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## Elkhart News

Elkhart, Texas, May 6.—Crops are flourishing and farmers are busily engaged in harvesting their potato crop.

Quite a crowd of people from this place attended the Old Soldiers Re Union on the 26th of April. All expressed themselves as having had the time of their lives and can truthfully say that we were never more royally entertained.

Martin Baber, an employee of W. J. Bridges' mill, very unfortunately lost one of his arms while feeding the planer. The accident occurred by his sleeve getting caught in the planer. Dr. Link came down from Palestine and assisted Dr. Parks in amputating the arm.

Miss Bula Bolton, who has been visiting in Palestine, returned home Saturday.

Miss Ethel Walling visited the home folks near Salmon Saturday and Sunday.

Iona and Linnie Power visited near Salmon Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Fannie Watts, who has been visiting Miss Calabell Bowman, returned to her home at Denson Springs Monday.

Miss Maud Campbell is visiting her sister, Mrs. Cromwell.

Miss Lillie Mitchell of Oakwoods is visiting at the home of Mr. Will Cameron.

Mrs. Cromwell of San Marcos and Mrs. Shurley of Palestine are in the city visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Roxana Power and Mrs. Holloway Power went up to Palestine Monday.

Miss Geneva Saddler, who has been teaching in the high school at Palestine, returned to her home at Denson Springs Monday.

Attorney Petty of Palestine was in town Monday.

Will Caskey returned to his home at Grapeland Monday.

Ren Woodard is again in town shaking hands with his friends.

Mrs. Grigby was in town Monday shopping.

The Masonic Lodge met Saturday night with a large attendance of members. Also several distinguished visitors from Palestine and other towns.

Mr. Watson's baby boy has been seriously ill for the past three weeks and is not yet thought to be any better.

## LITTLE ONE.

Warner and Dudley Eaves and Sam Herod of this place, Misses Lucile Long, Fannie Mae Wall and Jennie Lucas of Augusta and Miss Clara Lively of Livelyville went to Crockett last Friday to take the teachers' examination.

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**NOVELTIES.** Belts, bage, purses, collars and shirt waste patterns the very latest, the cream of the market is to be found here. We would be glad to have you to investigate.

**STAR BRAND SHOES ARE BETTER.** We believe they are better because every time we sell a pair of shoes we guarantee the quality and if the shoe is not good we make it good. Star stamped on the heel.

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**DRUGS.** We sell almost everything in the staple drug and patent medicine line. Such as to be used in every home. We buy often in small quantities and sell new fresh drugs.

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Respectfully,

## J. G. SHIPPER AND SON.

### A New Ant Pest.

Palestine, Texas, May 6.—Business men on coming to town this morning found the paved streets and sidewalks covered with large winged ants. Under arc-street lights they were found in big piles. Many had shed their wings and all cracks in walks were packed with the insects. This species of ant has never been seen in this community before. They are the size of hornets and school boys who gathered them up by the hundreds, claim they can bite or sting as hard as the hornet. Some claim they are the Guatemala ant, or boll weevil exterminator. If this is true they will in time prove a bigger pest than the dreaded boll weevil. There is much discussion as to their visitation and the general impression is that they were driven out of a beaten course by a heavy wind storm in the upper regions.

### Advance in the Price of Flour.

We have just received a car of White Wave and Oriole flour which we will sell at old prices. Flour bought now will keep for months, so buy now and save paying the advanced price later. Geo. E. Darsey.

### Shot and Killed.

Crockett, Texas, May 4.—Wyatt Lane, a well to do farmer, living eight miles east of Crockett, came in this morning and surrendered to Sheriff John C. Lacy, making the statement that he had shot and killed H. S. Dudley near his home this morning. Sheriff Lacy and Deputy Carl Porter and Justice of the Peace E. M. Caller left at once for the scene of the killing.

Both parties to the tragedy are men with families and both were armed with shotguns when they met this morning. Dudley is said to have fired two shots at Lane and Lane shot and killed Dudley, shooting him four times.

There has been trouble between the parties for some time and they have been carrying guns. The trouble originally grew out of the burning of a barn belonging to Dudley, he accusing Lane of the crime.

### Contract Let.

Stockholders of the large lake at Elkhart have let the contract for a large club house. Work will begin some time next week. Josiah Caskey has the contract for painting.

### Trustees Elected.

In the election held Saturday for school trustees, B. R. Eaves, Geo. E. Darsey and J. M. Selkirk were elected to succeed themselves for the ensuing year.

Crockett, May 5.—In the election held yesterday to elect five trustees of the public schools of Crockett, J. W. Hail, G. B. Lundy, J. B. Ellis and Porter Newman were elected, and George W. Crook and J. S. Cook tied for fifth place. There were eleven names on the ticket and 190 votes polled. The election passed off quietly, but quite a little interest was manifested late in the evening before the polls were closed.

### Dental Parlors Pilfered.

A report in Monday's News from Palestine states that on Saturday night every dental parlor in the city was pilfered by a gang of thieves, and several hundred dollars worth of stuff is missing. Similar robberies have been reported in other places and it is thought that an organized clique is doing the mischief. Officers are at work on the case.

W. H. Lively went to Crockett Tuesday on business.

## Reynard News.

May 4.—Yesterday was blue Friday down here on account of the rain and hail which fell the night before. Those who were not injured by the rain had their crops tore up by the hail. There is a bright side but it is hard to see. I think after a few weeks sunshine and hard labor we will have the bright side turned to us.

G. E. Kent has dug about 21 bushels of potatoes and says they are fine and thinks he will make 100 bushels per acre. Mr. Kent has been offered a good price for all the potatoes he can get on the market by next Saturday.

Mrs. T. S. Kent is spending a few days with relatives in Madison county.

Rev. J. L. Whitescarver will preach for us to-morrow. He is strong in mind and shows a little of the child spirit as any man I ever saw for his age.

Reynard was well represented at the soldiers' re-union and have not heard a word of complaint. There was dinner for everybody and plenty left. It was the nicest dinner I ever saw. Will close hoping to be able to write a better letter next time. ZACK.

### Dr. Robertson's Philosophy.

Men who are willing to earn success are doomed to inevitable failure.

Had it ever occurred to you how much better you could manage the other fellow's job?

If Texas survives the present legislature there'll be no need of further evidence of her transcendent greatness.

The happiest man in all the world is he who has learned to limit his desires to the things that he actually needs.

It has always been a matter of surprise that some people would spend millions of dollars in a hopeless search for a useless north pole, while so many legitimate enterprises go to the bad for want of financial backing.

I have just finished reading an elaborate article by a good Universalist brother trying to establish as a fact the theory that there is no hell. He may be right, I don't know to be sure; and I have no inclination to make any personal investigation of the matter, but if there aint, pray tell me what has become of all the populist that formerly infested this country?—Pearsall Leader.

### What's the Use?

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## SOME FLOWER LORE

FOR THE WOMAN FOND OF NATURE'S GIFTS.

**How to Get Rid of the Pests That Attack Plants—Easy to Make Liquid Manure Fertilizer—The Geraniums.**

For worms on petunias apply a weak solution of hellebore.

The easiest way to make kerosene emulsion is to dissolve a good tobacco soap, a bar to two quarts of boiling water, then stir in one teaspoonful of kerosene. Use this occasionally to sprinkle the flowers with.

Throw away bulbs which have been forced. They are lacking in vitality and seldom give a good crop of flowers the second season.

Here is a very good method of making liquid manure fertilizer: Take a small sack like the one salt comes in, put the manure in dry, tie it up and put it in a can or bucket and pour boiling water over it. Let it set until it looks as strong as tea, and then water the flowers with it. One should remember, however, not to apply a fertilizer to any kind until the plants show signs of growth.

Begonias are well worth cultivating. They are in some respects among our most beautiful flowers—picturesque, free-blooming and not difficult to raise if only care is bestowed.

It seems to be a general opinion that young geranium plants will bloom best and give the greatest satisfaction. The fact is that old plants in a healthy condition, are far preferable to young plants for winter blooming. It takes at least year to make a geranium into a fine plant, and on this account it will be readily understood that it is impossible to get much returns florally while it is under training.

### New Shade of Material.

There is a queer new shade that goes under the rather awful name of serpent, says a fashion writer. I saw it in a lovely frock for a woman with white hair, and with touches of black in the combination it made a charming toilette. It was of a lustrous silk of this color, piped with black down each of the front seams and tiny black buttons and braid, simulating buttonholes the entire length of the skirt, the sides of the skirt cut circular and quite plain. The bodice was so cut that the two looked all in one, button trimming extending up each side of a shaped piece on the waist. A tiny square yoke of coral satin was embroidered with white and black and silver braid in the same shade. The collar was of white princess lace cut very far down into the yoke, and there were puffings of the same lace on the three-quarter silk sleeve. To be worn with this was a new imported hat of black tuscan straw of the shape for some reason called piano. It had folded black satin around the crown and black choux on the left side with a great coral buckle confining a black paradise plume with curled ends.

### For the Boy's Room.

Blue and white barred gingham is a finishing which gives a delightful air of freshness to a boy's bedroom with out seeming effeminately dainty. It launders finely, and its clear blue and white gives a pleasing sense of immaculateness.

Make a spread for the bed with wide ruffles around the sides and ends. The window seat can be made with a covering of the same, easily removable, and if the seat be made with a lid so that the interior can be used as a catch-all it will commend itself to the boy. Chair and couch cushions should be covered with ruffled slips of the same material.

### How to Deal with Mildew.

First of all take some soap and rub it well into the linen, then scrape some chalk very finely and rub that in also, lay the linen on the grass, and as it dries wet it again. This done twice or thrice should remove the mildew stains. Another way is to mix soft soap and powdered starch with half the quantity of salt and juice of a lemon. Lay this mixture on with a brush, and let the linen lie out on the grass for a few nights and the stains will disappear.

### For Ease in Walking.

New walking shoes often blister the heels of their wearers by slipping a little with the movement of the foot. To prevent this, rub the inside of the shoes at the heel with soap just before putting them on.

### Lemons Should Be Washed.

Before grating lemons it is well to wash them in a basin of lukewarm water, for on examination it will be found that the outside of a lemon is anything but clean, and if put under a microscope will be seen to have tiny black specks on it, which should always be removed.

### A Salt Pork Dish.

Salt pork may be cut very thin, dipped in beaten egg, then in Indian meal and fried crisp. Serve with Johnny cake.

### Dissertation on Henpeck.

An Ohio man is reported to be at the point of death from blood poisoning caused by henpeck. This is rather queer. There are many men in and around Eskridge who are henpecked a thousand times a year, and while it makes the blood boil no poisoning has set in.—Wabunsee Tribune.

### BABY WASTED TO SKELETON.

**In Torments with Terrible Sores on Face and Body—Tore at Flesh—Cured by Cuticura.**

"My little son, when about a year and a half old began to have sores come out on his face. They began to come on his arms, then on other parts of his body, and then one came on his chest, worse than the others. At the end of about a year and a half of suffering he grew so bad I had to tie his hands in cloths at night to keep him from scratching the sores and tearing the flesh. He got to be a mere skeleton and was hardly able to walk. I sent to the drug store and got a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment, and at the end of about two months the sores were all well. He has never had any sores of any kind since, and only for the Cuticura Remedies my precious child would have died from these terrible sores. I used only one cake of Soap and about three boxes of Ointment. Mrs. Egbert Sheldon, R. F. D. No. 1, Woodville, Conn., April 22, 1905."

### Queer Names of Jurymen.

Among those drawn for jury service for the April term of court in Franklin county are: Mr. Button, Mr. Hasty, Mr. Curl, Mr. Lord, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Cook and Mr. Fear.—Kansas City Star.

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## The General Condemnation of So-Called Patent or Secret Medicines

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### National Legislation Enacted to Restrict Their Sale

have established more clearly than could have been accomplished in any other way

### The Value and Importance of Ethical Remedies.

Remedies which physicians sanction for family use, as they act most beneficially and are gentle yet prompt in effect, and called ethical, because they are of

### Known Excellence and Quality and of Known Component Parts.

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**FERTILIZING THE CROP.**

The primary object in using fertilizer is to produce a larger yield of the crop that is to be immediately grown, or is already growing, on the land to which the fertilizer is to be applied. As a rule, it contains from ten to sixteen per cent. of more or less promptly available plant food. In other words, a commercial fertilizer contains in every hundred pounds weight from 10 to 16 pounds of available phosphoric acid, either alone, or that amount of phosphoric acid and potash combined, or of these two and nitrogen combined, making in the latter case, what is called a "complete" fertilizer. Now, this 10 to 16 pounds in each 100 pounds of the fertilizer is supposed to be, and should be, practically soluble and available at once, or within a week or two, for the use of the crop, says Virginia-Carolina Fertilizer Almanac.

The remaining portion of the fertilizer, or the 84 to 90 pounds in each 100 pounds, is a mixture of insoluble phosphate and sulphate of lime, some sand, water, organic matter and other things that are necessarily incident to the manufacture, and cannot be economically removed. They are of very little immediate value to either the crop or the soil.

So when we apply a high-grade fertilizer to the soil the object is to supply the plants with soluble plant food to increase the yield of the cotton, grain, grass, or whatever the crop may be. Incidentally, however, this fertilizer does help the land, because it induces a larger growth of stalk, roots and foliage of the plants—those parts that will be returned to, and become part of the soil. A dose of this fertilizer, for instance, not only increases the yield of seed cotton, but also the size of the stalks, the foliage, hulls and other parts that go immediately back and form a part of the soil in the shape of humus (decayed vegetable matter). But the principal way to improve the soil itself is to add vegetable matter to it in the form of stable manure, renovating crops, rotation of crops, etc. In a more direct manner, it would seem manifest, then, if we wish to increase the yield of corn, wheat, oats, grass, etc., that the fertilizer should contain the three "elements" of plant food in the proportions that are best suited to the particular crop. This is particularly true if the purpose is to use liberal amounts of fertilizer per acre. In such case the deficient supply, in the natural soil, of any one or more of the three "valuable" elements (phosphoric acid, nitrogen and potash) need not be specially considered.

According to carefully conducted field experiments, conducted at many of the experiment stations, it has been found that cotton requires a fertilizer that contains about one part each of nitrogen and potash and 3-1-3 parts of available phosphoric acid. This demand would be met by a fertilizer containing 10 per cent. available phosphoric acid, 3 per cent. of nitrogen and 3 per cent. of potash; or, as ordinarily expressed, a 10-3-3 fertilizer. One analyzing 9-2.70-1.70; or 8-2.40-2.40; or 7-2.10-2.10, etc., would answer just as well, provided these lower grades be applied in heavier quantities.

So it has been found that corn, sugar cane, sorghum, grasses and other crops belonging to the grass family respond best to a fertilizer that shall contain 10 parts of phosphoric acid, 5 parts of nitrogen and 2 parts of potash—or a 10-5-2 fertilizer. The following formulas are in precisely the same proportions, only they are of lower grade, and would give practically the same results only when a correspondingly larger application shall be made per acre—viz., 9-4.50-1.80; or 8-4.00-1.60; or 7-3.50-1.40, and so on. Of course, these lower grades can be sold at lower prices than the high grades; but, as a rule, the farmer will find it more economical to buy the high grades, both on account of their cheaper price per "unit" and also the saving of freight the latter being precisely the same, per ton, for both high and low grades.

**APPLYING FERTILIZER WHEN PLANTING.**

While it is certainly true, in our experience, that the greater part of the fertilizer should be applied about two weeks before the crop is to be planted, well mixed in the soil of the bedding furrow and bedded on, there are circumstances that would justify a farmer in making one or more intercultural applications, including one at the actual date of planting. The following are such circumstances:

- (1) When a farmer has not been able to secure the whole amount of his fertilizers before planting time.
- (2) When he concludes, after his crop has been planted and is growing, that he did not buy and apply as much as he should have done before planting.
- (3) When the yellowish green color and want of vigor in the appearance of the plants indicate that more nitrogen is needed by the crop.

We believe it may be safely accepted as a general rule that a small portion of Virginia-Carolina Fertilizer should be applied with, or near the seed, at the time of planting. The effect of this small application is to supply the young plants with available food during the first stage of their growth, inducing prompt and vigorous development. For this purpose 40 to 50 pounds per acre may be applied of the same fertilizer that had been bedded on two weeks before planting.

A second application of high-grade fertilizers may be made at the second or third plowing of cotton, or at six or eight inches height of the plants up to 18 inches, or the middle to last of May, and the middle to last of June.

The intercultural applications may be made in the sowing furrow, or the fertilizer may be strewn along in the middle ahead of the plow or cultivator. There is no need to fear that the plants will not get the benefit of a high-grade fertilizer if put anywhere, on or between the rows. June 24th is the latest date at which the writer has ever applied fertilizer in this way to either corn or cotton, although there is little reason to doubt that even later applications would benefit the crop; but probably not enough to pay the cost of the fertilizer.

**Encourage Saving.**

The wise father and mother will never discourage the fancies of their children for accumulating things. It is a natural instinct, inborn in the most of people, and given a little thought and care by the older heads may be turned to good account. If the child begins to collect "pretty" pebbles or shells at the seashore don't throw them out—but let them form the basis of a little geological collection, and with proper guidance the youngster will soon be looking upon "sticks and stones" with an interested and educated eye.

**The Entire Family.**

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**A TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.**

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For constipation, biliousness, liver disturbances, and diseases resulting from impure blood, take Nature's remedy, Garfield Tea. It is made wholly of health-giving herbs.

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### GOSSIP AND GOSSIPERS

Gossip is one of the besetting sins of the age. It belongs to all classes, climes and conditions for we believe there are people everywhere that are afflicted with the hollow head and total depravity.

It is perfectly admissible for you to take a kindly interest in your neighbor. Indeed, it is right and a pleasure to leave your own home neat and clean and spend the afternoon with a neighbor. We see no harm in talking about the general news of the community. If it is your inclination and calibre you can beg yourselves up in the latest fashion books and have endless discussions on points in fashion, wrangling for hours on a single frill or furbelow, and we are not ready to register a protest. You men can get together and talk crops and commerce, politics and religion, ethics and philosophy, adding some good yarns to keep up the interest and to promote good cheer. But you are not the gang we are after. To spend a few hours with several genial, jovial friends, exchanging gab and tobacco is one of the priceless boons that come to us poor mortals here. The only objection is that we do not spend enough time this way. We throw away lots of time worrying over business cares that we should improve with a genial friend.

The kind of cattle we are after are those he and she things that wear pantaloons and petticoats like other folks, but in reality are human buzzards, sharks and sewerage systems. Buzzards, because they pass up everything that is sublime, beautiful, noble, pure and holy in a world that in many respects is the dream of God himself, to stick their snouts into the moral cess pools of humanity; sharks, because their game is to assassinate character and murder happiness; sewerage systems, because they are the consummation of all that is filthy, dirty, nasty, slimy and putrid. Of all the blatant fools in the world the buzzard is the biggest. We never could understand why a buzzard will ride the balmy breezes fragrant with the perfume of a thousand flower gar-

dens and fields of new mown hay only searching for a faint scent of putrefaction and decay, and why he will choose the rear anatomy of a dead horse as his resting place rather than a stalwart spreading oak is something amazing.

Then, indeed, it is wrapped and shrouded in mystery and becomes astounding why a man or woman will forget the joys of home, neglect cooing babies and pattering feet to gad over town to hunt a breath of shame to feed their unholy appetite. You vile wretches, your souls are so shriveled and dwarfed that only the powerful telescope of Jehovah can find them. You are a liar and hypocrite because you will take a harmless circumstance and with your morbid imagination and moral rottenness you will manufacture a scandal and make haste to tell, always saying you are sorry to bring such news. You are pusillanimous and cowardly because you dare not face your victim and give a truthful account of the slantier. You are a thief because you will filch a man of his character and an assassin because you will covertly murder happiness and peace of mind.

It has been two months ago since a young lady of another community was embarrassed everywhere she went because some low-bred, low-flung cur whispered she had gone wrong and the buzzards got hold of it and in twenty-four hours it was everywhere.

We know the evidence in a noted case in a certain East Texas county where two men and a woman were murdered and it was largely because a few prating fools and tale bearers had successfully played their part. Just such cattle have played the first act in some of the darkest tragedies this country has ever seen.

Shut your prating, babbling, prating mouths and learn to be decent.

The Messenger stands opposed to the bill now pending in the legislature to compel railroads to reduce passenger fare to two cents per mile. We do not believe public sentiment demands such radical legislation, because it would be a disastrous blow to railroads and would mean poor and inadequate service. Some people have got an erroneous idea into their heads that railroads are naturally criminal, but such is not the case. They are the greatest developer of the age. Every industry is dependant upon transportation for prosperity and all receive the same benefit from improved service. If the pending bill becomes a law railroad building in Texas will be a thing of the past.

The only satisfactory definition of the "automatic tax bill" we have heard is that it "gets 'em goin' and comin'."

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

### Conclusive Evidence.

The following letter is self explanatory, and shows conclusively the opinion the Vice President and General Manager of the Cotton Belt Railway has of the Telegraphy department of the Tyler Commercial College, the leading school of Telegraphy in America:

Tyler, Texas, Feb. 3, 1907.  
 Tyler Commercial College,  
 Tyler, Texas.

Gentlemen:—  
 This letter is given you in order to avoid having to answer so many letters of inquiry, relative to this Company's connection with your college, and I beg to state for the information of attending students, that we have placed a loop of our main line wire through your college for the benefit of your students, and are furnishing you our telegraph and station blanks. We have also agreed to employ your telegraphy graduates who can pass our regular examination to fill vacancies coming up on this line, and will pay them the standard rate of wages for positions they are employed to fill.

The minimum salary paid operators is \$55 per month, 12 hours work constituting one day, all time in excess of 12 hours will be paid for on basis of prorata of regular rate. Operators called for special service after being executed by the dispatcher will be allowed fifty cents for the first hour and prorata of the regular rate thereafter.

Your truly,  
 W. E. Green.  
 1st. V. P. & Gen'l Supt. Saint Louis South Western Railway of Texas.

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

## Notice to the Public!

We have enlarged our stock of drugs and can say that we have one of the heaviest stocks of Drugs alone to be found anywhere. We are able to give you the best of prices.

We can offer you inducements in the drug line as we handle drugs only and intend to make a specialty of this line. Do not only think of this matter, but call and give us one trial and we can very easily prove to you that we DO SAVE YOU MONEY, so give us a trial ONE and ALL.

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**LOCAL NEWS.**

Call at Howard's when in town  
Miss Ethel Stowe of San Pedro is visiting in town this week.

Have R. L. Brooks to do your alteration work, at Clewis' store.

C. H. Beazley of Reynard was in town Wednesday.

Buy your pants from F. A. Faris.

Miss Cora Smith of Huntsville visited Misses Anthony this week

F. A. Faris sells the best shoes in town, full stock all the time.

County Judge Jno. Spence was in the city Sunday.

Freshest groceries in town all the time at F. A. Faris'.

Mr. Will Dean of Longview spent a few days in the city this week visiting friends.

We have any kind of Stock and Poultry food you want.  
Carleton & Porter.

Walter McCarty left Sunday for Weatherford, and will make that city his home for awhile.

See Geo. E. Darsey for hog fencing and barb wire. A solid car to arrive next week.

Let the Messenger sell you a scholarship in Draughon's Business College. It goes cheap.

T. D. Hathaway of Ezell Grocery fame, was in the city Tuesday.

I have 150 lbs. of fine home raised corn fed hog's lard.  
F. A. Faris.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kennedy of Palestine were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Guice Sunday.

We Sell What You Have to Buy and Buy What You Have to Sell. J. J. Guice & Son.

Mrs. J. B. Lively spent a few days in Palestine this week visiting relatives.

No better flour sold than Red Cross and Keystone you will find it at F.A. Faris'.

Mrs. Geo. E. Darsey and children, Miss Lucy Royall and Odell Faris have gone to Mineral Wells to spend a month for their health.

Eugene Yarbrough and wife came in last week from Grapeland. Mr. Yarbrough has accepted a position with Higginbotham, Harris & Co.—Lorraine Advertiser.

Mr. R. L. Brooks will open a tailor shop this week in Lee Clewis' store. This is a much needed institution in our city and we hope Lester will do a profitable business.

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Howard Anthony went up to Palestine Saturday on business.

For tinware, graniteware and china, call at Howard's.

Any kind of repair work done by R. L. Brooks at Clewis' store.

We want your chickens and eggs. Howard.

Mrs. A. N. Henry of Groveton is visiting relatives in Grapeland this week.

Lee Clewis wants your beef hides and bees wax. He will pay spot cash.

A solid car of barb wire and hog fencing to arrive next week at Darsey's.

See R. L. Brooks for your cleaning and pressing, at M. L. Clewis' store.

Mrs. Lillie Tilley of Huntsville is in the city visiting the families of B. F. Hill and W. H. Lively.

Due to arrive this week car of flour, chops, meal and bran, at F. A. Faris'.

Our Motto: "Live and Let Live." Try us for groceries.  
S. E. Howard.

Carbo Protein is what you need for your stock and poultry.  
J. J. Guice & Son.

Mrs. Clarence Prestridge and children are here from Mansfield, La., visiting the family of J. N. Sory.

F. A. Faris has just received one of the prettiest lines of ladies patent leather slippers in Grapeland at \$2.50

Mrs. Felix Marx of Houston is in the city this week visiting the family of her father, Rev. W. H. Caldwell.

Read the official statement of the condition of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank published this week. It is a good showing for a youngster three months old.

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**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**  
Of the Financial Condition of the **Farmers & Merchants State Bank**  
At Grapeland, State of Texas,

at the close of business on the second day of May 1907, published in the Messenger, a newspaper printed and published at Grapeland, State of Texas, on the 9th day of May 1907.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 10017.97
Loans, real estate	1401.60
Overdrafts	751.
Bonds and Stocks	000.
Real estate (banking house)	000.
Other Real Estate	000.
Furniture and fixtures	703.65
Due from Approved Reserve Agents	.....
	\$ 29185.40
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check	\$ 5000.00
Cash Items	\$ 15.00
Currency	2721.00
Specie	1784.75
Other resources as follows:	000.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 51580.37</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	000.
Undivided Profits, net	91.95
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	000.
Individual Deposits, subject to check	36365.67
Time Certificates of Deposit	000.
Demand Certificates of Deposit	000.
Cashier's Checks	122.75
Bills Payable and Discounts	000.
Other Liabilities as follows:	000.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 51580.37</b>

State of Texas, County of Houston, ss We, Geo. E. Darsey as president, and S. E. Miller as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Geo. E. Darsey, President, S. E. Miller, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of May, A. D. nineteen hundred and seven. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

J. R. Richards, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: J. J. Brooks, } Directors  
W. F. Murchison }

Gone to the Philippines.

It is with a degree of regret we announce the departure of Prof. A. W. Cain and his good wife, who left Sunday for San Francisco to board a steamer for the Philippine Islands. Mr. Cain has accepted a position with the government to teach school in the islands for a period of three years, at the end of which time he says he will return.

Mr. Cain's place is one that will be hard to fill. As a teacher, our people had come to recognize him as one of the leading educators of the day, and as a citizen his true worth can hardly be estimated. He has taught our school for five consecutive years and by his diligent adherence to duty and his progressive ideas on educational lives, transformed our school from a very gorse stage to a graded school of the highest order.

The Messenger joins their host of friends in wishing them all the success it is possible for anyone to obtain.

Morning Glory and Clifton Lilly flour, chops, bran and meal Car just unloaded.  
M. L. Clewis.

Mr. T. O. Cowen of Lorraine was in the city several days this week to sell his property which was purchased from Mr. Sidney Boykin. Frank Leaverton purchased the property.

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B. R. GUICE & SON.

Good for the Blues  
Is your appetite on a vacation your energy absent, and every thing else out of "Whack?" If so, you had better take something and take it now. Simmon's Sarsaparilla is the King of Tonics. It will make you eat all you want to pay for. Try it and hear your self laugh again.  
Geo. E. Darsey received 2000 potatoe bags this week. Don't be too late, place your order for what you want before they are all gone.

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

It is amusing to read of the expedients suggested to prevent the proposed tunnel under the English channel from becoming a menace to British safety. One of the latest things solemnly put forth, says Troy Times, is to bring the tunnel out at a point where trains passing through it will have to go over a trestle or causeway before plunging into the actual midst of the tight little island. The idea is to have British warships so stationed as to command this stretch of road, and of course any train coming through the tunnel with hostile intent could be blown to smithereens before getting a chance to do the least damage. That an enemy meditating such an invasion would deliberately run into a trap of this sort seems to be the innocent belief of the projectors of this mighty idea. A tunnel of the kind in question could no more threaten peril to England than would a proposition to go around the other side and come down by way of the North Pole. The talk of invasion by that route is farcical. A stick of dynamite would put the tunnel out of business in considerably less than three seconds.

### Where Titles Are Cheap.

The cheapest country for buying a title used to be Portugal. When a man is made a baron or a count there his patent recites the service for which the grant is made. I was once in Portugal and I had some curiosity to discover what were the services for which an Englishman of my acquaintance had been made a Portuguese baron, remarks a writer in London Truth. I therefore looked the matter up and I found that it was for having introduced into the country a new tree. There used to be another plan for becoming a baron. It appears that there is—or was then—a convent which once had large possessions. All its tenants were, by the fact of being tenants, barons. But the convent had lost its possessions with the exception of one farm. It had an agent in London. For a very moderate consideration the agent let this farm to a would-be tenant. He therefore became a baron, and when he resigned the farm to the next applicant he retained the title.

### Excessive Neatness.

It is not the woman who is forever chasing everyone in the house with a broom or duster who makes the most impression as to the desirableness of neatness and order. While she is making a martyr of herself in her frantic attempts to always keep the hearth tidy, and the woodwork polished, and the carpets free from spot or speck, she is often driving away the better elements of the home—peace and love and harmony. A child cannot enjoy his playthings without a place in which to play, nor a man feel free in his own house if he must be always remembering that not so much as a magazine or book shall be left one moment out of place when not being read. Yet, observes New York Weekly, these overneat women find happiness in their struggle for excessive neatness, and the thought that they often do actual wrong in the carrying out of their extreme ideas never enters their minds.

The burning of an old house in Hubbardston, Mass., a few days ago recalled to mind again the once famous ballad of "Old Grimes," for the house was built in 1761 by Joseph Grimes, whose son Ephraim, it is stated, was the subject of the ballad. Albert Gordon Greene was the author of the piece. The studied inconsequence of the treatment was what made the ballad popular, and it is far the best specimen of a class of jocosities of the eighteenth century.

Because air is elastic and water is not, a German astronomer declares that the form of propeller best adapted to the navigation of the latter element would not yield equally happy results in the former. The proposition is reasonable. A good deal of experiment may be required to develop the ideal type of screw for a flying machine, but the task is certainly not beyond the reach of invention.

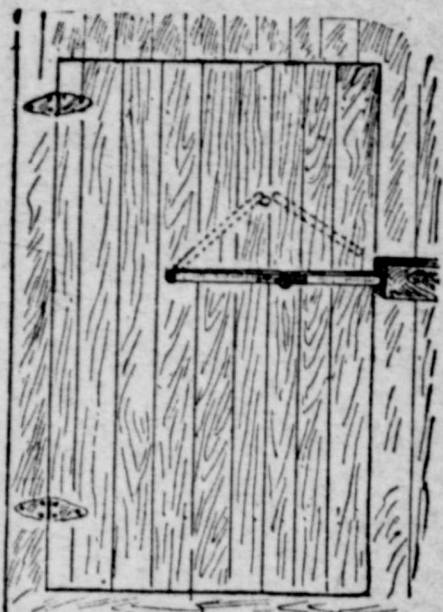
Bishop Potter has done public service in sounding a warning against the danger of becoming too deeply involved in the mechanism and red tape of a charity organization. "The history of the wastes of charity," he says, "is yet to be written." It would make a doleful and depressing book.

## ROAD AND FARM IMPROVEMENT

### DOOR LATCH.

#### How a Serviceable One Can Be Made from Carriage Brace.

I have a plan of making a latch for corn crib door which I have used and found to be very satisfactory, writes a farmer in Prairie Farmer. I took an old buggy top joint and bolted one end to a door, as shown in the illustration. I allowed the other end to swing loose. Next I spiked a 2x4 to side of crib and bored a hole in the end on level with latch. The carriage top bar is bent as shown by dotted



Door Latch from Carriage Brace.

line, the end is inserted in hole 2x4 and then pulled down into lock.

I have found by experience that this latch cannot be rubbed open as is so often the case with other latches.

### CORN MUST BE TESTED.

#### The Only Method to Be Certain of Germinating Qualities.

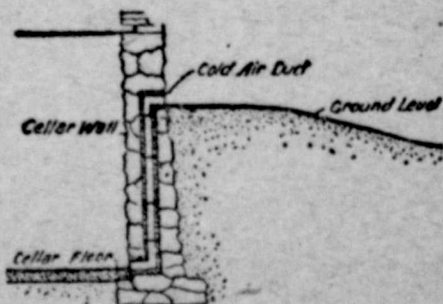
A good many people think they can tell when corn will grow, and when it will not, without testing it. Hundreds of young men from all over Iowa come to the college at Ames for the two weeks' short course. One year I let each member of a large class take 40 acres to examine and study for two days and see if he could tell which would grow and which would not. They did not know that I had set a little trap for them by mixing up good ears and bad ears and ears of weak vitality, all of which I had tested in a germinator ten days previously. When their judgment of each ear was compared with my record of its test it was seen that they had all made mistakes. When we were through I asked if there was any one of them who thought he could pick out corn that was safe to plant without testing it, and not a single hand went up over the audience. You may often tell by examination when a kernel is dead, but you cannot tell when it is weak or low in vitality without the germinating test.—Prof. P. G. Holden.

### CELLAR VENTILATION.

#### System Will Give Fresh Air Both Summer and Winter.

The accompanying sketch shows a system of cellar ventilation, which is described by a correspondent of the Rural New Yorker as follows:

In building the cellar wall, build in on each side a line of two or three inch drain pipe, emptying into the cellar just above the ground level. Dur-



Method of Cellar Ventilation.

ing the summer these can be left open, and the cool air of early morning will flow in and the cellar will be cool and pleasant all day. During the winter they can be closed except when it is desirable to ventilate or air the cellar, which can be done better and with less danger of frost by opening these ducts than it can be by opening windows.

### Rest the Horses.

Rest the horses at least every hour during spring plowing and harrowing. You will do as much work in a day and do it easier. Lift the collars forward to cool neck and shoulders while they are standing.

Thorough cultivation of the corn field before planting pays big.

### A Paradox of Ambiguity.

"I never saw any one so stuck-up as Markley," began Popley. "Last night he—"

"Why," interrupted Goodart, "that's not like Markley at all. He's the best natured fellow—"

"Of course," continued Popley, "but last night he came to my house with molasses candy for the children and let them sit on his lap while they ate it."

### SPLendid APRIL Tonic.

#### Easily Prepared at Home and Harmless to Use.

This is known as "Blood-Cleaning Time," especially among the older folks, who always take something during this month to clean the blood of impurities and build it up.

The following is the recipe as given by a well-known authority, and anyone can prepare it at home:

Fluid Extract Dandelion one-half ounce, Compound Kargon one ounce, Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla three ounces.

Get these simple ingredients from any good pharmacy and mix by shaking well in a bottle. The dose is one teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime.

Everybody should take something to help the blood, which becomes impoverished and almost sour after the winter season, especially those who are subject to Rheumatism, Catarrh, Kidney and Bladder trouble.

It is said that one week's use of this mixture will clear the skin of sores, pimples or boils.

This is sound, healthy advice, which will be appreciated by many readers.

### HAD NERVE, BUT NO MONEY.

#### Unlucky Man's Modest Request for Pecuniary Assistance.

Raymond Hitchcock, the comedian, while in New Orleans a few months ago, took the opportunity of going to the races. During the afternoon he cashed several tickets, the result of good guesses. He was feeling happy after the last race, and started for the automobile which was to convey him back to his hotel. As he was about to climb into the machine he felt a hand on his arm, and a man shouted in his ear:

"Hello, Hitchcock, how are you? Hear you put a crimp in the bookies to-day?"

Hitchcock blushed and shook hands sheepishly, not recognizing the man, and not wishing to show it.

"Say, I want to speak to you confidentially," said the stranger.

"All right; what is it?" asked the comedian.

"Well, I am up against some hard luck to-day. They cleaned me and I want to get home. Now, don't let any one of these people see you, but slip me enough for car fare, will you?"

"Sure," said Hitchcock, placing his hand in his pocket. Then he paused and queried: "Where do you live?"

"Vancouver," was the answer.

Hitchcock took a flying leap for his machine, and unless the visitors at New Orleans are more gullible, the impudicous one is still looking for car fare.—Harper's Weekly.

### ROMANTIC DEVONSHIRE.

#### The Land Made Famous by Philpotts' Novels.

Philpotts has made us familiar with romantic Devonshire, in his fascinating novels, "The River," "Children of the Mist," etc. The characters are very human; the people there drink coffee with the same results as elsewhere. A writer at Rock House, Orchard Hill, Bideford, North Devon, states:

"For 30 years I drank coffee for breakfast and dinner but some 5 years ago I found that it was producing indigestion and heart-burn, and was making me restless at night. These symptoms were followed by brain fag and a sluggish mental condition.

"When I realized this, I made up my mind to quit drinking coffee and having read of Postum, I concluded to try it. I had it carefully made, according to directions, and found to my agreeable surprise at the end of a week, that I no longer suffered from either indigestion, heart-burn, or brain fag, and that I could drink it at night and secure restful and refreshing sleep.

"Since that time we have entirely discontinued the use of the old kind of coffee, growing fonder and fonder of Postum as time goes on. My digestive organs certainly do their work much better now than before, a result due to Postum Food Coffee, I am satisfied.

"As a table beverage we find (for all the members of my family use it) that when properly made it is most refreshing and agreeable, of delicious flavor and aroma. Vigilance is, however, necessary to secure this, for unless the servants are watched they are likely to neglect the thorough boiling which it must have in order to extract the goodness from the cereal." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a reason."

### A \$40,000 TREASURY ROBBERY.

#### Clever Work of Detective Revealed the Thief.

The robbery of the sub-treasury in Chicago recalls the fact that the treasury department in Washington was the victim of a \$40,000 theft about 30 years ago. At first, although no reasonable explanation of how the thing could have been done by an outsider could be given, it was assumed that it was the work of some one unconnected with the office in which the robbery occurred. It was not long, however, before a clever detective became acquainted with the fact that one of the clerks who might have had access to the bundle of bills was acquainted with a professional gambler of shady antecedents. That discovery solved the problem. A little patient watching resulted in catching the gambler with the stolen notes, and the rest was easy. The clerk was arrested, and, while in confinement, was given to understand that he was betrayed, whereupon he confessed the robbery, which was accomplished by shoving the package of notes, all of large denominations, into a position where they could be "snaked up" with a cane provided with a hook.

### THOUGHT HIM A LUNATIC.

#### Man's Queer Jumble of Words Warranted the Inference.

Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale recently told this story at New Haven's chamber of commerce banquet: A hard drinker was told by his doctor that he could be cured if every time he felt that he must have a drink he would immediately take something to eat instead.

The man followed the advice and was cured, but the habit of asking for food had become so fixed with him that once he was nearly locked up as a lunatic. He was stopping at a hotel and, hearing a great commotion in the room next to his, he peeped over the transom to see what the matter was. He saw, and rushed madly down to the office and shouted to the clerk: "The man in 153 as shot himself! Ham and egg sandwich, please!"—Lippincott's.

### English Shipbuilding.

England added last year over three-quarters of a million tons to its registers of steamers and sailing vessels, and experts are wondering whether this is not more than trade conditions warrant.

## ILL FROM OVERWORK

### NERVOUS PROSTRATION CURED BY DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

By Toning up the Blood and Nerves Patient Recovered Weight, Strength and Good Spirits.

When the nervous system is broken down from overwork, or whatever cause, life loses its joys. Not only is the nervous victim a sufferer himself but he is usually a trial to the whole family. Nervous breakdown is often gradual, appearing at first to be merely an unusual fretfulness. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills tone up the nerves in the most direct way and not only cure minor troubles but serious disorders as well.

Mr. W. W. Munroe, of 16 Hazel Park, Everett, Mass., says: "About four years ago this September I became all run down from overwork and from confinement to work during warm weather. For two months I grew steadily worse. I lost in weight and strength and had no appetite. My memory failed me quite rapidly and I became in a very low state, both physically and mentally. I took no interest in life, neither in business nor recreation. In my position, as foreman in a large manufacturing chemist's establishment in Boston, a good memory is absolutely essential to success because of the immense amount of detail that must be carried in the head.

"I grew very desponding, could not bear to have people meet me and my friends remarked on my condition. About the middle of December a friend told me one day that he had tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and found them reliable. I commenced taking them and at the end of two weeks the change for the better was remarked by friends. I continued using the pills until I was thoroughly recovered. I regard them as a fine remedy and make this statement voluntarily in gratitude for the benefit I received from them."

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# THE HOUSE OF A THOUSAND CANDLES

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## CHAPTER V.—Continued.

I shrugged my shoulders and turned toward Glenarm. My grandfather had left me a cheerful legacy of distrust among my neighbors, the result, probably, of importing foreign labor to work on his house. The surly Morgan had intimated as much; but it did not greatly matter. I had not come to Glenarm to cultivate the rustics, but to fulfill certain obligations laid down in my grandfather's will. I was, so to speak, on duty, and I much preferred that the villagers should let me alone. Comforting myself with these reflections I reached the wharf, where I saw Morgan sitting with his feet dangling over the water, smoking a pipe.

I nodded in his direction, but he feigned not to see me. A moment later he jumped into his boat and rowed out upon the lake.

When I returned to the house Bates was at work in the kitchen. This was a large square room with heavy timbers showing in the walls and low ceiling. There was a great fireplace in an enormous chimney, fitted with a crane and hobs, but for practical purposes a small range was provided.

Bates received me placidly.

"Yes; it's an unusual room, sir. Mr. Glenarm copied it from an old kitchen in England. He took quite a pride in it. It's a pleasant place to sit in the evening, sir."

He showed me the way below, where I found that the cellar extended under every part of the house, and was divided into large chambers. The door of one of them was of heavy oak, bound in iron, with a barred opening at the top. A great iron hasp with a heavy padlock and grilled area windows gave further the impression of a cell, and I fear that at this, as at many other things in the curious house, I swore—if I did not laugh—thinking of the money my grandfather had expended in realizing his whims. The room was used, I noted with pleasure, as a depository for potatoes.

In another of these rooms I found a curious collection of lanterns of every conceivable description, grouped on shelves; and next door to this apartment was another store-room filled with brass candle-sticks of many odd designs.

I returned to the main floor and sought the comforts of the library, where I smoked a pipe over a very tedious chapter in an exceedingly dull book on "Norman Revivals and Influences." Then I went out, assuring myself that I should get steadily to work in a day or two.

Bates was soberly chopping wood at a rough pile of timber at the rear of the house. His industry had already impressed me. He had the quiet ways of an ideal serving man.

"Well, Bates, you don't intend to let me freeze to death, do you? There must be enough wood in the pile there to last all winter."

"Yes, sir; I am just cutting a little more of the hickory, sir. Mr. Glenarm always preferred it to beech or maple."

I turned toward the unfinished tower in the meadow, from which a windmill pumped water to the house. The iron frame was not wholly covered with stone, but material for the remainder of the work lay scattered at the base. I went on through the wood to the lake and inspected the boat house; then I followed the pebbly shore to the stone wall where it marked the line of the school-grounds. The wall, I observed, was of the same solid character here as along the road. I tramped beside it, reflecting that my grandfather's estate, in the heart of the Republic, would some day give the lie to foreign complaints that we have no ruins in America.

The buildings of St. Agatha's were well hidden by the intervening wood, and I climbed upon the wall at the iron gate for an ampler view. The pillars at either side of the gate were of huge dimensions and were higher than I could reach. The little Gothic church near at hand was built of stone similar to that used in Glenarm house. As I surveyed the scene a number of young women appeared, and, forming in twos and fours, walked back and forth before the chapel. A sister clad in a brown habit lingered near or walked first with one and then another group of students. It was all very pretty and interesting and not at all the ugly school for paupers I had expected to find. The students were not the charity children I had carelessly pictured; they were not so young, for one thing, and they seemed to be appraised decently enough.

I smiled to find myself adjusting my scarf and straightening my collar as I beheld my neighbors for the first time.

As I sat thus on the wall I heard the sound of angry voices back of me on the Glenarm side, and a crash of underbrush marked a flight and pursuit.

I crouched down on the wall and waited. In a moment a man plunged through the wood and stumbled over a low hanging vine and fell, not 20 feet away from me. To my great surprise it was Morgan, my acquaintance of the morning. He rose, cursed his ill luck and, hugging the wall close, ran toward the lake. Instantly the pursuer broke into view. It was Bates, evidently much excited and with an ugly cut across his forehead. He carried a heavy club, and, after listening for a moment for sounds of the enemy, he hurried after the caretaker.

It was not my row, though I must say it awakened my curiosity. I straightened myself out, threw my legs over the school side of the wall and lighted a cigar, feeling cheered by the opportunity the stone barricade offered for observing the world.

As I looked off toward the little church I found two other actors appearing on the scene. A girl stood in a little opening of the wood, talking to a man. Her hands were thrust into

the girl, whose youth was, I reflected, marked by her short skirt, the unconcern with which her hands were thrust into the pockets of her coat, and the irresponsible tilt of the tam-o'-shanter. There is something jaunty, a suggestion of spirit and independence, in a tam-o'-shanter, particularly a red one. If the red tam-o'-shanter expressed, so to speak, the key-note of St. Agatha's, the proximity of the school was not so bad a thing after all.

In a high good-humor and with a sharp appetite I went in to luncheon.

## CHAPTER VI.

### The Girl and the Canoe.

Bates did not refer to his encounter with the caretaker, and I resolved to keep my knowledge of it to myself. I always prefer to let a rascal hang himself, and here was a case, I reasoned, where, if Bates was disloyal to the duties Pickering had imposed upon him, the fact of his perfidy was bound to disclose itself eventually. Glancing around at him when he was off guard I surprised a look of utter dejection upon his face as he stood with folded arms behind my chair.

He flushed and started, then put his hand to his forehead, where a strip of plaster covered his wound.

"I met with a slight accident this morning, Mr. Glenarm. The hickory's very tough, sir. A piece of wood flew up and struck me."

"Too bad!" I said with sympathy. "You'd better rest a bit this afternoon."



She Wore a Red Tam-o'-Shanter.

the pockets of her covert coat; she wore a red tam-o'-shanter, that made a bright bit of color in the wood. They were not more than a dozen yards away, but a wild growth of young maples lay between us. Their profiles were toward me, and the tones of the girl's voice reached me clearly as she addressed her companion. He wore a clergyman's high waistcoat, and I assumed that he was the chaplain whom Bates had mentioned. I am not by nature an eavesdropper, but the girl was clearly making a plea of some kind, and the chaplain's stalwart figure awake in me an antagonism that held me to the wall.

"If he comes here I shall go away, so you may as well understand it and tell him. I shan't see him under any circumstances, and I'm not going to Florida or California or anywhere else on a private car, no matter who chaperones it."

"Certainly not, unless you want to—certainly not," said the chaplain. "You understand that I'm only giving you his message. He thought it best—"

"Not to write to me or to Sister Theresa!" broke in the girl contemptuously. "What a clever person he is!"

"And how unclever I am!" said the clergyman, laughing. "Well, at any rate, I thank you for giving me the opportunity to present his message."

She smiled, nodded and turned swiftly toward the school. The chaplain looked after her for a few moments, then walked soberly away toward the lake. He was a young fellow, clean-shaven and dark, and with a pair of shoulders that gave me a twinge of envy. I could not guess how great a factor that vigorous figure was to be in my own affairs. As I swung down from the wall and walked toward Glenarm House, my thoughts were not with the athletic chaplain, but with

when I landed. Possibly it belonged to Morgan, the caretaker! I walked over and examined it. I even lifted it slightly to test its weight. The paddle lay on the dock beside me and it, too, I weighed critically, deciding that it was a trifle light for my own taste.

"Please—if you don't mind—"  
(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## WHERE CHILDREN ARE TAKEN.

Mrs. Gumbusta Found One of Few Spots in New York.

Mrs. Gumbusta left her pretty cottage in Bunnhurst and took the earliest train to the city, says the New York Press. She was going there to find a modern flat for herself, her husband and their four little children. They had tired of the suburbs and decided to move to the city.

Arriving in the metropolis, Mrs. Gumbusta popped into the first real estate office that confronted her, and going up to a ruddy-faced, chubby man seated at a polished desk, she gasped:

"Excuse me, sir—I'm Mrs. Gumbusta of Bunnhurst—we're tired of the suburbs—we want to come to the city—that's why I've called—I'm looking for a place where they'll take children—do you know of any such place?"

"Oh, yes, there are a few places left in the city where they take children," replied the man, wheeling about in his chair; "there is a fine place two blocks down, right on the corner; take a look at it; you can't miss seeing it."

"I'll go to see it immediately," and as Mrs. Gumbusta hurried out of the place and walked in the direction indicated the ruddy-faced, chubby fellow's eyes twinkled merrily. Walking down two blocks, what was Mrs. Gumbusta's surprise to see on the corner an immense granite building, on the front of which was a large gilt sign, reading:

"CITY ORPHAN ASYLUM."

## DEFECTS OF MODERN DIET.

Facts Well Known to Unfortunates Who Have No Homes.

Dinner, as physicians and laymen agree, should not consist of the pound of beef and quart of coffee the condemned murderer swallows upon the eve of his hanging to rob death of its sting and the grave of its victory, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. A plate of soup, a piece of steak, a fish or a fowl, with a salad, some vegetables, a dessert and coffee, constitute the dinner of unostentatious variety. Patriarchs tell us that such a dinner was once obtainable in San Francisco and in New York, and at intermediate points, at prices not prohibitive to the man of moderate income, but such a meal ordered a la carte in our modern restaurants is too expensive for the majority of patrons and too large a dinner for one man to consume. The trouble is that such "portions" is too large. The existing arrangement of "portions" and prices causes us to eat too much meat and die of kidney disease, or too few vegetables and die of indigestion with its various and tragic ramifications. Our alternative is to court lingering death at the moderate priced table d'hote where is served imitation food, long-cooked and without savor.

## A Wonderful Country.

"Eastern visitors to the west are generally prepared for any phenomenal showing in the line of agriculture, stock-raising and the like," says a Colorado man, "but once in awhile they are taken by surprise."

"A New Hampshire man, who was spending his vacation on the ranch of a relative in Colorado, went out one morning to inspect a large incubator in which the young chicks were hatching. In one corner of the incubator a neglected peach-seed, encouraged by the warmth of the atmosphere, had burst, and a tiny sprout several inches long was growing out of it.

"Suffering Caesar!" exclaimed the New Hampshire man, as this caught his eye, 'do you hatch out your peaches in this country?'"—Harper's Weekly.

## Ade's Autobiography.

Met Henry W. Savage the other day, and accumulated the following quite characteristic story of George Ade. As of course you know, Mr. Savage produced "The Sultan of Sulu," "Peggy from Paris" and other comic operas of which Mr. Ade's prolific pen was the proud progenitor, and he was urging the Hoosier librettist to write another musical comedy for the Savage office.

"Can't do it, governor," cried Mr. Ade, shaking his head, gloomily; "can't do it; I can't write lyrics to save my immortal soul."

"You can't write lyrics?" echoed the tall manager. "Well I'd like to know what's the matter with 'R-e-m-o-o-r-s-e.'"

"Great Sulu's Sultan!" wailed Ade, grimly; "R-e-m-o-o-r-s-e wasn't a lyric; it was autobiography."

## Continuous Performance.

Well-Meaning Friend—Why have you never reformed?

Mr. Highball—Never reformed? Why, I reform every morning.

der they require the protection of a na. It is their shield and safeguard.

## Old Wall Street Character Dead.

Van Schalek & Co., one of the old est stock brokerage houses in New York, have just lost their oldest and most famous customer. Almost up to the time of his death a few days ago, he would drop in occasionally to ask Mr. Gorham, Derby Crandall or Col Handy how the market was going. He kept in touch with the market not withstanding his great age—95. Russell Sage was one of his chums, and he used to make all manner of fun of the miser, who was nearly six years his junior, patting him on the back and calling him "kid," "little boy," etc.

## Priests at Humble Labor.

The Bishop of Digne stated recently in the Paris Gaulois that, while some of the priests are now living on their savings, others are supporting themselves by mending watches, making beehives and knitting jerseys.

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

The ladies meet last Thursday and re-organized the cemetery association. They will give an entertainment next Friday night at the residence of Mrs. J. M. Selkirk. Ice cream, cake and strawberries will be served as refreshments.

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

W. T. Pridgen left last week for Loraine, where he will reside in the future, being in business with Ney Sheridan. However, Mr. Pridgen informed us he would take a spin over old Mexico before going to Loraine.

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

John McClelland came in Tuesday night from Nugent and will spend some time visiting his parents.

### Jail is Empty.

Crockett, Texas, May 3.—The jail is without a prisoner for the first time in several years. There are generally from five to fifteen prisoners in the jail here, but the spring term of the district court here has just been brought to a close, and those convicted have been carried to the State penitentiary.

The work on the addition to the court house of Houston county is being delayed to some extent on account of the heavy rains that have been falling for the past week.

### No Need of Scratching

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

### Died of Wounds.

H. L. Robb, who was accidentally shot at Groveton several days ago by a lawyer named Kenley, is dead of his wounds. Kenley was shooting at State Ranger Dunaway, with whom he had had trouble, and stray bullets hit Robb.

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

### Hail Damaged Crops.

News come from the Porter Springs community, in the southern part of the county, that great damage was done to growing crops and vegetation last Thursday night during the terrific rain and hail storm. It is claimed that Irish potatoes were beaten out of the ground by the hail stones.

"Here's to your health and happiness"—DeWitt's Little Early Risers—famous little pills. Nasty, sick headache or biliousness may come on any time; the cure is an Early Riser. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

### Ball Team Organized.

Monday night the boys met at Carleton & Porter's Drug store and organized the Grapeland Ball Team, which will be known as the "Grapeland Sluggers." Carl Sory was elected captain, A. H. Luker, manager and A. S. Porter, treasurer. The team has only played one game this season and was victorious.

### Do not Suffer

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

### Shingles For Sale.

See Geo. E. Darsey if you want to buy shingles, big lot on hand.

### Parker Re-Union

The Parker re-union will be held Sunday, May 19, and everybody is invited to come and bring their baskets and spend the day with us. R. D. Parker. S. T. Parker.

Constable Cary Spence went to Crockett Sunday to convey a crazy negro to jail. The negro was from Daly's.



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### MALARIAL DISEASES.

How to Avoid Them and the Serious Consequences of Neglect.

"Fix me up something to knock the malaria, doctor," remarked a sallow-faced, sickly looking man, entering a prominent physician's office the other day.

The doctor stepped to his medicine case, took down a couple of bottles, mixed a preparation which he handed to the patient with the customary advice to "shake well and follow directions," and resumed his seat.

"Such cases are frequent," replied the doctor in answer to a question. "The warm days and damp, chilly nights are certain malaria breeders and are most serious in those who have neglected to keep their stomach, liver and bowels in good condition. Such persons are full of the impurities on which the malarial germ thrives, and it is from this class that typhoid fever, pneumonia, Bright's Disease, small pox and yellow fever claim most of their victims whenever these diseases are prevalent.

The proper way to guard against the malarial germ and the serious diseases which follow it is to get into good condition by taking a reliable remedy that will keep the bowels clear and the liver healthy, and to continue with it at frequent intervals during the sickly season.

A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters three or four times a week will do all of this, besides stimulating the digestion, improving the appetite and keeping the bodily energy at the highest pitch.

Prickly Ash Bitters is known everywhere as a system tonic and bowel regulator. It not only removes all traces of malarial poison from the system, but tones up the vital organs, gives new strength and vigor, makes the body strong and the brain active.

"Prickly Ash Bitters is the best all-around medicine for the family I ever used. During the past ten years I have always kept it in my house. Whenever any of my family show signs of malaria, kidney trouble, indigestion or constipation a few doses is all that is needed to make them well and hearty again.—W. H. McWILLIAMS, Pickering, La.

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### LaTexo News

May 7.—The hail and rain storm last Thursday night was the most terrific we have seen for a long time. It was very destructive to growing crops; it was only in a few places that the hail did much damage; the rain was so heavy all cotton will have to be planted over; cotton planted now will do better than that which was so badly damaged and stunted by the cold weather. Mr. M. K. Murchison, one of our oldest citizens, told me that we had just such a spell about thirty years ago. He planted cotton the middle of May and made the largest crop he ever gathered.

Mr. C. E. Hayes of LaTexo Orchard Co. sold off his old stock and went to Houston last week and replaced them with fine stock.

The potato crop is not damaged as much as thought by the storm. D. C. Poe had several bushels washed up and some of Mr. Ford's crop was washed out into the road. Your correspondent had the pleasure of eating some of them and they are fine. We will begin digging next week.

Mr. Mann of Arkansas spent a few days in the neighborhood last week looking for a site for a large saw mill.

Mr. Hoover, president of the

LaTexo Orchard Co., is expected from Pittsburg this week.

Mr. Hayes' cabbage crop is very fine and he is now selling and filling orders every day. REX.

### DO YOU LOVE

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

Mrs. T. H. Leaverton and little Ada Belle of LaTexo visited in Grapeland this week.

### If You Don't

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