

Local and Personal Mention

The Graham Telephone Co. has just installed a new switchboard at Loving, at the Daniel hotel. Miss Jewel Baugh is operator.

For cheap money on land with or without partial payments apply to C. W. Hinson, Graham, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parkins are shopping in Graham Saturday.

Pure ribbon cane syrup in barrels. Graves & Ward.

J. A. Brown, of Mt. Pleasant was in the city on business Saturday and was a visitor at The Reporter office.

W. G. Goldston who met with a serious accident some time ago at the oil mill reports that he is getting along nicely and will soon be all right. He does not expect any serious results from the wound.

Fresh sour, sweet and dill pickles. Graves & Ward.

Will True was in town on business Saturday.

C. A. Grimmitt of Lone Star was in town Monday.

square, Graham, Texas. Kizer, northeast corner of pump or tank call on Hughes. If you need a windmill.

Let Jno. C. Bower sell you a Buick automobile, Pope Excelsior motorcycle and Rambler bicycle.

Let Jno. C. Bower sell you a Buick. He will save you money.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Knox Criswell were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kidwell Saturday.

Miss Myrtice Findley of Dakin made The Reporter office a pleasant call last Saturday.

S. A. Cates of Jean was here on business last Thursday.

Triumph seed potatoes. Graves & Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Brown are the proud parents of a fine baby boy, which came last Friday. Mrs. Brown has been quite sick since the arrival of the little fellow, but is improving rapidly.

Chas. True of Olney was in the city visiting last Saturday.

Car Michigan salt arrived. The John E. Morrison Co.

Misses Eula and Allie Logan returned Friday night from an extended visit to relatives in Knox county.

Milt Graham of Farmer was in the city Thursday.

Second car of Red Rust Proof seed oats just received. Owen & Young.

Pure ribbon cane syrup in barrels, 60 cents a gallon. Bring your jugs. Owen & Young.

Mrs. Lester Riggberg was here from Jacksboro to attend the marriage of Miss Kidwell and Mr. Loving of Jermyn.

I. F. Porter of Farmer paid Graham a business visit last Wednesday.

Messrs. Claud and Clifford Garvey of Farmer were among the business visitors in Graham Tuesday.

See Owen & Young for Early Triumph Seed Potatoes.

D. H. French, a former citizen of this place, now of North Yakima, Wash., is in the city looking after business interests. He will remain here several days.

Vegetables received fresh the first and last of each week. W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Mrs. Ida Baker of Loving visited friends in the city Monday and Tuesday.

T. M. Clay of Pickwick was in the city Tuesday on business.

See me before selling your chickens, turkeys, butter, eggs, hides and furs. D. J. Brandon, Graham, Texas.

Take a look at that excellent buggy The Reporter is going to give away at the close of the contest. It's a dandy, and any man or lady would be proud to own it. You can see it any time at D. G. Vick's store.

Dorothy Dodd

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New Spring Foot Wear

Just received the most stylish and up-to-date line of Ladies' Foot Wear that has ever been shown in Graham. It's the Dorothy Dodd. Styles in Tan, White Buck, Gun Metal, Patent and Vici Kid in Pumps, Button Oxfords, etc. We earnestly request that you call and inspect these advanced styles.

Prices \$3.50 to \$5.00

The New Brocaded Charmeuse

This is the latest creation in Dress Goods. We have it in the new shades in Tan, Blue and Brown, with the flowered figures. We are sure that they are by far the most stylish patterns you have seen this season.

Price \$1.00 Per Yard

New Arrivals in the Departments

Hardware	Furniture	Groceries
John Deere Implements	Iron Beds	Car Belle of Wichita Flour
Poultry Wire—all heights	Bed Room Furniture	Car Bran and Chops
Car Moline Wagons	Davenport	Idaho Potatoes in transit
Car of Wire in transit	Rugs, etc.	Fresh Vegetables, all time

Low Price **The John E. Morrison Co.** High Quality

Notice of Removal

We are now located in the A. F. Stewart Brick Building and are better prepared than ever to supply your wants in

GROCERIES

QUALITY--The best.

Completeness--Everything good to eat.

Perfect Condition--Fresh Stock.

We Sell at Moderate Prices.

These and many other reasons have made ours the Greatest Grocery Store in Graham

PHONE US YOUR ORDERS

Mabry & Son

square, Graham, Texas. Kizer, northeast corner of pump or tank call on Hughes. If you need a windmill.

S. J. Dixon of Plains, Texas is in the city visiting his father, J. F. Dixon.

Large bulk Queen olives. W. I. Tidwell & Sons.

Chas. N. Keen of Farmer was a business visitor in Graham Thursday.

See Owen & Young for bulk oats, alfalfa and Johnson grass hay.

A card from V. E. Eddleman Monday states that Mrs. Eddleman is improving rapidly and that she was allowed to sit up a short time Sunday. He also stated that if the improvement continues they will possibly return home the last of the week.

Red, yellow and white onion sets. Graves & Ward.

Our contestants should have no trouble getting new subscribers as The Reporter is well known in nearly every section of the country. Our correspondents say that everyone they hear talk about it says they like The Reporter, so all you have to do to get their subscription is to ask them for it.

Early Triumph Seed Potatoes at Owen & Young.

Hon. W. J. True, a former resident of Graham, but now of Pittsburg, Kansas, is in the city visiting home folks. Mr. True left here about eight years ago and has built up an extensive law practice in his new home. He does not get to come home very often and his many friends here are always glad of an opportunity to shake his hand and talk over old times with him.

Rev. Gaines B. Hall, pastor of the Presbyterian church holds the record for long drives to perform marriage ceremonies. He received a message to come to Jacksboro after the train had gone Wednesday and rather than disappoint the lovers he hitched up his buggy and drove over near Jacksboro and on Wednesday night married R. H. Eatherly and Miss Velma Brown. The round-trip was 52 miles and the parson still believes he played the good Samaritan.

For cheap money on land apply to Arnold & Arnold.

Deputy Sheriff Tom Cherryholmes went to Waurika, Okla. Sunday morning, returning Sunday night with H. E. Shifflett, charged with seduction. The warrant was sworn out some time ago before Justice of the Peace E. E. Hall. Shifflett was arrested in Waurika on information furnished by the local officers who were notified Saturday afternoon of his arrest. He waived requisition when apprehended and was brought here and placed in the county jail Sunday night.

Five pounds good bulk coffee for \$1. Graves & Ward.

For Sale or Trade. Five-passenger automobile in good condition. W. E. Wear, Graham, Texas.

We buy hides, furs, chickens, eggs, butter and all country produce. Highest cash price paid. Owen & Young.

Cotton Seed Notice. Parties having Cotton Seed to sell will please bring them in before February 5th.

We expect to finish our crush about that time and after this date they will be of lower value and we will have to keep them until next season.

Graham Cotton Oil Co.

J. Ewing Norris

Funeral Director and Embalmer. Careful attention given to every call, day or night. Ind. Phone, day 41-2, night 41-3. S. W., day 107-J, night 107-M.

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CONTRACTORS - BUILDERS
Graham, Texas

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Office West Side Square.
GRAHAM, TEXAS.

B. B. GARRETT
CONTRACTOR & BUILDER
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DR. W. A. MORRIS
DENTIST
Office over Graham Nat'l. Bank.
GRAHAM, TEXAS.

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HOUSEPAINTING
GRAHAM, TEXAS.

MOUNTAINSIDE HOTEL
BEECHER M. BAKER, PROP.
Rates \$2.00 per Day.
Graham, Texas.

Special Prices
Special Prices on Canned Goods. Graves & Ward.

Novel Campaigning.

The contest among the applicants for the Graham postoffice is waxing warm and interesting. Some of the applicants want a popular election and others prefer to rely upon their political influence with the appointing power. Some one among those who favor an election, bolder than the rest, has bought space in the two Graham papers and through advertisements is calling on the people to express their choice by filling out a blank ballot printed in the advertisement and depositing it in boxes kept in the newspaper offices.

This anonymous advertiser generously prints the names of all aspirants and leaves the public to guess who he is. To stimulate interest he makes the remarkable offer of a free trip to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show or the Dallas Fair to the one who will send in the best letter setting forth the reasons why his choice should be appointed postmaster. With unusual modesty and magnanimity he makes this offer:

The expense for printing this advertisement and the further expense of the free trip to the Fat Stock Show or the Dallas Fair is to be paid by one whose name is in the list of applicants below and who is of the opinion that the people who get their mail at or through the Graham postoffice should have a chance to express their wishes as to who should become postmaster at Graham. The readers of this advertisement are left to judge as to which of the applicants whose name is in the list below is the one who is willing to assume the expense of this advertisement and the free trip and solicit the vote of the people and abide by the voice of those who get their mail through the Graham postoffice.

The prize is to be awarded to one who writes the best letter in behalf of the successful applicant.

Now, who will say there is nothing new under the sun?—Ft. Worth Record.

O. E. S. Initiation.

An interesting meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star was held Tuesday evening of last week, the pretty initiative ceremony being conducted for two candidates. A social followed, in which all were made to feel quite in love with this beautiful Order. The prospective visit of Special Deputy Sister Cain of Ft. Worth added to the interest of the meeting. Several \$5.00 contributions were made for the Endowment Fund for the Home for Texas Masons' wives, widows, mothers, daughters and sisters, also Texas Masons.

Social meetings will alternate with regular meetings in the future.

U. D. C. Meeting.

The U. D. C's. will meet at Mrs. Norris' Thursday evening Feb. 13, at 7:30. Every member is urged to be present.

The following program will be rendered:

Subject—Moral Character of the Confederate Soldier.

1. Roll call—Relate some incidents illustrative of the high moral standard set by the officers and maintained by the rank and file of the Confederacy.

2. Music (Instrumental Solo) Clayton's Grand March—Mrs. McCloud.

3. Paper. Discuss the moral character of the military and naval commanders of the Confederacy.—Miss Hindman.

4. Song (Duett) Flow Gently Sweet Afton.—Mesdames McLaren and Nat Price.

5. Paper. Discuss the moral character of the private soldier of the Confederacy. Matched against the achievements of other armies he stands unsurpassed in daring, devotion and skill.—Mrs. Simpson.

6. Music. "Auld Lang Syne" by Chapter.

Street & Company's

Great White Goods Sale

This has been the most successful White Goods Sale in the history of our store and we are very thankful to the buying public for their patronage; they have shown confidence in our store and in the values offered. To those who have not yet had an opportunity of securing some of the bargains we extend a cordial invitation to come and see them. There are plenty and to spare.

The Sale will continue for one more week. Be sure to get some of those 7c embroideries.

Lots of New White Goods at Sale Prices

Our new Spring white goods are here and as this is the time you are planning the dainty garments, we want to help you with the planning and selection of materials. Our lady clerks are always at your service and will be glad to assist you in every possible way. The showings are very complete and it will be very little trouble to find the exact fabric and pattern that suits your individual taste.

Take advantage of the unusually low prices we are offering on the new Spring white goods.

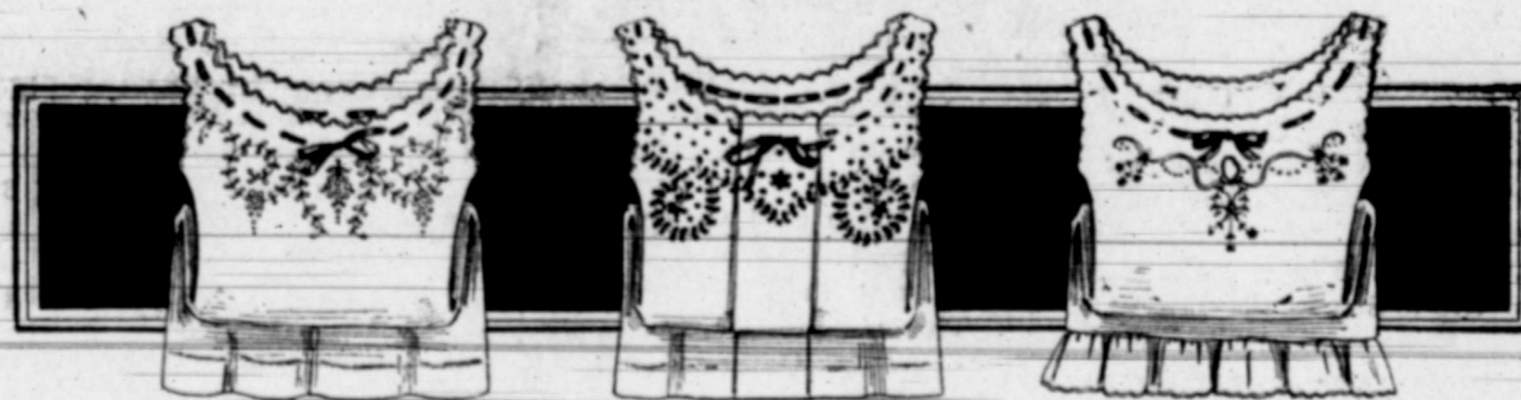
Checked Nainsook, 8 1-3 and	10c	Fine Dimity, 15c, 20c and	22½c	Fine White Goods 15c to	48c
Checked Dimity, 10c and	12½c	Bleached Domestic, special at 8c and	9c	Lace Curtains and Bed Quilts	
Cotton Crepe, 10c and	12½c	Fine Cambric at only	9c	White Linens on sale	
Flaxons, 11-1-2c and	14c	Lonsdale Cambric extra value at	12½c	Sheets and Pillow Cases at sale prices	

New and Dainty Muslin Underwear

ON SALE AT BARGAIN PRICES

Our entire stock of **Puritan**

Muslin Underwear, just received from the factory, will be offered at such low prices that you should buy during this sale all that you will need for Spring and Summer.



No woman ever has too much Underwear, and we are making a special effort to help you fit your wardrobe with the nicest, daintiest and most serviceable underwear that you have ever had.

Gowns	Misses and Children's Underwear	Princess Slips
Ladies' fine Cambric Gowns, neatly trimmed, \$2.50 values on sale at	Children's Drawers, well made, worth 12½c and 15c, extra special at	Ladies' Princess Slips, made of best materials, lace and embroidery trimmed, worth \$4.00, on sale at
\$1.95	8½c	\$2.95
Ladies' \$2.00 Gowns, fine crepe and muslin, on sale for only	Children's Drawers, embroidery trimmed, on sale at	Our best \$2.50 Slips, choice for
\$1.55	15c	\$1.95
Fine Cambric and muslin Gowns, worth \$1.50, on sale at only	Misses' Drawers, extra special bargains at 25c, 22½c and	Good assortment of \$2.00 Slips at
\$1.10	20c	\$1.55
\$1.25 Gowns on sale at		\$1.50 Princess Slips, only
95c		\$1.10
75c Gowns on sale at		\$1.25 Princess Slips, only
55c		98c
65c Gowns on sale at		
48c		
Combination Suits	Muslin Underskirts	Corset Covers
New combination Suits, well made and neatly trimmed, \$1.50 quality at	All \$1.75 Underskirts, on sale at	Finest \$1.25 Corset Covers at
\$1.10	\$1.35	95c
Regular \$1.25 Suits, on sale at	All \$1.50 Underskirts, on sale at	All \$1.00 Corset Covers, on sale at
95c	\$1.10	75c
Regular \$1.00 Suits, on sale at	All \$1.25 Underskirts, on sale at	All 75c Corset Covers on sale at
75c	98c	55c
Regular 75c Suits, on sale at	All \$1.00 Underskirts, on sale at	All 50c Corset Covers on sale at
55c	75c	42c
	All 65c and 75c Underskirts on sale at	All 35c Corset Covers on sale at
	49c	25c

100 New Laces at Sale Prices

Now is the time to buy your laces for Spring. We sell the "Zion" Laces which are made in the only large lace factory in the United States. As the duty on imported laces is from 40 per cent to 60 per cent you can make a great saving by purchasing these domestic laces from us. Most of our customers know the splendid quality of these "Zion" Laces and we can recommend them to all customers.

SIX BIG LACE BARGAINS

Lot No. 1. Special lot of Val and Torchon Laces, worth 4c to 6½c at 2½c	Lot No. 3. "Zion" Laces, thousands of yards, newest patterns, on sale at 5c	Lot No. 5. Fine "Zion" Laces, Shadow, Vals and heavy, up to 16½c at 10c
Lot No. 2. "Zion" Laces in fine and medium weight, on sale at 3½c	Lot No. 4. "Zion" fine Val, Torchon and Linen Laces, extra special at 7½c	Lot No. 6. Wide Laces, Shadow work, new patterns, heavy lace, 12½c to 50c

S. B. Street & Company

The News from our County Correspondents

Mount Pleasant.

I sure was glad to see so many of the smiling similitudes of the country correspondents last week. The health of the community is good. The doctors charge so little, and we just supply our own medicine. I'm glad to see you've let me in. Well, I can't afford to be sick.

The Primitive Baptist brethren are sowing a field of oats near the Median Chapel on Elder Fisher's place, for the benefit of their association, which we are informed will meet here next summer.

Sam Dixon and daughter, Miss Mervin, of Newcomb, put a visit to their relatives here.

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Cedar Creek.

Mr. Editor, let me in, please. I'm honest, I'll freeze, I'll catch cold, I'll startle to sneeze, I'm going to keep bringing at the front door till you let me in. Well, now you have let me in, but I've done for it my speech. Guess you wouldn't allow me to express my opinion as who discovered the Medallion, would you? The fact is as plain as the noonday sun that it is in one of the pockets of the informant, which we are informed will meet here next summer.

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Lone Star.

As I have not seen the items from Lone Star, I will write a few lines.

The health in this community is very good except Mrs. Faneford has been sick the past week.

Our school is doing nicely under the management of Miss Stella Moore.

R. W. Dooly went to Graham Saturday to get desks for the school house which was appreciated by all.

Miss Addie Akers spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister Mrs. Maggie Timmons on Tonk Valley.

Sam Maupin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dec Dooly.

The life insurance man was among us last week. Marion Vaughn received \$100.00 from the insurance company.

Mr. and Mrs. Brit Alford and little niece, Delma Pattin, visited E. H. Corley and family Sunday.

We are sorry to report Mrs. E. E. Corley on the sick list.

Misses Irene Reed, Jessie Alford and Lily May Patton visited Mrs. May Martin last week.

Harriet Parsons and Miss Delilah Robbins went to Rock Creek last Friday evening.

Mrs. R. W. J. Parsons visited Mrs. Robbins one day last week.

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Mrs. E. H. Corley visited Mrs. Robbins Monday afternoon.

Miss Maggie Taylor spent last Thursday night with Miss Delilah Robbins.

Flat Rock.

There is still some sickness in our community.

My, my! wasn't Sunday a gloomy day? We don't think Mr. Ground Hog saw his shadow that day.

Our school is progressing nicely. All the children seem to love their teacher and are learning fast.

Mrs. Robbins received the sad news Monday morning that her sister who has been seriously ill since the death of her father and sister, was dead. It seems hard to give up those who are so dear to us but we have the sweet assurance that some day we shall join them in that land where parting is no more.

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Mrs. E. H. Corley visited Mrs. Robbins Monday afternoon.

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Buster asked last week what had become of Sport. Now, really I have been a candy kid all the time but of course I had to act a little Sportie at first to attract attention, but since we are well acquainted I'll always be the CANDY KID.

Mr. Ground Hog didn't come out the 2nd. He said the fire felt too good to leave it.

Our teacher, Miss Ida Watson, went home Sunday to see her brother married and we fear we will lose her before the school closes.

Dakin.

Well, by the way, when Blondie peeped out from under the cover this morning she didn't hardly know what to think. Far away over the mountains and hills looked awful slicky and shiny, for it had been snowing, sheeting or whatever you may call it. I'll bet Buster felt pretty blue when he had to crawl out of bed and build a good fire for June and the little Busters. Don't you wish they had stayed away a little longer, till warmer weather?

Well, I do believe I heard the wedding bells ringing somewhere last night, but couldn't locate just where it was. "Footie" called on Miss Jaunita Bryan last night and I wouldn't be so awful surprised if it was them. I don't know why but "Footie" did look pretty gay in town yesterday afternoon. Something surely did happen or is just going to.

T. D. Pindley who has been red sick and just a week or better at this writing.

Miss Jaunita Bryan, Hattie Bell Reed and little brother, Wesley, were out hunting Saturday evening and report a jolly good time.

Misses Myrtice and Lilla Belle Findley were shopping in Graham Saturday evening and while there called on Mrs. Ernest Stovall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reed went to town Saturday, driving a new horse. My! W. C., where did you get such a trotter?

Mrs. Belle Snodgrass who has been sick for some time is able to be up now.

Earl Clark was in Graham Saturday.

Poor old "Footie" has lost his necktie. I guess he lost it while out Saturday night. Let's all help him to find it.

Tom Mayo who lives near the river is visiting in our community. Glad to have Tom come.

There was to be church at the Mound Sunday, but don't expect there were very many out, it being such a bad day.

I guess it was too cold for L. J. B. to be out Sunday, or maybe he has lost his necktie and would not go without it. What about it L. J.?

Miss Jaunita Bryan looks awful "shiny" and pretty with that new band of gold around her arm. My! I'll bet some poor old kid has a hole in his pocket book, and some say it is poor old "Footie."

Well, I can just hear Mr. Editor saying "Blondie, if you don't quit that awful scribbling and throw that old pencil away you will feel like you have been 'doped,'" so I guess I had better give space to someone that can write.

BLONDIE.

ELM CREEK.

If I am just a raw recruit I enjoyed the correspondents' reunion last week.

Indian Mound.

I'll bet you all can't guess what kind of a history lesson I had last Friday morning after having spent so much of my time Thursday night reading your letters in The Reporter. Well, never mind what the teacher said, my lesson is over with now. And wasn't our page great last week? I see we are continually getting more new correspondents. The White Rose writer must come again, as White Rose and "Injun Mound" are not very far apart.

Mrs. Austin Bird spent the day last Wednesday with Mrs. B. W. Drum.

Margie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Easterling, is quite sick. They carried her to a doctor for treatment Friday. We hope she will soon be well.

Misses Stella and Zeta Dollins were pleasant visitors at our school Friday afternoon.

Austin Bird and Hillard Easterling visited relatives at Ingleside Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Maud Carmack visited her mother at Graham from Friday till Sunday.

Mike Fisher has a severe case of tonsillitis. This is a mighty bad weather to be laid up with such a painful disease.

Miss Mamie Keefe of White Rose visited Miss Jennie Bird Saturday and Sunday.

Isn't that great about The Reporter going to give away a piano, buggy, etc.? I'm more interested in the piano, however, than anything else and I've a notion to get it, too. I believe I read in last week's paper that you could nominate yourself. Now, if that is all there is to be done I'll get that piano, sure, for I'd nominate Western Girl before the rest of you could say "Jack Robinson."

Mrs. Corda Bird was a visitor at Uncle Joe Fisher's Saturday and Sunday.

Will Haggard of Newcastle spent Saturday and Sunday at G. M. James'.

Mr. Taylor was trading in town last Saturday and had the pleasure (?) of facing the norther coming home.

Messrs. W. W. and E. G. Williamson made a trip to Newcastle Monday. WESTERN GIRL.

ROCKY MOUND.

Most all of the farmers are sowing oats or fixing to sow.

Clarence Blunt of the Oakland community called at the Mound Sunday.

I would surely like to see Oakland represented in our pages soon. Wake up, Oakland and let's hear from you.

White Rose.

Hawkins Chapel.

Briar Branch.

Connor Creek.

Elm Creek.

Rocky Mound.

Hay! Hay!! Alfalfa, Baled Oats and Johnson Grass Hay at Graves & Ward.

Jean.

There were so many good letters last week that I am ashamed to send in my sorry old letter. I do believe The Reporter has the best group of correspondents I have ever seen on a county paper with one exception. Out of so many we could not expect everyone to be a good writer. I see brother Cor. of Loving has been studying up on "hot air" farming. We do guess it is a grand scheme for Young County farming as that is most all the kind of air we have had for the past few summers. I guess Bro. Cor. can raise wheat and "Cane" with the "hot air" process, and when we get a mail suffrage as our fair correspondent of Indian Mound is advocating we will raise "Cane" for your ground. If you will read the first few chapters of Genesis, my dear Miss "Western Girl," you will find what woman's rule has done for us already. If Martha Eve had not got on speaking terms with that wily old serpent, we all would have a nice, pretty garden to live in and not have to eat bread by the sweat of our brow. "Just man's luck," he says. Albert Watson reports a case of measles at his house; we hope they do not get in our school. Earl Poole is reported quite sick. Dr. McCloud of Jermyn was in our town last Saturday. A lady from True had been to Ft. Worth for an operation for appendicitis and was returning home when she became so ill near Jermyn that a physician was necessary. She is now under the care of Dr. Weems and we understand is doing very well. The W. O. W.'s are planning to build a hall in our little burg. Just keep the good work going boys; we are pleased to see any new improvements. Berry West has secured the contract to build the Baptist church house at this place, work to begin immediately. Mr. McGowan of Graham is drilling a well for Mr. Dodd, a new-comer from Oklahoma and a bachelor too. Look out girls. We understand that Mr. Poff has exchanged his farm for land in Oklahoma. Mr. Poff is one of our best citizens and we regret to see him leave, but hope he will be successful in his new home. Short Markum is visiting his parents and other relatives here. Short is an old Jean boy but is going to try farming in Oklahoma this year. My, we are having some cold weather just now, but I guess the Gopher has buried himself so deep in the ground that the cold don't bother him. And possibly the Gander of Gooseneck has migrated South with his kind. We hope not as we don't want to lose Bro. Gander from our page. BUSTER.

Salem.

Since our last contribution we have been having ice, sleet and a little snow, but nothing in the way of rain. However, we have a good top season in the ground and farmers are making good use of it in sowing oats and breaking land for corn and cotton so as to be ready for the good rains that will come a little later on. Miss Grace Gibson of Matador is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Gilmore. C. A. Anderson and family and Owen Campbell and family of Henry Chapel community were visitors at the home of T. K. Criswell Sunday. Charlie Carter of Gorman is working for Dee Howery. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hughie Henderson a bouncing ten pound boy. During the past week Mr. Geo. Gilmore visited his mother, Mrs. Maggie Gilmore. Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Martin a fine boy that tipped the beam at 9 1/2 pounds. George still has his head in the cistern

catching the echos. Cotton picking is a thing of the past and our school will have a full attendance from now on. The present weather is tough on live stock but with plenty of feed on hand and everything in the live stock line in good condition we look for no loss from poverty at least. With best regards to all your readers from SALEMITE.

Ming Bend.

People in the Bend are all plowing. Andy and Karl are tearing up the ground awful. Andy says he is going to do something awful. We don't know what it is unless he takes the rheumatism. Dick Dalton visits the Bend every Sunday. We wonder why? Guess Mattie knows. Margie says she don't like the Bend as well as she used to. Earl Pickard made a flying trip to the city one day this week. Andy Owen and Earl Pickard attended the party at Mr. Berry's last week and Andy bought him a wife but wouldn't bring her home with him. They are not so easy to get, Andy, you had better keep her. Misses Ruby Newby, Margie Ribble and Mary Cunningham visited the school Friday. Chester Gilbert called on Mrs. Mattie Lasater. Mary was dressed in mourning Sunday. Walter James is staying at home lately. What did you tell him, Margie? W. A. Pickard went to Graham Saturday. Mrs. P. A. Newby was shopping in Graham Saturday. R. M. Williams made a trip to the city last week. We have some new rings on the line and it seems to bother Earl. Olief Ribble says Ming Bend is an awful sorry place, but he finds his way down very often. Well, as I have written all the news I will ring off, hoping the editor and all will soon see a RAINY DAY.

Red Top.

I will come again but will not stay long as it has been so bad there isn't much news. Well, we are having some bad weather which interferes with the farmers breaking land. A few attended the party at Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parker's Saturday night and reported a cool time. School is progressing nicely under the care of Prof. O. J. McFadden and Miss Stella Petty. Miss Garnett Ramsey spent Saturday night with Miss Carrie Wallace of Loving. Oliver McFadden and Terry Casey made a flying trip to Graham Saturday. Mrs. Underwood spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Petty. Bruce Burton visited Edd Jordan Saturday. Mrs. A. J. Graves who has been sick for the past two weeks is improving now. Also the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. McBee is getting along nicely. Mrs. Irvin McGee and Mrs. Burton visited Mrs. W. T. McBee last week. Well, come on all you correspondents; we love to read your items. Misses Jewel Steen, Ethel Birdwell and Eula Laster have been visiting at Red Top. We are glad to have them visit us—come again, girls. SPINSTER MAID.

Gooseneck.

Sunday was a lonely day for us. The weather was too bad for Sunday school or visiting, so the best place we could find was close to the fire. Jim Price is on the sick list. We hope he hasn't got the measles. Misses Lona and Nora McLaren visited Miss Cora Rose Sunday. Miss Nora Sneed attended church in Ming Bend Sunday. Mrs. F. E. Suttle visited Mrs. Andrew Smith Saturday evening. Henry Owens visited his uncle, Andrew Smith, Sunday. Roy Parsons has changed his occupation—he is now in the poultry business. Verber and Ella say that Frank is good help in the kitchen, especially when the dish-washing comes around. The Bunge mercantile whistling stand has changed hands. Bob McLaren and Joe Parsons occupied the stand last Thursday. Ethel McLaren is looking better. I have heard from Miss Juste Hitch. Odell Johnson and family of Wild Bend visited relatives last week. Dr. McLaren is fixed up with a new suit of clothes. Sorry to say when he went home the children did not know him; they said he looked like somebody come. We suppose his practice will increase now, as Henry Driver has a new supply of axle grease. Henry Owens had a short talk of an hour and a half to his Willie while visiting his uncle. The poor boy and his cigarette papers are far apart; the two seem to be getting along very well as they both have their minds made up. Charlie Holt and family visited relatives in Tonk Valley Saturday and Sunday. Alfred and Heman are rather attentive to Bob McLaren. The Gander was glad to see so many nice letters in The Reporter. Several of the hungry Gooseneckers took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Driver Thursday. Mr. Homer had a new house put up for his renter. GANDER.

Can You Name Graham's Next Postmaster?

Under the above heading follows a lot of questions and answers and then a proposition. The answers make persons of such qualifications as stated eligible. If it does the Republicans are eligible and why not let the postmaster there now stay? He is qualified and honest. How comes this appointment to be made? The Democrats have struggled for years to get in power. Now they are there and these positions rightfully belong to the party. They will be given as a reward for faithfulness to Democratic principles and fidelity to the party. Everybody known this is correct talk about resenting all stuff. Now if there a man in Young county that has voted the Democratic ticket oftener in Young county than I have, then I will take off my hat to him and he can have the post-office. Why does this aspirant fail to mention the Democratic party? Why were not all the aspirants consulted and some agreement reached? Who are to guard those boxes and when will the voting close? This unknown aspirant in the last paper speaks of names being taken out. I don't see but one and that is Comrade Herron's. Comrade Herron certainly will resent the reflection. Afraid of his popularity! Unknown, I will try you a whack on popularity—will run you to see which shall step down and out and put up a forfeit to make it stick. Unknown's proposition is not binding. I shall immediately send it up and I think without comment. L. P. BROOKS. P. S.—There is one name I do not know which may be Unknown. (Advertisement.)

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Mrs. Colquitt Addresses the Legislature.

Mrs. O. B. Colquitt, wife of the Governor, appeared before the house public health committee Jan. 31 and spoke in favor of the Hornby bill for the state to support the publicity movement directed against consumption and other communicable diseases. The bill was reported favorably. Mrs. Colquitt had not arranged for a hearing and seemed a bit surprised when called upon to speak. But in a clear and sensible presentation briefly told the legislators that the public does not realize the danger of disease until it is upon them and that the provisions of the bill met the approval of every citizen engaged in public health betterment work. The bill provides for a free exhibit car, the printing of bulletins in English, Spanish and German and for an appropriation of \$10,000. This was the first time in the history of Texas that the wife of a governor has appeared before a legislative body in advocacy of a public measure.

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Recital.

Crabb's School of Music will give a recital at the High School Auditorium on Friday night, February 14, for the benefit of the High School lighting fund. Everybody cordially invited.

HIS TOMB AMID THE WAVES

Chateaubriand Buried at St. Malo, Where Grave is Covered by Sea at High Tide.

Americans by the thousand visit Mont St. Michel every year, there to explore the famous old monastery and feast on the renowned omelettes of Madame Poularde, and most of them tarry en route at St. Malo, the gay watering place on the Brittany coast, whose grim past is recalled by the fortifications by which it is begirt. Chateaubriand, the father of French romanticism, is buried at St. Malo, and no true American sight-seer fails to pay a visit to his tomb, nameless, which, at high tide, is covered by the sea. Now Jules Lemaitre, in a new work on "the great egoist," as he calls Chateaubriand, tells how the author bargained with the mayor of St. Malo for the grant of a rock whereto to plant his tomb, which he stipulated was to be a simple stone with a cross, without a name, amidst the waves. "He was bent," says Chateaubriand's latest biographer, "on astonishing the world, even when he could no longer be by to enjoy the effect. There was vanity in his very skeleton."

ANTIQUITY OF PORTO RICO

When First Occupied by Man It May Have Been Connected With South America.

Ethnologists have reason for thinking that Porto Rico and the adjoining islands may have been peopled from the valley of the Orinoco instead of from Yucatan. When first occupied by man Porto Rico may have been a part of a peninsula connected with South America. Its fauna and flora are of the South American type, and it contains relics of a forgotten race which show evidence of a high grade of culture. Few traces of these aborigines are now to be found except in the interior of the island. Among the curious remains are stone-inclosed plazas on which ceremonial dances were performed. The remains of carved idols and pottery show no small degree of skill and taste. No traces of stone buildings resembling those of the Mayas are found, but the houses are of the South American type. The manner of disposing of the dead also resembled that practiced in the valley of the Orinoco.—Harper's Weekly.

Nominations in Piano Contest

The following nominations in The Reporter Piano Contest have been received up to the present time. Look over the list and select the candidate you want to support and help her out. This piano is a valuable prize and one that will grace the home of any lady.

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Miss Clara Rowe, Briar Branch..... 2,000
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Mrs. Lillie May Gregg, Markley..... 2,000
Mrs. Brit Alford, Flat Rock..... 2,000
Miss Lila Ritchey, Cedar Creek..... 2,000
Miss Ranelle Cooper, Graham..... 2,000
Miss Bessie Hinson, Salem..... 2,000

Several of the contestants have already started bringing in the subscriptions and they say it is no trouble at all to get them. In most cases all they have to do is to say they are taking subscriptions for The Reporter and the party approached immediately hands over the dollar.

Several other nominations are promised this week and with a few more the contest will be quite exciting. All the contestants that have not been provided with receipt books will please call or write to us and we will send them to you immediately.

If you anticipate getting in this contest do so at once, as the nomination blank will soon be taken out of the paper and anyone nominated after that time will lose the 2,000 votes that goes with it. The number of votes secured by the contestants will be published in an early issue and will be changed each week until just before the contest closes. Get busy and see who will win the piano and other valuable prizes.

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Both tax payments are short all over the state. But those that paid 'em will be "the people" in any electoral matter that develops during the year, and those that didn't cannot complain—Ft. Worth Record.

Wrong again. Young County has paid 110 more poll taxes this year than last. Right again, those that paid 'em will certainly be "the people."

We have the parcel post law, good or bad, and we can't get around it. The thing for the local merchants to do is to take advantage of the opportunity it affords and advertise their wares sent to any address through the mails. There is no doubt but that every merchant can increase his sales in this way. Try it and see.—Haskell Free Press.

Agriculture and Country Editors.

I was somewhat surprised to see my own article on the first page of The Reporter and an adverse criticism of it on the editorial page. Just to think the editor would print anything he did not agree with. I was plumb mad for about two minutes. I was not used to such treatment, you see, but then the scales fell from my eyes and I said: "Oh, pshaw! this is just what we need—real live editors, not dictators." Then my heart looked up and my soul exclaimed: "Oh Lord, give us more REAL editors and we will get the price for our products, whether the editor sees just as we do or not."

I am sure The Reporter man misunderstands my position. He evidently thinks I am opposed to "paper" and "book" farming. Such is not the case. I am only suffering from acute agricultural indigestion brought on by too much "production" and not enough "marketing."

Government reports show, as pointed out by B. F. Yoakum recently, that in order to earn one dollar, mechanics working on plows, hoes, harvesters and reapers work three hours, while the farmers (based on farm values last year) work ten hours. Thus we see the farmer manipulates for ten cents an hour implements for which the mechanic receives 33 cents an hour for manufacturing. Herein lies the cause of thousands of our boys, and men, too, leaving the farm. Who wouldn't rather work ten hours for three dollars than to work for one dollar?

But the day is breaking. The farmer is beginning to see things differently. They are tired of being told before election of their importance to the country and what a hard job they have. They want action, which constitutes real sympathy. They want to know how to sell their products and get their share of the final proceeds.

The government has spent millions of dollars telling us how to make "two blades grow where only one grew before," but not a cent to improve marketing conditions.

The politicians of Texas forced a State Department of Agriculture upon us, why do they not force a Department of Marketing upon us? But I am almost persuaded that we would be better off if they would let us alone altogether. Then if we produced one "blade" we would get pay for it and land values would not be so high.

Again I say: "Give us real editors and we will get the price." Much is being said and written

just now about the suppression of free press and free speech, but all that has ever been done toward it sinks into insignificance beside the suppression of the "expression" of the agricultural classes by the country press. If we want to boost something along certain lines, why, that is all right; you are an "optimist;" send it in; but if we want to criticize or call attention to some of the evils of the plans formulated for us by our bosses—the manipulators of "big business"—we are termed "pessimists" or "socialists" and told to depart in peace, which is being interpreted, "don't say anything about it." As if none but pessimists and socialists opposed evil or advocated reforms.

Listen: President-elect Wilson in a speech before the Commercial Club of Chicago on the night of Jan. 11, said: "I am not drawing an indictment of the banking system, that has been done." He further said: "They do not believe in the United States. I mean the rank and file of our people—that men of every kind are upon an equality in their access to the resources of the country any more than they believe that everybody is upon equal terms in his access to the justice of the country." Vice-President-elect Marshall in his message to the Indiana legislature Jan. 12 said: "Unless progressive legislation is enacted the people some day will open up the cul de sac, even though the opening may lead representative government over a precipice into pure socialism or paternalism."

Think ye, little spineless editors, that the above quotations came from pessimists or socialists? The fact that a man is an optimist doesn't prove that he is even a good citizen. The devil is an optimist and hates all who oppose his devilment.

No, "Cqr.," I am not averse to "book larnin'" on farming, but I have read "produce more" books, papers and bulletins, have read about demonstration trains, kafir corn and milo maize specials, heard speeches along the same lines till my agricultural stomach feels like it would "burst" in fact, I believe it has already "sploded," hence these scattering thoughts on marketing.

Now, good, patient editor, just a little more space to thank the Jacksboro News for its friendly criticism of my recent article in The Reporter, also for the names of the different organizations for the benefit of the farmers. I shall cut them out and paste them in my hat so that I will have some sense on my head, whether there is anything in it or not. Then when I get an "overproduction" of money I will know where to send some of it, for the News mentions eleven different organizations, all of which must be maintained by the farmer, either directly or indirectly.

The News criticizes the old argument that to increase the yield reduces the price. It says: "All who make this argument do so with inconsistency, as none who have ever made this argument but who does his level best to produce as much as possible himself and usually the only thing he tries to raise is cotton, simply cotton." All of which is very true, yet unavoidable, as a rule, simply because only 32 per cent. of the farms are worked by the owners of them, 68 per cent. being worked by the tenants who are required to plant cotton. The only remedy, therefore, is to limit the ownership of land to what each real farmer needs and require him to live on and cultivate it himself.

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The remains were brought to Graham Tuesday and interred in the Oak Grove cemetery.

She leaves three sons and three daughters to mourn her loss, Jim, John and Doc and Mesdames Nowlin of Collin county and Shaw and Patterson of Snyder.

The Reporter extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Bids for School Funds Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that on the first day of the regular term of the Commissioners' Court of Young County, Texas, to-wit: on the 10th day of February, A. D. 1913, bids will be received from any banking corporation, association, individual banker or any individual in this county to act as county depository of school funds of said county of Young. Said bids will be sealed, and shall state the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association, individual banker, or individual offers to pay on the school funds of the county of Young from the date of said bid until the time required by law to again select a county depository of school funds. Said bids shall be accompanied with a certified check for not less than the sum of \$150.00.

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A RESPONSIVE CHORD

By NORA NAHL.

"What did he ever see in her?" The question fell from the lips of a girl of twenty, fully conscious of the budding beauty of young womanhood and all it meant of power. "She hasn't apparently one redeeming feature; why, she is positively gawky."

The woman addressed, an attractive matron of about 35, turned a critical gaze after the figure of the little woman disappearing down the street, and a knowing smile curled her lips. "I will tell you," she said.

"About five years ago Arthur Smith was engaged to the most beautiful girl in our set; you are too young to remember just how beautiful she was—at any rate, she completely conquered Arthur—he had eyes for no one else when she was near. At every function he was her devoted slave—every wish was anticipated and gratified—nothing was too good for her—no task too difficult to perform that would add to her comfort and happiness.

"When the Spanish-American war broke out, Ann Reynolds, now Mrs. Smith, had been studying for two years to be a trained nurse. She had one supreme gift—the gift of tenderness, and Nellie, in a woman this is not to be despised. All women do not possess it. Ann's brother and Arthur happened to be injured about the same time and were placed on beds side by side in the same southern hospital. On account of her training and her brother's illness, Ann Reynolds volunteered to go as a nurse to this hospital, and endeavor to save not only her brother's life, but to do what she could to save the lives of others who had become ill in the government service.

"About this time Arthur had written an appealing letter home, or, rather, had asked that it be written, as he was too ill to do more than express a wish, asking that his sweetheart come to him (they had been engaged just before he left for the south), as he feared he had contracted a dangerous and contagious disease, but usually the ones we love do not consider such things as this when a life is concerned; at least, I am generous enough to think that most women would not. Well, to make a long story short, Arthur's sweetheart refused flatly to go to his bedside. It afterward came out—somehow these things always do—that she feared contracting the fever and thereby marring her beauty.

"When Ann arrived at the hospital and found that the patient in the bed next to her brother was from the same city as she, they said she worked untiringly with him night after night with an intensity that probably saved his life—at least, the doctors gave her the credit—and won out with glowing words of praise from them all. When it was all over, however, and he was on the high road to health, she succumbed under the strain, and lay for weeks hovering between life and death.

"During her illness Arthur wrote a short note to his fiancée, releasing her from her engagement, and when he returned home, which did not happen for many weeks afterward, he announced his engagement to the little woman who had risked a very precious and useful life to save that of a perfect stranger. One of his old friends said afterward that in announcing the news to him he had made the remark that those few weeks in the hospital had taught him the most valuable lesson in his life—that beauty of face and form, while pleasing to the eye, were but fleeting possessions, and that as he watched the devoted and self-sacrificing little woman moving from one to the other of the sufferers, giving her service willingly and with a grace and sweetness that brightened the whole place, bringing hope and sunshine to many a homesick and despairing man, he had realized that there was something deeper, nobler and more transcendently beautiful in the world than mere physical beauty, and one which would last until death, and he finished by saying: 'And so I lost my heart, or, rather, gave it into keeping of the noblest woman I had ever met, or ever expect to meet in this world.'

The speaker finished the story in a low, soft voice, and as she glanced over at the beautiful young girl opposite, she noticed a tear trickling down her cheek, and the serious look that met hers from the brown eyes told her that the recountal had touched a responsive chord in her nature.

Telling the Bees.

The custom of "telling the bees" is often referred to by those interested in curious happenings. In some parts of England it has always been the habit to inform the bees whenever there is a death in the family, particularly when it is that of the master or mistress.

Some one raps upon the board supporting the hives and says: "Mourn with us. Master (or mistress) of the house is dead."

It is thought that if this duty is neglected the bees will die, and many old servants are fond of telling how the bees pine away when no one thinks to give them the sad message.—Ave Maria.

Carries Him Back.

"I never drink coffee with cream in it."

"Why not?"

"It always makes me homesick."

"I don't understand."

"I was born on the banks of the Missouri river."

"Yes?"

"A cup of coffee with cream in it is just about the color of the stream I used to sport in when a boy."

WHY MABEL LOST HIM

By BLANCHE HARPER.

"I'll leave it to you," said the young man with the receding chin to his friend with the fuzzy hat, "whether it was my fault or not! It was just bad luck! I'm hoodooed, that's what!"

"I thought you were asked over to visit Mabel's family at their place in the country," objected his friend with the fuzzy hat.

"I was," admitted the young man with the receding chin. "And I put it to you if that wasn't encouragement. When a girl's family lets her invite a man for a week-end doesn't it look as though everything was all right? And if the girl didn't want you couldn't she sidestep the invitation?"

"Mabel wrote me a nice letter when she asked me and I considered the question before accepting. A man doesn't want to commit himself off-hand, you know. Girls are so frightfully keen these days, and while Mabel never seemed so you never can tell. Still, I had always liked Mabel pretty well, and you know where her dad stands—he's got so much money that they use it for kindling wood. So I made up my mind that I might do lots worse. Besides, I hated to disappoint Mabel. I resolved to ask her to marry me and get it over with."

"Gee!" said the man with the fuzzy hat in admiring tones. "I like to see a man with courage!"

"I was a little surprised," said the young man with the receding chin, "to find when I got there that about six other fellows had been invited, and among them that Rollson chap—that particularly obnoxious fellow who never notices anybody, you know. I resolved to show him a few things. So I got Mabel to myself the very first day. She had the garden hose turned on her pet flower bed—and I rushed out to help her. She insisted that she preferred to water the flowers herself, but I simply took the hose away from her and naturally she had to stay and watch me use it. I tried to lead up gradually to what I had in mind, but she didn't seem to realize the situation and always ran me off the track. Finally I turned to her in desperation and, throwing out my hands, said—"

"What?" breathlessly inquired his friend.

"Well, whatever I said was completely lost in the subsequent excitement," admitted the young man with the receding chin. "When I threw out my hands I dropped the hose naturally and the nozzle struck on a stone at such an angle that the full force of the stream hit Mabel in the face and drenched her."

"I didn't see her again till evening, but, of course, neither did Rollson. Naturally I sought her out to apologize. She had just taken a chair under the moonlight at one end of the porch and said 'Oh!' in a rather disappointed tone when she looked up and saw me. It sounded as though she had expected some one else."

"Mabel," I began, "I can't tell you how sorry I am—"

"Don't try," she said. But I kept on for an hour. Whenever any one else walked toward the corner I hitched my chair around to prevent the intrusion, so we were not disturbed. Finally she rose and so did I. I stepped closer to her and took her hand, but just as I said 'Mabel' softly she let out a shriek that brought every one running.

"My foot! My foot!" she wailed. "You brought your great heavy heel down on my foot and nearly killed me!"

Then that Rollson chap pushed in ahead of me and half carried her to a chair. It was most annoying. But I knew that fate could not defeat a persistent man.

The next day all of us went for a walk, but despite my efforts I could not get a word with Mabel. I admired her shyness. A girl can always feel a proposal in the air, and it is natural for her to throw obstacles in the way. It only proves her interest. Finally I circled around and reached a stile ahead of the rest. I planned to be there when Mabel arrived and help her over before Rollson could climb the fence and do it himself. It worked beautifully, only as I bobbed up smiling and lifting my hat I ran plump into a hornet's nest in a sassafras bush back of me—and I don't know who helped Mabel over that stile.

"Every one seemed to think it my fault that Mabel was stung by several of the little beasts, too."

"I made up my mind that I would have to write my proposal and send it to her. But just before I left her for home I accidentally overheard Mabel and her father talking."

"Good gracious!" Mabel told him. "Don't blame me if he has kept out of all your bridge games! I told you he could play bridge when you wanted some one to fill out your table, but I didn't guarantee to chain him into a chair! Haven't I endured enough in my constant maneuvers to escape his attempts to propose to me? I've been nearly drowned and poisoned by hornets and my foot was smashed trying to get away from him—and Mr. Rollson ready to slay him at sight! Go away, papa, and don't add to my troubles!"

"Now I leave it to you if I didn't serve Mabel right just to let matters drop and not write that proposal?"

"You did!" agreed the friend with the fuzzy hat.—Chicago Daily News.

A Local Product, Too.

"Have you any aptitude for quotations?" asked the literary person of his friend, the haberdasher.

"Only in my own line of business. To tell the truth, I don't even know how pig trot is quoted this morning."