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Car Load Goods

We buy the following goods in car load lots: Barb wire nails, hog fencing, flour, sugar and salt and offer for your consideration a full line of each of the above at very close prices.



CHRISTMAS TIME IS COMING

The selection of your Xmas presents is a problem to consider just now. We have for your inspection and consideration one of the largest stocks of merchandise we have ever shown at this season of the year, and in it you will find hundreds of articles that are suitable for gifts to all members of the family, and presents that are not only nice and appropriate, but useful as well. We invite you to inspect our stock, get our prices and compare them others. Below we mention a few of the many articles:

Furniture

How would a nice suit of Furniture do? We have some nice ones at \$32.50, 27.50, 25.00 and 20.00, and combination suits at \$18.00, 16.00 down to 12.50. for a 3-piece suit: bedstead, dresser and wash stand.

In iron and wood bedsteads we are showing many styles and prices; in fact we can please you in either kind as we have a big assortment, prices from \$2.25 to \$20.00.

In dressers and bureaus we are showing a large assortment at \$7.50, 8.00, 10.00, 12.50, 15.00.

Also a full line of library tables at \$2.00, 2.50 and 3.00. Center tables \$1.00, 1.25 and 1.35. Extension tables \$5.00, 6.00 and 8.00. Kitchen safes \$5.00, 6.00 and 7.50. Rocking chairs from \$1.00 to 5.00. Children's rockers 50c to 1.50; children's high chairs 75c and 1.00; mattresses \$2.00 to 4.00; bed springs \$2.00 to 3.50; Fat Man's bed springs,

extra heavy, 4.00

We guarantee our 3.50 and 4.00 springs to give satisfaction; use them 60 days and if not entirely satisfactory return them and we pay your money back.

See us for matting and Window Shades.

Sewing Machines.

We have a large assortment of sewing machines and offer the Velox Ball Bearing Machine as follows:

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Complete with attachments, and sold under a strict guarantee for 5 years. Our Velox machine is as good and made of as fine material as any machine manufactured, and the Helping Hand is the best machine sold for the money.

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A nice saddle would be appreciated by any person needing one, and we have a big lot to select from at \$27.50 down to 12.50.

Also buggy and wagon harness and bridles and strap goods.

Shot Guns.

See us for prices on double and single barrel 12 and 16 gauge shot guns. A big lot to close out at low prices. Now is the time to buy a gun if you want one cheap.

Groceries for Christmas Cooking.

You will find us with the best groceries that money can buy, and we offer you a big stock to select from. We have just received shredded cocoa nut, seeded raisins, chocolate, citron, evaporated apples and peaches, Van Camps Beans, blue ridge corn, nutmeg, extracts, spices, pep-

per, sage, sugar, coffee, ribbon cane molasses, flour and meal. Get our prices!

Fruits.

We have in stock and to arrive apples, oranges, bananas, cocoa nuts, candies. See us and get our prices before you buy.

Fire Works at Cut Prices.

We have just received a big shipment of fire works, and it will pay you to get our prices on fire crackers and Roman candles, at about one-third what you have paid before. We are overstocked and must sell them.

Chinaware.

See us for white and decorated chinaware, dinner sets, chamber sets, cups and saucers, plates, forks, and a complete line of dining room and kitchen fixtures.

Boys' Wagons.

Good stout ones that are not so easily broken or torn up, from \$1.90 to 90c.

Cooking and Heating Stoves.

It may be that you need a stove. If so, we have the Buck's cooking stoves in several different sizes and would be glad to show you what we have and if you would appreciate a good stove at a reasonable price we can suit you. We also have a big line of box and air light heaters, stove pipes, rain proofs, elbows and boxing pans.

Cooking Stoves from \$7.50 to \$32.50; heating stoves \$1.50 to 8.00

Country Produce.

Bring us your cotton and produce. We buy peas, turkeys, chickens, eggs, bees wax and cotton, and always pay the highest prices.

Don't Hold your Turkeys and eggs too long. You will get as good or better prices now, as we have to ship them and get them on the market before Xmas to get the best prices.

It will pay you to come early while the weather is good, and the stocks are fresh and complete. Besides you miss the holiday rush, which is usual the week before Christmas. Thanking you for past favors and wishing you a merry Xmas, yours truly,

Darsey's Grocery, Hardware and Furniture Store.

SEE OUR DRY GOODS AD ON ANOTHER PAGE

Hays Spring News.

Dec. 13.—Everything is rocking on smoothly enough.

Our school is progressing nicely, but understand will suspend next Thursday until after Xmas.

We had singing at the school house this afternoon. Had a good crowd. Billie Willis and Andrew Wings of Wesley Chapel were in attendance. Think the boys must have some attraction up this way, judging from the company they keep. Pledger Chiles and Mr. Rials of Reynard also attended singing.

Mrs. W. T. Warner and little Milburn and Mrs. Malissa Herod returned home yesterday from Taylor county where they had been visiting relatives the past five weeks.

Well Mr. Editor, Xmas will soon be here, and I guess we will all have a good time. A crowd of us are going hunting on the river Xmas. You had better join us.

Wishing a merry Xmas to the Messenger and its many readers,
Yours, Julius.

Darsey has some very snappy ladies' ready made skirts from \$2.50 to \$5.00.

Mrs. L. H. Cocke visited her father, J. M. Selkirk, a few days last week, leaving for her home in Jacksonville Saturday night.

Notice to Tax Payers

It is not long until the 1st of February when the 10 per cent penalty is added to all unpaid taxes, so let everybody meet me at the following places and pay their taxes and avoid the long ride to Crockett:

Grapeland, Tuesday, Jan. 5th.
Lovelady, Wednesday, " 6th.
Ratcliff, Monday, " 11th.
Kennard, Tuesday, " 12th.

A. L. GOOLSBY,
Tax Collector.

Go to Howard's for Xmas presents, gold rings, watches, watch chains, fobs, bracelets, brooches, scarf pins, collar buttons, cuff buttons, scarf set, sewing sets, manicure sets. Call and see the largest display of jewelry ever shown in Grapeland. No cheap John stuff but your moneys worth for every article.

Certainly Fair.

Of all troubles humanity is subject to none perhaps causes more acute distress and more frantic efforts for relief than many forms of itching skin troubles. We will tell you a remedy that rarely ever fails—Hunt's Cure. One box is absolutely guaranteed to cure any one case of itching trouble—no matter what the name. If it fails, your money is cheerfully refunded.

Kent's Store Burglarized.

T. S. Kent's store at Reynard was burglarized Wednesday night and the burglars secured about \$50 in money, some of which was recovered. Constable Spence brought in two negroes Friday—Bud Cates, and Henry Murchison—charged with the crime. Upon investigation Cates was turned loose and Murchison was carried to Crockett to jail.

Mr. J. W. Hooks, who lives east of Crockett, was in Grapeland one day last week looking for a place. We understand he and Mr. Royall have about closed a trade, and Mr Royall will move to town.

Call for what you want, if it is not in stock I will order it for you. W. R. Wherry.

Ladies' and Misses' coats at cut prices at Darsey's D. G. Store.

If you want some real nice apples and oranges go to Howard Anthony's.

Foley's Orino Laxative cures chronic constipation and stimulates the liver. Orino regulates the bowels so they will act naturally and you do not have to take purgatives continuously. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

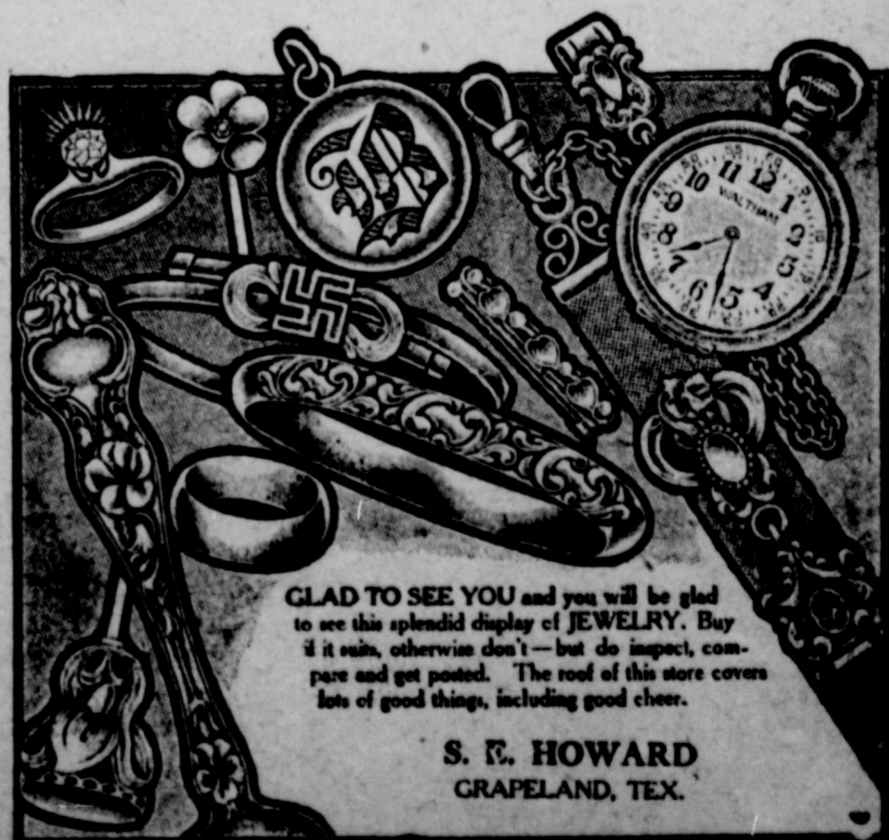
Might Have Been.

When Shakespeare said: "Aye, there's the rub," we do not know for certain he was thinking of it. But one thing we do know—and know it twenty years' worth—Hunt's Cure will absolutely infallibly and immediately cure any itching trouble that ever happened to the human outicle. It's guaranteed.

Stop That Cough.

If you have a cough, cold, sore throat or chest, don't delay a moment—cure it. Simmon's Cough Syrup is a sure remedy. It makes you well.

We have some beautiful knives that will make nice Xmas presents at Howard's.



GLAD TO SEE YOU and you will be glad to see this splendid display of JEWELRY. Buy if it suits, otherwise don't—but do inspect, compare and get posted. The roof of this store covers lots of good things, including good cheer.

S. E. HOWARD
GRAPELAND, TEX.



This woman says that sick women should not fail to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as she did.

Mrs. A. Gregory, of 2355 Lawrence St., Denver, Col., writes to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I was practically an invalid for six years, on account of female troubles. I underwent an operation by the doctor's advice, but in a few months I was worse than before. A friend advised Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it restored me to perfect health, such as I have not enjoyed in many years. Any woman suffering as I did with backache, bearing-down pains, and periodic pains, should not fail to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

In a Box.

First Oyster Pirate—What do you think of this ordering the oyster navy out against us?

Second Ditto—It is something that touches us on the raw.

ED GEERS, "The grand old man," he is called for he is so honest handling horses in races. He says: "I have used SPOHN'S DISTEMPER CURE for 12 years, always with best success. It is the only remedy I know to cure all forms of distemper and prevent horses in same stable from contracting or transmitting. Spohn Medical Co., Chemists, Goshen, Ind."

The Anglican church has broadened to the extent now of holding ordination services outside the cathedrals, so that more people may see them.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine. Whether from Colds, Head, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid-pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

Let's wife may have been peppery before she turned to salt.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. Sore throats.

Gratitude is the memory of the heart.—Sydney.

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NATURAL UTERINE SUPPORTER

gives immediate relief. Sold by all surgical instrument dealers and leading druggists in United States & Canada. Catalog & price list sent on application. THE HARTING & MCINTOSH TRUSS CO., 925 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., manufacturers of trusses and sole makers of the genuine stamped "MCINTOSH" supporter.

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For famous and delicious candies and chocolates, write to the maker for catalog, wholesale or retail. Gunther's Confectionery, 212 State Street, Chicago, Ill.

CANDY
McCANE'S DETECTIVE AGENCY, Houston, Texas, operates the largest force of competent detectives in the South, they render written opinions in cases not handled by them. Reasonable rates.

Peck's Bad Boy and Airship
BY HON. GEORGE W. PECK

HELPS TO CAPTURE THE ANIMALS

I was awful glad to get out of France and into Germany, and when we had got the airship safely landed at the Hagenbach stock farm and boxed and baled ready to load on a boat for South Africa, and all hands had drunk a few schooners of beer, and felt brave enough to tackle any wild animal that walks the earth, I listened to the big talk and the gestures, though I couldn't understand a word they said, except when they held up their fingers for more beer.

I felt that we had got among Americans again, because all a German needs to be an American is to be able to talk a little broken English. The French are all right in their way, but they are too polite. If a Frenchman wants to order you out of his place he is so polite about it that you think he wants you to stay there always and be at home.

If a German wants you to get out he says "Rouse" in a hoarse voice, and if you don't rouse he gives you a swift kick in the pants and you instinctively catch on to the fact that you are due some other place.

The Germans that are with us on the animal hunt in South Africa all speak English, and while at the Hagenbach farm Pa convinced everybody that he was the bravest animal in the world, "cause he would go up to any cage where the animals had been

"Of course, we shall take along all of the traps and things usually used for that purpose, because roping animals from an airship is only an experiment, and we want to be on the safe side, but if the airship proves a success I will be considered the pioneer in airship wild animal capturing, and all animal men will bow down to your Pa, see, and my fortune will be made. We will get into the animal country and locate a few lions and tigers, first, and sail over their lairs in the jungle, and while I hold the steering apparatus our cowboys will sit on the bamboo rails of the ship and throw the rope over their necks, and when they find we have got them where the hair is short they will lie down and bleat like a calf, and when we dismount and go up to them to tie their legs they will be so tame they will eat out of your hand.

"I have got it all figured out in my mind and I don't want you or anybody else to butt in with any discouraging talk, for I won't have it."

"But suppose the airship gets caught in a tree?" said I to Pa. "Well, then, we will tie up and catch baboons," said Pa. "Everything goes with your Pa, Hennerly."

Well, it was like loading a circus to get that stuff loaded for South Africa, as we had more than 50 cages to put animals in to bring home, and



Pa Gave a "Honk, Honk" Like an Auto, But the Lion Wasn't Frightened So You Would Notice.

trained and act as free with them as though he did not know fear," and he went around in his shirt sleeves the way he used to in the circus, and would pat a lion on the head, and if the animal growled Pa would scowl at him and make the lion believe Pa was king of beasts.

Pa has found that putting on a pair of automobile goggles and getting down on his hands and knees and crawling towards the animal in captivity frightens the animal into a fit, but I guess when he tries that stunt on wild animals on the veldt of Africa he will find it does not work so well.

I expect to have to bring Pa back the way they transport canned sausage, after a few wild lions and tigers and hippopotamus have used him for a cud to chew on.

Before we took the steamer for South Africa I had the first serious talk with Pa that I have had since I joined him in Paris. I said: "Pa, don't you think this idea of chasing wild animals in Africa with an airship is going to be a sort of a dangerous proposition?" and Pa began to look brave, and he said: "Hennerly, this is an age of progress, and we have to get out of the rut, and catch up with the procession and lead it. The old way of capturing wild animals by enticing them into baited traps and letting them touch a spring and imprison themselves is about as dangerous as catching mice in a wire trap with a piece of cheese for bait,

tents and food enough for an arctic expedition, and over 200 men, and several tame lionesses and female tigers to use for decoys, and some elephants for Judases to rope in the wild animals, and when we got started it was more than a week before we struck the coast of Africa, and all there was to do on the trip was to play power and practice on the tame animals.

We almost lost a tame lioness. Pa wanted to show the men what power he had over the animal kingdom and he induced the manager to turn Carrie Nation, the big lioness, loose on deck, while Pa put on his goggles and scared her. Gee, but I thought I was an orphan for sure. The boys had trained that lioness to be a retriever, like a water spaniel, and on every trip some of the boys would jump overboard when there was no sea on and let Carrie jump over the rail and rescue them, so when they let her out she thought there was going to be a chance for her to get her regular salt water bath, and that it was expected that she would do her stunt at rescuing a human being.

When she was let out of her cage and the crowd was lined up all around the rail, and she saw Pa in the middle of the deck, on all fours, with the black goggles on, she looked around at the crowd of her friends as much as to say: "What is the joke?" but she sidled up to Pa and lashed her tail around and began to play with Pa as a kitten would play with a ball of yarn.

She put her paw on Pa and rolled him over, and when Pa got right side up and crawled towards her looking fierce, she side stepped and cuffed him on the jaw and everybody laughed except Pa.

Then Pa thought he would make a grandstand play and drive her back in her cage, and he started towards her real fast on his hands and knees, and gave a "honk-honk" like an auto, and we thought she was scared, but I guess she wasn't frightened so you would notice it, for she jumped sideways and got around behind Pa, and I said, "Sick him, Carrie," and by gosh she grabbed Pa by the slack of his pants and made a rush for the railing, and before I could grab her by the tail she jumped right overboard with Pa in her mouth, and landed kersplash in the deep blue sea, with Pa yelling to the men to take her off.

We all rushed to the rail, and I began to cry, but the boys told me not to be scared, as Carrie would bring Pa to the yawl all right.

The men launched a life boat and the lioness was swimming around with Pa in her teeth, as though she was a dog with a rag doll in its mouth.

Pa was swallowing salt water and saying something that sounded like: "Now I lay me," and Carrie was trying to keep his head out of the water by lifting hard on his pants, and finally the life boat got near them and they grabbed Pa by the legs and pulled him in and he laid down in the bottom of the boat, and the lioness climbed over the side and began to shake herself, and then she licked the salt water off, and when the boat came alongside she jumped up on the deck and rolled over and turned somersaults, and then they pulled Pa on deck and when he got his sea legs on he said to the manager of the expedition and the captain of the boat: "Gentlemen, I have rescued your lion, and I claim salvage, and you can give me credit for whatever she is worth as a show animal," and then Carrie went to her cage, and everybody patted Pa on the back and made him think he had saved a thousand-dollar lion from drowning.

Pa asked me to accompany him to the door was closed and he saw my tear-stained face, he said: "You think you are darn smart, don't you? I heard you say sick him to that old moth-eaten lion, and now don't you ever interfere with my plans again. I got that lion so frightened by my fierce look, and the noise I made, that she jumped overboard, and I went along to save her. Now, help me off with my clothes and rub me down and I will go out and chase a tiger round the deck, and make it climb up into the rigging and beg to be taken down. That is the kind of a man your Pa is," and Pa began to shuck himself, and I rubbed him down as if he was a race horse. I can see that when we come to the wild animal fields Pa is going to astonish the natives.

We landed at a port in South Africa in the night, and before morning we had all our stuff on a special train and about daylight we pulled out for a place about 300 miles from the coast, and the next day we were in camp with the tents all up and the cages in place, and had engaged 200 negroes with no clothes on to help us. When they saw the airship spread out ready to be filled with gas when we got ready to use it, some of them deserted, but we got others to take their places.

I suppose when we fill that gas bag with chemical gas and it begins to flop around, there won't be a negro left in Africa.

We are in a wild animal country all right. The first night the lions in the jungle kept us awake, and Carrie Nation answered every time the wild lions bellowed, until Pa had to go and maul her with a bamboo club.

The next morning there were lion tracks all around camp, and Pa says the trouble is going to be that the lions will hunt us instead of our having to go after them.

A drove of zebras stampeded by our camp the first morning, a couple of giraffes were looking us over from a hill top, and a rhinoceros went through the camp and stole a smoked ham.

Pa is so scared he stays in his tent most of the time and shivers. He says he has got chills and fever, but I can tell when a man's heart comes up in his mouth, and chokes him.

I told him this morning that if he showed the white feather now it was all off with him, and the Hagenbach's would leave him in Africa to be adopted by a tribe. Pa said: "You watch me when we get to catching animals, I will make any animal that crosses my path think he has run into a live wire."

Well, I hope Pa will not be a coward.



HEALTH VERY POOR—RESTORED BY PE-RU-NA.

Catarrh Twenty-five Years—Had a Bad Cough.

Miss Sophia Kittlesen, Evanston, Ill., writes:

"I have been troubled with catarrh for nearly twenty-five years and have tried many cures for it, but obtained very little help.

"Then my brother advised me to try Peruna, and I did.

"My health was very poor at the time I began taking Peruna. My throat was very sore and I had a bad cough.

"Peruna has cured me. The chronic catarrh is gone and my health is very much improved.

"I recommend Peruna to all my friends who are troubled as I was."

PERUNA TABLETS—Some people prefer tablets, rather than medicine in a fluid form. Such people can obtain Peruna tablets, which represent the medicinal ingredients of Peruna. Each tablet equals one average dose of Peruna.

Man-a-lin the Ideal Laxative. Ask your Druggist for a Free Peruna Almanac for 1909.

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Headache, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

IF YOU'VE NEVER WORN Slicker
you've yet to learn the bodily comfort it gives in the wettest weather
MADE FOR HARD SERVICE AND GUARANTEED WATERPROOF \$3.00 AT ALL GOOD STORES CATALOG FREE

Handy Buggy, \$4125
Two feet of room back of the seat and no heavier than a full size buggy. Seat is nicely upholstered and extra child seat can also be furnished. Other buggies as low as \$21.25. Illustrated and described in our handsome new catalog of vehicles, harness and saddles. It's free. Write for it.

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We Have for Sale
Good improved and unimproved land at prices that are very reasonable and on good terms. Write us for lists. Graham & Cook, Cuero, Texas.

PISO'S CURE
CURES WHOLE ALL FISH PAIN
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

THE ALASKAN'S TOTEM POLE.

His Family History Told in the Strangely Carved Symbol.

Seattle, Wash.—Totem poles are erected by certain of the American Indians, principally the Alaskans, before their dwellings as symbols of family pride, veneration of ancestors, or religion. The poles are usually 40 feet high, and are carved into grotesque figures and animals one above the other, while the crest or badge of the chief by whose house it stands surmounts the top.

The totem pole to the Alaskan is as dear as is the genealogy of the proud "blue blood" of the civilized world, for it stands a record of the character of his forefather, and every carved sign and every blended color upon it has a sacred meaning. For example, the eagle upon a totem pole means that a son of Alaska has descended from a traveler, a leader, or one who migrates. The raven is he who is crafty, wise and possessed of great acumen; the frog that of a philosopher, a savant; the bear means strength, muscle; the whale implies plenty of food; the duck suggests placidity, a phlegmatic temperament; the seal beauty, grace, charm; the salmon means great favors, desires, ambitions, and so on down the line of comparison with every living creature.

Some years ago a party of Seattle enthusiasts, bent upon a voyage of discovery, chartered a steamer and made a trip to southeastern Alaska. They arrived at a small Indian village, but as the population seemed to have deserted the place, they decided it would be just and lawful to "take into camp" one of the totem poles that stood before the Indian huts, so they entered into negotiations with two old Indian women who were the only living beings about the place, and purchased, as they supposed, one of the most pretentious looking totems in the place. The pole was removed to Seattle and was presented to the city with much speecmaking in the presence of the city "fathers" and other



Seattle's Totem Pole.

SEEMED WORSE EVERY DAY.

A Dangerous Case of Kidney Complaint and How It Was Checked.

Mrs. Lucy Quebeck, Mechanic St., Hope Valley, R. I., says: "Eight years ago I contracted severe kidney trouble and my back began to ache continually. Every day it seemed worse. The least pressure on my back tortured me, and I could not stoop without a bad twinge. The kidney secretions passed irregularly with pain, and I bloated badly. My head swam and spots flitted before my eyes. One doctor said I was incurable. However, I found prompt relief when I started using Doan's Kidney Pills, and the troubles I have related gradually disappeared."

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

Is This True?

"I wouldn't do for politics, I guess," said the pretty girl. "I'd simply vote the way papa votes."
"In that," remarked an observer, "you wouldn't differ so very much from most men."

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, price 75c.

Reciprocity.

"He's very quick to reciprocate."
"Yes?"
"Yes; I killed his dog yesterday and buried mine to-day."

No Others

It is a class to itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc., it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised. We mean Hunt's Lightning Oil.

It's surprising how many friends you have when they need you.

Habitual Constipation

May be permanently overcome by proper personal efforts, with the aid of Ballard's Snow Liniment. Dr. C. Scott, Salt Lake City, Utah, writes: "I can too highly praise your Ballard's Snow Liniment for the relief of acute rheumatism, caused by sudden change and exposure to the weather. I also recommend your Ballard's Horehound Syrup for coughs and colds. These used together defy all pain."

GET THE GENUINE. Three Sizes 25c, 50c, \$1.00

Ballard Snow Liniment Co.
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Sold and Recommended by
CARLETON AND PORTER, DRUGGISTS

A Personal Appeal.

If we could talk to you personally about the great merit of Foley's Honey and Tar, for coughs, colds, and lung trouble, you never could be induced to experiment with unknown preparations that may contain some harmful drugs. Foley's Honey and Tar costs you no more and has a record of forty years of cures. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Lee Satterwhite and family, recently of Knox City, were in the city a few days last week enroute to Teague where Lee has accepted a position with the Teague Chronicle.—Wortham Journal.

It Never Disappoints.

"Many extensively advertised remedies are failures when put to the test. Hunt's Lightning Oil is an exception. Confidence in it is never misplaced—disappointment never follows its use. It is surely the grandest emergency remedy now obtainable. For cuts, burns, sprains, aches and pains, I know no equal."

George E. Paddock,
Doniphan, Mo.

Hoarse coughs and stuffy colds that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar, as it soothes the inflamed members, heals the lungs, and expels the cold from the system. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Scan our advertising columns before you do all your Christmas shopping. Some bargains may escape if you don't.

Choked to Death

is commonly said of babes who have died of the croup. How unnecessary this is. No child ever had the croup without having a cold or cough at the start. If you will stop the first symptom of the cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup there is no danger whatever of croup. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Stanley Weisinger informs us that he and his brother have rented a large farm a few miles north of town, and are going in for farming to make something out of it next year. Stanley is at present living in town and has been working on the rail road.

It
An itching trouble is not necessarily a dangerous one, but certainly a most disagreeable affliction. No matter the name, if you itch—it cures you. Hunt's Cure is "H." Absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of itching known. First application relieves.

About One.

Mrs. Hoyle—What time does your husband get in nights?
Mrs. Doyle—About the time the cuckoo clock has the least to do.

Important to Mothers.

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

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*
In Use For Over 30 Years.
The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Only One Left.

"You say he's down to the last extremity?"
"Yes, he lost one foot in a wreck."

For the Blues

If you are blue, dejected, and feel like the world has it "in for you," the chances are your liver is taking a few days off. Put it to work by using Simmon's Liver Purifier (tin boxes); it's the best regulator of them all.

We are natural believers. Truth, or the connection between cause and effect, alone interests us.—Emerson.

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM.
Take the Old Standard GILROY'S EASTLON'S (HILL) TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteful form, and the most effective form. For grown people and children. 50c.

John D. Rockefeller and the duke of Westminster each receive over 250 begging letters a day.

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.

The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

A man may follow his natural bent and yet be perfectly straight.

Allen's Foot-Ease, a Powder
For swollen, sweating feet, gives instant relief. The original powder for the feet. 25c at all Druggists.

Friend, what you'd get, first earn.—Browning.



ness education without the proper moral training is a failure, yet there is not another business college in the state that spends five minutes on the moral training of its students. The moral training given by the Tyler Commercial College has been indorsed by various religious bodies, by prominent business men and presidents of railroads; it is the aim of this institution to see that every student leaves morally strengthened as well as leaving it with a practical knowledge of Bookkeeping, Business Training, Shorthand, Typewriting and Telegraphy.

Our references are the ministers of the various churches of this city, or any of the leading business men. Read our 168 page beautifuly illustrated catalog thru carefully and obtain full particulars. It cost no more to place your son or daughter in America's largest and most successful business college than it does in some small, inferior institution, with all the temptations of the larger cities.

For that Dull Feeling After Eating.

I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for some time, and can testify that they have done me more good than any tablets that I ever used. My trouble was a heavy dull feeling after eating.—David Freeman, Kempt, Nova Scotia. These tablets strengthen the stomach and improve the digestion. They also regulate the liver and bowels. They are superior to pills but cost no more. Get a free sample at B. R. Guice & Son's drug store and see what a splendid medicine it is.



**For
Lame
Back**

An aching back is instantly relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment.

This liniment takes the place of massage and is better than sticky plasters. It penetrates—without rubbing—through the skin and muscular tissue right to the bone, quickens the blood, relieves congestion, and gives permanent as well as temporary relief.

**Sloan's
Liniment**

has no equal as a remedy for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, or any pain or stiffness in the muscles or joints.



Price 25c., 50c., and \$1.00.
Dr. Earl S. Sloan, Boston, Mass., U. S. A.
Sloan's book on horses, cattle, sheep and poultry sent free.

HOW TO

hulls. See me and my prices before buying. Can save you money.
Ed. Harmon.

In some communities, and among some families and friends, Christmas has become a season of competitive giving. There is an effort to see who can give the most, and gifts are given with the expectation of receiving one in return. This is as far away from the true Christmas spirit as can be. Let your gifts be true gifts, expressions of the heart and absolutely divorced from any sordid or selfish spirit. If you can't do this, better not give at all.

It may have been some years since you have seen Santa Claus but the dear old fellow has brought such cheer to millions of childish hearts that we cannot afford to do without him. Why not provide for his coming this year?

To read the best Christmas story ever written open the Bible and turn to the story of the first Christmas. It ought to be read in every Christian home at every Christmas time.

When Christmas is celebrated in the beautiful church or the magnificent cathedral let us remember, that the event which it commemorates occurred in a stable.

"The poor ye have always with you." Do not forget them. Because they do not live so near, the country poor are more likely to be forgotten than those in the city.

**WHITE'S
Cream Vermifuge**
THE GUARANTEED
**WORM
REMEDY**
THE CHILDREN'S FAVORITE TONIC.
BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.
THE GENUINE PREPARED ONLY BY
Ballard-Snow Liniment Co.
ST. LOUIS, MO.
—FOR SALE BY—
CARLETON & PORTER.

For a Lame Back.
When you have pains or lameness in the back bathe the parts with Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it over the seat of pain, and you may be surprised to see how quickly the lameness disappears. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Quality of Counterfeiting.
Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Foley's Honey and Tar, the cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate coughs and heals the lungs. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

For Eczema, Itch and Salt Rheum.
The intense itching characteristic of these ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.



This woman says that sick women should not fail to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as she did.

Mrs. A. Gregory, of 2355 Lawrence St., Denver, Col., writes to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I was practically an invalid for six years, on account of female troubles. I underwent an operation by the doctor's advice, but in a few months I was worse than before. A friend advised Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it restored me to perfect health, such as I have not enjoyed in many years. Any woman suffering as I did with backache, bearing-down pains, and periodic pains, should not fail to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

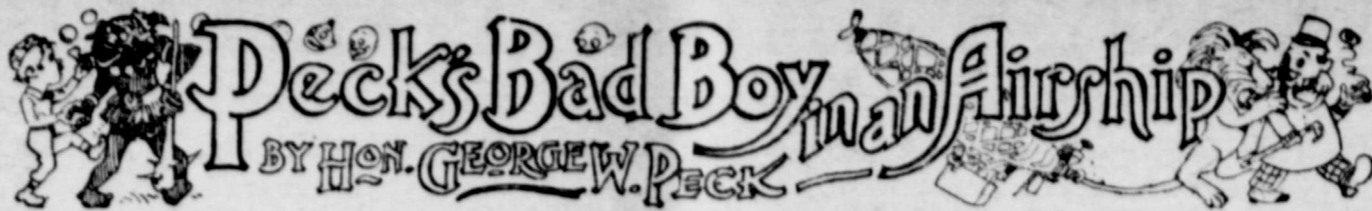
Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

In a Box.

First Oyster Pirate—What do you think of this ordering the oyster navy out against us?

Second Ditto—It is something that touches us on the raw.

—ED GEERS. "The grand old man," he is called for he is so honest handling horses in races. He says: "I have used SPOHN'S DISTEMPER CURE for 12 years, always with best success. It is the only remedy I know to cure all forms of distemper and prevent horses in same stable. It is made by the manufacturers, Spohn Medical Co., Chicago, Ill."



HELPS TO CAPTURE THE ANIMALS

I was awful glad to get out of France and into Germany, and when we had got the airship safely landed at the Hagenbach stock farm and boxed and baled ready to load on a boat for South Africa, and all hands had drunk a few schooners of beer, and felt brave enough to tackle any wild animal that walks the earth, I listened to the big talk and the gestures, though I couldn't understand a word they said, except when they held up their fingers for more beer.

I felt that we had got among Americans again, because all a German needs to be an American is to be able to talk a little broken English. The French are all right in their way, but they are too polite. If a Frenchman wants to order you out of his place he is so polite about it that you think he wants you to stay there always and be at home.

If a German wants you to get out he says "Rouse" in a hoarse voice, and if you don't rouse he gives you a swift kick in the pants and you instinctively catch on to the fact that you are due some other place.

The Germans that are with us on the animal hunt in South Africa all speak English, and while at the Hagenbach farm Pa convinced everybody that he was the bravest animal in the world, "cause he would go up to any cage where the animals had been

"Of course, we shall take along all of the traps and things usually used for that purpose, because roping animals from an airship is only an experiment, and we want to be on the safe side, but if the airship proves a success I will be considered the pioneer in airship wild animal capturing, and all animal men will bow down to your Pa, see, and my fortune will be made. We will get into the animal country and locate a few lions and tigers, first, and sail over their lairs in the jungle, and while I hold the steering apparatus our cowboys will sit on the bamboo rails of the ship and throw the rope over their necks, and when they find we have got them where the hair is short they will lie down and bleat like a calf, and when we dismount and go up to them to tie their legs they will be so tame they will eat out of your hand.

"I have got it all figured out in my mind and I don't want you or anybody else to butt in with any discouraging talk, for I won't have it."

"But suppose the airship gets caught in a tree?" said I to Pa. "Well, then, we will tie up and catch baboons," said Pa. "Everything goes with your Pa, Hennerly."

Well, it was like loading a circus to get that stuff loaded for South Africa, as we had more than 50 cages to put animals in to bring home, and

She put her paw on Pa and rolled him over, and when Pa got right side up and crawled towards her looking fierce, she side stepped and cuffed him on the jaw and everybody laughed except Pa.

Then Pa thought he would make a grandstand play and drive her back in her cage, and he started towards her real fast on his hands and knees, and gave a "honk-honk" like an auto, and we thought she was scared, but I guess she wasn't frightened so you would notice it, for she jumped sideways and got around behind Pa, and I said, "Sick him, Carrie," and by gosh she grabbed Pa by the slack of his pants and made a rush for the railing, and before I could grab her by the tail she jumped right overboard with Pa in her mouth, and landed kersplash in the deep blue sea, with Pa yelling to the men to take her off.

We all rushed to the rail, and I began to cry, but the boys told me not to be scared, as Carrie would bring Pa to the yawl all right.

The men launched a life boat and the lioness was swimming around with Pa in her teeth, as though she was a dog with a rag doll in its mouth.

Pa was swallowing salt water and saying something that sounded like: "Now I lay me," and Carrie was trying to keep his head out of the water by lifting hard on his pants, and finally the life boat got near them and they grabbed Pa by the legs and pulled him in and he laid down in the bottom of the boat, and the lioness climbed over the side and began to shake herself, and then she licked the salt water off, and when the boat came alongside she jumped up on the deck and rolled over and turned somersaults, and then they pulled Pa on deck and when he got his sea legs on he said to the manager of the expedition and the captain of the boat:

"Gentlemen, I have rescued your lion, and I claim salvage, and you can give me credit for whatever she is worth as a show animal," and then Carrie went to her cage, and everybody patted Pa on the back and made him think he had saved a thousand-dollar lion from drowning.

Pa asked me to accompany him to the door and when the outer door was closed and he saw my tear-stained face, he said: "You think you



MISS SOPHIA KITTLESEN.

HEALTH VERY POOR—RESTORED BY PE-RU-NA.

Catarrh Twenty-five Years—Had a Bad Cough.

Miss Sophia Kittlesen, Evanston, Ill., writes:

"I have been troubled with catarrh for nearly twenty-five years and have tried many cures for it, but obtained very little help.

"Then my brother advised me to try Peruna, and I did.

"My health was very poor at the time I began taking Peruna. My throat was very sore and I had a bad cough.

"Peruna has cured me. The chronic catarrh is gone and my health is very much improved.

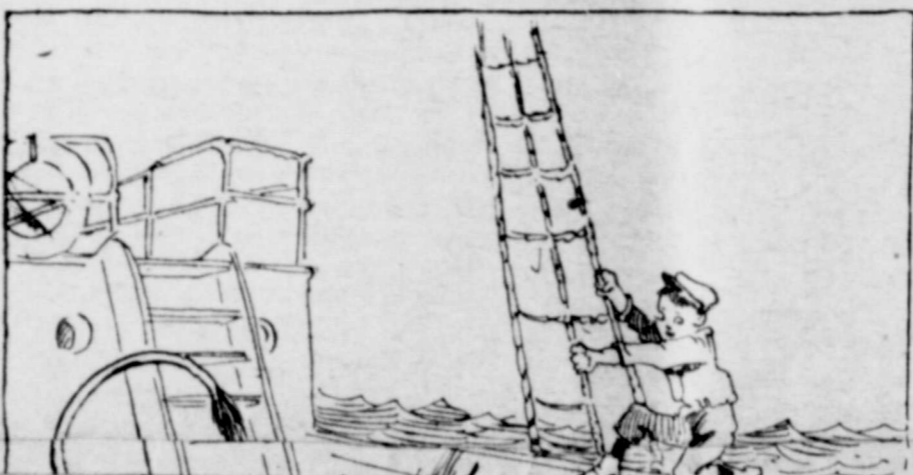
"I recommend Peruna to all my friends who are troubled as I was."

PERUNA TABLETS—Some people prefer tablets, rather than medicine in a fluid form. Such people can obtain Peruna tablets, which represent the medicinal ingredients of Peruna. Each tablet equals one average dose of Peruna.

Man-a-lin the Ideal Laxative. Ask your Druggist for a Free Peruna Almanac for 1909.

SICK HEADACHE

CARTER'S LITTLE Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, In-



THEIR PARDON SAINT.

Wise Selections.

Our buyer spent several days in the market and made the selections while the stocks were complete, and he got the best.

Come at once

Christmas Novelties

The Line of Christmas Novelties we have on display for the Holiday trade is the largest and most handsome stock we have ever carried.

Our stock includes cut glass, hand painted china, silver ware, bric-a-brac, pictures, medallions, books, toys of every description, dolls by the score, in fact we can please you; and our prices are modest. We must unload!

Come Early and Get First choice

We Are Ready to Wait on You

...Carleton & Porter...

GRAPELAND, TEXAS

THE ALASKAN'S TOTEM POLE.

His Family History Told in the Strangely Carved Symbol.

Seattle, Wash.—Totem poles are erected by certain of the American Indians, principally the Alaskans, before their dwellings as symbols of family pride, veneration of ancestors, or religion. The poles are usually 40 feet high, and are carved into grotesque figures and animals one above the other, while the crest or badge of the chief by whose house it stands surmounts the top.

The totem pole to the Alaskan is as dear as is the genealogy of the proud "blue blood" of the civilized world, for it stands a record of the character of his forefather, and every carved sign and every blended color upon it has a sacred meaning. For example, the eagle upon a totem pole means that a son of Alaska has descended from a traveler, a leader, or one who migrates. The raven is he who is crafty, wise and possessed of great acumen; the frog that of a philosopher, a savant; the bear means strength, muscle; the whale implies plenty of food; the duck suggests placidity, a phlegmatic temperament; the seal beauty, grace, charm; the salmon means great favors, desires, ambitions, and so on down the line of comparison with every living creature.

Some years ago a party of Seattle enthusiasts, bent upon a voyage of discovery, chartered a steamer and made a trip to southeastern Alaska. They arrived at a small Indian village, but as the population seemed to have deserted the place, they decided it would be just and lawful to "take into camp" one of the totem poles that stood before the Indian huts, Totem Pole, so they entered into negotiations with two old Indian women who were the only living beings about the place, and purchased, as they supposed, one of the most pretentious looking totems in the place. The pole was removed to Seattle and was presented to the city with much spechmaking in the presence of the city "fathers" and other citizens assembled.

HISTORIC SPOT LITTLE KNOWN.

Cairn Erected on Spot Where Miles Standish Landed.

Boston.—Quincy is noted for its many places of historic interest, but there is one that is little known, other than to historians. This is the Miles Standish cairn at Squantum. It is not only historic, but a romantic spot.

The most renowned spot at this place is Squanto rock. It is here that



Miles Standish Cairn.

Miles Standish and a party from Plymouth, piloted by Squanto, the faithful friend of the white man, landed, September 30, 1621. In commemoration of this event a cairn has been erected on the highest part of a stone bridge, which on the east dips to the sea and on the west declines to "Massachusetts Hummock" and its meadows.

On Monday, September 30, the cornerstone was laid in the presence of a large assemblage. Charles Francis Adams, Jr., delivered an address, in which he described the voyaging of Miles Standish and his men from Plymouth, and paid a tribute to Squanto for whom Squantum was named.

SEEMED WORSE EVERY DAY.

A Dangerous Case of Kidney Complaint and How It Was Checked.

Mrs. Lucy Quebeck, Mechanic St., Hope Valley, R. I., says: "Eight years ago I contracted severe kidney trouble and my back began to ache continually. Every day it seemed worse. The least pressure on my back tortured me, and I could not stoop without a bad twinge. The kidney secretions passed irregularly with pain, and I bloated badly. My head swam and spots flitted before my eyes. One doctor said I was incurable. However, I found prompt relief when I started using Doan's Kidney Pills, and the troubles I have related gradually disappeared."

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

Is This True?
"I wouldn't do for politics, I guess," said the pretty girl. "I'd simply vote the way papa votes."
"In that," remarked an observer, "you wouldn't differ so very much from most men."

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured
with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.
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Sold by Druggists, price 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Reciprocity.
"He's very quick to reciprocate."
"Yes?"
"Yes; I killed his dog yesterday and buried mine to-day."

No Others
It is a class to itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc., it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised. We mean Hunt's Lightning Oil.

It's surprising how many friends you have when they need you.

Habitual Constipation

May be permanently overcome by proper personal efforts with the assistance of the one truly beneficial laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, which enables one to form regular habits daily so that assistance to nature may be gradually dispensed with when no longer needed as the best of remedies, when required, are to assist nature and not to supplant the natural functions, which must depend ultimately upon proper nourishment, proper efforts, and right living generally. To get its beneficial effects, always buy the genuine Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna manufactured by the

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It
An itching trouble is not necessarily a dangerous one, but certainly a most disagreeable affliction. No matter the name, if you itch—it cures you. Hunt's Cure is "It." Absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of itching known. First application relieves.

About One.
Mrs. Hoyle—What time does your husband get in nights?
Mrs. Doyle—About the time the cuckoo clock has the least to do.

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Shoes at All Prices, for Every Member of the Family, Men, Boys, Women, Misses & Children.
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"O. V. C." Free Offer

A handsome sepia-tone picture, without advertising and suitable for framing, will be sent free to any address in the United States on receipt of 25 Old Virginia Cheroot "cups" or stamps to cover cost before December 31st, of four pictures:

ies for Xmas 25c and 50c. dies' Coats Make good colored Preacher" n exceptionally handsome line of ammy" r girl will appreciate a coat for Xmas gentleman" ses' and children's coats \$3.50 dow rly"

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OLD VIRGINIA CHERROOTS

are 5 Cent Cigars Without the Head— Therefore 3 for 5 Cents

Pains All Over

"For ten years" writes Mrs. Luzania Morgan, of Sneedville, Tenn., "I suffered with the turn of life, and tried many remedies without relief. I had pains all over my body and at times I could not sit up. At last I took Cardui and now I can do my housework. I have told many ladies about Cardui and recommend it to all sick women."



Take Cardui

You cannot afford to experiment with your health. When sick, or ailing, from any of the troubles peculiar to women, take Cardui, the woman's remedy, about which you have so often heard; the medicine of real, scientific merit, endorsed by thousands, and pronounced "the best medicine for female troubles." Its curative virtues, are known and proven. For headache, backache, dragging sensations, etc., it has been found unequalled. Try it.

Augusta, Texas, Dec. 13.—The great wheel of time is fast turning to the end of another year. The question that we should all ask ourselves is, have we lived the past year as we should have? We fear but few could answer the question in the affirmative.

In our last we referred to Kennedy Bros. leaving our town. These gentlemen have done a lucrative business here for several years, in that they have grown from a mole hill to a mountain in the financial world. Their departure will leave a vacancy for some wide awake business man to fill. We wish to say right here that there is no better point for business in the county. Augusta is a central point surrounded by the best lands in the county, plenty of fine water and the best people in the world. Such being the case, the right kind of a man could have a bonanza by keeping such as the farmers need and selling at live and let live prices. We hope some good man will avail himself of the opportunity.

At last madam rumor has it that the wedding bells will soon be ringing, and, in fact, the hand is already upon the rope that will ring the bell that will join two loving hearts mutually bound. In our next we will give the names of the contracting parties and a full description of the wedding.

Dr. Elliott is busy preparing to leave us for Crockett. Dr. Blair is situated at Augusta and we believe we have a high toned gentleman and a good doctor.

We expect to have a Christmas tree. Every one is invited to attend.

Crops are all in; considerably short of what was expected.

Xmas will be over before we come again. In advance we wish all readers and the editor of the Messenger a happy Xmas and a prosperous new year.

Everything is very quiet. Health fine. As ever,
Old Gray.

Ladies' hand bags and purses make good Xmas presents. Darsey has some exceptional values from 25c to \$1.25.

J. J. Brooks is having material placed on the ground opposite the depot for the erection of a large warehouse.

A big shipment of white and decorated China ware to arrive at Darsey's this week sold in either dinner sets tea sets, or just as you want it.

Mrs. Oswin Adams of Palestine visited her sister, Mrs. Owen Johnson, a few days last week.

Go to Darsey's for your shredded cocoon seed raisins, evaporated apples, chocolate, citron and extracts and get fresh goods.

Henry Richards of Troupe has been in the city several days.

Geo. E. Darsey has just received one of the biggest shipments of Roman candles ever brought to Grapeland. See him for cut prices.

P. H. Bruke was here Saturday in the interest of the Galveston News.

Geo. E. Darsey will unload this week a car of winter ground flour was ground this month and is allright for Christmas cooking. In wood barrels or sacks just as you want it.

Geo. Chaffin went up to Palestine Sunday.

Darsey is showing an elegant line of ladies petticoats from 50c to \$2.50.

Rev. A. L. Carnes and family arrived Friday from Cold Springs, and are domiciled in the Methodist parsonage. Bro. Carnes filled his appointment at the church Sunday to a large audience, and preached a very able sermon on the church and its mission in the world.

Letters to Santa Claus.

Grapeland, Tex., Dec. 11.—Dear Santa Claus:—Please bring me a Christmas tree, and a pretty black beaded doll, some little dishes, a roly dolly, some apples, oranges, bananas, and nuts. Please bring little brother a rocky horse, a teddy bear, a bugle, a french harp, and all kinds of fruits and nuts.

Mable Boykin.

Augusta, Texas, Dec. 13.—Dear Santa Claus:—I will tell you what I wish you to bring me. I have worked hard all the year. I am going to school. I am going to work hard and try and get an education. I want you to bring me some fire crackers, roman candles and a good story book for boys. With best wishes to old Santa Claus, I am your little friend,
Webb Douglass.

Dear Santa:—I want you to bring me a big doll, a Teddy bear and anything else you want me to have. I would like for you to bring me some fruits and nuts,
Mary Lou Darsey.

Dear Old Santa Claus:—Please bring me a big doll, and doll bed, a tea set, table, a bracelet, some apples, oranges raisins, and bananas. Will close for this time.
Your little friend,
Rena Ross Richards.

See Darsey for your fire works at cut prices.

Use your local paper to announce your bargains. It will mean cob-webs on the catalog.

Buy ladies house shoes and bed room slippers for Xmas presents from Darsey.

Rev. J. B. Luker was in town Tuesday, having stopped over to see his children and friends, while on his way to his new charge at Edgewood.

Roman candles that you used to pay 15 c apiece for, now 3 for 25 at Darsey's.

Mr. Millage Brown and family and Mrs. Harvey of Porter Spring were visitors here Saturday and Sunday, the guests of Dr. McCarty and Mr. O. P. Brown.

Just received a car of barb wire and yard fencing at Darsey's.

cks were complete, and

includes cut glass, a-brac, picture

American Special is a new brand of barb wire put up 440 yds. to the roll at \$2 10 per roll at Darsey's.

Go to Darsey's for cheap fire works.

Darsey has 'em for less, what, why roman candles and fire crackers.

Our car of wire has arrived. All parties that were in on our car will please come for theirs.
Geo. E. Darsey.

Price Slaughter
ing Goes on.

You had better lay in your supply of goods while you can get them cheap. We have many bargains and can save you money. Call on us.

Bring us your produce
J. J. Guice & Son

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

IS SOMETHING THAT PUZZLES THE SHREWDEST BUYER

This trouble can be quickly overcome. Just come to our store and we will take pleasure in showing you through our stock and making you special prices on our entire line of merchandise, which consists of everything needful for old or young. We have put special prices on our entire stock up to and including Dec. 24th. We will sell you

10c Outings per yard..... 8c	Boys' suits 1.00, 2.00, 2.50 and..... 3.00
All standard prints per yard..... 5c	One lot youths' suits, very pretty and stylish at a bargain.
12 1/2c dress suitings, per yard..... 10c	Shoes and boots? Yes, for the whole family.
12 1/2c bordered sateen " "..... 10c	This is the place to buy your Christmas groceries.
15c Woollets..... 12 1/2c	Flour, Bell county's best, it's a fact... 1.55
25c wool suitings..... 20c	Red Cross, best high patent..... 1.40
44 inch Mohair brillianteen in colors... 50c	New crop YC sugar, 18 lbs for..... 1.00
Genuine saranac buck gloves 75c, 1.00, 1.25	Grand Saline salt, white sacks..... 50c
John B Stetson Hats for..... 5.00	3 00 clocks for..... 2.50
Leopard hats 2 50, 3.00 and..... 4.00	Trunks 1.75, 2 00, 2 50, 3 00..... 4.00
Just received 16 suits by express; latest styles and patterns; a bargain at 15 00	Suit cases 1.25, 1.50..... 2.00
take your choice during this sale for... 12.50	

We will open up our Christmas Toys this week. Come and see 'em. Don't wait till next week but buy your goods now before the grand rush next Wednesday and Thursday.

We want your cotton, turkeys, chickens and eggs, and will pay top prices. We thank you for your most liberal patronage this season and wish you health, happiness and prosperity in the future. Yours truly,

F. A. FARIS

GRAPELAND, TEXAS

Uncle Polk

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I Have Plenty of HULLS and MEAL FOR SALE.

GIVE ME YOUR ORDER

Mrs. McRaney's Experience.

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Buy bed blankets and comforts at Darsey's D. G. Store.

Millin'ry Goods for the Holidays

AT EXCEPTIONALLY LOW PRICES

Facinators, Baby Caps and Sacks, Combs, Veil Pins, Hose, Embroidery Hoops, and Thread, also a nice line of Wings and Fancy Feathers.

PATTERN, TRIMMED and READY TO WEAR HATS

We are making Special Holiday Prices on these goods. Call on

Richards Sisters.

Grapeland needs some good rent houses, and that's a fact.

For Xmas fruits and candies Howard has them.

Make it a point to renew your subscription before Christmas.

For your Xmas flour call at Howard's for Ruth. None better.

Howard Anthony's New - Restaurant

is the Place to

Eat, drink and get your Fruits, Nuts, Cakes, Candies and Fancy Groceries at the lowest prices known. SANTA CLAUS is here. Get my prices before you buy.

Health is More Expensive Than any Cure.

This country is filled with people who migrate across the continent in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Nine tenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the past and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cure of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and more serious diseases may be avoided. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Cold weather is coming, better let Darsey sell you an over coat.

Mr. E. H. Darsey left Saturday night for Ft. Worth with a car of hogs.

Bleached and
Brown
Domestic
20 yds. \$1.

Christmas Shopping.

All
Standard
Calicoes
20 yds. \$1.

Selecting presents is usually a perplexing problem. We offer you in our dry goods department useful and appropriate gifts for every member of the family. Everybody, even children, like for their presents to be useful. As an advantage in making your purchases early, it is our desire and intention to give each customer individual attention, but a few days before Christmas this is almost impossible, besides you have a much better selection by being early. Do your shopping now.

Shoes Make Good Christmas Presents



This illustration shows our No. A74 Ladies White House shoe, Patent Leather, blucher, calf fancy foxed quarter, Cuban heel, medium soles, Lasalle last, price per pair, \$3.00

White House Shoes for men and women, and Buster Brown Shoes for boys and girls, and other Brown's Star-5-Star shoes are designed by the foremost shoe makers of the world, insuring good fitting qualities and pleasing shapes. The leathers are of the best tannage of kid, box calf and gun metal calf, and the potent leathers are the best obtainable. The workmanship is high class, all through the shoe giving uniformity in construction and finish. The styles are new—a big variety for men, women and children.

White House Shoes for men \$3.50 to \$4.50. For ladies \$3.00. Other Star-5-Star shoes from \$1.50 to \$3.00. Buster Brown Shoes \$1.50, \$2.50



This Mark is Stamped in the shank of Each Shoe.

WHITE HOUSE
FULL DRESS
SHOES
FOR MEN

MADE BY
The
Brown
Shoe Co.

This illustration shows our No. B73 Men's White, full dress shoe, dull finished top, foxed quarter, military heel, single sole welt, culver last, price \$4.50

Ladies Furs Make Good Xmas Presents.

We are showing showing some very pretty Fur Scarfs at \$4.00, 3.00 and 1.50.



Rugs Make Good Xmas Presents.

Our showing of Rugs include the most popular weaves and they are the most handsome patterns you have ever seen. It is worth your time to look over our line, and nothing is better for a Xmas gift than a Rug. If you are at a loss what to give, decide on a rug and it will please.

Prices from \$4.50 down to \$1.00

Over Coats Make Good Xmas Gifts.

Every man needs an over coat and would like to have one as a Xmas gift. We have some special values in black over coats, at \$5.00, \$8.50 and \$10.00, and Cravanette rain coats at \$10.00 and \$12.50

Men's and Boys' Suits Make Good Xmas Gifts.

Our line of men's and boys' suits is still complete and a new suit will make any man or boy feel good Xmas morning. Knee suits \$4.50 down to \$1.00. Men's and boys' suits \$15.00 down to \$5.00

Ladies Kid Gloves for Xmas at \$1.00.

Men's Ties for Xmas 25c and 50c.

Hats Make Good Xmas Gifts.

Our hats are made to satisfy the wearer, and the styles include all the novelty and snappy shapes for young men and the staple shapes for older men, and they are attractively priced—\$5.00 down to \$1.00

Ladies' Coats Make good Xmas Gifts.

We have an exceptionally handsome line of popular priced ladies' coats and any lady or girl will appreciate a coat for Xmas. Ladies' coats \$6.50 down to \$2.50. Misses' and children's coats \$3.50 down to \$1.25

Ladies knit shawls and scarfs make good Xmas gifts. 25c to 2.00.

Suspenders make good Xmas presents. 25c and 50c per pair.

Handkerchiefs for men and ladies from 35c down to 5c.

Darsey's Dry Goods Store.

GRAPELAND, TEXAS

Good
Feather Bed
Tick 12½c
Per yd

See Our Grocery, Hardware and Furniture ad on another page

All
10c Outing
8 cents
Per yard.

The Grapeland Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor.

GRAPELAND, : : : TEXAS.

Spears Versus Pruning-Hooks.

A French writer on nervous diseases declares that women are more subject than men to the disturbances known as "fixed ideas." He suggests that many a woman is fit patient for his treatment whom her family regards as merely obstinate and unreasonable. This is a cheering view for the families of the victims. If a "queerness" can be cured by a course of pills and powders, life will be simplified. Meantime there is one prevalent fixed idea which may be easily recognized as such, and perhaps cured by a dose of concentrated public opinion. The woman is known to us all for whom the pruning-hook is far more terrible than the spear, remarks the Youth's Companion. If one proposes trimming a rose-bush or training a vine, she regards the plan as she would one for the abbreviation of the fingers and toes of her children. To cut down a tree is as heinous in her eyes as to drown a baby, and to clear a vista for a sea-view would be a veritable massacre of the innocents. Hours of tears or days of gloom are the penalty of the transgression of her fixed idea. Argument with her on this sensitive subject falls on deaf ears. She may be a good neighbor and a wise adviser on every other question, but she would live in a jungle rather than use the pruning-shears on her beloved greenery. The woman who thinks the right to grow and spread is inalienable with the vegetable creation is a perfectly well-recognized type. If the French specialist can cure her as well as classify her he will do a public service.

American business men, persistent and daring advertisers though they are, would hardly venture to offer to buy "space" in a government publication; yet the new British issue of two-shilling books of stamps contains a notice to advertisers, to the effect that "The postmaster-general is prepared to consider offers for the insertion of trade advertisements in these books," and inviting communications on the subject. There are persons who will criticize this step as being in the wrong direction, toward the sacrifice of dignity; but manufacturers of pills, powders and potions will approve it heartily, and unless the postmaster-general is strong-minded enough to refuse much of the business that will be tendered, one can foresee stamp-books in which the advertisements will hide the stamps.

Last summer the city of Trenton, N. J., bought 2,000 baseball uniforms, together with the necessary bats, balls, gloves and masks to equip that number of boys for playing ball on the public playgrounds. The boys were organized into three leagues. The first contained those between the ages of 10 and 14 years. The boys between 14 and 16 played in the second league, and the third was composed of those not more than 18 years old. Decent behavior was insisted on; boys guilty of swearing while in uniform, or of smoking, were suspended for the first offense and expelled for the second. The boys were kept so busy playing ball all summer, or planning games, that they had no time to get into mischief.

The game of billiards was invented by a pawnbroker, William Kew by name, who flourished in London in the sixteenth century. He used to employ his leisure hours in wet weather when trade was dull by taking down the three balls which were the insignia of his profession and pushing them about the counter of his shop with a yardstick, after the manner of the game as at present played, and using boxes fastened to the sides of his counter for pockets. Out of this was developed a table with a fence of slight elevation about it to keep the balls from rolling off on the floor, and to enable the player to make what have since become known as cushion shots.

One characteristic of the present football rules, as compared with those in force a year or two ago, is the proportionate strengthening of the teams of the smaller colleges. The small colleges are increasing in the number of their students, and therefore have more football material to choose from. The new rules give greater opportunity for speed and skill, as contrasted with mere weight and strength, and therefore offer a more attractive game, for which more candidates present themselves. These results amply justify the changes in the rules.

FOR THE HOSTESS

Unique Birthday Party Enjoyed by the Recipient and All His Small Friends—Plan for Musical Evening.

An Unique Birthday Party.

This pretty party was planned by a number of the lad's schoolmates and proved a delightful success. Each one brought a trifling gift and the boy had to follow the instructions given by these jingles. He was handed an envelope which contained this verse and it started the festivities:

Good even, Little Birthday Child,
Attention to this letter;
Go hunt within the music room,
You'll find a gift that's better.

The package contained the following:

We wish you many happy days,
Now do not lose your head,
But hunt about the sitting room
Before you go to bed.

From the sitting room the merry crowd were led by this verse to the kitchen according to this rhyme:

You've found it, easy, was it not?
Don't stop, 'twould be a sin,
You'll find the brother of all this
The kitchen bright within.

As the gifts were unrolled and the lines read excitement ran high and every one acted as if it was the first time they had seen the articles. The next move was to the dining room, as these orders directed:

Now turn into the dining room,
And hunt from floor to ceiling,
And find a little chocolate,
To sweeten up your feeling.

The other verses are given and the whole scheme is so clear that I am sure many will welcome the suggestion not only for birthday parties but as a very enjoyable way in which to give Christmas gifts.

This affair was planned by a South side girl and given for the son of one of Chicago's famous singers, who now lives in Paris, but chooses America as the place for the lad to be educated.

There's another gift to hunt,
In the front room you'll find it,
Pray heed the verse that lies beside,
We pray you heed and mind it.
(A framed motto).

Now, by the telephone you'll find,
Another thing is staying,
Pray take it up and use it well,
'Tis only meant for playing.

Now do not tarry, Ronald dear,
But hunt within the hall,
And if you look with diligence,
You'll find a box that's small.

Now go into our dear one's room,
And take a real good look,
It may be on a picture frame,
Or on the desk or book.

Now, be obedient, dear child,
And go into your room,
And hiding far behind the bed
You will surely find your doom.

Behind the bed there were two girls of whom he was very fond and who planned this novel affair for the "Birthday child."

A Musical Evening.

An amateur musical society indulged in a regular frolic the other evening and all enjoyed the relaxation. Each member had a picture of

a famous musician pinned on his coat or bodice and was hailed with delight as the introductions were made. Then each one was asked to render the piece with which he or she first regaled the public, and they were required to give a description of the event.

The club colors were green and gold, and this scheme was carried out with yellow chrysanthemums and quantities of ferns and vines.

Prizes consisting of musical instrument candy boxes were awarded the ones who were first and last in the following contest.

Well-known musicians are buried in the questions, the answers will be their names:

1. There were verd isles and tender blue of summer skies. (Verdi.)
2. Maud Muller raked the hay; deny it not, O judge. ("Hayden"—Haydn.)
3. The bell in ivy tower rings knell of passing day. (Bellini.)
4. I arrive, King, most gracious sovereign. (Rive-King.)
5. She still wears her old smile—the sweet modest maiden. (Herold.)
6. The mother of Charlie Ross in idle dreams still clasps him. (Rossini.)
7. We berate our neighbors soundly, but excuse ourselves. (Weber.)
8. How famous the cherub in ideal art! (Cherubini.)
9. If he asks your hand, Eliza, do not say nay. (Handel.)
10. Be brief, Lo, toward life's setting sun man hastens. (Flotow.)
11. You've dropped a beet, ho, vendor, height! (Beethoven.)
12. The dog spies a cat, and it makes his tail wag nervously. (Wagner.)
13. A beau, berrying, needs a basket and a sweetheart. (Auber.)
14. You have found an egg, lucky boy! (Gluck.)
15. Liz still improves from day to day. ("Lizst"—Liszt.)
16. Whoever else leaves, the Co. stays in most firms. (Costa.)
17. Cattle enjoy herbal feeding ground. (Balfe.)
18. I do not care a sou, Sarah, whether you will or won't! (Souza.)
19. There will be no confab to-night. (Abl.)
20. My chop I nearly always eat with peas. (Chopin.)

MADAME MERI.



Metal buckles appear on many hats. The one-piece gown has a strong vogue.

Very large pocket flaps are predicted.

Satin is the leading fabric for evening gowns.

Many of the new skirts are crossed in the front.

Wings are larger than they ever have been before.

Feather trimming upon hats continues very profuse.

Stylish Neckwear



Never since Catherine di Medici and Good Queen Bess were incited to murder by the scratching of the starch in their ruffs have women appeared in as emphatic neckwear as they are now preparing to don, writes Marie Montaigne in the Chicago American.

This season's neckwear was primarily designed to support the head under its weight of hat, for the stock portion of fancy collars is sturdy and braced with supports of metal, wood, bone and occasionally jewel bars or "slides."

There is art as well as beauty in the novelties in neckwear prepared for this winter's decoration for the feminine throat.

In all sorts of forms and every sort of width the ruff is the thing. This ruff often takes the form of a neat little plaiting or frill of crepe lisle, tulle, net, satin or some filmy material suitable to rim a stock with. Oftener the ruff springs out from the neck in width capable of burying anything, from check outlines to ears and chin.

Did you ever see a blooming face half buried in a filmy ruff of pink, delicately faced with white tulle next the skin? No? Then you have missed a sight prettier than that of an unfolding rose.

Rose color is popular, by the way, with neckwear models. It appears in satin folds mounted upon a foundation and topped with more or less flaring plaits of the delectable filmy materials. Often broader plaiting spreads out below the neck, half way to the shoulders. Broad, soft ribbon of satin or velvet ties one side of the ruff, and ends of varying lengths are tipped by silken tassels, looped chains of silk covered wooden "olives" or balls, gold or silver tassels or some other form of finishing a pointed end of ribbon. The ruff is sometimes fastened in the back, or just over one shoulder, but seldom in front

Where Others Failed

"Each spring for five or six years I broke out with a kind of Eczema which nothing seemed to relieve permanently. Finally I tried a box of Hunt's Cure, which promptly cured me. Two years have passed, but the trouble has not returned."

MRS. KATE HOWARD,
Little Rock, Ark.

Not Open to Everybody.

"A most peculiar effect was produced by an announcement in the advertisements of a county fair to be held in my state," says Congressman Champ Clark. "Among other things, the announcement said that 'attractive features of this great fair will be highly amusing donkey races and pig races.' Then, to the amazement of the judicious, this note was added: 'Competition in these two contests will be open to citizens of the county only!'"—Lippincott's.

BAD ITCHING HUMOR.

Limbs Below the Knees Were Raw—Feet Swollen—Sleep Broken—Cured in 2 Days by Cuticura.

"Some two months ago I had a humor break out on my limbs below my knees. They came to look like raw beefsteak, all red, and no one knows how they itched and burned. They were so swollen that I could not get my shoes on for a week or more. I used five or six different remedies and got no help, only when applying them the burning was worse and the itching less. For two or three weeks the suffering was intense and during that time I did not sleep an hour at a time. Then one morning I tried a bit of Cuticura. From the moment it touched me the itching was gone and I have not felt a bit of it since. The swelling went down and in two days I had my shoes on and was about as usual. George B. Farley, 50 South State St., Concord, N. H., May 14, 1907."

ACCURATE INFORMATION.



Fortune Teller—This line here shows that you will die in a year.
"Hent—Good heavens! In a year?"
"H'm—yes—but in which year I can't quite tell you."

More Proof of His Wisdom.

Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, was talking at his Morris Plains stock farm about Arabian horses, of which he makes a specialty.

"They must be treated kindly," he said. "Never a blow of the whip. That would drive them mad with rage and humiliation."

"Animals, like children, must be kindly treated. A blow spoils all."

"But as regards children, you know," the reporter objected, "didn't Solomon say: 'Spare the rod and spoil the child?'"

"Ah, yes," said Mr. Davenport, "but he didn't say it till after he had grown up."

LIVING ADVERTISEMENTS

Glow of Health Speaks for Postum.

It requires no scientific training to discover whether coffee disagrees or not.

Simply stop it for a time and use Postum in place of it, then note the beneficial effects. The truth will appear.

"Six years ago I was in a very bad condition," writes a Tenn. lady, "I suffered from indigestion, nervousness and insomnia."

"I was then an inveterate coffee drinker, but it was long before I could be persuaded that it was coffee that hurt me. Finally I decided to leave it off a few days and find out the truth."

"The first morning I left off coffee I had a raging headache, so I decided I must have something to take the place of coffee." (The headache was caused by the reaction of the coffee drug—caffeine.)

"Having heard of Postum through a friend who used it, I bought a package and tried it. I did not like it at first but after I learned how to make it right, according to directions on pkg., I would not change back to coffee for anything."

"When I began to use Postum I weighed only 117 lbs. Now I weigh 170 and as I have not taken any tonic in that time I can only attribute my recovery of good health to the use of Postum in place of coffee."

"My husband says I am a living advertisement for Postum. I am glad to be the means of inducing my many friends to use Postum, too."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

NEW NAVAL CHIEF

NEWBERRY SUCCEEDS METCALF AS SECRETARY.

Has Held Post of First Assistant in Department Since 1905—Is a Business Man But Has Had Naval Experience.

Washington.—Secretary of the Navy Victor H. Metcalf tendered his resignation to the president to take effect on December 1. The president accepted his resignation and appointed Assistant Secretary of the Navy Truman H. Newberry as his successor.

Ill health was the cause of Mr. Metcalf's resignation. He has been suffering for a year from nervous breakdown that has rendered it impossible for him to remain at his desk for any length of time, and the chronic nature of his trouble has caused him to abandon hope of recovery while burdened with the cares of office.

In accepting Mr. Metcalf's resignation, the president recognized the impossibility of his retaining office, and expressed his reluctance to give up the assistance which Mr. Metcalf had given him both as secretary of commerce and labor and as secretary of the navy.

The appointment of Mr. Newberry comes as no surprise, for it has been generally understood that he was the man for the navy portfolio should Mr. Metcalf find it necessary to retire. The appointment also is recognized as one which is almost certain to continue into the term of Mr. Taft. Mr. Newberry has been a close friend and staunch supporter of the president-elect.

Secretary Newberry has had naval service. He took great interest in the Michigan state naval brigade a few years ago, serving successively as landsman, lieutenant, and navigator. He volunteered for service in the Spanish war and was given a commission as a lieutenant of the junior



Truman H. Newberry.

grade in May, 1898. He served throughout the war on the Yosemite.

Mr. Newberry entered the naval department as a business man, having been director in several manufacturing concerns at Detroit. Several years ago Mr. Newberry served successively as superintendent of construction, paymaster, and general freight and passenger agent of the Detroit, Bay City & Alpena Railway Company.

As assistant secretary of the navy he has taken an important hand in the business work of the department and has held extremely close relations with President Roosevelt. Having held the position of assistant secretary of the navy at one time himself, President Roosevelt experienced satisfaction in advancing Mr. Newberry.

"Nothing is Extraordinary."

The wisdom of the Celestial has been once again proved, this time by Sig. Scarfoglio, the earth-grinding motorist.

The Chinese, he says, are the only people who did not stare at him and go into ecstasies of surprise. They often did not even turn their heads, although a motor car had never snorted that way before. A mandarin explained the reason.

"There is nothing extraordinary in a motor car," he said; "there is nothing extraordinary in anything. Men invent something else to-morrow. Still the world goes round, and we are none the happier."

Undoubtedly.

"Do you play any instrument, Mr. Jimp?"

"Yes, I'm a cornetist."

"And your sister?"

"She's a pianist."

"Does your mother play?"

"She's a zitherist."

"And your father?"

"He's a pessimist."—Tit-Bits.



RICH MEN IN JAIL

Morse's Incarceration Adds Another Name to a Long List of Men of Money, of Power and of Both Money and Power Who Have Been Put Behind Jail or Penitentiary Bars.



TIME out of mind it has been a common remark that the laws are made for the rich; that a man of means is rarely brought to suffer for gross misdeeds, while a trivial charge suffices to land a poor man in jail. More than any event in recent years the conviction of Charles W. Morse seems to have emphasized the fallacy of this contention; but with a view to getting at whatever truth might lie at the bottom of so prevalent an opinion, the New York World has not only sought the opinions of men close to the workings of the law, but from thousands of cases in point it has selected an exhibit enough to put a more cheerful face on those pessimists who tremble for the continuance of democratic institutions.

Those to whom it has seemed that wealth brings immunity from the consequences of crime or misdemeanor will be interested in the following statements and the list containing a few of the more notable cases, briefly stated, in which men of money, political power, or both, have gone behind the bars.

WEALTH IS UNAVAILING.

Declared Powerless to Afford Security to the Wrongdoer.

"There is a very widespread impression especially among the cynical," said Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Slicer, "that wealth gives security to the wrongdoer and goes far to give immunity from punishment.

"It was openly boasted, in the case of the policy king, Al Adams, that his accumulated stealings from the poor would guarantee immunity, even if indicted. And this impression gains force when the criminal is not of low origin and mean practice, but has surroundings of elegance and associations of refinement. It is a relief to those who believe in the essential right-mindedness of the majority of our citizens to have distinct proof in such cases that wealth is no defense against justice and cannot always be made the reserve force in a conspiracy against honesty.

"When the poor man pays the penalty of wrong-doing society is protected usually by the removal of one not a very dangerous member of its body. But the man of wealth and cunning using the ordinary avenues of business represents more than the individual. He represents power and pride and the infatuation which envy toward the well-to-do is sure to engender. His conviction, therefore, is in a far greater degree a rebuke to evil influences and a defense of the common weal.

"We hope to reach the point after awhile where the mere facts of wealth and poverty will be not so interesting as they now appear. The really interesting consideration is this:

"Is a man so poor that he hasn't the means of growth or hasn't the means of development? Or, on the other hand, is he so rich as to be crippled and encumbered?"

"Whatever removes the superstitious awe which surrounds the wealthy criminal and gives ample justice to each man, as simply a man, must reinforce the morals of the community."

MORSE CASE CITED.

Courts Fair and Efficient, Says Gen. Charles W. Russell.

Gen. Charles W. Russell, assistant attorney general of the United States, who is in New York prosecuting a case of peonage in which the Florida East Coast railway is involved, could see no adequate cause for the popular idea that rich men never go to jail.

"The World's interview with Mr. Moxey at the time of the Morse trial," he said, "shows the absurdity of such a notion. That man alone, and he is only one of a large force of accountants engaged in the successful prosecution of crooked bank officials by the government, has put 33 wealthy and so-called respectable gentlemen in jail.

"The whole matter is analogous to the care of a sick poor man and a sick rich man. The rich invalid can hire the best doctors; he can take all the time that is necessary to get well; he can avail himself of proper climate and environment, and it's a matter of common sense that he stands a better show of recovery than the other fellow. Just so with poor criminals and rich criminals. The rich one's chances of acquittal are better be-

cause they can afford to fight longer. "No, the courts and the prosecutors are fair and efficient, and every year sees a more thorough administration of justice."

MALEFACTORS OF WEALTH.

List of Prominent and Rich Offenders Now Wearing Stripes.

Here is a partial list of wealthy men convicted of offenses against the law, who are behind the bars:

A. F. BONELLI, formerly a banker of Cleveland, O., arrived in New York on September 17 last from Brazil, a prisoner, in custody of a deputy sheriff and an assistant prosecuting attorney of his home state. He is charged with the theft of \$30,000 which it is alleged he received from laborers under the pretext that he would forward it to their relatives in Italy. The two state officers traveled all the way to Santos, Brazil, to get their man—and got him.

SAMUEL SEELEY was a prominent, respected and influential resident of Brooklyn. His position as cashier of the National Shoe and Leather bank in New York gave him prestige in financial circles. He was accused and found guilty of having defaulted with \$354,000 of the bank's funds and served five years and four months in the Kings county penitentiary.

CAPT. OBERLIN M. CARTER, **CAPT. B. D. GREENE** AND **E. H.**

and sent to Sing Sing to serve nine years.

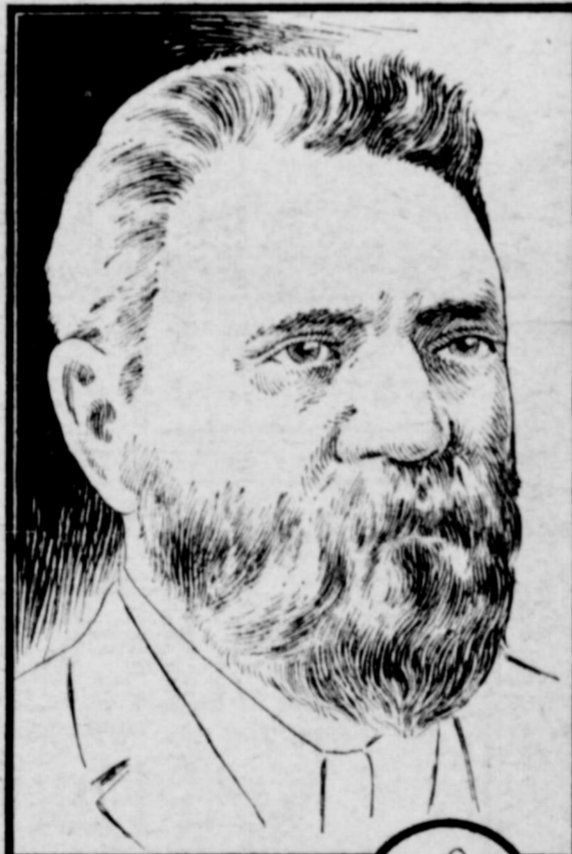
HARRY BRUNAUGH, formerly secretary to Mayor Bookwiler of Indianapolis, Ind., and superintendent of the Western Construction Company, was sent to the penitentiary last June to serve a term of from two to fourteen years for defrauding the city.

WILLIAM O. MILES, ex-district attorney of Brooklyn, is now serving a term in the penitentiary for presenting fraudulent sewer claims to the city for payment.

R. M. SNYDER, the promoter of the Central Traction bill in St. Louis, was convicted and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for bribery on October 4, 1902. This was the first conviction in the famous boodle scandal of St. Louis, following a year's investigation. Snyder was accused of bribing Councilman Uthoff to vote for the Central Traction bill. Uthoff was to receive \$100,000, but failed to collect more than \$5,000. He was one of the state's witnesses in the trial.

LOUIS GLASS of San Francisco, vice-president of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, was convicted and sentenced to five years for bribery, September 4, 1907. He was charged with bribery. Glass, before conviction, was one of San Francisco's leading citizens and possessed of considerable wealth.

HORACE E. HAND, a prominent lawyer in St. Louis and a leader of society in the fashionable suburb,



GAYNOR have all felt the iron hand of the law for having attempted to disobey its commands. Capt. Carter was one of the leading young officers in the engineering department of the United States army. When it was decided to make extensive improvements in the harbor at Havana Capt. Carter was appointed to take charge of the work. Certain revelations made started an investigation and Capt. Carter was found guilty of having conspired with Gaynor and Greene to defraud the government. After fruitless appeals Capt. Carter was taken to Leavenworth, where he served his sentence of three years and seven months. Gaynor and Greene, after their conviction, fled to Canada. They were brought back to this country, however, and are now serving out their four-year terms.

CHARLES H. THORNTON, note teller of the Hamilton National bank in Chicago, a man highly respected in

Kirkwood, was arrested on January 17, 1907, at his home on the charge of forgery, while entertaining his pastor and a deacon of his church. He pleaded guilty on the next day to forgery, and by three o'clock in the afternoon was on his way to prison, sentenced to five years.

business and social circles, upon the discovery of his thefts, plead guilty to having embezzled \$10,000 from the bank. He was sentenced to five years in the government prison at Fort Leavenworth, and he is now serving that sentence.

The following interesting roster is also to the point:

EDWARD STOKES shot Jim Fisk; served term in prison.

AL ADAMS, the "Policy King," sentenced in Sing Sing.

SENATOR BURTON of Kansas served jail term of six months for appearing for a client for pay before a government department while still in the senate.

FRANK G. BIGELOW, former president of the American Bankers' association, looted the First National bank of Milwaukee and was sentenced to the penitentiary.

LEONARD IMBODEN AND **JAMES A. HILL**, Denver bank wreckers, received ten-year jail sentences.

PAUL O. STENSLAND, Chicago banker, stole \$1,500,000, fled to Europe and was brought back and sent to jail.

JOHN R. WALSH, Chicago banker, sentenced to jail.

WILLIAM F. WALKER, honored banker of New Britain, Conn., stole hundreds of thousands of dollars; followed to Mexico, brought back and sent to jail.

MAYOR WILLIAM H. BELCHER of Paterson, sent to jail for embezzlement.

GUY C. STRATTON, millionaire lumberman of Seattle, Wash., convicted of murder in the second degree for killing child with automobile.

MRS. CASSIE CHADWICK, wife of prominent Cleveland physician, sent to jail for forgery.

ABE HUMMEL, for years one of New York's most prominent lawyers, sent to Blackwell's Island for one year.

CHARLES T. YERKES, millionaire traction magnate at his death, was once convicted and sentenced to a jail term, which he served.

J. A. BENSON, California millionaire, sentenced for land frauds, August 31, 1907, for one year and to pay a \$1,000 fine in San Francisco.

CHARLES S. CAMERON, president of the Pittsburg & Tube City Railroad Company, when called for sentence did not answer and court declared \$12,000 bond forfeited.

SENATOR MITCHELL of Oregon, convicted and sentenced to two years in jail. Died while appeal was pending.

All of these and a host of others, to say nothing further of **CHARLES W. MORSE** and **HARRY K. THAW**.

Besides the above, the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., has sent to it each year bankers from all parts of the United States that have been convicted of crimes carrying with them jail sentences. The prison authorities have what they term a bankers' colony. In 1907 there were 21 convicts in the bankers' colony. They were:

"The Bankers' Colony."
JUSTUS L. BRODERICK of Elkhart, Ind., serving ten years.

WALTER BROWN, Elkhart, Ind., serving eight years.

WILSON L. COLLINS, Elkhart, Ind., recently released after serving six years.

CYRUS E. MCCREADY, Seymour, Ind., recently released after serving six years.

ALFRED C. BARKER, Bedford, Ind., released last January after serving five years.

JOHN H. WOOD, Matthews, Ind., soon to be released.

GUSTAV A. CZEMAN, Terre Haute, Ind., serving eight years.

FRANK G. BIGELOW, Milwaukee, Wis., serving ten years.

HENRY G. GOLL, Milwaukee, Wis., serving ten years.

ROBERT B. TAYLOR, New York city, recently released after serving five years.

MILTON J. FUGMAN, San Antonio, Tex., serving five years.

THOMAS E. LARY, Hillsboro, Tex., serving five years.

FRANK M. MABRY, McGregor, Tex., serving five years.

J. A. ERICKSON, Minot, N. D., serving five years.

CHARLES C. KING, Scotland, S. D., serving five years.

THOMAS COGHILL, Seymour, Wis., serving five years.

HERMAN E. HAAS, Chicago, serving six years.

YOUTHFUL MIND IN DISTRESS.

Awful Possibility That Loomed Before Six-Year-Old Jackie.

Six-year-old Jackie's mother believed that absolute truthfulness was the only rock on which to build that youthful gentleman's character, and the consistent working out of this principle did away, of course, with belief in all such things as fairies, Santa Claus, and other illusions dear to childish hearts, and they became instead "make-believe" games, Santa Claus in particular being a pet "joke" between his mother and himself.

Jackie came in from play one afternoon much excited and concerned. "Mother, Jimmie Norton believes there is a really and truly Santa Claus. He says he is sure that Santa Claus does come down the chimney. He wouldn't believe me at all when I told him it was just a joke," with rising anxiety.

Jackie's mother was somewhat non-plused. "Well, son," she temporized, "perhaps Jimmie's mother will tell him the joke some time soon, and then—"

"Oh, I hope she will," broke in Jackie, forgetting his manners in his earnestness. "because, you know, if she don't, when Jimmie has little boys of his own they won't ever get any Christmas presents."

EMERSON'S MEMORY AT FAULT.

Had at Times Almost Entire Lack of Remembrance.

Emerson was a notable sufferer from the vagaries of memory. His biographer relates that he met him one day in Boston, apparently at a loss for something, and asked him where he was going. "To dine," said Emerson, "with a very old and dear friend. I know where she lives, but I hope she won't ask me her name," and then he proceeded to describe her as "the mother of the wife of the young man—the tall man—who speaks so well," and so on, until his interlocutor guessed to whom he was referring.

Even the names of common objects often failed him completely. On one occasion, when he wanted an umbrella, he said: "I can't tell its name, but I can tell its history. Strangers take it away."

This failing of Emerson led to a pathetic scene when he attended Longfellow's funeral, and remarked as he gazed at the coffin: "He was a sweet and beautiful soul; but I have entirely forgotten his name."

BREAKS A COLD PROMPTLY

The following formula is a never failing remedy for colds:

One ounce of Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla, one ounce Toris Compound and one-half pint of good whiskey, mix and shake thoroughly each time and use in doses of a tablespoonful every four hours.

This if followed up will cure an acute cold in 24 hours. The ingredients can be gotten at any drug store.

Vulgarity of Quarreling.

There must be a satisfaction in torturing human beings, for it is done so often. Nobody blames a wife for upholding her self-respect and resenting insult, but there is little sympathy for one who deliberately drives a man to deeds of rudeness and violence. Nagging and indulgence in bad temper leave indelible marks on the face of a woman, on her voice and on her character. They shrivel up whatever sweetness nature has put into her disposition and make her unlovely, even in the eyes of those who feel in duty bound to give her affection. It is often hard to maintain silence under provocation, but there is always the open door of escape, you know. A quarrel does not thrive when fed from one side only, and what should be important to every woman with pretenses to refinement is the undisputed vulgarity of bickering. Education and refinement are supposed to lift us so far above vulgarity that even the hems of our skirts are unstained.—Exchange.

In Beautiful Sepulcher.

The last resting place of the great Norwegian composer, Edward Grieg, is one of the most beautiful in its natural surroundings that could be imagined. By the side of a lake, at the extremity of a fiord, close to the composer's native town of Bergen, there is a natural grotto formed in the solid rock, which rises precipitously from the water's edge. Here the bones of the famous musician are buried, and, as the grotto is only accessible from the lake, the funeral cortege will have to make the journey by water.

Molasses and Sugar.

The term "molasses" is properly applied to the saccharine product which is separated from sugar in the process of manufacture. A syrup is the direct product of the evaporation of the juice of a sugar-yielding plant or tree without the removal of any of the sugar. The term molasses applies to the same process with the exception of the fact that the sugar has been removed at least partially by crystallization and some kind of mechanical separation of the crystals from the remaining liquid.

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We have a few ladies' white shirt waists worth \$1.25 we are selling them at 75c, slightly soiled. Darsey's D.G. store.

I want to buy all the hides, furs and skins in the country and will pay spot cash. Now is the time to bring them in. M. L. Clewis.

Outing, cotton flannel, gingham, bleach and brown domestic, calicos and a host of other things going at a bargain at Wherry's.

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Amid the hurry, the bustle, the gait and oftentimes lavish expenditure of the Christmas season, we should always remember that the Christ life was a simple life.

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