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Our Special Easter Sale!

As the spring season approaches we are always reminded of the many house hold necessities we are compelled to buy. As a matter of economy it is your duty to trade where you can buy the cheapest. OUR SPECIAL EASTER SALE affords opportunities to buy high classed merchandise at prices that have never before marked the history of Grapeland. WE HAVE THE GOODS WE ADVERTISE!

Friday and Saturday April 12th and 13th TWO DAYS ONLY	J. G. SHIPPER & SON. "SELLS IT FOR LESS."	Friday and Saturday April 13th and 14th TWO DAYS ONLY
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Clothing

Why wear hand-me-downs when you can have a suit made to your measure for the same money?

We represent the leading tailoring houses of the world. When we take your measure WE GUARANTEE A FIT and satisfaction, or you don't have it to pay for!

Men's Pants.

All \$1.00 Work Pants reduced to	.90
All 1.25 " " "	\$1.00
All 1.50 " " "	1.25
All 1.75 " " "	1.35
All 2.00 " " "	1.75
All 2.25 " " "	1.95
All 2.50 " " "	2.15
All 3.00 " " "	2.50
All 3.50 " " "	3.00
All 4.00 " " "	3.25

Straw Hats for Men

Ladies' Muslin Underwear

Men's Furnishings.

Special lots in men's shirts to close out at these greatly reduced prices.

One lot of men's shirts with detached collars and cuffs, sells regular for \$1.25 to close out for	\$1.00
One line of \$1.00 shirts for	75c
Special lot of 75c shirts for	50c
All \$1.25 Noxall shirts for	1.00
All 1.00 " " for	85c
Arrow brand collars, 2 for	25c
Engineer sox, per pair	10c

Dress Goods.

Our dress goods department was never more complete than now. Consisting of all the latest colors and shades: mohairs, voiles, secilians, linens, wash silks, organdies, india linen, and lawns at prices too numerous to mention, but bear the same reduction as other advertised goods.

BEST CALICOES FOR 5c A YARD.	WAUKESHA COTTON STRIPES FOR 5c A YARD.
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Millinery.

STYLISH MILLINERY AT LOWEST PRICES

Our 65c misses trimmed hats for	50c
Our 75c " lined " "	65c
Our 1.00 ladies trimmed " "	90c
Our 1.25 " " " "	1.15
Our 1.50 " " " "	1.35
Our 1.75 " " " "	1.65
Our 2.00 " " " "	1.85
Our 2.25 " " " "	2.00
Our 2.50 " " " "	2.25

Embroidery.

You will miss a great thing if you miss this embroidery sale. Special lots 3 to 4 inches wide regular value 10 cents per yard, special price at 5c. Special lot 4 to 6 inches wide, regular value 12 1-2 to 15 cents special price per yard 10c.

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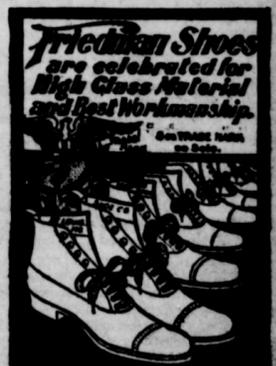
6oz. Garrett snuff per bottle	20c
4 lb. Arm & Hammer soda	25c
6 " Our Own brand "	25c
4 " Best lump starch	25c
10 Bars laundry soap	25c
16 " New York granulated sugar	1.00
18 " Best Y. C. sugar	1.00

We buy what you have to sell and sell what you have to buy.

These prices are for cash only, the pay the goods are bought.

Shoes.

Our shoes are as good as the best and better than many. We handle the most dependable brands, the most extensive line the greatest variety of styles to select from.



We Guarantee Every High Priced Shoe we sell to give Satisfaction.

Easter Sale Prices.

\$1.00 Misses shoes for	90c
1.25 " " "	\$1.15
1.35 " " "	1.25
1.50 Womens Kangaroo calf shoes	1.35
1.75 " Vici Kid "	1.50
2.00 " " "	1.75
2.25 " " Blucher style shoe	2.00
2.50 " " Dress "	2.25
1.75 Men's Oil grained Creedmores	1.50
1.75 " Satin calf solid leather sole	1.45
2.00 " Vici Kid Dress shoes	1.75
2.50 " " " "	2.25
3.00 " Men's shoes for	2.75

Finck's Overalls

Walk Over Shoes

Notions.

6 cedar lead pencils for	5c
2 doz. agate buttons "	5c
2 " safety pins "	5c
5 " wire hair pins "	5c
1 Box ball thread 30 balls to box	20c
6 Pair good shoe strings for	5c
2 Papers needles "	5c
1 Doz. bone collar buttons "	5c
Muslin Underwear.	
Corset covers 75 50 35 and	25c
Underskirts 1.50 1.00 .75 "	50c
Ladies gowns 1.50 1.00 .75 "	50c
Drawers .75 .50 "	35c

Friday and Saturday April 13-14.	J. G. SHIPPER and SON "Sells it for Less."	Friday and Saturday April 13-14.
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MIDDLE LIFE

A Time When Women Are Susceptible to Many Dread Diseases—Intelligent Women Prepare for it. Two Relate their Experiences.

The "change of life" is the most critical period of a woman's existence, and the anxiety felt by women as it draws near is not without reason.

Every woman who neglects the care of her health at this time invites disease and pain.

Such warning symptoms as sense of suffocation, hot flashes, headaches, backaches, dread of impending evil, timidity, sounds in the ears, palpitation of the heart, sparks before the eyes, irregularities, constipation, variable appetite, weakness, inquietude, and dizziness, are promptly heeded by intelligent women who are approaching the period in life when woman's great change may be expected.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was prepared to meet the needs of woman's system at this trying period of her life. It invigorates and strengthens the female organism and builds up the weakened nervous system.

For special advice regarding this important period women are invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., and it will be furnished absolutely free of charge. The present Mrs. Pinkham is the daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham, her assistant before her decease, and for twenty-five years since her advice has been freely given to sick women.

Read what Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound did for Mrs. Hyland and Mrs. Hinkle:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—
"I had been suffering with displacement of the organs for years and was passing through the change of life. My abdomen was badly swollen; my stomach was sore; I had dizzy spells, sick headaches, and was very nervous."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Succeeds Where Others Fail.

An enemy can partly ruin a man, but it takes a good-natured, judicious friend to complete the thing and make it perfect.—Mark Twain.

Not a Pipe Dream.

Oil—some kinds—are conveyed by a system of pipe lines, but the Oil that make all other oils insignificant is conveyed in bottles. It's Hunt's Lightning Oil, and it's mission is to cure your sprains, cuts, burns, bruises, aches and pains—and it does it.

Produced Desired Effect.

At a recent political meeting in Brighton, England, a speaker, finding that the point of one of his jokes had missed, sorrowfully remarked: "I had hoped gentlemen, that you would have laughed at that." A plaintiff voice came through the silence—"I laughed mister." Then everybody laughed.

Love is not getting, but giving; not a wild dream of pleasure and a madness of desire—oh, no, love is not that. It is goodness and honor, and peace and pure living—yes, love is that—and it is the best thing in the world, and the thing that lives longest.—Henry van Dyke.

Wheat Cakes.

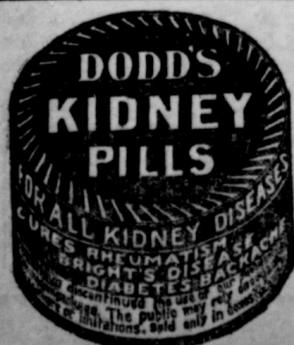
Mix two teaspoonfuls baking powder with about three cups flour and a little salt; beat one or two eggs and add, with enough milk to make batter.

A man never blows his own horn until the silence has become more than he can bear.

It is a waste of time to argue over an order which comes from headquarters.

Luck is the first word on the lips of the loafer.

The greatest truths were first conceived in doubt.



Mrs. A. E. G. Hyland

"I wrote you for advice and commenced treatment with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as you directed, and I am happy to say that all those distressing symptoms left me and I have passed safely through the change of life, a well woman. I am recommending your medicine to all my friends."—Mrs. Annie E. G. Hyland, Chestertown, Md.

Another Woman's Case.

"During change of life words cannot express what I suffered. My physician said I had a cancerous condition of the female organs. One day I read some of the testimonials of women who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I decided to try it and to write you for advice. Your medicine made me a well woman, and all my bad symptoms soon disappeared."

"I advise every woman at this period of life to take your medicine and write you for advice."—Mrs. Lizzie Hinkle, Salem, Ind.

What Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did for Mrs. Hyland and Mrs. Hinkle it will do for other women at this time of life.

It has conquered pain, restored health, and prolonged life in cases that utterly baffled physicians.

Antique Russian Locomotives.

A German student finds one of the causes of the inability of the Russian railroads to handle their traffic is the antiquity of their locomotives. The number of these seems in tolerable proportion to the traffic, but out of 14,326 locomotives no less than 6,919 are from twenty-four to forty-six years old.

Cures Rheumatism and Catarrh—Medicine Sent Free.

Send no money—simply write and try Botanic Blood Balm at our expense. Botanic Blood Balm (B. H. B.) kills or destroys the poison in the blood which causes the awful aches in back and shoulder blades, shifting pains, difficulty in moving fingers, toes or legs, bone pains, swollen muscles and joints of rheumatism, or the foul breath, hawking, spitting, droppings in throat, bad hearing, specks flying before the eyes, all played out feeling of catarrh. Botanic Blood Balm has cured hundreds of cases of 30 or 40 years' standing after doctors, hot springs and patent medicines had all failed. Most of these cured patients had taken Blood Balm as a last resort. It is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases. Impossible for any one to suffer the agonies or symptoms of rheumatism or catarrh while or after taking Blood Balm. It makes the blood pure and rich, thereby giving a healthy blood supply. Cures are permanent and not a patching up. Drug stores, \$1 per large bottle. Sample of Blood Balm sent free and prepaid, also special medical advice by describing your trouble and writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga.

Hunger in the Polar Regions.

Hunger is one of the trials that explorers of the polar regions have to encounter very often. Capt. Scott, in his recent volume, has this description of an unpleasant experience in the farthest south: "My companions get very bad food dreams; in fact, these have become the regular breakfast conversation. It appears to be a sort of nightmare; they are either sitting at a well-spread table with their arms tied, or they grasp at a dish and it slips out of their hands, or they are in the act of lifting a dainty morsel to the mouth when they fall over a precipice."

The Costliest Diadem.

What is probably the most valuable diadem in existence is the gift of the women of Spain to Our Lady del Pilar, whose shrine is situated near Saragossa. The diadem is an imperial crown surrounded by a Gothic wreath. It is composed of solid gold, but such is the number of precious stones that hardly a square inch of gold is visible. There are 6000 large diamonds, of which the finest is the gift of the queen-mother, and 3000 smaller ones. The remaining stones are emeralds, sapphires, rubies, pearls, turquoise, opals, topazes and amethysts.—New York Evening World.

ROUTED THE TIGER WITH MAP

Presence of Mind Saved Life of English Surveyor.

How an English surveyor routed a Malayan tiger, with no other weapon than a rolled-up map, is told by the Straits Times of Singapore: "While a well-known local surveyor, who had been kept out late at work on Saturday night, was driving in a riksha along Tampenis road, about 7:30 o'clock, his riksha coolie suddenly dropped the shafts and ran for his life into the edge of the jungle. On peering into the darkness—the vehicle was not carrying a light—the gentleman saw a large creature standing in the middle of the road. He got out of the riksha and went towards the beast, thinking it some large dog that had frightened the coolie. When within six or seven yards he perceived that the brute was a large tiger.

"He had no weapon except a large district survey map rolled up. He saw the futility of attempting to disable the tiger with the rolled-up map, but the thought struck him that he might manage to frighten it by means of his roll. Suddenly he unrolled it with a quick flip, spreading it to its full area of four or five feet square. With a single bound the tiger cleared off into the jungle.

"The next thing was to find the coolie, who eventually was discovered in a state of collapse in the ditch. He was unable to pull his fare back and it was not until three or four miles had been traversed with both men on foot that he recovered sufficiently to pull the European home."

Lesson in Architecture.

One of the young architects who delivers a lecture on modern architecture in the series of free public school lectures had just shown his audience the beauties of the Cologne cathedral the other night, when he thought of an experience he once had on a similar occasion. "It was at the conclusion of my lecture," he told his audience, "that a woman came to me, explained that she too was a student of architecture and thanked me for enlightening her on one point that she had never been able to understand before. 'I've always wondered,' she said to me, 'where the Colonial style of architecture came from. Now, of course, I see that it comes from Cologne.'

"What did you tell her?" asked some one in the audience.

"I told her," replied the speaker, "that if my lecture had made that clear to her I felt very much gratified."—New York Sun.

Distrust.

It may be my intelligence ain't what it ought to be. But somehow human nature's most mysterious to me. It gets me fooled completely when I see a solemn man Rise up to advocate some glorious philanthropic plan. And then find out he had extensive interests at stake. An' 'that he's figured all the time on profits he's made. It gets me downright nervous; it's hard to keep serene. A-listenin' to what people say an' guessin' what they mean.

It's hard to disregard the words whose steady rhythmic flow Stir up your inmost feelings, jes' like music sweet an' slow; But I'm gettin' so suspicious that I merely sit an' try To size the talker up an' catch a twinkle in his eye. I note the kind of clothes he wears, and if they're brushed with care; The way he trims his whiskers and the way he cuts his hair. I've had hard work, but 'bout the toughest task I've ever seen, Is listenin' to what people say an' guessin' what they mean. —Washington Star.

Two Kinds of Liquor Bills.

Representative Nehemiah Day Sperey of Connecticut was leaning mournfully over the back rail in the House of Representatives the other day. Mr. Sperey is the chairman of the committee on alcoholic liquor traffic.

Mark Smith, the cheerful delegate from Arizona, approached the dejected looking Sperey and said, "What seems to be worrying you, old chap; cheer up."

"I was thinking of a little liquor bill I have over in the Senate," returned Sperey, without looking up.

"Well, why don't you pay it and get it off your mind," demanded the Arizona man, who evidently thought that the prohibitionist from the Nutmeg state was referring to the bartender's accumulated charges for sundry drinks.

His Labor Over.

"The civil service," said Senator Knox, "is not what it used to be. Merit counts in it as in business now and industry and intelligence are the qualities that bring success."

"It was not always so. I remember meeting a man on Pennsylvania avenue one morning many years ago. It was late. He was all dressed up. Plainly he was taking a day off.

"Well," he said, as we conversed, "I worked mighty hard during the last three months trying to get a civil service appointment, but I'm going to take it easy now."

"Failed through lack of influence, I suppose?" said I.

"No, no," said he, "I've got the appointment."

"And he resumed his pleasant stroll."

GREAT SCOTT.

The Biggest Man of Addison County, Vt., Tells an Interesting Story.

E. C. Scott, meat dealer, Vergennes, Vt., Past Commander of Ethan Allen Post, G. A. R., says: "A severe attack of typhoid left me with weak kidneys. Every night I had to get up frequently to pass the urine, which was ropy, dark and very painful to void. I had no appetite, but drank water continually without being able to quench my thirst. Terrible headaches and dizzy spells oppressed me and my back was lame, sore and stiff. A month's treatment with Doan's Kidney Pills rid me of this trouble, and now I am strong and healthy and weigh 230 pounds. I give the credit to Doan's Kidney Pills."



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

The man with a grievance is surely one of the happiest of mankind. He so enjoys to grumble.—Mrs. Edmund Gosse.

HANDS RAW WITH ECZEMA.

Suffered for Ten Years—Spread to Body and Limbs—Cured by the Cuticura Remedies.

"I had eczema on my hands for ten years. At first it would break out only in winter. Then it finally came to stay. I had three good doctors to do all they could, but none of them did any good. I then used one box of Cuticura Ointment and three bottles of Cuticura Resolvent, and was completely cured. My hands were raw all over, inside and out, and the eczema was spreading all over my body and limbs. Before I had used one bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, together with the Ointment, my sores were nearly healed over, and by the time I had used the third bottle, I was entirely well. I had a good appetite and was fresher than I ever was. To any one who has any skin or blood disease I would honestly advise them to get the Cuticura Remedies, and get well quicker than all the doctors in the State could cure you. Mrs. M. E. Fahn, Speers Ferry, Va., May 19, 1905."

The faculty of seeing things through self interest comes without much practice.

It Knocks the Itch.

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it's called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworms and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and it's name is Hunt's Cure.

Some people speak ill of others and then wonder why fault is found.

The gold region of the Wittim in Siberia yields about \$2,000,000 a year.

The use of perfumes is as old as civilization.

A Vindication for Dr. Pierce.

Decision by the Supreme Court of the State, Against the Ladies' Home Journal.

A verdict has been rendered in favor of the plaintiff in the libel suit brought against the Ladies' Home Journal (published by the Curtis Publishing Co.) by the World's Dispensary Medical Association, of which Dr. R. V. Pierce is president. The suit was brought by Doctor Pierce against the Curtis Publishing Co., for making false statements about one of his standard family medicines known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. In the May number of the Ladies' Home Journal (1904), Mr. Edward Bok, the editor, stated that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription contained alcohol and some other harmful ingredients, and Dr. Pierce had in the action alleged that the defendant maliciously published this article containing such false and defamatory matter. Dr. Pierce further claimed that no alcohol is or ever was contained in his "Favorite Prescription," that said medicine was a vegetable preparation and contained no deleterious ingredients whatever; that Mr. Bok's statement, pretending to give some of the ingredients of said medicine, was wholly and absolutely false. During the trial, the Vice-President of the World's Dispensary Medical Association stated, that the ingredients of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription were extracted from the following native roots: Golden Seal, Blue Cohosh, Lady's Slipper, Black Cohosh and Unicorn, by means of pure glycerine. He was asked how he knew, as a physician and experienced medical man, that the "Favorite Prescription" was a cure for the diseases peculiar to women, such as amenorrhea, dysmenorrhea, anteversion retroversion, and he stated that he knew such was the fact because of his professional experience and the many thousands of women whose ills had been cured by this "Prescription." The Vice-President, being asked to give his authorities, read from the standard works, such as the United States Dispensary, The American Dispensary and many other standard medical books.

The retraction printed by the Curtis Publishing Company two months after the libelous statement appeared and nearly two months after the suit had been begun stated definitely that analyses had been made at their request and that the "Favorite Prescription" did not contain either alcohol, opium or digitalis.

Often family dissensions have no other origin than bad service of servants whom we have not known how to direct.—Lucy Burlamacchi.

Never Falls.

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W. M. Christian, Rutherford, Tenn.

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\$10,000 REWARD to anyone who can disprove this statement.
I could take you into my three large factories at Brockton, Mass., and show you the infinite care with which every pair of shoes is made, you would realize why W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes cost more to make, why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater intrinsic value than any other \$3.50 shoe.
W. L. Douglas's Strong Made Shoes for Men, \$2.50, \$2.00, Boys' School & Dress Shoes, \$2.50, \$2.17, \$1.50
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When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.
W. N. U. HOLSTON—NO. 13, 1905.

Trust to Nature.

A great many Americans, both men and women, are thin, pale and puny, with poor circulation, because they have ill-treated their stomachs by hasty eating or too much eating, by consuming alcoholic beverages, or by too close confinement to home, office or factory, and in consequence the stomach must be treated in a natural way before they can rectify their earlier mistakes. The muscles in many such people, in fact in every weary, thin and thin-blooded person, do their work with great difficulty. As a result fatigue comes early, is extreme and lasts long. The demand for nutritive aid is ahead of the supply. To insure perfect health every tissue, bone, nerve and muscle should take from the blood certain materials and return to it certain others. It is necessary to prepare the stomach for the work of taking up from the food what is necessary to make good, rich, red blood. We must go to Nature for the remedy. There were certain roots known to the Indians of this country before the advent of the whites which later came to the knowledge of the settlers and which are now growing rapidly in professional favor for the cure of obstinate stomach and liver troubles. These are found to be safe and yet certain in their cleansing and invigorating effect upon the stomach, liver and blood. These are: Golden Seal root, Queen's root, Stone root, Bloodroot, Mandrake root. Then there is Black Cherrybark. The medicinal principles residing in these native roots when extracted with glycerine as a solvent make the most reliable and efficient stomach tonic and liver invigorator, when combined in just the right proportions, as in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Where there is bankrupt vitality—such as nervous exhaustion, bad nutrition—and thin blood, the body acquires vigor and the nerves, blood and all the tissues feel the favorable effect of this sovereign remedy. Although some physicians have been aware of the high medicinal value of the above mentioned plants, yet few have used pure glycerine as a solvent and usually the doctors' prescriptions called for the ingredients in varying amounts, with alcohol.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" is a scientific preparation compounded of the glyceric extracts of the above mentioned vegetable ingredients and contains no alcohol or harmful habit-forming drugs.

Sardine Salad.
Remove skin and bones from a box of sardines and pour a little lemon juice over fish. Place leaves from a head of lettuce in a salad bowl, arrange the fish in them and scatter over two hard-boiled eggs, chopped. Serve with a plain dressing.

Gentle But Great.
For Inactive Liver, Biliousness and general depression of the system, I find Simmonds' Liver Purifier (tin boxes) acts like a charm. You are well almost before you realize you have been doctoring, so gentle yet effective is its action."
Felix Zeigler,
Mountain View, O. T.

Our Friends.
Sterling. I admit that he's a fairly good business man, but there's a pretty big element of luck in his success. He's insufferably conceited, too, and then it's merely his hypocrisy that—"You seem to know him pretty well."
"Oh, yes, we're great friends."—Philadelphia Press.

\$100 Reward, \$100.
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in their cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
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There is but one real heresy: Disloyalty to truth one ought to see.—David Starr Jordan.

Inquire not of a man what God he serves, but what conduct his God inspires in him.—Maxime Du Camp.

Make yourself an honest man, and then you may be sure there is one less rascal in the world.—Carlyle.

Blessed are they who have the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts.
No life costs the community more than a worthless one.

Sir Frederick Treves, King Edward's surgeon, is the orator of his profession. He is a man of almost inexhaustible knowledge, with a fine command of language.

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have begun to fall and we can already feel the pangs of joyous springtime! Life is sweet when birds are singing, flowers blooming and all nature is adorning herself in a new dress. But then your happiness is not complete unless you drop in and let us serve you one of those luscious

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we make at our fountain. Or perhaps you would like some of our fine candy. We always keep a fresh line of the best.

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THE important question that is confronting the young man of to-day is: "What shall I do?" The question can only be answered by yourself and the sooner you answer it and act upon your decision the better it will be for you. Fix it firm and stable in your mind to do something upright and honorable and do it quickly. Keep the fact in your mind that every record to genuine success runs through a lofty and righteous purpose. Don't sit around and wait for something to turn up—but get busy and turn up something. The world admires and cheers a hustler—the business world is crying for men who do things. Above all things else avoid indolence and cowardice. Do you know of a single promise to success to a man who is lazy or a coward. Don't become discouraged when disappointments shall come. The pathway of life is strewn with wrecks of human lives who lacked the courage to face failure. Courage is a winning quality and is as essential to success in the quiet and peaceful pursuits of life as upon the battlefield amid the roar and thunder of the mighty canon, and victory cannot be won in either place without it. Take you heed of Longfellow's great truth in the following verse:

Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime;
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

Take courage, young man. Abe Lincoln split rails in day time and studied by a light from pine knots at night. You can get there by honesty, courage and industry and help to fill the world with successful men,

know better than is everywhere
it is not difficult to know a thing.
know

Let's go a fishin'.

THE lock-up is no disgrace—only to the fellow who gets into it.

GET A shove on yourself. Don't lay around and grow fat and lazy.

A GOOD business man has a right balance of heart as well as a right balance of books.

WHY do object to the lock-up, brother? Do your best to keep out of it.

OUR brick school house proposition died a natural death before it was old enough to stand alone.

HOW ABOUT that bank? Will you business men just continue to rock along and not put forth an effort to get one? Arouse from you lethargy and at least try.

THE calaboose has about been completed. It is a very substantial structure, though small, but no doubt will hold the booze busters that sometimes try to take the town. The thing to do now is to put 'em in it.

THE story goes that a murderer once escaped justice by hiding in a store that didn't advertise. The story may not be true, but it could be. There are stores in Grapeland where criminals could easily hide.

A PENNSYLVANIA man who bought some eggs found the name of a Kansas girl written on one of them, and according to the Washington Post, he "made a scramble for the girl." Whether or not he took on the matrimonial yoke is not stated.—Kansas City Journal.

WE HAVE said our last say about the weather. One day last week—Monday—was a beautiful spring day and while feeling gay and joyous we wrote a squib about spring being here, and blast it, before the paper got out it was cold as Klondike!

IT HAS been an oversight of ours until now to call your attention to the fact that we have a new telephone number. It is now No. 95. You are asked to use it freely. If you know anything, ring us up and tell us; if you want to know anything, ring us up and ask us; we run a bureau of information; if anybody is visiting you, let us know it; if you have been anywhere, tell it to us. Don't expect us to be a mindreader—you may look like a fellow that never goes anywhere.

THE postman! How many thousands of people stop and stand still when they hear the postman's whistle! Watch them as they impatiently wait for him to come up. A man can live an age while the postman travels fifty yards. As they stand and wait their hearts creep up in their throat and emotion an excitement almost literally crowd the breath out of them. Ah, postman, how much joy and gladness you dispense over the the country! How many thousands of tears of sorrow, yea grief, you leave in your wake, eternity alone will reveal! You constantly deal out joy and sorrow as though it were some commodity. You go merrily on your way unconscious of being the means of breaking a heart with grief or burdening it with joy. This is what you do, yet you have done your duty. Who can blame you for having a light heart and whistle as you go? After you are gone a hand that is trembling with excitement breaks the seal and a heart that is throbbing with emotion beats time to the lightning speed of eager eyes as they scan the pages. O, the joy of a good old letter! Soon this excitement and intense feeling subsides into a calmer and more peaceful joy, or gives place to absolute disappointment and sometimes anger. The letter does not measure up to your full expectations.

We take pleasure in announcing this week Mr. C. E. Lively for sheriff, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Mr. Lively has been one of our most respected citizens for about 40 years and we feel confident that he will prove worthy of this public trust, as he ever has in the duties of private life.

To the voters of Houston county we would say "make Mr. Lively happy, your conscience clear, and your county a good officer by giving him your vote and influence."

MME. SARAH BERNHARDT, the famous actress passed through Grapeland in her special train sometime Sunday night going to Tyler from Houston. The Madamme positively refused to travel in day time to avoid being worried by passing scenery while en route. Now, the Madamme can never realize what she missed. The beautiful scenery through the Grapeland country would have brought more joy to her heart than she can ever expect to receive from the cheers and applause of an enthusiastic audience.

SOMETIMES when men make up their minds to become a candidate for public office, it is necessary for some one to introduce them to the people. This is not the case, however, when we present to you the name of S. H. Lively, candidate for Commissioner of precinct No. 1. Mr. Lively does not jump up and announce himself for this office without giving it due consideration. He has looked over the situation thoroughly, and is of the opinion that this office should be filled by men who will devote their time and attention to those things which will be to the best interest of the people and the county. He is making the race subject to the action of the democratic primaries and respectfully solicits your influence.

Election Proclamation.

State of Texas, County of Houston, City of Grapeland:—

By virtue of authority vested in me as Mayor of the incorporated town of Grapeland, in Houston county, State of Texas, I hereby order that an election be held in said incorporated town within legal hours on Tuesday, April 10, same being the second Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of electing a City Marshal and three aldermen.

W. H. Caldwell is hereby appointed manager of said election. This the 28th day of March, A. D., 1906.

F. C. WOODARD, Mayor.

Miss Carrie Austin returned to Palestine Wednesday after a few days visit to her sister, Mrs. Geo. Scarborough.

The baseball season opened in Grapeland last Saturday with a game between the Grapeland and New Prospect boys. The score was 25 to 4 in favor of Grapeland.

Sam Howard making the best record as batter for Grapeland.

John Burden, one of the New Prospect players, broke his arm while pitching. Dr. Taylor bound the broken member and at last accounts was doing nicely.

A very peculiar incident occurred in town on Monday afternoon: Tims & Sheridan having a large coop in front of their store in which they confine poultry for shipping; just as the South bound train pulled in, a guinea escaped from his place of confinement perching himself upon the passing train. Our sympathies are with the above mentioned firm while we are guessing "Oh where is he."

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The most rational remedy for Coughs and Colds is Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. It acts on the bowels as a mild Cathartic — expels all cold from the system. Cuts all phlegm out of the throat, relieves coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, etc. An ideal remedy for children — usually good for adults. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

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Percilla Dots.

Messenger—Corn planting is principally over and the farmers are preparing to plant cotton. Corn has been slow coming up, but weather conditions are favorable now and we hope will insure a good stand.

The birds have done considerable damage to some crops. R. T. Lively has had to plant some of his corn over on this account, and yet some men and the law says "don't kill the birds," although they are so troublesome in this respect, and besides they are said to destroy the boll weevils—the only thing we have to butt against the speculation in cotton futures—our only hope for advancing the price of cotton in the farmers' hands and which we have become to think, a necessary evil.

The second quarterly meeting for the Augusta circuit was held here Saturday and Sunday. Presiding elder Sears preached three excellent sermons. Saturday at 11 o'clock on the person and office work of the Holy Ghost; Saturday night on the hungering and thirsting soul and the certainty of their salvation, or assurance that such shall be filled. Sunday morning, the necessity that is laid on us as a christian people and nation, or on all to whom the gospel has been given, to carry out the injunction contained in Christ's commission to His disciples, "Go ye, into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature," etc. In this discourse he made about the strongest appeal for missions this writer has ever listened to and made this poor servant of the Master feel keenly "that necessity is laid on me," and thought of how little we appreciate our favored condition with the gospel of our glorious redeemer. I felt so keenly the negligence of which we as a God favored people have been guilty in not sacrificing more for the purpose of obeying this injunction, "Go ye, into all the world." The conference seemed to be well attended. Bro. Jones, the preacher in charge, had to attend the obsequies of Dr. Wilson, so was not with us Sunday.

Don't tie a cough or a cold up in your system by taking a remedy that binds the bowels. Take Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. It is different from all other cough syrups. It is better. It opens the bowels—expels all cold from the system, relieves coughs, colds croup whooping cough, etc. An ideal remedy for young and old. Children like it. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Living indoors so much during the winter months creates a sort of a stuffy, want - of - ozone feeling in the blood and system generally. Clean up and get ready for spring. Take a few Early Risers. These famous little pills cleanse the liver, stomach and bowels and give the blood a chance to purify itself. They relieve headache, sallow complexion, etc. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

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Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures chronic constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels and restores the natural action of the bowels. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and is pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. CARLETON & PORTER.

This May Interest You.

No one is immune from kidney trouble, so just remember that Foley's Kidney Cure will stop irregularities and cure any case of kidney and bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine.
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What good does it do you to eat if your stomach fails to digest the food? None. It does you harm—causes belching, sour stomach, flatulence, etc. When the stomach fails a little Kodol Dyspepsia Cure after each meal will digest what you eat and makes the stomach sweet.
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Rev. Morgan's Letter.

Editor Messenger:—Your paper has just made its weekly visit to us. It is always a welcome visitor. I feel like commending the Editor for the bold words spoken in favor of law and order. It is a dreadful thing for a man to be put in a calaboose, but that is not half as bad as for the whole town to be run over by a man full of "bust head." You are right; speak out in meetin'. You have a duty to perform, and while it may not be pleasant, you will find good people in Grapeland who will stand by you.

I went to Mexico with our editor a few days ago. In C. P. Diaz, a town of perhaps 30,000 people, they have three very small printing establishments. A boy with a large pocket could almost carry off all the outfit.

There are many interesting things to be seen out here—things that make one feel proud of being an American. The benighted condition of the Mexicans is indeed deplorable. Their ideas of religion are very crude. I have felt at times that if I could speak their language I would feel like giving my life to an effort to help them. They know about as much about business as about religion. A man told me about trying to buy some peaches from one. The price was given as two for five cents. "How much for a dozen?" "I do not want to sell a dozen for that is all I have and then I would not have anything to do." There are some very intelligent people among them, but the majority of them are in abject poverty and gross ignorance.

I think this is a pretty fine place for health, but for other things there are better. I cannot make a garden out here. I may not be a good gardner, but I grew lots of vegetables in Grapeland.

There are many nice things about this place and the people are very kind. There is much picturesque scenery. Any night we may see lights shining in two countries. But

"Mid pleasures and palaces we may roam,
Be it ever so humble, there's no place like Houston Co."

(Or better still, be it ever so humble, there's no home like a home in Grapeland.—Editor.)

We are to begin our meeting in one week. We need a great revival and trust we shall have it.
J. E. MORGAN,
Eagle Pass, Texas.

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For tomorrow what you can do today. If you put off buying a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, when that pain comes you won't have any, buy a bottle today. A positive cure for rheumatism, burns, cuts, sprains, contracted muscles, etc. T. S. Graham, Prairie Grove, Ark., writes: "I wish to thank you for the good results I received from Snow Liniment. It positively cured me of rheumatism after other had failed. Sold by Carleton & Porter."

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A young lady is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Richards, having arrived last Thursday night. The little Miss will make her stay indefinite.

Announcements.

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

- For District Attorney, Third Judicial of Texas
Tom J. Harris
of Anderson County
Porter Newman
of Houston County
For Representative
John B. Smith
I. A. Daniel
For County Judge
John Spence
J. W. Madden
For Tax Assessor
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For Tax Collector
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Oscar C. Goodwin
J. W. Brightman
For County Clerk
Nat. E. Allbright
C. G. Lansford
J. J. Collier
For Sheriff
A. W. Phillips
C. E. Lively
For District Clerk
Joe Brown Stanton
For County Treasurer
D. J. Cater
For Commissioner Prec't No 1
T. J. Dotson
S. H. Lively

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Maj. J. F. Martin was in Crockett Monday on business.

LOCAL NEWS.

Take your peas to Darsey.
Howard wants to sell you groceries.
Mrs. Ann Garrett has returned from a visit to Palestine.
Fine candies and cigars at B. R. Guice & Son.
Gus Porter visited in Crockett Sunday.
J. B. Lively wants your beef hides and bee's wax.
Chas. Lively went over to Crockett Tuesday.
For feed stuff see Tims & Sheridan.
Howard sells cheaper and guarantees what he sells.
J. B. Lively will pay you cash for beef hides and bee's wax.

Combs, Brushes, Tooth Powders, Perfumes, and all Toilet Articles at B. R. Guice and Son.

We are requested to announce that the old soldier's Re-union will be held at Lovelady on April 26th.

W. G. Darsey, R. B. Edens, R. B. Guice, and D. W. Walling went to Crockett Monday to serve as jurors, but were excused and returned home.

Prof. A. W. Cain informs messenger that he and his pupils are busy preparing and arranging the program for the closing exercises of school, which is just a little more than two weeks off. Three nights will be consumed in rendering this program which is pretty good evidence that the people of Grapeland are going to have a treat. The musical part of the program is in the hands of Mrs. S. P. Waltrip.

Sell your peas to Geo. E. Darsey. Chickens and eggs, still good price at Howard's.

Dr. and Mrs. Merriwether were up from La Texo Wednesday shopping.

Just received a car of flour and feed stuff at Tims & Sheridan's.

A. M. Woodall has returned home from a two months stay at Rogansville and is back at his old stand at Shipper & Son's.

We want to buy 500 bushels of peas this week and next week; will pay cash or trade; will buy black eye, clay bank, red ripper and speckle peas. Darsey.

Gents', ladies', misses and children's new spring oxfords in all the latest styles at Tims & Sheridan's.

Take your speckle, clay bank, red ripper and black eye peas to Geo. E. Darsey; he wants 500 bushels this week and next week. Cash or trade.

W. D. Wagoner of Dalhart, Texas, was in town a few days last week visiting his sister, Mrs. J. H. Leaverton.

Peas, peas, peas. We want peas this week and next week. Will pay cash or trade. GEO. E. DARSEY, Grapeland, Texas.

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

"Who said peas?" Darsey. He wants 500 bushels this week and next week. Will pay cash or trade just as you want it.

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TOILET ARTICLES IN GREAT VARIETY.

PURE DRUGS AND PATENT MEDICINES.

Rev. C. S. Coberly and H. H. Walton went up to Palestine Monday on some business.

George Calhoun shipped a car of fine hogs to the Fort Worth market last Saturday night.

Miss Freddie Luker of La Texo was in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Capt. John C. Lacy of Crockett was in town Sunday between trains.

Howard and Claude Alexander were up from Lovelady Sunday and Monday.

Public Warning.

We shall not be responsible if any person takes any but the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs and colds. Imitations are worthless and may contain opiates. The genuine Foley's Honey and Tar in the yellow package contains no opiates and is safe and sure.

Carleton & Porter.

An Insidious Danger.

One of the worst features of kidney trouble is that it is an insidious disease and before the victim realizes his danger, he may have a fatal malady. Take Foley's Kidney Cure at the first sign of trouble as it corrects irregularities and prevents Bright's disease and diabetes.

CARLETON & PORTER.

WANTED—Teams to haul lumber from my mill to Grapeland or Crockett; will pay \$33.50 per 1000; dry lumber.

D. J. JONES.

Mr. S. L. Bowen, of Wayne, W. Va., writes: "I was a sufferer from kidney disease, so that at times I could not get out of bed, and when I did I could not stand straight. I took Foley's Kidney Cure. One dollar bottle and part of the second cured me entirely." Foley's Kidney Cure works wonders where others are total failures.

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The Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor

GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

Running down the populace in an automobile appears to be a much more serious offense in Italy than in some places you might mention.

A New York contemporary writes several stickfuls about Gotham manners. The chapter on snakes in Ireland required but half a line.

Richard Mansfield's announcement that he is going to retire in 1909 is a reminder that comparatively few people think more than a year ahead.

A Connecticut woman died at the age of 105, and there is still an older woman in that state. They got their start before the age of food adulterants.

Many Russian liberals have no confidence in the douma. They fear that the czar will have no difficulty in making it turn handsprings and loop, the loop.

If Mansfield and Bernhardt do act together in her theater in Paris, we'd like to wager a small sum that the best play of the engagement will be "The Tempest."

The Medical Record has an interesting article on "The Modern Conception of Matter," but it doesn't help the layman to find out what is the matter with him.

The ruling passion is strong in the richest woman in the world, Mrs. Walker of Philadelphia, who is going to live over a store. No bargains will get away from her.

Duelling is a great thing. After a man's wife is stolen, it must soothe his feelings considerably to have a few inches of steel run between his ribs by the abductor.

The Japanese appear to be of the opinion that by taking thought, accompanying it with suitable diet, they may be able in process of time to add something to their stature.

An amateur scientific sharp suggests that maybe the stars cause the earthquakes. This idea is certainly more plausible than the theory that the earthquakes cause the stars.

If we had a grudge at a nervous man we should inveigle him to some spot where he had to see a woman sit in a rocking chair, and rock, and chew gum, while she did embroidery work.

The courts at Dresden have awarded Mme. Schumann-Heink the fortune of her late husband on the ground that it was earned by her. There is nothing violent about that kind of reasoning.

Pat Crowe says his conscience was all that restrained him from stealing \$10,000,000, and that would probably not have restrained him such an awful lot if he had known where there was \$10,000,000 lying around loose.

One of the New York papers says that Queen Margherita of Italy expects to stop a week in New York before beginning her automobile journey. And yet nobody has ever stopped a week since Joshua stopped the sun.

Now they are discussing the question whether or not married men are the best jurors in a murder trial where the defendant is a girl. There's one advantage in having married men serving on the jury. Their wives know where they are.

If those people who live in the vicinity of Mont Pelee find themselves chased again by another eruption, we fall to see what right they will have to expect outside help or sympathy. If they had any sense they would move away from that part of the country.

The difficulties of translation are illustrated again by the story about a Japanese general who tried to say that Gen. Grant was "born to command." What he really did say was that Gen. Grant was "made to order."

Our friend, Editor Graham, having confessed to being unable to distinguish between a cow and a jackass, tries to convict us of improprieties. Well, let it go at that. We do not care a continental whether he can tell a jackass from a guinea pig or not.—Hinton (W. Va.) Herald.

An Ithaca woman has decided that as a descendant of Sir Francis Drake she will accept a fortune of \$20,000,000 he is said to have left. Notions like this will crop out in families absolutely without any taint of insanity.

"Nothing. I pocketed the insult."—Cassell's.

Two Ways to Piracy

When Willie was a little lad,
He longed to go to sea,
He said (his reading had been bad)
A pirate he would be.
His parents kept a watchful eye
On Willie day and night,
Until he grew up, by and by,
Most polished and polite.

He wore a frock coat every day,
Likewise a beaver hat,
He joined in the financial fray
And high in Wall street sat,
He was a leader in the land
Until a jury grim
Took notice of his profits and
Investigated him.

His parents when the facts were known
Were much disturbed in mind,
His father vowed his youth had shown
Just how he was inclined,
His mother said, "I quite agree
This news is hard to bear,
I'd rather he had gone to sea,
To be a pirate there."

—Washington Star.

The MISEREREI

BY CHARLES W. CUNEO

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In the province of San Diego, near the river La Plaza, grew at one time the prettiest flower nature had ever fashioned into womanhood. Brown eyes, from out whose depths flashed fire, served only to enhance the beauty of a face bewitching, a form supple as the willow, disclosed itself beneath a dainty gown. A rustic picture was she, indeed, divine, Mercedes.

Don Palo, dark, handsome, stood beneath a festooned palmetto and gazed enraptured at this picture. His black mustache curled upward and his eyebrows hung thick over keen, restless eyes, that at this moment were transfused with love's passion. He wore the gaudy creole dress of a San Diego dandy and, on his head, he wore a wide sombrero, decorated with silver spangles and a band of woven horsehair.

In the distance could be heard the silvery peal of a convent bell and, when the wind quieted, the faint echo of the Misereri floated on the air.

Palo approached and touched the listening girl upon the arm. She sprang away like a startled doe and then returned with a glad light in her eyes, extending both her hands.

"Oh, Palo! Is it you?" she cried. He took her hands in his and printed a fervent kiss upon her lips. "Yes, Mercedes," he answered, "I have come back to see you once again."

"But—, but—" she began. "No, Chiquita, there is little danger. No one knows that I am here. And besides," he continued, frowning his brow with an ugly wrinkle, "what should I fear?"

The girl threw her arms around his neck and kissed him passionately. "But, if they should put me Palo in prison?" she cried. "No, they cannot. I love him too much. God will prevent it."

Out of the convent window Sister Soricé looked listlessly. Her hymn book sank neglected to her side. She was watching the two in the distance and her lips moved, mechanically, reciting the service.

As she looked the two parted, and Mercedes was left standing alone. She was the daughter of a miller, he the son of the governor of the province of San Diego. Sister Soricé shook her head sadly.

Each day Sister Soricé saw them meet and each day he wooed her more ardently, until one day he declared himself and Mercedes was the happiest girl in all San Diego. Sister Soricé was happy also.

Alas, who thinks of fathers when they love? When Palo went to his father and confessed his love for Mercedes, he flew into an awful rage. "What? He, Palo, of the best blood of San Diego, to marry a Gresser's daughter? Who was he that he should choose? Was not the Senorita Isabella chosen for

him—she who was of the best Spanish blood in Mexico?"

Palo remained silent. Suddenly his father grew calm. A calm that struck to Palo's heart. "Son," he said sternly, "you will never go near the miller's daughter again. I shall give orders. If you are caught there, you will be put in prison. Remember, I mean what I say."

But Palo came again to see his Mercedes and Sister Soricé was watching from her high convent window. Alas, he came to tell his sweetheart that he is going away on a trip to far off Spain, but he will be back again in a year, perhaps sooner. Will she wait for him till then?

Will she? What can words express more than those eyes?

"In the morning," he said, "I may see you again, 'tis for the last time by the bridge that goes over the Plaza, is it not so? Mia Carrissima!"

Tears came to the girl's eyes as she nodded her head. He kissed her and went down the path. In the morning she was waiting for him at the bridge when Palo arrived. She was about to fly into his arms, when, out from the shrubbery stepped a soldier. "I arrest you Senor," he said.

Arrest, prison, disgrace, for her lover, all this flitted through the mind of Mercedes as she stood there. The officer's back was turned toward her. An impulse, a flash, and it was done. She had drawn the dagger from her girdle and plunged it into his back. He fell like a log. Palo shrank back aghast.

"If I am caught now," he cried. "But you will not. Go! Go! she cried, in frenzy pushing him toward the bridge. "Go! Go! You must! you must! Nobody shall know! Nobody shall know!"

He let himself be gently pushed along, for he realized what danger both were in. At the bridge she stopped. "Kiss me once," she cried. He stooped and kissed her passionately.

"I will return for you soon. Chiquita," he said. "No one will know," nodding in the direction of the prostrate soldier, "run quickly so that no one sees us."

They parted and Mercedes began to run quickly through the woods. Suddenly she paused. Something caught her by the heart and stopped its beating. The dagger, it was still in the wound; they would know.

She ran back as fast as her legs would carry her, but she was too late. She saw people standing around the body. She fancied she heard her name spoken. Fleet as a deer, she sped away, but before she had gone a hundred yards, she was discovered. There was a shout and a dozen started after her.

They were gaining on her, but she looked neither to the right nor the left. The silver bell of the convent was again ringing and she ran instinctively towards the sombre sheltering walls. She stumbled over the steps and fell into the arms of Sister Soricé.

"Child," she said, and placed a sheltering arm around her. In an instant, her manner changed. Snatching the silver crucifix from her girdle she held it defiantly into the faces of the oncoming mob. They recoiled from it as from a great repellant force.

"Stop," she cried, "she has taken refuge with God. Would you defile the sanctuary of the Lord?"

They looked into the calm, determined face of Sister Soricé, and one by one, slunk shamefacedly away.

Trembling, Mercedes wept out her story to the sister, who, when she heard it, wept with her.

"Come child," she said, and led the way to the high little window. They looked out upon the fields and forests. Down the winding road came a litter bearing the soldier, but he was not dead. His hands moved and he twisted his pain. Far, far away, a speck on the road, was the figure of a man. He turned and waved his hand as though he knew his sweetheart was watching.

It seemed to Mercedes as though she could hear his voice, but it was only the mumbling of the bell and the "Misereri" of the sisters, as they sang:

"Misereri mei Domini."

"My child," said Sister Soricé, gently putting her arm about Mercedes, "I will tell you a story. Twenty years ago a maiden bid her lover good-bye by that little bridge down there. 'Wait for me,' he said. 'I will return soon.' But he did not, and soon the maid took refuge in this convent to hide her shame. A little girl was born and a good man took pity on it and adopted it as his own. That maid, Mercedes, was myself. For twenty years I have looked down that road, watching for the return of my lover."

She paused and looked at Mercedes with infinite yearning. "And you," she continued at last, "Has the miller never told you?"

Mercedes looked at the sister in surprise. "Told me what?"

"You—you are—my—child."

An instant's pause and they were in each other's arms, weeping.

Many years have passed since then. One weary watcher has been laid to rest, but there is a sister still, with snowy white hair and kind, wistful face, who stands by the high little window and looks out upon the road.



An impulse, a flash, and it was done.

Perhaps she fancies there is a figure coming in the distance.

Perhaps she fancies she hears a voice. It is only the humming of the old bell and the echo of the quivering voices as they sing:

"Misereri mei Domini."

Beginning Right.

"I hope," said the serious looking man in the street car, as he turned to his fellow passenger on the left—"I hope you resolved to begin the new year right?"

"I did, sir," was the reply.

"That is well. That is what I like to hear. You got up on the morning of the first feeling that a new year had dawned—that there was a new era in your life?"

"That was it, sir."

"You girded on your armor, so to speak, reared aloft the banner of reform, and began the year 1906 by resolving to lead a different life?"

"Well, yes, it amounted to that."

"But you resolved?"

"O, certainly. Yes, sir. I resolved that my old woman had got to stop nagging and sniveling about my running out nights or there would be a row, and I told her in plain English, and now I can stay out until 2 in the morning, and all she says when I come in is to want to know if I made a miss of it and didn't get my usual jag on. It's a great thing, sir, having a new year come around once in a while.—Baltimore American.

He Was Not a College Boy.

Representative Fitzgerald of Brooklyn overheard an amusing dialogue on his way home from the House of Representatives the other evening. He boarded a Georgetown car, the conductor of which was about 50 years old and anything but an Adonis. When the car reached Fourteenth street, within a stone's throw of the Eagle Bureau, an elderly woman ran up and shouted: "Conductor, oh, conductor, do you (meaning the car) go to Georgetown College?"

The collector of nickels looked at her a few seconds and then gave two bells. As the car started, leaving the woman in the middle of the street, the conductor turned and asked, "Madam, do O look loike a student?"—Washington Star.

Expert Liars.

Mme. Isabelle Massieu, an explorer, who has just returned to Europe from a journey in Anam, in Indo China, says she has met the most accomplished liars in the world. One chief told her that he had seen an English vessel so large that his father, who was a young man when he started to walk down the deck, had white hair before he reached the mainmast. Thereupon another chief remarked that there were trees in France so tall that a bird took ten years to reach the top.

GET RID OF THE GAS

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Strengthen the Stomach and Enable It to Do Its Work.

When the stomach is feeble the food lies in it undigested, decays and throws off poisonous gases that distend the walls of the stomach and cause interference with other organs, especially with the action of the heart and lun. These gases have other ill effects: I nerves and the brain are disturbed and discomforts such as dizziness, flashes, sleeplessness, irritability and despondency originate from this source.

Experience shows that these troubles vanish just as soon as the stomach is made strong enough to digest the food. In other words, it needs a tonic that will rouse it to do the work of changing the food into nourishment.

Miss Minerva C. Ladd, of Ipswich, Mass., says: "I had a weak stomach from the time I was a little child. Whenever I took hearty food it would cause terrible faintness, and I would finally vomit what I had eaten. At times there would be the most intense pains through the upper part of my body. For days in succession, I would have to lie down most of the time. The distress was often so great that I could hardly bear it, and the frequent and violent belching spells were very disagreeable, too.

"My doctor's medicines gave me little relief and it was not until I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that I found a cure. Within three weeks a decided improvement was noticeable. The belching spells were less frequent, the pains through my body were not so intense, my food was retained and after taking the pills for a few weeks longer I found that I was altogether free from the miseries I had so long suffered."

Every dyspeptic should read "What to Eat and How to Eat." Write the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y., for a free copy.

An Indian's Love For His Dog.

Colonel Holden, of the Fort Gibson Post, who sympathizes with everybody in hard luck, printed this letter from Richard Benge, a Cherokee, whose pack of trail hounds has often made music among the Fort Gibson hills: "Will you please let me have a small space in your paper? I won't write much. I just want to tell you old 'Drum,' my good old dog, is dead. He died of I don't know what—only he just sick and died. Poor old Drum is dead and gone where all good dogs go. I feel sorter lonesome since old Drum died, for I've only old Spot and Mues left. Old Drum was the best. When he barked, you knowed it was a possum or a coon. Old Spot is all right, but he won't bark, just wags his tail."—Kansas City Journal.

A Wealthy Princess.

Queen Louise, wife of the new King of Denmark, is the wealthiest princess in Europe. She inherited \$15,000,000 from her maternal grandfather, Prince Frederick of the Netherlands, as well as the bulk of the fortune of her father, King Charles of Sweden and Norway. Her grandmother refused the hand of Napoleon and married M. Bernadotte, afterward Marshal Bernadotte and King of Sweden.

Many a Slip.

"Politics is extremely uncertain," remarked the man who makes trite remarks. "Yes," answered the discouraged-looking citizen: "you read the papers in the hopes of deciding on the best candidate, and then start out for the polls. And maybe you'll be allowed to get to the polls. Then, perhaps, you'll be allowed to deposit a ballot, which in your excitement you may or may not have marked correctly. And if you did mark it correctly there is a chance of its not being counted, anyhow. As you say, it's extremely uncertain."—Washington Star.

FOOD HELPS.

In Management of a R. R.

Speaking of food, a railroad man says: "My work puts me out in all kinds of weather, subject to irregular hours for meals and compelled to eat all kinds of food.

"For 7 years I was constantly troubled with indigestion, caused by eating heavy, fatty, starchy, greasy, poorly cooked food, such as are the most accessible to men in my business. Usually each meal or lunch was followed by distressing pains and burning sensations in my stomach, destroyed my sleep and almost fitted me for work. My brain was so muddy and foggy that it was hard for me to discharge my duties properly.

"This lasted till about a year ago, when my attention was called to Grape-Nuts food by a newspaper ad, and I concluded to try it. Since then I have used Grape-Nuts at nearly every meal, and sometimes between meals. We railroad men have little chance to prepare our food in our cabooses and I find Grape-Nuts mighty handy, for it is ready cooked.

"To make a long story short, Grape-Nuts has made a new man of me. I have no more burning distress in my stomach, nor any other symptom of indigestion. I can digest anything so long as I eat Grape-Nuts, and my brain works as clearly and accurately as an engineer's watch, and my old nervous troubles have disappeared entirely." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

FARM, ORCHARD & GARDEN



TRIMMING OF TREES.

It requires some skill and care to properly trim large fruit, forest or ornamental trees. The limbs should be cut off smooth and close to the body of the tree, so that the scar will heal over as quickly as possible. If the stub of the limb is left two or three inches long it will not heal over but will be likely to result in a rotten spot in the tree which will make trouble at some future time. When large limbs are cut off the scar should have a coat of paint to prevent the wood from cracking and rotting. Trimming should be done in the summer or fall when the sap will not flow from the wounds, which will then heal over more quickly and the tree will not be weakened by the loss of sap. Limbs should be taken out with reference to balancing the top of the tree as well as improving its shape. There is an old rule to trim in spring for growth of wood and in summer for production of fruit. The reason of this rule is quite apparent. In the spring the whole energy of the tree is aroused for new life and new growth of wood, and taking away a portion of the limbs at that time forces this new growth with greater energy into the remaining few, and hence they make a greater growth than they would without the trimming. After woody growth is formed or well along the energy of the tree is turned to the production of fruit or seed buds for the primary purpose of perpetuating and increasing its species. If a portion of the top is cut away at this time and energy of the tree is forced into the remaining limbs and the fruit or seed buds on them are perfectly developed.

The best place to store your machinery is the shed. And when you are not provided with one make use of your barn floor. You need not construct an expensive shed for this purpose. The object sought is to keep out rains and snows if possible. A shed with a slanting roof, with three of its sides boarded, while the fourth is left open, will give a reasonable satisfaction. In such a shed the implements may be easily conveyed to and taken out when needed.

Many good farmers practice taking their implements into sheds every evening and taking them out again for work in the morning. They have found that the expense of putting up an implement shed will more than pay for its cost the first year in the saving of machinery. A little rusting may practically ruin a plow for use in soil which tends to clog and a single winter's rusting may injure a plow more than a full season of heavy service in the field.

DAIRY NOTES.

Nature prepared the cow for a mother and made her milk rich enough for her calf. So long as man did not tamper with the composition of the milk it was all right. But when man took it into his head to increase the percentage of fat in the milk through selection of the cows giving the richest milk, trouble began for the calf. The calf's digestive system proved quite incapable of using a greatly increased percentage of fat. In time it was found that some cows gave milk so rich that it killed the calf. The remedy was and is to raise the calves of such cows on the milk of cows not noted as butter makers.

It is a fact not generally realized among the raisers of calves, that these animals can assimilate whole corn at a very early age. As early as when the calf is two months of age, whole corn will be readily eaten and completely digested. This remains true up to the time the calf is a year old. During this period of about ten months the calves digest corn more perfectly than ever after, their stomachs at that time being fitted for the using of highly concentrated feed. This fact is especially valuable to those that are trying to raise calves on separator skim-milk.

So long as a hog is used for breeding purposes, it should not be made fat. When it is no longer desired in the breeding pen, it may be fattened for market. Breeding swine should have an abundance of growing food, should be kept in what is usually termed a good growing condition. They should have a range not only sufficient for exercise, but to tempt them to vigorous exercise. The breeding animal restricted in its exercise, will be uncertain in its breeding, often leading to vexation, delay and considerable loss.

MAKING A HOT BED.

A correspondent asks us to give him directions for making and caring for hot beds for growing tomato plants.

In constructing a hot bed, aim to choose a situation protected on the north side of a building or high board fence. Dig an excavation running east and west to a depth of 18 inches and about the width of the length of the sashes that you may have for covering the bed. Drive stakes into the ground at each corner and nail a box-like structure 18 inches high at the back and 12 inches at the front. Make a frame about three inches narrower than the length of the sash, so that the sash will rest properly on the slope. Nail a strip of board, wide enough to act as a rest for the sash edges and to allow the adjustment of an inch wide strip between each two sashes across the top of the frame where each two sashes meet. This makes everything tight so as to keep out the cold. Fill the excavation with fresh horse manure, previously tempered by heaping it up in a conical pile and leave the manure in this way until fermentation has well set in then turn and pile up again. In a few days it will be ready for the bed, and should then be packed down solidly and evenly. When the manure is placed in the excavation, put on the sash and allow the manure to come to a heat, then open the sash and let the first heat pass off, then place a layer of good, rich soil six inches in depth on top of the manure. Leave the sash on for a few days until the soil is thoroughly warmed through, then stir with a hand rake to kill what weed seeds may have germinated, the bed is then ready for planting garden seeds.

It is usually well when you get through with your implements and at times when machinery should be laid away for the season to look over all parts carefully and if in need of repairs attend to it at once. All parts should be cleaned and dusted. You can protect the iron from rusting by painting or giving it a coat of linseed oil, because this prevents the moisture and air from coming in contact with the iron. You, as a farmer, need not necessarily be a machinist, but you should know some of the fundamental principles underlying the care and use of your machinery. Much of the character and the degree of success is displayed in the farmer by the way he keeps things on and about his premises. By all means see to it that your machinery is properly stored in the shed during the winter.

NOTES.

We should now get out the pruning shears and saw and hit some good licks during the pleasant winter days. For we will surely have our hands full of other pressing work when spring fairly opens.

Comparatively few people are aware that the farm horse can profitably spend much of his useful life without shoes. The plow horse, the tread-power horse, and when his feet are of the average toughness, the general purpose farm horse, can go barefoot with decided advantage.

The coming of spring proclaims unlimited labor for the farm teams. The farmer who understands the care of horses will now begin feeding them heavier by degrees, of bright sweet hay and grains. Light work daily at this season will put them in condition for the hard labor a little later on.

"We have welcome words for the stranger
And smile for the sometimes guest;
But we vex our own with the bitter tone,
Though we love our own the best.

"Oh lips with the word impatient
O brow with the look of scorn,
'Twere a bitter fate were the night too
late
To undo the work of the morn!"

MONEY-MAKING NOT ALL.

Make the farm a home beyond the reach of any one else, where comforts are, where there is peace, contentment, and no regrets over the past or worrying over the future. The farmer wants to make money, and it is his right that he should, and it is well for him to be industrious and work to produce crops suited to his soil and conditions. But he should not become a slave to money-getting and deprive himself and family of needed rest, recreation, and time to improve the mind, and above all else the enjoyment and comforts of a good home. Life is short and money only worth what it will buy, but the right kind of a home is above price.

SWINE NOTES.

Don't work for either extreme in size of hogs. Oversized is not much better than undersized. Work for equal quality.

It is all important in swine breeding to know exactly, not pretty nearly when the young are coming. It is non-attention at this time, that carries off more pigs every season than cholera does hogs.

We look upon the present as a most favorable time to start with a few good hogs. Do not get too many, but get good ones, and then keep them good. Hogs multiply fast, bringing quick returns—and usually good returns.

A good grazing hog is as much better than a poor grazing one as can be imagined. One will make a profit for its owner, however low pork may go, while the other can show but little profit, no matter how high it goes. This may seem to be putting it pretty strong, but there is really a wide difference between grazing and non-grazing hogs.

When pigs are weaned they should be placed in groups of not over twenty, care being taken that the members in each group are of the same size. When a large number of pigs of varying sizes range together, the weaker are at a disadvantage at the feed trough and are liable to permanent injury from lack of feed and the rough treatment they receive.

It is not well to separate a farrowing sow from the rest of the herd but one or two days before the time is up. To be sure, it is better than leaving her with the others all the time, but only a little better. If separated from one to four weeks, it is much better, as the sow then becomes accustomed to the new quarters, and other surroundings. No animal should be suddenly put into new quarters but a few hours before giving birth to young.

It is useless to ignore the fact that cholera is scattered over the country. It is neither cunning, wise nor fair, to say there is no cholera in a neighborhood when there is. In fact this inexcusable dishonesty is one of the very surest ways of spreading the dread disease. If one finds that they have cholera in his herd, he should at once publish the fact and then see to it that no one, or any animal goes among his hogs. Not even buyers should be allowed to tramp about the yards, as they frequently are the scatterers of the disease. Neighbors who have hogs of their own should not be allowed to "just see how they do act." If they do they are pretty sure to have opportunity to see without leaving home.

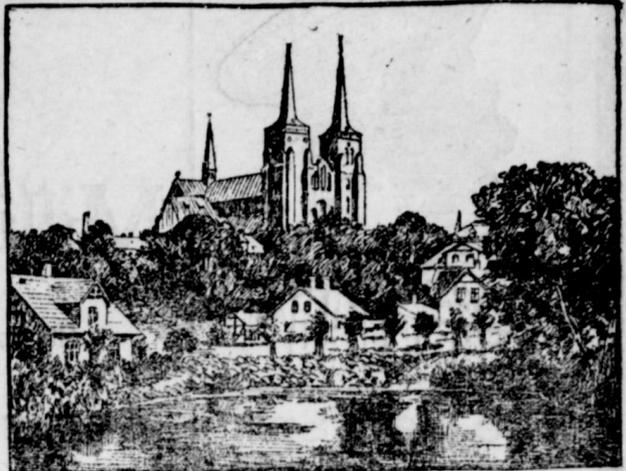
Distemper is a disease common to horses that, as a rule, requires no treatment, as it runs out and the animal gets well in about ten days. It is recognized by swellings under the jaw and sometimes below the ear, that form abscesses containing pus and if not lanced will in time burst of themselves. The animals should not be worked, but fed on good food, with plenty of good water, and if bowels are constipated, a quart of raw linseed oil should be given carefully as a drench by the mouth, never by the nose, and if kidneys are sluggish give a teaspoonful of powdered saltpeter once a day for several days.

TO PREVENT WASHING.

Now is a good time to remedy the washes on those hillsides; there is no great pressure of work, and material is at hand to work with. Coarse manure is fine to stop washes, for it holds the dirt and causes a rank growth of grasses to hold the soil in the spring. Little washes can often be stopped by feeding on them fodder, hay or straw. Hay containing seed is fine, as it seeds the ground well and acts in a mechanical way. Brush, straw, fodder, weeds and bluegrass sod can be used to advantage in deep washes. When partly filled with dirt they should be sown to grass and clover, or sodded, and upon either apply manure.

The mare-owner onto his job will say of the conventional stallion: "You look very handsome; your coat is soft, silky and shiny; you are beautifully plump and rounded; your neck arches gracefully; you amble like a dancing master; you step most daintily. But what can you do? Did you ever haul a load in your life? Do you know that you have any muscle, or power of endurance? Are you a horse for show or use?"

Roeskilde Cathedral Burial Place of Danish Royalty



The Cathedral of Roeskilde, where the remains of King Charles of Denmark were laid to rest, has been for about nine centuries the regular burial place of Danish monarchs, princes and princesses. From the monuments within its walls it would almost be possible to frame a chronological table of the royal line of Denmark. It might be styled the Westminster abbey of the Danish nation.

The town of Roeskilde, which is only an hour's journey from the capital, is older than Copenhagen itself; how much older it is impossible to say. Of Copenhagen nothing is heard prior to the year 1027, and it is certain that Roeskilde existed more than a century before then. Till 1448 it was the capital of Denmark, and its Palace the residence of her Kings.

In that year King Charles III established his chief residence at Copenhagen, which he also made the metropolis of his kingdom. The decline of Roeskilde began forthwith, and it is now a sleepy little town, which even the inquisitive globe-trotter seldom visits.

There is a curious fashion in Denmark of laying the coffins of royal personages on the floors of the chapels, so that one may touch actually some of the coffins. Danish sovereigns lie about the pavements of the chapels in the Roeskilde cathedral in profusion. For the most part, the coffins are covered with velvet, and are ornamented with silver repousse work, some of it of much beauty. The more recent oak coffins form a contrast, however, to the more artistic work of an earlier date.

STOOD BY GENTLEMAN

Col. Watson Was for Man Who Dared Give Direct Answer to Direct Question.

Colonel Watson is a man whose life and interests are a strange commingling of the past and present. His chief topic of conversation is the battle of Gettysburg, where he proved his mettle and won his title. Yet in present-day concerns, especially the political ones, of the town where he lives he is always intensely interested. Into these affairs, however, he projects the past which is his and the martial spirit of which he is so proud. For in the western town in which he lives is located the state soldiers' home, and among the veterans Col. Watson is a leader. Whenever the plans for a campaign are outlined by the party leaders, it is left to Col. Watson to swing the "home vote." And swing it he does.

There are those in the camp of his own party who say that of modern political methods Col. Watson knows little and practices less. Once only was his ire aroused when such criticism was passed upon him. It was the first time it was ever said in open meeting.

"I am a soldier," said the old man, "and I know the soldier's methods. I can fight—I have fought. But I will fight in none but an open and a fair fight. I won my spurs upon one of the great battlefields of the world's history. I was not one who lay in ambush or who spied upon the enemy. I am with you, gentlemen of this convention, now and for all time. In the past I have worked with you for our cause. I stand ready to work again. But if it be your wish that a younger man with what has been called modern methods should do the work I have done, it is your right to say so. I have swung the home vote in the past. But it may be some other man can do the work better. I should have liked one more campaign, gentlemen. But I am, as always, a soldier, and I stand ready to take my orders."

Years ago there was a most exciting contest on for the nomination for superintendent of the county schools. There were two candidates.

"I don't think any too much of Baker," said Col. Watson; "but I'm for him as against this rebel of a Squires. Of course the war is over—but I say give our positions of trust to the Union men; especially as against these southerners. I don't like this Squires."

It was the day before the primary. One of the workers for Baker met Col. Watson upon the street.

"I have something good—good," he said. "I have just heard that this Squires served a term once in prison in Tennessee. If we spring this story now, we can down him, easy. Eh?"

"Ye-es," said the colonel, "I sup-

pose we can. I shall look into this."

Up and down Main street the colonel marched that day, until at last he met the man whom he was seeking. Then he stopped and touching his old military cap, he said:

"Mr. Squires, I have just heard something and I want to know from you and from no one else, whether or not it is true. You know I am fighting you, but—the pride of Gettysburg shone from his eyes—"I am a soldier, and I fight only a fair fight. That is why I come to you for the answer to my question. Did you ever serve time?"

"Yes, Col. Watson, I did," said the man, and in his eyes was the pride of the man who is brave enough to tell the truth.

With a perplexed face the colonel turned and pegged away up the street to the office which had been turned into headquarters for the Baker faction.

"Well?" asked the man who had given him the information. "Can we beat him?"

"Perhaps you can, gentlemen," said Col. Watson; "but as for me, I am going out to work for Squires."

"Then it isn't true?" asked some one with more than a hint of disappointment in his voice.

"Oh, yes, it is true enough."

"And you would have a man who has been a jail bird have charge of our schools and be held up as an ideal to our children—a southerner and an ex-convict? I am surprised at you, Col. Watson."

But the colonel, never heeding the sneer which was hidden in the voice, raised his hand for silence.

"I am for Squires," he said, "because he is a brave man—he is worthy to be a soldier. Southerner he is, ex-convict he is, but he is such a man as any of us might be proud to be. I asked him a direct question, and he gave me a direct answer. I would have believed him if he had said 'No,' and there would have been no time to investigate his records. But he told me the truth. I have no doubt, gentlemen, that there were extenuating circumstances. Yet he did not plead them. He made no excuses. And I say that a man who can tell the truth when it means the surrender of his ambition and his reputation, and who urges no excuse for himself, is just the man to set up before our children."

In that western town the wise chroniclers—those who know the hidden things in men's hearts and lives and who see below the surface—will tell you yet of the way in which Col. Watson in twenty-four hours brought victory from almost certain defeat to a man, whose name—slightly changed in this story—is written high upon the roll of the educators of the country. There were more than extenuating circumstances—there were proofs of the man's innocence.

"But what matters all that?" asks Col. Watson; "so long as he is the soldier that he is—one worthy to have worn the blue at Gettysburg?"—Chicago Post.



Friday and Saturday

April 13-14

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Misses Yarborough & Ward



Oak Grove Pointers.

March 31.—Still the northers come and go and farming is a precarious thing out here in the sticks. Corn planted three weeks ago is beginning to make its appearance. I think it will be a miracle if we get a good stand.

Health of the community is very good with the exception of Miss Titia Smith, who has been sick several days.

S. T. Parker is on the puny list this week. He got hurt last Monday while putting a bale of cotton in his wagon.

Grandma Smith of Salmon is visiting her son, Frank Smith, this week.

Mesdames R. D. and S. T. Parker visied at Mr. Smith's last Tuesday.

It seems that Rafe Parker has the rat plague this year. He has killed something near one hundred and still they come.

Rev. John Furgerson preached a very interesting sermon the fourth Sunday. In the afternoon the young folks got together and had some good singing for a couple of hours.

T. J. Cutler and Paul Weisinger were in attendance at church last Sunday.

Stanley Weisinger passed by early last Sunday morning with his mule's head pointing south. Of course he wasn't going to the baseball ground.

As squibs are scarce and my back hurts, will ring off.

OLD TIMER.

If you ever bought a box of Witch Hazel Salve that failed to give satisfaction the chances are it did not have the name "E. C. D. Witt & Co.," printed on the wrapper and pressed in the box. The original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve never fails to give satisfaction for burns, sores, boils, tetter cracked hands, etc. For blind bleeding, itching and protruding Piles it affords almost immediate relief. It stops the pain. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

La Texo News.

April 2.—The cold weather of last week has at last given away and April comes in bright and beautiful and if we can get warm weather now with the fine season in the ground the crops ought to boom. Corn is coming up nicely and potatoes are up and growing.

Mr. Taylor and a couple of gentlemen from the north spent a day in our town last week. They were well pleased with the country.

A company of gentlemen from Wisconsin have bought a quantity of pine lands from the Wooters estate and are now surveying it. If they want to put their mill at La Texo the best of inducements are open for them.

Leaverton Bros. added a blower to their planer this week to carry the shavings away. This is a great labor saver.

Mrs. T. H. Leaverton visited relatives in Palestine last week.

Mrs. Wright of Grapeland visited friends here this week.

Misses Maud Bruton, and Anna Karn, of Palestine, and W. B. Hearn and John Baker visited Mr. Jas. Christian's family last Tuesday and were nicely entertained with some excellent music by Miss Mitilda Christian.

The young folks had a nice social at Mr. Chas. Bruton's Saturday night which was a very enjoyable affair.

Miss Anna Karns of Palestine is visiting Miss Maud Bruton this week.

Mr. Martin Sims' little boy, Hilly, has been quite sick with pneumonia, but is improving.

Mrs. Riley Murchison and two of her children were sick all this week, but are on the up grade.

Mr. Walter Jones is turning the whole face of the earth over, on the Robb place and is making things look prosperous.

What is the trouble about our getting a voting box here for the primary? We ought to have it

and if the commissioners don't come to time with us we can vote "agin 'em."

Why don't everybody subscribe for the Messenger and keep posted? REX.

Orlote Cullings.

April 2.—The Messenger of March 29th contained some very sad news. I refer to the killing of Dr. Hall Wilson. I was very much astonished at this and sorry to learn of it.

We are having some fine weather now and if it continues, farmers will soon have things in fine shape.

The Farmers' Union, which meets at the Grounds sohool house, is steadily growing in membership. Every farmer in the neighborhood ought to be a member and all members should be punctual in their attendance and not leave a few members to shoulder the responsibility.

There is still some sickness here. Mrs. M. A. Marsh is still confined to her bed and does not seem to improve much.

Mr. Willie Tippet died the 29th of pneumonia. He was buried at the Hester graveyard. Services were held at the graveyard by Rev. Ryals, pastor of the church at Grounds school house. He preached for us Sunday to a very good audience.

A Sunday school should be organized at this church and an organ for the school and public worship would lend interest to the meetings. Glad to notice in the Messenger that La Texo is going to have an organ and hope that the people of Grounds school house will not be behind in the matter. If some one will take the lead it will be easy to secure an organ for the church.

Glad to notice H. A. Tyer's interesting letter from Dallas. Hope he will write again. He was raised in this vicinity.

I notice in the Postmaster and Carrier that there is some talk of

Photographs!

H. A Siddell has opened up a Photograph Gallery in Grapeland and will do first class work.

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Mrs. E. Payne of Crockett is in the city this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eaves.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lego of Sweetwater, who have been visiting in this community several weeks, left Sunday for their home, going by the way Temple for a few days' visit.