by many people in this part of France. In Bordeaux the sales of arachide oil exceed those of all other oils. In fact, they are almost as large as the sales of all others combined. Over 50,000 tons of peanuts are brought to this port every year from the French possessions in Africa, the average annual value of peanut, or arachide oil, manufacture in this city being over \$2,000,000. "Not only is arachide a most excellent table oil, palatable, nutritious and healthful, and very much cheaper than olive oil, but it is employed almost exclusively in the manufacture of a high class compound lard. For cooking sardines before packing in olive oil, I am told it is unsurpassed. The best quality of arachide oil is selling wholesale at about 80 to 82 cents per gallon at this time, and lower grades at from 55 to 65 cents.

MAKING THE OIL IS SIMPLE. "The process of manufacturing the oil is simple, the nuts being pressed in the same kind of presses used for cotton seed. The oil is clarified in the same manner as olive oil, that is, by filtering through layers of a carded cotton, the quality depending largely upon the number of filterings and the degree of clarification attained. The residuum is pressed into cakes, making an excellent and nutritious food for cattle. This cake is selling at from 15 to 18 franc per 100 kilos, or from \$2.90 to \$3.57 for every 220 pounds.

"There is not a particle of waste in the manufacture. The shells are finely ground, mixed with common molasses, pressed into cakes and used as cattle food, not so good it is true, as the cake from the residuum of the nuts, but still nutritious, and selling for about one-third its price. To make a fuel, which burns well and gives great heat, the powdered shells are mixed with coal dust and repressed into blocks.

"The records of the Bordeaux consulate show that the exports of arachide oil to the U. S. for the past five years amounted to \$115,220."

Interest in the food value of peanuts is heightened by a recent announcement the department of agriculture, one of whose chemists has discovered that 10 cents worth of peanuts contains more nutriment than two pounds of beef steak. The department is making other experiments with a view to ascertaining the possibilities of the peanut and the oil extract from it.

Leaverton Bros. had the misfortune to loose a dry-kiln by fire last Thursday, which was valued at about \$200.00.

**From Commissioner Lively.**

Editor Messenger:—I thought I would write again to let the people know some of the proceedings of the commissioners court. I promised the people I would let them know through some paper some things I was opposed to. The court contracted with a man to audit Mr. Brightman's books. He proposed to do the work for \$10.00 a day and expenses. He agreed to work seven hours each day and the court accepted his offer and agreed to pay \$2.00 a day for hotel bill and his fare from Houston and return. The court asked for an estimate of time and his lowest estimate was thirty days for just two years of Mr. Brightman's administration. Now you see what it will cost the county. There were three members of the court that voted for this proposition, but I voted against it for this reason: I thought we had just as good talent who proposed to do the work for so much less. He proposed to go back to Mr. Brightman's first year in office and check up to his last for \$200, and if it took him only one month he would charge \$100, which would have been much less cost to the county. The man of whom I am speaking is Mr. John Ellis. I think he would have done the work as good as any one else. I think it is a shame we have not as good talent in our county as in other counties. I think it is a shame that there is not a man in Houston county who could not audit a tax collector's books. For fear I will have to answer for this I will close.

S. H. Lively.

You never have any trouble to get children to take Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup. They take it because it tastes nearly like maple sugar. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup is a safe, sure and prompt remedy for coughs and colds and is good for every member of the family. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

**Wanted** Local representative for Grapeland and vicinity to look after renewals and increase subscription list of a prominent monthly magazine, on a salary and commission basis. Experience desirable, but not necessary. Good opportunity for right person. Address Publisher, Box 59, Station O, New York.

**Julius Caesar**

Was a man of nerve, but sickness left its mark and he became aged before his time. Sickness is often caused by a torpid liver, Herbine will regulate your liver and give you health. Mrs. Carrie Austin, Hollon, Kan., writes: "I consider Herbine the best medicine I ever heard of. I am never without it." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

The best and easiest way to kill the town in which you live is to spend just as much of your money outside of that town as possible. Then stand on the corner and when you meet a stranger, stop him and give him a little advice, in a confidential way, to not invest any of his money in the town, as she is a dead one.—Bonham Favorite.

**A Most Worthy Article**

When an article has been on the market for years and gains friends every year, it is safe to call this medicine a worthy one. Such is Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It positively cures coughs and all pulmonary diseases. One of the best known merchants in Mobile, Ala., says: "For five years my family has not been troubled with the winter coughs. We owe this to Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I know it has saved my children from many sick spells.—Carleton & Porter.

**For Chronic Diarrhoea**

"While in the army in 1863 I was taken with chronic diarrhoea," says George M. Felton of Gibson, Pa. "I have since tried many remedies but without any permanent relief until Mr. A. W. Miles of this place persuaded me to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, one bottle of which stopped it at once." For Sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

**The Entire Family**

Grand Pop used it for Rheumatism Dad for Cuts, Sprain and Bruises. Mamy for Burns, Scalds and Aches. Sis for Catarrh and Chills. I use it for everything, and it never disapoints any of us. It surely yanks any old pain out by the roots.

Hunts Lightning Oil is what I am telling you about.



**JAMES & GRAHAM MEMPHIS WAGONS**

.....Southern made for Southern work, they are standard throughout the South. If you would know why they outsell and outwear other wagons send for our illustrated descriptive catalogue covering farm wagons, lumber wagons, log wagons and dump carts.

Geo. E. Darsey

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Contract given, backed by \$300,000.00 capital and 18 years' success.  
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28 Colleges in 18 States. Indorsed by business men. 70,000 students.  
**LEARN BY MAIL** Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Penmanship, Law, Letter Writing, English, Drawing, Illustrating, etc. Money back if not satisfied. For "Catalogue H." on Home Study, or "Catalogue P." on attending College, write, TO-DAY, Jno. F. Draughon, President, Dallas, Tyler, Galveston, Waco, San Antonio, St. Louis or Nashville.

**A stitch in time saves nine. Save many a sick spell by giving the child BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP**

EVERY MOTHER

should keep supplied with Ballard's Horehound Syrup, if she wishes to save her children from serious sick spells. It contains absolutely nothing injurious, does not constipate. Good for children as well as adults. A cough often leads to consumption and should be checked immediately.

**A Household Necessity.**

J. C. Smith, Houston, Texas, writes: "I have used Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my family for the past few years, and find it far superior to any other cough medicine we have tried. Every household should be supplied with this worthy remedy."

The Delight of Children.

CURES COUGHS, COLDS, WHOOPING COUGH, SORE THROAT, BRONCHITIS AND ALL LUNG TROUBLES.  
PRICE 25c, 50c, and \$1.00  
AVOID ALL SUBSTITUTES.

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PREVENTS PNEUMONIA

I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as the grandest medicine of modern times. One bottle completely cured me of a very bad cough, which was steadily growing worse under other treatments.  
EARL SHAMBURG, Codell, Kas.

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## FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

Interested parties say that construction of the street car system of San Angelo will begin in about sixty days. The new city directory of Weatherford shows a population of about 7000.

At a gas explosion at Madisonville, Merit Kent, son of the proprietor, was instantly killed, and Joe Holliday probably fatally hurt. The plant was badly wrecked.

North Fort Worth is in the midst of a vaccination row, some saying that if vaccination is made a prerequisite to attendance at school they will not send their children.

The store and stock of goods of E. A. Tigert, located about four miles north of Cookeville, were destroyed by fire Friday morning. The loss will be \$4000, with no insurance.

Miss Milzah Busha, formerly of Waco, is now dangerously ill at Beaumont as the result of blood poison. She stuck a nail in her foot, and this is the cause of the trouble.

White & Harper, general merchants at Stith, eight miles northeast of Merkel, lost their stock by fire Thursday night. The loss amounted to \$3000, with insurance at \$1500.

G. E. Hamilton, a prominent attorney of Childress, has been appointed County Attorney to fill out the unexpired term of the late M. Grimmer, who was drowned some days ago.

The boiler of J. M. Kent, near Madisonville, exploded last week, killing his son, Merritt, and fatally wounding Joe Holliday, another young man working there. There was a complete destruction of the property.

Sam Fisher, a negro who has been confined in the Dallas County jail for a year or more, died in that institution last Monday night, from consumption, a disease that has carried away several prisoners lately.

Albert Parker, who works in the mines at Lyra, was found Friday with a large hole in his neck, from the effects of which he died soon after. From the nature of the wound it appears that a plank had been driven into his neck, either accidentally or otherwise.

A string of twenty-two Herefords from the stock of Lee Brothers, near San Angelo, has been taken for a round of the fall fairs. They left on Monday for Hot Springs, and go from there to Oklahoma City, thence to Dallas, and later to San Antonio.

James Hannerty, fifty-two years old, of DeRidder, died Friday in Charity Hospital at Shreveport as the result of being struck by a Kansas City Southern train. Charley Smith, a negro who was with him, had both legs cut off. He died on the train en route to that city.

Beginning October 1, a freight service in and out of Galveston over the Trinity and Brazos Valley Railway will be inaugurated. Official announcement of this has been made and local representatives of that line are preparing to take care of all the business.

George Smith, aged about thirty-five years old, employed by the Caddo Lumber Company, while unloading logs at Frankston, missed his footing and fell under the logs, being crushed to death. He leaves a widow and several small children.

The drill in the oil well near Belton has struck oil bearing sand at a depth of less than 1000 feet and balling has begun. None of the men are permitted to give out information.

The Governor has appointed J. S. Abbot, of Dallas, to the office of Pure Food Commissioner, which snap was created by the Thirtieth Legislature. The headquarters of the Commissioner will be at Denton, and the salary is \$3000 per.

Henry Doeckel, a Santa Fe switchman employed in the Temple yards of that company, was killed in an accident Friday. Doeckel fell between the cars of a long string and was literally cut in two by the wheels.

The first bale of cotton ever ginned in Ector County was ginned at Odessa last week. The incident created quite an exciting time, as many of the children, even of the larger size, had never seen cotton in its natural condition.

**Knew What She Wanted.**  
"A foreign looking woman, rather well dressed, came in the other day," said the librarian at one of the East side branches, "and asked for 'Cottage Cheese.' I supposed, of course, that some one had directed her to a dairy or perhaps a grocery, and that she had got into the wrong place. But she insisted that she was in the right place and that it was 'Cottage Cheese' that she wanted. 'It's the name of a book,' she said. That gave me the tip that she simply had a title mixed up, and, sure enough, it was 'Scottish Chiefs.'—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**The Plain Plucker.**  
If a burn or a bruise afflicts you, rub it on, rub it on.  
Then before you scarcely know it all the trouble will be gone.  
For an aching joint or muscle do the same.  
It extracts all pains and poisons, plucks the stings and heals the lame.  
Hunt's Lightning Oil does it.

**All Explained.**  
There is a little story going round the house of commons about a certain member who abstained from voting on the deceased wife's sister bill. Questioned by one of his friends as to the reason for his abstention, he replied: "Well, my dear fellow, it's just like this—my wife has a sister."—John Bull.

**If It Falls, the Money's Yours.**  
Thousands of boxes of Hunt's Cure are being sold by the Southern druggists daily, for the simple reason that people are rapidly finding out that it is the best cure for any itching disease ever discovered. The first application relieves, and one box positively guaranteed to cure any one case.

**Drink More Water.**  
There are so many soothing and hygienic elements in water, just clear water, either hot or cold, that, generally speaking, the whole human race would be better for more varied, if not necessarily copious, use of it. Few persons drink enough water between meals.

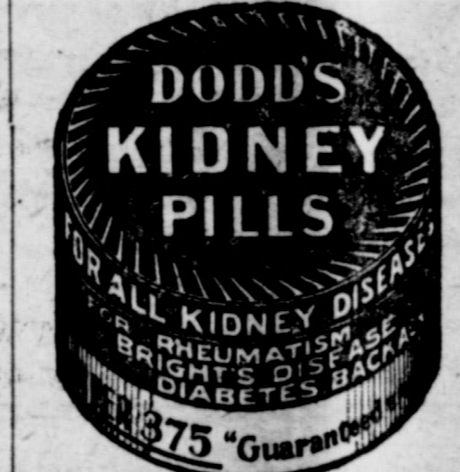
**Important to Mothers.**  
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*.  
In Use For Over 30 Years.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought.

What deep wounds ever close without a scar?—French.

**A Ventilation Test.**  
It is very hard to make an impression on those people who defend their possessions on all occasions. A lady was explaining to a visitor the many advantages of concrete hollow-block construction, of which the walls of her new home were built.

"The air spaces in the walls afford insulation against heat in summer and cold in winter," she explained. "Besides, such walls afford ventilation and insure a more healthful house."  
The visitor reflected a moment, and replied:  
"Our frame house must be quite as well built. Every night we lock the cat in the cellar, and have to let her out of the attic in the morning."—Youth's Companion.

**As in the Olden Time.**  
A great sensation has been caused at Mantua, in Italy, by the discovery in real life of what reads like the lurid climax of a redieval melodrama. It appears that a young woman named Cornelia Orlandelli, 18 years old and of good family, has been immured in a lunatic asylum by her own family in order to keep her from corresponding with a young man of her own station in life.



**DR. HAUX SPECTACLES**  
Are Now For Sale at All Up-To-Date Stores.  
**PERFECT VISION**  
Dr. Haux famous "Perfect Vision" Spectacles are the finest on earth and will fit the weakest eyes. Ask your storekeeper for them and if he does not sell them show him this advertisement and get him to apply to us for an agency. Then write us his name and address, and for your trouble we will mail you our Perfect Home Eye Tester, FREE; also full particulars of our Special Roll-up Gold Spectacle Order. Address, DR. HAUX SPECTACLE CO., Dept. H, St. Louis, Mo. STOREKEEPERS, DRUGGISTS AND JEWELERS who want to increase their profits \$25 to \$100 monthly, should write us and say: "Send Your Free Spectacle Cabinet Free" at once.  
W. N. U., HOUSTON, NO. 41, 1907.

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IT IS WONDERFUL HOW QUICKLY THE PAIN AND STIFFNESS GO WHEN YOU USE  
**ST. JACOBS OIL**  
THIS WELL-TRIED, OLD-TIME REMEDY FILLS THE BILL  
25c.—ALL DRUGGISTS.—50c.  
**CONQUERS PAIN**

## CATARRH BLOOD DISEASED AND SYSTEM DISORDERED

Catarrh is not merely an inflammation of the tissues of the head and throat, as the symptoms of ringing noises in the ears, mucous dropping back into the throat, continual hawking and spitting, etc., would seem to indicate; it is a blood disease in which the entire circulation and the greater part of the system are involved. Catarrh is due to the presence of an excess of uric acid in the blood. The Liver, Kidneys and Bowels frequently become torpid and dull in their action and instead of carrying off the refuse and waste of the body, leave it to sour and form uric acid in the system. This is taken up by the blood and through its circulation distributed to all parts of the system. These impurities in the blood irritate and inflame the different membranes and tissues of the body, and the contracting of a cold will start the secretions and other disgusting and disagreeable symptoms of Catarrh. As the blood goes to all parts of the body the catarrhal poison affects all parts of the system. The head has a tight, full feeling, nose continually stopped up, pains above the eyes, slight fever comes and goes, the stomach is upset and the entire system disordered and affected by this disease. It is a waste of time to try to cure Catarrh with sprays, washes, inhalations, etc. Such treatment does not reach the blood, and can, therefore, do nothing more than temporarily relieve the discomfort of the trouble. To cure Catarrh permanently the blood must be thoroughly purified and the system cleansed of all poisons, and at the same time strengthened and built up. Nothing equals S. S. S. for this purpose. It attacks the disease at its head, goes down to the very bottom of the trouble and makes a complete and lasting cure. S. S. S. removes every particle of the catarrhal poison from the blood, making this vital stream pure, fresh and healthy. Then the inflamed membranes begin to heal, the head is loosened and cleared, the hawking and spitting ceases, every symptom disappears, the constitution is built up and vigorous health restored. S. S. S. also tones up the stomach and digestion and acts as a fine tonic to the entire system. If you are suffering with Catarrh begin the use of S. S. S. and write us a statement of your case and our physicians will send you literature about Catarrh, and give you special medical advice without charge. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores.

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"Now," he said, after an exhaustive explanation, "if a man should say to you 'I feel badly,' what would you think?"  
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