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ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR, PAYABLE IN ADVANCE

Shipper's Removal Sale!

Is still going on. We have decided to continue this Sale until January 1st.

Quite a Number of People have visited our Removal Sale and have taken Advantage of our BIGGEST VALUES for the MONEY that we have ever been able to offer. Almost everything has been reduced in Price at least 10 per cent. This is not because the Merchandise is not worth its former Price, but we want to sell our stock as near out as possible to save expense of packing and shipping. This Sale will continue until Jan. 1. People who read Shipper's advertisements know this isn't a fake sale, but a

BUSINESS PROPOSITION

A Proposition to turn as much of our Stock into CASH as possible. We have a stock of goods that we are proud of. Much time was spent in selecting the Patterns, Styles, Numbers, Sizes and Quality. But the Quantity is too much for a season when money has been so short. The special Prices we are making are for cash only. We are offering you more for your cash than ever before offered you in the town of Grapeland. Don't be deceived into buying inferior goods for "just as good." We give you Quality as well as Quantity.

We once more appeal to those who owe us past due accounts to please call and settle and save further trouble for yourself as well as us.

Yours for Business, SHIPPER.

Will Plant Pea Nuts.

LaTexo, Texas, Dec. 2.—At a meeting of LaTexo union last Saturday it was decided that they plant a considerable acreage in pea nuts next year and also other truck. A truck committee was appointed whose duty is to make all arrangements, such as securing seed, fertilizer and acting as salesmen. J. M. Ford, Geo. Rosser and Dr. Meriwether compose this committee. Dr. Meriwether was elected as a delegate to the Farmers Institute to be held at Palestine next Wednesday, at which time Mr. Milner, our commissioner of agriculture, will address the farmers upon the truck business. The union will meet again next Saturday to say how much they will plant and hear report of committee. Every body is invited to attend this meeting and have their names entered and amount of acreage they will plant so as to give an estimate of how much fertilizer will be needed, also seed will have to be looked after. This looks like business and we hope to see good results next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Darsey spent yesterday in town visiting relatives. Our school will close on Dec. 13th, until Monday, Dec. 30th, when it will open again for the balance of the session.

Rex

A Letter From Arkansas.

Huntington, Ark., Nov. 27.—Editor Messenger:—Find enclosed 50c for which send me the Messenger six months.

I have been at this place since the first of last February. We left Grapeland a year ago the first of this month and went to Western Oklahoma, and remained three months, then came here to engage in the grocery business.

This is a coal mining town, situated in north west Arkansas.

This is a fine fruit country—mostly apples. We buy fine apples for 50c per bushel.

We are surrounded by mountains which makes this a healthful country. This is not much of a farming country—too rough and rocky, but the smooth land is rich.

There are six coal mines in operation here, and about 5,000 tons of coal per day is shipped. The miners get good wages—from \$3.00 to \$7 per day. I went down 103 feet in one of the mines and went out 1½ miles under ground. It was a sight to me. It was certainly dark, but we had miners lamps and could see very well after awhile. There is about 1000 men at work here now.

There are all kinds of people

here; men here from every land. Business is good.

I would be glad to have any of my friends who read this letter to write me. Almost all my relatives live in Texas and I love dear old Texas. I hope to come back some time, and when I do will buy a ticket to Grapeland. Would like to be there Christmas, but can't come this year.

I remain your friend,
B. F. Newsom.

Failure at Lovelady.

Lovelady, Texas, Dec. 2.—The business place of M. S. Dean is closed today and a placard on the door, which shows that it is closed in bankruptcy. The liabilities are said to be about \$4000; the assets \$2500.

For Eczema, Tetter 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.

Gratitude.

The Tonopah Sun tells of a California editor to whom at the time of the wreck of the steamer Columbia came a woman whose son was on the ship. She was half-crazed with anxiety and she begged

the editor to find out if he could whether her boy was saved or lost.

The editor telegraphed for information and asked to have the answer marked "collect." He also ran a big story on the first page with the young man's name in circus poster type.

Unfortunately one of the initials was printed wrong. The mother called the editor to the telephone and asked:

"What's the matter with you news people, anyway? You got my son's initials wrong in that headline. It's a pity you can't do things right once in a while."

And that is all that thanks the editor got for trying to relieve the mind of a distressed mother.—Western Publisher.

Oriole News.

Oriole, Dec. 2.—Burnham's show was advertised to be here on the night of Nov. 28, but suppose bad weather knocked them out.

There was a marriage at the residence of Mr. Arthur Mims on the night of Nov. 27. Mr. Clarence Turner of LaTexo was married to Miss Mary Mims, Rev. W. H. Caldwell officiating. After the ceremony the young people enjoyed themselves in dancing until 10 o'clock. We wish the

young couple a happy married life.

Glad to notice that Judge Gardner talks of running again for District Judge. Hope he will run and be elected. I don't think we could get a better judge.

I hope that all of your subscribers who have not paid up will hand you that dollar. Your paper is certainly worth that much to any of your subscribers.

We are having good health in this vicinity so far as I can learn.
A. K.

Save Your Cash Register Checks.

You have until December 14th to save up Cash Register checks. We give cash register checks with all cash sales. See our show window which contains 36 Presents that we are going to give away. Geo E Darsey

Rev. H. E. Harris filled his regular appointment here last Sunday. Bro. Harris announced that Grapeland had been made a half station and in the future he would preach here twice a month. Bro. Harris left Monday for Dallas to spend a few days.

Misses Orix Moore and Eola Kennedy of Crockett visited relatives here last week.

The Messenger.

ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor.

GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

The precinct election at Thornton last week resulted in a victory for local option by eighteen majority.

An electric light and ice plant is being installed at Canyon City, and it is proposed to light the town by December 1.

At Denison W. A. McQuire, a switchman in the Katy yards, was caught between a freight car and the side of the roundhouse and sustained two broken ribs.

Dr. R. A. Paul of San Angelo, who is charged with the murder of C. B. Short of Center, has been granted bail in the sum of \$10,000, which was promptly furnished.

The Austin-Loockhart interurban has reached the stage where the matter of a bonus is to be submitted to the people. The road wants a bonus of \$150,000 to build the line.

The Orient is planning to make a pleasure resort at the proposed new town of Metz, in Irion County. Among the things in contemplation are a public park and an artificial lake.

Willie Benson, a negro, was found guilty, by a San Antonio jury, of the murder of Albert Miller, another negro, and his sentence placed at twenty-five years in the penitentiary.

Private advices state that the next session of the State Corn Growers' Association, will be held in Terrell next January. It is estimated that about 600 will attend this meeting.

Sidney Webb of Bellevue, who purchased the Crazy Well at Mineral Wells several months ago, is now preparing plans for a pavilion which he will erect at the well at a cost of \$55,000.

The gross earnings of all Texas railroads for the year ending June 30, 1907, were \$96,074,293, against \$75,510,388 for 1906, showing an increase of over twenty millions, or 37.23 per cent for this year.

The full crew act of the Thirtieth Legislature, which requires that railroads of the State to maintain full crews, was Friday declared valid and effective by Judge George Calhoun of the Fifty-Third District Court.

D. E. Reaser, aged about fifty years, was found dead in bed in his room at Beaumont Friday afternoon. The coroner decided that death was due to heart failure. Deceased leaves a widow, who is at present in Temple.

Harvey Nabours, a lineman on the Roberts Telephone and Electric Company, was killed at Abilene by coming in contact with a live wire. He was putting in a telephone connection and the wire he was handling fell across a live wire, death being instantaneous.

Dr. Benjamin F. Trueblood of Boston, Mass., Secretary of the American Peace Society, has written to Dr. S. P. Brooks, President of Baylor University, accepting an invitation to deliver an address before the Texas Peace Conference, which will meet this month in Waco.

Governor Campbell will open the International Fair at San Antonio on November 9.

Myra has voted bonds to the amount of \$7200 to build a school building. The majority in favor of the bonds was almost unanimous.

H. E. Doris, fifty-five years of age, a farmer living near Nash, six miles west of Texarkana, was shot and killed at Nash last week. Paul Holmes, son of Bryant Holmes, a neighboring farmer, surrendered to the officers.

While crossing the Texas and Pacific track on College Avenue in Dallas Wednesday morning, Chester Dixon, aged eighteen, was struck by a passenger train and so badly hurt that he died in Saint Paul's Sanitarium early Friday morning.

While Mrs. F. E. Stevens of Hillsboro was driving, her horse became frightened, and in endeavoring to turn suddenly threw her from the buggy. Her injuries, it is feared, will be fatal.



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By HAROLD MACGRATH
AUTHOR OF "THE PRINCESS VELOPES," "HEARTS AND MASKS," ETC.

SYNOPSIS.

The American consul to Barschelt, a principality of Europe, tells how the reigning grand duke had tried to find a husband for his rebellious niece, the Princess Hildegarde, finally decreeing that she wed the Prince of Doppelkinn, an ugly old widower, ruler of the neighboring principality. Though he had been in the country for six months the American consul had never seen the princess. While horseback riding in the country night overtakes him, and he seeks accommodation in a dilapidated old castle. While seeking admission he is startled by a beautiful voice breaking into song.

CHAPTER II.—Continued.

Had I stumbled upon one of my dreams at last? Had Romance suddenly relented, as a coquette sometimes relents? For a space I knew not what to do. Then, with a shrug—I have never been accused of lacking courage—I tried once more, by the aid of a match, to locate a bell. There was absolutely nothing; and the beating of my riding crop on the panels of that huge door would have been as noisy as a feather. I grasped the knob and turned it impatiently. Behold! the door opened without sound, and I stepped into the hallway, which was velvet black.

Silence! The song died. All over that great rambling structure not even the reassuring chirp of a cricket! I stood perfectly still. What the deuce should I do? Turn back? As I formed this question in my mind a draft of wind slammed the door shut. I was in for it, sure enough; I was positive that I could never find that door again. Heaven knows how long I waited.

Soon I heard a laugh, light, infectious, fearless! Then I heard a voice, soft and pleading:

"Don't go; in mercy's name, don't go, Gretchen! You may be killed!"

English! I had actually heard a voice speak my native tongue.

"Nonsense, Betty! I am not afraid of any ghost that ever walked, rode or floated."

"Ghost? It may be a burglar!"

"Or Steinbock! We shall find nothing."

Indeed!

"Nothing but a rat, bugling about in the armor." The laughter came again.

"You are not afraid, Betty?"

"Only cautious. But how can you laugh? A rat?" cried a voice rather anxiously. "Why, they are as big as dogs!"

"But arrant cowards."

So! one of these voices spoke English as its birthright; the other spoke with an accent, that is to say, by adoption. Into what had I fallen? Whither had my hunger brought me? I was soon to learn.

There came a faint thread of light on one side of the hall, such as may be likened to that which filters under a door-sill. Presently this was followed by the sound of jangling brass rings. A heavy velvet portiere—which I, being in darkness, had not discovered—slipped back. My glance, rather blinded, was first directed toward the flame of the candle. Then I lowered it—and surrendered for ever and for ever!

I beheld two faces in profile, as it were, one side in darkness, the other tinted and glowing like ancient ivory. I honestly confess to you that in all my wanderings—and they have been frequent and many—I never saw such an enchanting picture or two more exquisite faces. One peered forth with hesitant bravery; the other—she who held the candle—with cold, tranquil inquiry.

All my fears, such as they were, left me instantly. Besides, I was not without a certain amount of gallantry and humor. I stepped squarely into the light and bowed.

"Ladies, I am indeed not a ghost, but I promise you that I shall be if I am not offered something to eat at once!"

Tableau!

"What are you doing here?" asked she with the candle, her midnight eyes drawing down her brows into a frown of displeasure.

I bowed. "To begin with, I find a gate unlocked, and being curious, I open it; then I find a door unlatched, and I enter. Under these unusual circumstances I am forced to ask the same question of you: what are you doing here in this ruined castle? If it isn't ruined, it is deserted, which amounts to the same thing." This was impudent, especially on the part of a self-invited guest.

"That is my affair, sir. I have a right here, now and at all times." Her voice was cold and authoritative.

"There is an inn six miles farther down the road; this is a private residence. Certainly you can not remain here over night."

"Six miles?" I echoed dismally.

"Madam, if I have seemed impudent, pardon me. I have been in the saddle six hours. I have ridden nearly 30 miles since noon. I am dead with fatigue. At least give me time to rest a bit before taking up the way again. I admit that the manner of my entrance was informal; but how was I to know? There was not even a knocker on the door by which to make known my presence to you." The truth is, I did not want to go at once. No one likes to stumble into an adventure—enchanting as this promised to be—and immediately pop out of it. An idea came to me, serviceable rather than brilliant. "I am an American. My German is poor. I speak no French. I have lost my way, it would

seem; I am hungry and tired. To ride six miles farther now is a physical impossibility; and I am very fond of my horse."

"He says he is hungry, Gretchen," said the English girl, dropping easily into the French language as a vehicle of speech. (I was a wretch, I know, but I simply could not help telling that lie; I didn't want to go; and they might be conspirators.) "Besides," went on the girl, "he looks like a gentleman."

"We can not always tell a gentleman in the candle-light," replied Gretchen, eyeing me critically and shrewdly and suspiciously.

As for me, I gazed from one to the other, inquiringly, after the manner of one who hears a tongue not understandable.

"He's rather nice," was the English girl's comment; "and his eyes strike me as being too steady to be dishonest."

I had the decency to burn in the ears. I had taken the step, so now I could not draw back. I sincerely hoped that they would not exchange any embarrassing confidences. When alone women converse upon many peculiar topics; and conversing in a tongue which they supposed to be unknown to me, these two were virtually alone.

"But, my dear child," the other returned argumentatively, "we can not offer hospitality to a strange man this night of all nights. Think of what is to be accomplished."

(So something was to be accomplished? I was right, then, in deceiving them. To accomplish something on a night like this, far from habitation, had all the air of a conspiracy.)

"Feed him and his horse, and I'll undertake to get rid of him before that

detestable Steinbock comes. Besides, he might prove a valuable witness in drawing up the papers."

(Papers?)

"I never thought of that. It will not do to trust Steinbock wholly." Gretchen turned her searching eyes once more upon me. I confess that I had some difficulty in steadying my own. There are some persons to whom one can not lie successfully; one of them stood before me. But I rather fancy I passed through the ordeal with at least half a victory. "Will you go your way after an hour's rest?" she asked, speaking in the familiar tongue.

"I promise." It was easy to make this promise. I wasn't a diplomat for nothing. I knew how to hang on, to dodge under, to go about.

"Follow me," Gretchen commanded briefly.

We passed through the gloomy salon. A damp, musty odor struck my sense of smell. I was positive that the castle was uninhabited, save for this night. Three candles burned on the mantel, giving to the gloom a mysterious, palpitating effect. The room beyond was the dining-room, richly paneled in wine-colored mahogany. This was better; it was cheerful. A log crackled in the fireplace. There were plenty of candles. There was a piano, too. This belonged to the castle; a heavy tarpaulin covering lay heaped at one side. There was a mahogany sideboard that would have

pressed me with this idea. (I found out later that he was an old soldier, who lived alone in the castle as caretaker.)

"Take this gentleman's horse to the stables and feed him," said Gretchen. "You will find the animal by the gate."

With a questioning glance at me the old fellow bowed and made off.

I sat down, and the two women brought the various plates and placed them within reach. Their beautiful hands flashed before my eyes and now and then a sleeve brushed my shoulder.

"Thank you," I murmured. "I will eat first, and then make my apologies."

This remark caught the fancy of Gretchen. She laughed. It was the same laughter; I had heard while standing in the great hall.

"Will you drink tea, or would you prefer to finish this Bordeaux?" she asked pleasantly.

"The wine, if you please; otherwise the effect of the meal and the long hours in the wind will produce sleepiness. And it would be frightfully discourteous on my part to fall asleep in my chair. I am very hard to awake."

The English girl poured out the wine and passed the goblet to me. I touched my lips to the glass, and bent my head politely. Then I resolutely proceeded to attack the pheasant and ham. I must prove to these women formidable portion of the food to dis-

appear.

And then I noticed that neither of the young women seated herself while I ate. I understood. There was no hostility in this action; nothing but formality. They declined to sit in the presence of an unwelcome stranger, thus denying his equality from a social point of view. I readily accepted this decision on their part. They didn't know who I was. They stood together by the fireplace and carried on a conversation in low tones.

How shall I describe them? The elder of the two, the one who seemed to possess all the authority, could not have been more than 20. Her figure was rather matured, yet it was delicate. Her hair was tawny, her skin that at least I was honest in regard to my hunger. I succeeded in causing a olive in shade and richly tinted at the cheekbones. Her eyes, half framed by thick, black-arching brows, reminded me of woodland pools in the dusk of the evening,—depths unknown, cool, refreshing in repose. The chin was resolute, the mouth was large but shapely and brilliant, the nose possessed the delicate nostrils characteristic of all sensitive beings—that is to say, thoroughbreds; altogether confusing, bewildering beauty. At one moment I believed her to be Latin, at the next I was positive that she was Teutonic. I could not discover a single weak point, unless impulsiveness shall be called weakness; this sign of impulsiveness was visible in the lips.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Sunken Funds Recovered.

Some idea of the work done by submarine divers in recovering treasure from sunken ships can be gotten from the following figures just published:

From the steamship Malabar was recovered more than \$1,250,000; from the steamship Alphonso XII., \$450,000; from the steamship Hamilla Mitchell, \$250,000, and from the steamship Carnatic, \$200,000. The complete list is long, but these figures from Popular Mechanics give an idea of the enormous value of the treasures which the greedy waves have swallowed and the inducement to invest large capital, construct ingenious and expensive machinery, and run great risks in raising "watered" stock.

Jap Turkeys.

The wife of one of the early missionaries to Japan, wishing to entertain some friends, sent out an old domestic to hunt up a turkey. After a whole day's inquiry he found one, and in due time a large and beautiful roast was served up, glorious, perfect—ah yes, perfect; so much so that the knife utterly refused to mar its perfection. The old serving man was summoned. "Where did you buy that turkey?" "At the Temple of Kinkakuji." "Why, what was it doing there?" "It was the sacred Tin Wara." Did they say it was a good bird? "Oh, yes, honorable presence, they recommended it highly. They've had it 15 years and two moons themselves."

The Story of the Western Outlaw.

Hough thus differentiates them: "Throughout the west there are two sorts of wolves—the coyote and the gray wolf. Either will kill and both are lovers of blood. One is yellow at heart and the other is game all the way through. Outwardly both are wolves, and in appearance they sometimes grade toward each other so closely it is hard to determine the species. The gray wolf is a warrior and is respected, the coyote is a sneak and a murderer, and his name is a term of reproach throughout the west."

Bad Men of the West Classified and Analyzed.

Emerson Hough constitutes himself the historian of the outlaw, believing the truth about "the bad man" of the west is sufficiently thrilling and meaningful to present merely truth. There were outlaws of all nationalities, according to Mr. Hough, but the prize-taker among them was the western white bad man, who in a land which the law could not protect, like the great region on the frontier, reverted to the ways of Goth and Teuton forbears. There were genuine bad men and imitation bad men, and Mr.

Rash presumption is the ladder that will break the mounter's neck.

Cut Price
Ribbon Sale!

AT THE MILLINERY STORE

From now until January 1st we will sell our stock of RIBBON and SILK at a greatly REDUCED PRICE.

Ribbon that has been

60c per yard	now	40c
50c " "	" "	35c
40c " "	" "	30c
30c " "	" "	25c
25c " "	" "	20c
20c " "	" "	15c
15c " "	" "	12 1/2c
10c " "	" "	8 1-3c

HATS? YES,

Prices have been reduced on all Hats, Caps, Fascinators, Belts, Combs and most everything in our line. Do not fail to call and see for yourself.

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Will win every time. We can and do buy cheap, and sell cheap

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NOT NECESSARY TO DELAY.

Will Continue Right Through the Holidays.

Owing to the large number of students in attendance, many coming from so great a distance that they could not afford to go home for the Holidays, the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, will continue school right through the Holidays, with the exception of Xmas Day, for those who do not care to be absent on Xmas week. This arrangement also enables new students to enroll at any day during December, take up the work to the very best advantage, and continue without interruption during the holidays.

Any student who wants to enter at once, but is hindered from getting the ready cash, owing to the temporary financial flurry, may come right on to school, bringing such money as he has at his command, in the form of money order or currency, and make satisfactory arrangements for balance.

DeWitt's Carbolyzed Witch Hazel Salve—don't forget the name, and accept no substitute. Get DeWitt's. It's good for piles. 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 the itch. 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 cuticle. It's guaranteed.

Holiday Rates

Excursion tickets for the Holidays will be sold by the I.&G.N. Railroad to the Interstate points and to Mexico Dec. 19-20 and 21. To all points in Texas Dec. 20-21 24-25-26-31 and January 1. See I.&G.N. Agents.

Just a little Cascasweet is all that is necessary to give your baby when it is cross and peevish Cascasweet contains no opiates nor harmful drugs and highly recommended by mothers everywhere. Conforms to the National Pure Food Law. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Mr. Bob Kent and Mrs. Gertrude Kent were married at the residence of Mr. J. M. Selkirk, this city, last Thursday night, Esq. Jno. A. Davis officiating.

LETTERS TO Santa Claus

Dear old Santa Claus:—I still have that nice horse you gave me with a saddle on his back. He is still pretty, but a little lame in two of his feet. Will you please bring me some fire crackers, a watch, some fruit, nuts and candy, and oblige, your little boy, Carter Smith.

Dear Old Saint:—If this money panic has not affected you too much will you please bring me a dozen sky-rockets, some raisins, oranges, apples, candy and something nice for me to keep. I know times are hard and if you can't come I shall not think hard. Your little friend, Terrel Smith.

Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little boy eight years old. Will you please bring me a few presents such as a little watch and wagon, some candy, apples, oranges and nuts, especially "nigger toes" and raisins. Your little friend, Elwin Smith.

P. S.—I would like to have some fire crackers, too.—E. S.

Good Cough Medicine for Children.

The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and too much care cannot be used to protect the children. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when he is cold. The quicker you cure his cold the less the risk. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the sole reliance of many mothers, and few of those who have tried it are willing to use no other. Mrs. F. F. Starcher of Ripley, W. Va., says, "I have never used anything other than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for my children and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. for sale by Guice & Son.

Letter to B. E. Blount.

Grapeland, Texas.

Dear Sir: A pound of good meat and no bone is worth more than a half pound of meat and a half-pound of bone; but there are, as you say, a great many people who won't pay more than a certain price by the pound. Give 'em bone; that's right; give 'em plenty of bone.

There are people who won't pay more than \$1.50 a gallon for paint; Give 'em bone.

There's no better school than experience: cost is high; but the lesson is never forgotten.

Let a man paint two houses alike, same size: one Devoe, the other that \$1.50 paint. He buys 10 gallons of each, and \$3 a day for labor—\$3 a day is \$3 a gallon easier reckoning.

He has to buy two gallons more of the \$1.50 paint; and has two gallons left of Devoe; 12 gallons \$1.50, \$18; 8 gallons \$1.75: \$14; \$4 more for "cheap" paint.

He pays \$3 a gallon for painting; 8 gallons \$24; 12 gallons \$36; \$12 more for painting "cheap" paint.

He'll buy the less gallons paint after that. If people are slow to learn, it's because they keep on buying bone-meat. Give 'em plenty of bone.

Yours truly,

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

Thread.

The thread trust announces net profits of upwards of fifteen million of dollars for the last year. A dividend of twenty per cent. together with the additional bonus of ten per cent will be paid stockholders.

Referring to these facts the Norfolk (Va.) Virginia Pilot says: "This doesn't look like the recent advance of one cent a spool in the price of thread was needed to enable the trust to earn a fair and legitimate return on its investment. But it does strikingly illustrate the blessings of our policy of inordinate tariff protection. Thirty per cent of 'swollen' fortunes and the poor seamstress pay the bill.—Bryan's Commoner.

Thousands of men and women in all walks of life are suffering from kidney and bladder troubles. Don't neglect your kidneys. Delays are dangerous. DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills afford quick relief for all forms of kidney and bladder trouble. A week's treatment 25c. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

It is announced that at a meeting of the church board of the Christian church, held yesterday afternoon, the board contracted with the pastor, Rev. L. D. Anderson, for another year, at an increased salary. This is good news to the members of the church and the friends of Rev. Anderson and family. He is doing a great work for the church here, and the people appreciate his efforts.—Palestine Herald.

Certainly Fair.

Of all troubles humanity is subject to none perhaps causes more acute distresses 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.

Pay that dollar now.

Least you forget, have you paid your poll tax yet?

Beware of frequent Colds.

A succession of colds or a protracted cold is almost certain to end in chronic catarrh, from which few persons ever wholly recover. Give every cold the attention it deserves and you avoid this disagreeable disease. How can you cure a cold? Why not try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended Mrs. M. White, of Butler, Tenn., says: "Several years ago I was bothered with my throat and lungs. Some one told me of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I began using it and it relieved me at once. Now my throat and lungs are sound and well." for sale by Guice & Son.

The Messenger and the Galveston Semi-Weekly News one year \$1.75. Want 'em?

That's it!

Cough yourself into a fit of spasms and then wonder why you don't get well. If you will try a bottle of Horehound Syrup your cough will be a thing of the past. It is a positive cure for Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis and all Pulmonary diseases. One bottle will convince you—at your druggist, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Tent Show Coming.

The Cook Bros'. "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" and high class Vaudeville Co. consisting of 25 high class artists. Ladies and gentlemen—with the largest car ever built, carrying a steam caliope, a troupe of educated Russian Poodles and ten high class specialties and showing under canvas. Will exhibit here one night only, Saturday, Dec. 7.

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 I have 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 far 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.

Instructive—Interesting

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THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER

ALBERT H. LUKER - Editor and Publisher

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Entered in the Postoffice at Grapeland, Texas, every Thursday as second class Mail Matter.

Advertising Rates Reasonable, and made known on application.

The festivities of Thanksgiving are over, and now we must prepare for the Christmas holidays.

The headlines tell us that congress will face the financial situation. We have been facing it for some time.

The price of chickens is said to have advanced several points in Houston last week on account of the Methodist Conference.

It must be a consoling thought to the new state of Oklahoma to know that Great Old Texas lies by her warm side.

Houston was visited by a very disastrous fire Sunday night. Half a block burned and the loss is estimated to be three quarters of a million dollars.

The financial panic has caused many shake-ups, and wrought havoc in general, but Christmas day still comes on December 25th.

Boys next time you see a successful man ask him if he attained success by doing first one thing, then another. See if he didn't "stick to his bush."—Tusk Press-Journal.

The political campaign to be waged in Texas next summer is going to be a warm one, but we folks don't need to worry. Joe Bailey is going to attend the whole outfit and save us the trouble.

The Pennsylvania judge should quit trying to climb telephono poles in his automobiles. If he will come to Texas and get a job on the judiciary, the legislature will keep him up a tree half the time without danger of bodily harm.—Kerrville Sun.

When the banks of the East repudiated for a time all their obligations to the Banks of the South and west they held our money out of circulation at a critical time for us. Whether it was partly the result of a combination of coincidents or was by design, we can never know for suer, but it will be well to keep our money close to home as the next harvest and crop-moving season approaches.—Farm & Ranch.

There is at least one class in this section that is not vociferously roaring about the present financial distress. That class is composed of men who have persistently remained on their little farms, tilled the soil, raised the necessaries of life at home and some to spare. They are now resting easy with their winter supplies purchased, syrup made up, corn and other feed stuff housed, potatoes stored away and fat hogs in the pen to make meat another year. They are the people who enjoy life.—Lufkin Tribune.

A good many gumheads in this here bum town have writ us to know how they should act during a panic. Our remedy, of course, may not suit every complexion, but we think it is the best ever. Just as soon as the panic struck us we went to our cupboard and took down a jug. Half a dozen swipes convinced us that there warent no such thing as a panic. Every time a bill collector comes in, we throw him out'n the window. We propose to keep it up till the cycloom has past. In that way we didn't git nervous and didn't know nuthin' about it.—Hardeman Free Press.

Bryan is the biggest man in this country, head and shoulders. He has demonstrated this time and again. Recently at the banquet given in his honor he stood among his democratic friends and declared that President Roosevelt should not be held to blame in any way for the financial crisis. He gave expression to this sentiment, too, when many r-publicans are lambasting Roosevelt as being the sole cause of the trouble. Bryan is too broad a man to take advantage of a seeming opportunity to land on his apponent, unless he is convinced in his own mind that his opponent is at fault.—Palestine Herald

What's

worth doing is worth doing well. If you wish to be cured of Rheumatism use Ballard's Snow Liniment and you will be well "cured" A positive cure for Sprains, Neuralgia, Bruises, Contracted Muscles and all the ills that flesh is heir to. A. G. M. Williams, Navasota, Texas, writes: "I have used Snow Liniment for sprained ankle and it gave the best of satisfaction. I always keep it in the house." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

The local women's club had offered a prize for the best essay, by any member, on "How to Make a Husband Happy." It was a cash prize, and summer expenses were in the near distance, and the competition was large and warm. The winning paper was just three words long, and, stranger even than that, it was submitted by a spinster of 57. Her dictum was merely this: "Feed the brute."

Muscular Pains Cured.

"During the summer of 1903 I was troubled with muscular pains in the instep of my foot," says Mr. S. Pediar, of Toronto, Ont. "At times it was so painful I could hardly walk. Chamberlain's Pain Balm was recommended to me, so I tried it and was completely cured by one small bottle. I have since recommended it to several of my friends, all of whom speak highly of it." For sale by Guice & Son.

A Chinese boy who was studying English had occasion to write a letter to the young lady who was his Sunday school teacher. Not wishing to begin his letter in the stereotyped way with "Dear Miss," for he considered her worthy of something special, he took his English dictionary to look up an equivalent for the word dear. His teacher was much surprised and highly edified when she opened the letter. This is the way it began: "Expensive Miss."—Ex.

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 Invite Comparison

We know we have the right prices and the goods. You are safe when you make your purchases from us.

We are selling goods at the lowest price that any merchandise can be sold.

You may see flaming advertisements, goods at cost, but if you will compare our prices and quality you will be convinced that we are selling goods as cheap as any house in the county.

We make a specialty of shoes, prices from 50c to \$5. We are selling lots of dry goods, boots, shoes, groceries, of which our stock is complete.

We pledge you full value for every cent you spend with us. We pin our faith to honest goods, bottom prices and straightforward dealings.

We will show you some mighty pretty things in Christmas goods in a few days.

I am paying cash for cotton. Bring it to me and receive the top price for same.

F. A. Faris

The Grapeland Messenger and The Galveston Semi-Weekly News for \$1.75

Holiday Announcement

We wish to announce to the public that our

HOLIDAY GOODS

are arriving daily, and we want you to understand that our display this year will eclipse all previous efforts. We will have gifts for all.

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Carleton & Porter,

PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS

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It is often convenient to have a record of your business transactions.

There are times when it is necessary to refer to a record.

A checking account gives you a complete record of your daily transactions. Your receipts and expenditures are written down accurately in your bank book. In addition, your checks furnish you a detailed record.

Our facilities for a checking account, either large or small, are profitable to everyone.

A checking account at this Bank will be an advantage to you.

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

LOCAL NEWS.

Fresh fruits daily at the Bon Ton.

If you want a good wagon see Geo E Darsey

Just received another big lot of boots and shoes at Faris'.

Old clothes made new at the tailor shop in Faris' store

F. A. Faris for sure enough bargains, try him.

Box Bon Bons for your sweetheart at the Bon Ton.

Get the best flour at Faris'. New flour, old prices

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

If you want groceries at prices to suit the times see W. R. Wherry.

Call on us for your drugs. We have them at live and let live prices. Guice's Drug Store.

Take your chickens, turkeys, eggs, hides, bees wax, and speckle peas to Darsey's and get your goods at cut prices.

Mr. B.E. Blount is installing a large gasoline engine in his shop, and is making preparations to put in a first-class grist mill.

We want your drug trade and will certainly treat you right in prices to get your trade Guice's Drug Store.

There is no use to buy a new suit of clothes if you have a respectable looking old one. Odell Faris, the tailor, can fix it up to look brand new,

For bedsteads, dressers, chairs, bed springs, mattresses, tables, rockers, cooking stoves, or anything in the furniture line at cut prices, see J. R. Richards at the furniture store.

Sewing Machine at cut prices at Darsey's.

Press Stowe went down to Crockett Sunday evening.

Clothing at cut prices at Darsey's.

W. H. Lively went to Palestine Monday on business.

Ear corn and corn chops at Darsey's.

Sheriff J. C. Lacy was in town Tuesday.

Furniture at cut prices at Darsey's.

Fruit cake ingredients at the Bon Ton.

A few saddles at Darsey's at cut prices.

The finest toilet soap on earth at W. R. Wherry's.

See Darsey's cut prices before spending a dollar any where.

B. R. Guice & Son want your drug trade.

Single and double barrel shot guns at cut prices at Darsey's.

The freshest and nicest line of candy ever in Grapeland at the Bon Ton.

Ladies, I can clean and press your skirts to a queen's taste. Odell Faris, Tailor.

Remember there is nothing better than the best. W. R. Wherry keeps the best flour.

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

Hood Murchison is home from Groveton, where he has had employment for several months.

Five gallons of the best Eupion oil for 85c at W. R. Wherry's

Call on our store for your jewelry. We have it at the right prices. Guice's Drug Store.

Mrs. W. D. McCarty and Mrs. Geo. Shipper visited at Crockett and Porter Springs Saturday and Sunday.

Tax collector Goolsby was here Friday and Saturday and a great many citizens availed themselves of the opportunity to pay their taxes.

Jim Bean was appointed carrier for route No. 4 by the postoffice department, and Cleveland Sandler was appointed carrier on route No. 1.

The lectures which have been announced to take place at the Christian church by Rev. H. E. Luck of Dallas, beginning Dec. 10, have been called in.

The infant child of Mrs. Brinkley, who lives on Mr. Cary Spence's farm, fell in the fire Friday morning and was fatally burned, death ensuing Saturday.

Mr. Bob Wherry has sold his interest in the firm of Wherry Bros. to his brother, and has moved back to his former home at Porter Springs, where he will conduct a store and run his farm. Mr. and Mrs. Wherry have made many friends during their stay here, and regret to see them go.

Conference Appointments.

Following are the appointments made for the Huntsville district by the Texas Conference recently in session at Houston:—

H. C. Willis, presiding elder, Huntsville, E. W. Solomon; Anderson, O. F. Zimmerman; Augusta, E. D. Prather; Cold Springs, A. L. Carns; Crockett, F. M. Boyles; Dodge, G. W. Henderson; Shepherd and Cleveland, J. C. Huddleson; Grapeland and Lovelady, J. C. Cameron; Groveton, Jesse Willis; Hemstead, B. C. Ansley; Madisonville, J. C. Carr; Madisonville circuit, Oscar W. Hooper; Stoneham and Plantersville, S. H. Kelly; Willis and Montgomery, G. F. Bilbro; Navasota, C. R. Lamar; San Jacinto, W. W. Graham; Trinity and Onalaska, A. P. Bradford; Waller, C. M. Meyers; Willard, A. R. Benicke; Conroe, E. L. Ingram; chaplain, United States army, E. P. Newsome.

Thirty Six Valuable Premiums To Be Given Away For Cash Register Checks.

We have completed our list of premiums to be given away with cash register checks as follows.

First three boys a shot gun each.

First three girls a Bucks Jr. range each.

Second three girls a pair of Buster Brown shoes each.

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Next twelve girls a large doll each.

Next twelve boys a pocket knife each, making in all 36 premiums that we are going to give away, we will give cash register checks with every cash sale untill and including December 14th. Geo. E. Darsey.

Cleaning and pressing ladies skirts a specialty. Odell Faris.

Get the best shoes at F. A. Faris'.

See us for your jewelry. B. R. Guice & Son.

Trunks going at cost at F. A. Faris'.

Buy White Plume and Lily Flour from Clewis—none better.

F. A. Faris pays cash for cotton.

Cleaning and pressing done on short notice to give satisfaction at the tailor shop, Odell Faris.

For Sale.—Good dry stove wood \$3.00 per cord, house wood \$2.00.—Frisby & Eaves.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old suit for Christmas. He can make it look new.

Mr. J. S. Cook, the telephone man, was up from Crockett a few days this week. Mr. Cook is putting in new telephones, which will greatly improve the service.

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Farmers Need Not Worry.

There is very little need for a good farmer [ever to be worried about a financial crash in Van Zandt county, where he can raise anything he should want. There is no need for him to buy anything except the clothes he wears and the necessary tools for cultivating his crop.—Grand Saline Sun.

The good farmer very seldom has to worry about anything. If he is a good farmer he so orders the rotation of his crops and the diversity of his products that he is pretty sure to have something coming in at about all times of the year, and the Texas farmer has a better opportunity to do this than any other agriculturist on the face of the globe. The soil of the state is so fertile in every part, and the seasons are such mildness and long duration that he is practically assured of a producing time every day in the year. If it is not growing grain or cotton it can be growing livestock or poultry, everything that grows in Texas brings a good price and is little trouble to the grower. If the farmers of Texas don't have all of the good things of life it is their own fault. The soils of Van Zandt county are good, but they are equaled in many other parts of the state, and it is not so much a matter of locality as it is the individual who engages in the profession of tilling the soil whether or not he shall have all that heart could wish in the abundance of this world's goods.—Fort Worth Record.

Whenever you feel that your stomach has gone a little wrong or when you feel that it is not in good order as is evidenced by mean headaches, nervousness, bad breath, and belching, take something at times, and especially after your meals until relief is afforded. There is nothing better offered the public today for stomach troubles, dyspepsia, indigestion, etc., than Kodol. This is a scientific preparation of natural digestants combined with vegetable acids and it contains the same juices found in every healthy stomach. Kodol is guaranteed to give relief. It is pleasant to take; it will make you feel fine by digesting what you eat. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

A miserable impostor is said to be traveling over the country selling a recipe for taking off warts, when everybody knows the one way to take off a wart is to rub it with a potato, which is afterwards to be buried by a nigger in the northeast corner of a graveyard at midnight in the dark of the moon. As the potato decays the wart will disappear.—Hanlon (Tex) Torpedo.

There is something about Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup that makes it different from others, as it causes a free yet gentle action of the bowels through which the cold is forced out of the system. At the same time it heals irritation and allays inflammation of the throat and lungs. It is pleasant to take. Children like it. Contains no opiates nor narcotics. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Burnham and Stephen's show was in Grapeland last Friday night, to the extreme sorrow of those who attended. It was about the biggest fake that has been this way for some time, and everybody went home disgusted.

What Reason, For This Unrest

Labor trouble, discontent and unrest seems to be universal. What is the trouble? Prosperity it is claimed, is found nearly all over the globe except in portions of India and Russia, where want and starvation is said to exist. Most, if not all, of this comes very likely from misgovernment. But what is the cause of so much disturbance in the United States? Labor troubles exist in nearly every part of the country. Is this a protest against the gradual encroachment of organized capital that has no soul, no concern or feeling for the woes or ills of others? The Americans ought to be the most prosperous, happy and contented people in the world but some how they are not. The cause and cure awaits some statesmen who will achieve undying fame if they can devise a remedy. Universal contentment, of course, is not expected, but there must be some cause for all these strikes, panics and general disturbances in this country. Men do not quit work and go on a strike without some justification. The idea with the great corporations seem to be that all labor unions should be crushed as enemies to society. While no doubt a few designing men sometimes use the power of the labor organizations to further their own political or business interest, yet it will be a sad day for the laborer whether on the farm, factory or transportation, if organized labor is crushed. The corporations have no more right to live than the individual. Mutual interest should bring capital and labor in close touch, but unfortunately the breach seems to be widening all the time. This bodes ill for the future of our country, but what is to be done?—Baird Star.

Are you having trouble with your kidneys? There are lots of people today who wonder why they have pains across the back why they are tired and lacking in energy and ambition. Your kidneys are wrong. They need relief without delay. Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills; they are for weak back, inflammation of the bladder, backache and weak kidneys. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

A young fellow living near Ashton brought a watch to Hackett's jewelry store for repairs lately. He had purchased the "turnip" from a Chicago catalogue house at a bargain price; couldn't understand why it stopped running Hackett, upon opening the case found a dead cockroach in the works. Turning to the owner of the timepiece he said: "No wonder the thing would not run, the engineer's dead."—Rochelle (Ill) Independent.

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"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.

N. J. Tims and Alton Lively of Waneta left here Tuesday with their families for Buffalo Gap, in West Texas, where they will make their future home. We regret to lose such good citizens from our country, but wish them prosperity in their new home.

Kodol For Indigestion

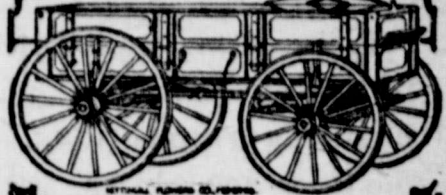
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If, after using two-thirds of a \$1.00 bottle of Kodol, you can honestly say it has not benefited you, we will refund your money. Try Kodol today on this guarantee. Fill out and sign the following, present it to the dealer at the time of purchase. If it fails to satisfy you return the bottle containing one-third of the medicine to the dealer from whom you bought it, and we will refund your money.

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should keep supplied with Ballard's Horehound Syrup, if she wishes to save her children from serious sick spells. It contains absolutely nothing injurious, does not constipate. Good for children as well as adults.

A cough often leads to consumption and should be checked immediately.

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Surely Here Were Musical Tastes Enough to Suit Anybody.

A gentleman of the most cultivated musical tastes, wishing to change his residence, advertised for rooms in a private family "fond of music." The next mail brought him the following reply:

"Dear Sir: I think we could accommodate you with rooms, and as for music one of my daughters plays the parlor organ and guitar; another one plays the accordion and banjo; I play the cornet and fiddle; by wife plays the harmonica and my son the flute. We all sing and if you are good at tenor singing you would fit right in when we get to singing gospel hymns evenings, for none of us sings tenor. Or if you play the base vial we have one right here in the house. If you want music as well as rooms and board we could accommodate you and there would be no extra charge for it. Lippincott's.

FAMILY'S SKIN TROUBLES.

Eczema, Heat Rash, and Scalp Affections Affect Different Members, But Cuticura Cures Them.

"My wife had eczema for five or six years. It was on her face and would come and go. We thought we would give the Cuticura Remedies a trial. We did so and she has never had a sign of eczema for four years. I myself used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment some time ago for falling hair. I now have a very heavy head of hair. We used Cuticura Remedies for our baby, who was nearly bald when young. She has very nice hair now. She is very fleshy, and we had so much trouble with heat that we would bathe her with Cuticura Soap and then apply Cuticura Ointment, it would dry the heat up so much quicker than anything else. Mr. H. B. Springmire, 323 So. Capital Street, Iowa City, Ia., July 16, 1905, and Sept. 16, 1906."

Preposterous.

An aged Jersey farmer, visiting a circus for the first time, stood before the dromedary's cage, eyes popping and mouth agape at the strange beast within. The circus proper began and the crowds left for the main show, but still the old man stood before the cage in stunned silence, appraising every detail of the misshapen legs, the cloven hoofs, the pendulous upper lip and the curiously mounded back of the sleepy-eyed beast. Fifteen minutes passed. Then the farmer turned away and spat disgustedly. "Hell! There aint no such animal!"—Everybody's Magazine.

Time Sometimes Flies So.

"Mabel," asked the dear girl's mother, "what time did that young man leave last night?" "Why," replied Mabel, "I believe it was nearly 11 o'clock." "What? I am sure it was later than that," said the mother. "How strange!" remarked Mabel, dreamily. "We both thought it couldn't possibly be that late."—The Catholic Standard and Times.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. WARDING, KINNAS & MARTIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The Duty of the Hour.

"How were you impressed by our distinguished visitors' speech?" asked one prominent citizen. "I hadn't thought about forming impressions," replied the other. "As I understand such an occasion, we were not there to criticize, but to give three cheers and to sing 'The Star-Spangled Banner.'"

Don't Be Irritable.

"An irritated skin makes an irritable person, and an irritable person gathers much trouble unto himself or herself as the case may be. Moral: Use Hunt's Cure, one box of which is absolutely and unqualifiedly guaranteed to cure any form of skin trouble. Any kind of itching known is relieved at once and one box cures."

Her New Hat.

"I believe Maude is weakening in her championship of the Audubon movement against bird plumage hat trimming."

"What makes you think so?"

"I notice in public, especially at the theater, she is showing the white feather."

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 *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought

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An old lady on her seventy-third birthday once said, "I do not mind getting old, and I do not fear death, but I live in constant fear of paralysis."

"For some time I have been wanting to tell you of the great good your wonderful Sloan's Liniment is doing here," writes Mr. James F. Abernethy, of Rutherford College, N. C. "In fact, all your remedies are doing noble work, but your Liniment beats all. In my eight years' experience with medicine I find none to go ahead of it, having tried it in very many cases. I know of one young man, a brick-mason, who suffered from a partial, yes, almost complete, paralysis of one arm. I got him to use your Liniment, and now he can do as much work as ever, and he sings your praise every day. I get all to use it I possibly can and know there is great virtue in it. I have helped the sale of your noble remedies about here greatly, and expect to cause many more to buy them, as I know they can't be beat."

Mansfield's Rebuke.

A group of theatrical men were talking in New York about the late Richard Mansfield.

"Mr. Mansfield," said one, was a delightful humorist, a splendid raconteur in society, but at the same time he had a certain proper and becoming sense of his own dignity, and it never paid to be unduly familiar with him.

"He was, as we all know, rather bald. He resented, from barbers, or friends, any allusion to his baldness. 'Well, one night at a party, a man came up behind this great artist, staggered him with a violent slap on the back, and exclaimed in a loud, jovial, familiar voice:

"Hello, Dick. How are you? Every time I see you, you get balder and balder."

Mansfield drew himself up. He sneered at the other.

"Hello," he said. "I don't know who you are, but every time I see you you get ruder and ruder."

Rest and Sleep.

Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simmon's Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

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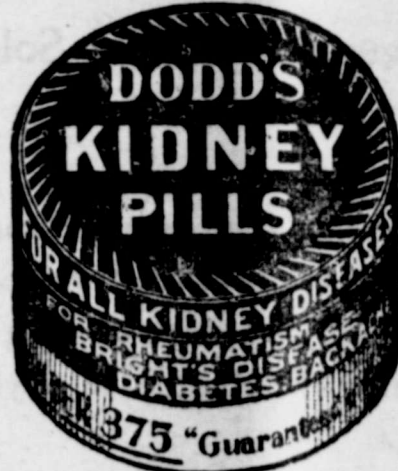
I would almost as soon think of running my farm without implements as without Hunt's Lightning Oil. Of all the liniments I have ever used, for both man and beast, it is the quickest in action and richest in results. For burns and fresh cuts it is absolutely wonderful. I regard it as a household necessity. Yours truly S. HARRISON, Kosciusko, Miss.

Finance.

"Sammy," said a Germantown mother recently to her youngest-born, "When you divided those seven pieces of candy with your brother did you give him four?"

"No, ma'am," replied Sammy, "I knew they wouldn't come out even, so I ate one before I began to divide."—Harper's Weekly.

A man has no right to kick about the hats his wife wears. All he has to do is to pay for them—he doesn't have to wear them.



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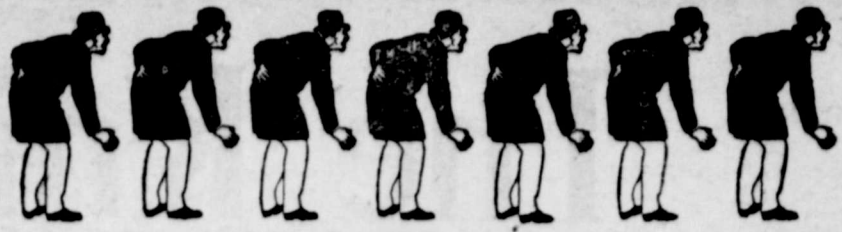
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RHEUMATISM CAN NOT BE RUBBED AWAY

It is perfectly natural to rub the spot that hurts, and when the muscles, nerves, joints and bones are throbbing and twitching with the pains of Rheumatism the sufferer is apt to turn to the liniment bottle, or some other external application, in an effort to get relief from the disease, by producing counter-irritation on the flesh. Such treatment will quiet the pain temporarily, but can have no direct curative effect on the real disease because it does not reach the blood, where the cause is located. Rheumatism is more than skin deep—it is rooted and grounded in the blood and can only be reached by constitutional treatment—IT CANNOT BE RUBBED AWAY. Rheumatism is due to an excess of uric acid in the blood, brought about by the accumulation in the system of refuse matter which the natural avenues of bodily waste, the Bowels and Kidneys, have failed to carry off. This refuse matter, coming in contact with the different acids of the body, forms uric acid which is absorbed into the blood and distributed to all parts of the body, and Rheumatism gets possession of the system. The aches and pains are only symptoms, and though they may be scattered or relieved for a time by surface treatment, they will reappear at the first exposure to cold or dampness, or after an attack of indigestion or other irregularity. Rheumatism can never be permanently cured while the circulation remains saturated with irritating, pain-producing uric acid poison. The disease will shift from muscle to muscle or joint to joint, settling on the nerves, causing inflammation and swelling and such terrible pains that the nervous system is often shattered, the health undermined, and perhaps the patient becomes deformed and crippled for life. S. S. S. thoroughly cleanses the blood and renovates the circulation by neutralizing the acids and expelling all foreign matter from the system. It warms and invigorates the blood so that instead of a weak, sour stream, constantly depositing acrid and corrosive matter in the muscles, nerves, joints and bones, the body is fed and nourished by rich, health-sustaining blood which completely and permanently cures Rheumatism. S. S. S. is composed of both purifying and tonic properties—just what is needed in every case of Rheumatism. It contains no potash, alkali or other mineral ingredient, but is made entirely of purifying, healing extracts and juices of roots, herbs and barks. If you are suffering from Rheumatism do not waste valuable time trying to rub a blood disease away, but begin the use of S. S. S. and write us about your case and our physicians will give you any information or advice desired free of charge and will send our special treatise on Rheumatism.

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Proud Father—Welcome back to the old farm, my boy. So you got through college all right?

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"No, but he always pays his dues."

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Men's Thoroughbred Hats.

#3 Hats reduced to \$2.50

The Thoroughbred hat is guaranteed by the manufacturer to give satisfaction. We have them in the novelty Telescopes and flat four pinch crowns, and in the staple 3 1/4 and 4 inch brims with creased crowns, in white and black at \$2.50

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Ladies' Fall Shirt Waists.

Made of soft luster finish, white waisting mercerized silk figures, side and box plaited front, box plaited in back, invisible open front, deep plaited cuffs, plaited stock collar, sizes 32 to 40, price 90c

Another made of white linen suiting, closely woven, resembles pure Irish linen, full white bleached, beautifully embroidered front, invisible open front, deep plaited cuffs, graduated box plaited back, plaited stock collar with bow, was \$1.25, now \$1.00

Another made of cream white wool Henrietta, heavily embroidered front with 1/2 inch plaits on shoulders, open back, plaited on each side, tucked stocked collar, full steeves, narrow cuffs, \$1.40

Another made of superior cream Mohair, heavy raised silk embroidered front, plaited on each side, detached tucked stock collar, tucked cuffs, two graduated plaits in back, invisible open front, price \$1.90

Ladies' Union Suits.

Ribbed union suits, lace neck and front taped neck, shell stitched silk front, gussted arm holes, covered seams, medium heavy, sizes 4, 5 and 6, specially good values at 50c and 90c

Ladies' ribbed knitted drawers, well made, good weight, bleached and unbleached at 25c

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Silver gray, ribbed, lace at neck and front with tape, dropped seat with gusset, 3 buttons on band in back, all covered seams, nicely fleeced lined, gussted arm holes, 4, 5, 6, 7, 30c

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Choice pattern worsted and floss yarns, mercerized silk stripes, heavy twisted fringed ends, white on y, 15 ins. wide, 88 ins. long, price 75c

Newport Scarfs at \$1.00

Heavy floss yarn, looks like hand made, plain, but heavy, 16 inches wide, 72 inches long, 6 inch fringed ends, very attractive, red and white, brown and white, white and black \$1.00

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Silk shawls in black, cream and pink, finest pure silk thread, large size, heavy weight, finely woven centers in beautiful stripe, dot and zigzag designs, with wide lace borders and long silk fringe, price \$1.00, \$1.35, \$1.90 and \$2.50

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Medium heavy, black venetian, 43 inches long, 3 outside pockets, loose back, single breast, fly front, velvet collar, reduced from \$7 to \$5.00

Very heavy all wool black beaver, 3 outside pockets, 52 inches long, 19 inch button vent, single breast, fly front, silk velvet collar, well padded shoulders, best black satin finish, sateen lining, this coat was an exceptional value at \$10.00, but we offer it to you for \$8.50

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Fine genuine priestly cravenette, in heavy oxford gray, diagonal chevots, single breast, fly front, 54 inches long loose back, 21 inch buttoned vent, black serge quarter lining, regular price \$11.00, cut to \$9.50

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Fine heavy, dark blue, frieze overcoating, double breast, fly front, with velvet collar, loose back sizes 6 to 9 years, regular price \$5.00, reduced to \$3.90

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Blue and camel's hair, heavy mixed ribbed tops, strengthened white heels and toes, full seamless and full weight 15c

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Fine black cashmere, spliced heel and toe, medium heavy, fine gauge, full seamless, nicely finished 30c

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