## The Grapeland Messenger.


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## State Road Being Built.

Mr. Jno. W.Wright, State Financial agent, passed through last night going to Austin. This writer met him at the depot and in conversation asked him: "Are you building the state road as fast as you can to Palestine?"
Mr. Wright replied: "Well, mayMr. Wright replied: "Well, maybe not as fast as we can, b
Which goes to show that the road is being built, and to thia city. We expect to hear the engine whistle if the weather doesn't interfere, by St. Patrick's Day.
Listen for the whistle.-Pales tine Advocate.

## Beware of frequent Colds.

 A succession of colds or a pro tracted cold is almost certain toend in chronic catarrh, from end in chronic catarrh, from
which few persons ever wholly which few persons ever wholly
recover. Give every cold the recover. Give every cold the
attention it deserves and ycu attention it deserves and ycu
ayoid this disagreable disease. ayoid this disagreable disease.
How can you cure a cold? Why How can you cure a cold? Why
not try Chamberlain's Cough Kemedy? Itis highly recomended 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 useing it and it relieved me at once. Now my throat and lungs are sound and well.' for sale by Guice \& Son.

## Deeply Interested.

The St. Louis Globe-Demerat referring to the president's mes sage says: But those who read it from beginning to end ernment touches them and erniches the rest of the world a touches the rest of the world a more points

It is because so many men have failed to appreciate their deep concern in the government that the republican party has won the victories. Some who have habitually voted the republican ticket seem to have regard ed the national government as an
affair to be given to the republic affair to be given to the republic
party to use as a plaything. The coutry is to be congratulate that men are at last awakened to
the important part they must the important part they mus play as citizens.

Bryan,s Uommerner.

## Christmas Oiving.

Two little girls were talking bout what they were going to buy for Christmas. The wealthy girl said, "I have twenty five
dollars to spend on my family: how much have you?"" The poor one replied 'I have two dollars and fifty cents to spends but not on our family. They do not need 1 t. I am going to buy presents for poor children who ha no money for Christmas.
We are apt to think too much about Christmas presents for our family, and too little about gifts for those who have Christmas money to spend Most people seem to think that if they have no money they cannot make Christmas presents. But even if they have no money
they probably have something they probably have something
lying about the house or office which they do not need half as much as others less fortunat than themselves and which they could easily spare. There are
plenty of things in many homes plenty of things in many homes
put away in the attic as rubbish which would be of very grea ervice to somebody
The trouble is that we are too selfish. We may have clothing that we are very sure we are shall never wear again, but we cling to it, as we do to books, which we have read and many other things simply because w think we may want them some It
It is a good time to clea house just before Christmas, an to pick out all the things you do
not really need. You will be surprised to see how many things surprised to see how many things
yoa have to spare which would cheer and help somebody.-Or son Sweet Marden, in Succes Magaziue.

Are you having trouple with your kidneys? There are lots people today who wonder why hey have pains across the back why they are tired and lacking in energy and ambition. You kidneys are wrong. They need relief without delay. Take De Witt's Kidney and Bladder Pills they are for weak back, inflama tion of the bladder. backache and weak kidney. Sold by Carleto \& Porter.
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## Careful thinking Wise decision Honest Profit

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S. E. HOWARD.

## A Letter From Mr. Cain.

Arayat, Pampanga, P. I. Nov 2, 1967. Editor Messenger:am getting along swimminglv Nothing the matter except that my socks are almost gone. The feet have been worn off them for a long time but I didn't care a starw for that. Now the legs are worn off to the tops of my shoes. This enables the old grandpa mosquitoes to job their ravenous bills into my tender skin, which always makes me jump and blacksmith "quicks" him with s nail. 'Pon my honor I believe this is all there is to it but Miss Nannie declares that my Mise Nannie declares that my fits of
kicking ard sometimes accom. pained by a low muttering accom pained by a low muttering about day school topic.
Not long since we were guests at the farmhouse of a wealthy farmer who lives here in town but has vast rice and sugar farms out near the barriors. I can best tell you how we fared by compar ing the day to a day spent in the congenial and hospitable home of some of Houston County's substantial farmers; for instance, a day with Mr. E H. Darsey during watermelon time. While I am saying, might say that we have twice been invited to grand receptions at the palace of the provincial at the paiace of the provincia we feel much indebted to our division superintendent who is division superintendent who is
next door neighbor the governor. next door neighbor the governor.
Some one asked in a letter whether the Filipinos cook thei lood or eat it raw. Why, they cook it; and besidea, they are
good cooks. When it comes to good cooks. When it comes to
making good bread they ar ahead of gny pread they ar There is an excellent bakery her and every evening a half-dozen girls with baskets supply the town with all kinds of bread and cakes. The bread is usually bak ed in loaves about the size of a biscuit and one may buy twelve U. S. money. The five cents nothing raw except a few of the fruits. The healta laws, if noth ng el would forbid their ing uncooked lood. I believe the economic situation in the South would be greatly improv od if a few hundred chousand will not work but a negroes who will not work but a short while
at any price were hustled out of the cour.try and Filipinos impor ted for cooks and servants.
The question is frequently ask ed whether Fillipinoz are black By no means. I would call them light brown. If an America should go bareheaded and work in the sunshine all summer he would be about the color of the average Fillipino. Those who are much exposed to rain and sin are at dark as Mexican while the fine lady who guard ner complexion well and uses her quota of swan-down is as tight ad the brunette type of the Amorican lady. Aa far ad appearsnce gues, no kind of compariance gues, no kiad of compari Fuipino and the negro. A. pic Fulpino and the negro. A• pic land High School will verify this satid hight
statement.
shorty before I left home was in convereation with Hon. J. W, Maduen of Crockett concorning thinge ho had learned from a kineman of his about the Philippines. I remember that 1 books, papers, musioal instrumente, bte. would be found in the oush was his undoratanding of
ous matter. Now I am ablo to
say that not only the best but in- the outlawe swooped down on deed all Filipinos have pictures the town a few deys ann on in their homes. Those who are laid one of them in the shade. I very poor may have nothing was glad, not becaues the rufmore than pictures of the virgin fians killed our cop, but beosuse and a few imaginary saints but they did not ret me but becuse the well-to-do have many real man was buried ithe policeworks of art. Books are not so hon buried with military common so they should he quite a nume the called the quite a n. Alor all Filipinos ean play some kind of ming ging the grave. One spaded out play some kind of musical instru-
ment.
Histo
History tells us that the old Romans used to promise the gode rich gifts and splendid games in return for good crops. Tne Filipinos do not make any trade to this effect but in case the good urop comes, they have a gay old time on the last day of the har vest. They erect a platform in the middle of the rice field, bring out a priest, have mase, then a dance followed by a big feast. If the crops are bad or if an earthquake comes at the wrong time and shakes the grain out of the rice, they do not hold the celebra tion. It seems to be the surplus and not the bare living that they are thankful for. I wonder is this is true of our people.
The drees of the people varies more, perhaps, than anything wear in the islands. Some men wear clothes, shoes and hats o
the same style worn by the Amricans. Others wear pants wit kind of doublet which might be considered the connecting link between coat and shirt. These wear chinelas, a kind of sandal, or wooden shoes and an ordinary hat. The poorest of the peasant class wear anything or nothing or a shirt. Their pants ar orally rolled up above the knees. They wear no shoes nor hat of any kind. They often have rag tied horizontally around the head just above the ears. This course does not cover the top of the head but it doesn't need to black hair is an.ply sufficient black hair an ply suficient rom the tropical sun. The fin from the tropical sun. The fin cerial wears akirts have good ma them about as long in proportion as the tail of a comet. Her waist is made of gauzy hemp and he leeves the size of a two gallo ug, with the largest part at the hands. This outfit is capped by kind of hood somewhat like a hittle shawl. There is no head cear of any kind for women (No wonder the men respect Easter!) The lady in question She sometimes wear chinelas but as a rule she wears wooden shoeThese shoes have thick soles and high heels of wood. They have no uppers except a littie leather vamp not much larger than the Filipino maiden places her little brown bare foot on this shoe and by means of the leather tip, half drage and half lifts the shos manages to get along by making noise not altogether as loud as that made by the tramp of a frees shod horse. Women who do manual labor (that ie, wives who have to support the main they
married) wear short skirts and go barefuoted. Instead of a akirt winding sheet which is tucked close under the arms and extends do wn towards the ankles. The capacity
latter clase is seldom over suen without some kind of burden on
their heads. The dreas of children is simple indeed. You may 006 eix year old children on the when they were born. We hać ton policoman unti the mud while the other kept the water dipped out with a bucket.
The coffin was lowered, the saThe coffin was lowered, the sae
lute fired and the mud raked into the grave on the naked coffin. The grave is often spoken of as the "final resting place" but I'il vow I don't believe there is much reat for the fellow who is atuck down in this mud, especially if he should have to lie there a few million years waiting for the general judgment. Am I orthodoy on this point? It has been a long time since I heard a preacher but it atrikes me that they will tell us that the body will, at some indef inite time in the future, shate of its Rip Van Winkle snooze which we call death. I think it which preacher but only a was no said that the body goes "to who aid that bis rever with the elements; to be brother to the insensible rociz nd the sluggish clod", or rather he sluggish mud.
Willie Taft is here. He came ver to launch the Philippine ship of state. Willie is getting ready for a high dive after the presidency. For my part I had ohn See Charlie Culberson, in the Sharp, or even Billy Bryan the chair than Taft; but if we et Rove a repubican and can' t. Roseveit, then let us have Witie. Ho is an able maa ands as honest as politician enerally are. Then he would wava be backed by the wiedoe and prestige of Roosevelt. Besides, the election of Taft would nean political annihilation to hat old tom-cat Foraker who beame so infatuated with the oons that shot up Brownsvillo. lay we have another president party or no party! The south will not soon forget the man who had courage enough (and teeth nough) to enip and (and leoll onough) to stip a gang of mur erers of the infamous job-hunting to "Bosting,"
A. W. Cain.

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bett X tell you what I want. want you to bring me a pretiy doll that can go to sleep, a litt1. doll tedstead, a little stove and some dishes also some candy, ar ries and oranges. Hoping 1
have not wanted two much. have not wanted two much.

1 zm your Mable Woodard.
P. S. I want a little doll trunk

Dear Santa Claus-I am a little boy five years old and Itry to to come to see me. I want a little drum, and a little watch, a wagon, some fircrackers, a litle horse and some candy, apples, oranges. I wont ask you
for anything el el this time. I will go to bed early.

Your little friend, Frank Woodard.
Dear Santa Claus:-will you please bring me a little train, a ball, a drum and some candy. apples, oranges and firecrackers.
I am mamma's and papa's little baby boy, I am two years old My sleepy, I please come to surme

## We:ley Woodard

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a Teddy Bear, a wagon, a train, sume oranger, apples.
bananas, candy, a chest of tools some fire works and a whole lot of "nigger toes," Your little
friend.
Charlie Jones
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pistol, a horse, a cow, oranges, bananar, apples, a knife, a bank full of money if you can anything else you can think of and oblige your little friend,
Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me something pretty to play with. Such as a negro doll little hammer, candy, apples and agreat big orange. Santa bring Grandpa a good soft apple: If you see a little stocking hanging up by the chimney fill it full for me. Bye, bye, Gerald Lee Jones
Dear Old Santa Claus: Please bring me a littie elerpy doll and a bed for it. And bring me some cardy, apples and a set of little
dishes. Bring me a little lamp dishes. Bring me a finger ring if you can find one that will fit a little girl seven years old so don't forget me. I am a little girl. Laura Robert. Dear Santa Claus:-Please bring me a toy pig that can queal, some candies, fruits and ire-worky of all kinds. I want you to bring mamma someth
nice. Dewey Jones.
Dear Santa Claus:-Please bring me a cap and some nuts, apples, candy, oranges and something nice to keep, and don forget little siste

Your friend.
Curtis Wbite.
Dear Oid Santa Claus:-Will you please bring meas apeech book, a little wagon, candies of ind nutp, fire works.

1 am your little boy,
Dear Santa Claus:-1 want jou to come to see me again this year. I live in Grapeland now
and I hope you can find our
houee. It is slose to uncle Frank

## Tonowr I want a train, a litocca $u n$, candy and some firerackerm 1 wont ask for any more for I know ou have many tor go to see Bye by. Your little boy, Grady Wonderd Dear Santa Claus: Please bring ne a cap, some hittle horses, pecans, fire crackers, oranges, ap- ples, cands and a nice cup aucer Bring Annie Alma a little doll and lots of nice thinge, our little friend, Lester White.

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Trunks are cheaper at Shipper's
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See the display of Christmas goods at F. A. Faris'.
t Rugs countupanes and window shades are cheap at Shippers.

For your Christmas cooking use Oriole Flour, at Darsey's.

A full ine of wert cakes and cookies at the Bon Ton.
Use Oriole flour for Christmas enoking.
The removal sale at Shipper,s is a success.

We want at Howard's your chickens, egge and turkeys at highest market prices.

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

If you are looking for a Christmas pr
etore.

Go to F A. Faris' and look at that pretty gold and silver decorated ware.
A shot gun, saddle,boys wagon or pocket knife, would make a nice present, all of them cheap a Darsev'e.
$\$ 500$ trunke 3 50, $\$ 4.00$ trunka $89.50, \$ 3.00 \$ 250$, now your time to ouy a trunk. F. A. Faris. Will certainly treat you right in prices to get your trade

Guice's Drug Store.
One of those nice pictures at the furniture atore woald make a nice Christmas present, have you seen them?

A large and well assorted stock of all kinds of first-clases pine umber for sale at 811.00 per
thousand at my mill four miles south of Grapeland.
T. H. Leaverton.

B. R Guice \& Son want vou rug trade

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

Stoves are cheaper at Ship
Trunks going at Trun.'
at F. A

Go to Howard's for Xmas fruits candies, nuts, etc.

Get the best shoes a at F. A 'ario'.
This may be your last chance
trace at Shipper's.
Freshest fruite and candies all the time at the Bon Ton.
Buy White Piume and Lily Flour from Ciewis-none better.
Don't forget the removal sale at Shipper's.
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Shipper's LOW prices are Loud talkers.
Get you a big large trunk at F. A. Faris' before they are all gone at your own price.
L. L. Campbell, who formerly ved near here, but now of Thornic $n$, is here on a visil.

Remember there is nothing better than the best. W.
Wherry keeps the best flour.
A Few more fine suiuts of mens clothing at unheard of bargains at F. A. Faais.'
Every cash register check is.
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Darsey's
The finest fresh fruite, nuts, oranges and apples at F. A. Far-
.
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Call on our store for your jewelry. We have it at the right prices. Guice's Drug Store.

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

If you want to buy furniture cheap see J. R. Richards at the Furniture Store.
We learn that Mre, Geo. Brag. ger, who has been sick for sev eral days is rapidly improving.
Have you smelled those fruit cakes at the Bon Ton, 8 months old? Call.
We sell you domestic at $61 / 20$ ther people charge you 7c.

Miss Willie Cunningham of San Pedro is spending the week with her cousins, Miss Logans.
FOR TRADE.-Good 23.8 wagon, cow and yearling for work
horse. J. A. Bean.

FOR SALE.-Some of my horses and buggies. J. R. Smith.

We sell you bleeching at b+c other people charge you 70.
F. A. Faris.
Mre. Clark died laet Baturday at the home of her son, Mr. W. J. Clari, west of Grapeland. Her remains were laid to rest Sunday
etter to Frank Allen Grapeland, Texas.
Dear Sir: A man fed his his hens half meal and half sawdus he thought they wouldn't know he difference. He concluded ed woodpeckers.
A nother man painted his house Another man painted his house
with a paint that was made of with a paint that was made of
half paint-substitutes. He didn't half paint-substitutes He didn't
know the difference-not till he know the differen
paid the painter. paid the painter.
He had 20 gallons to pay for instead of 10 . Got fooled $\$ 12$. 50 on the paint.
He had 20 days wages to pay for, 20 instead of 10 . Fooled $\$ 30$ in wages.
He got a poor job besides. He paid too much for his egge, and they hatched woodpeckers. Yours truly,
F. W. DEVOE \& CO., New Yor P. S. Geo E. Darsey sells our paint

Clothing is cheaper at Ship. per's.
Oran Riala came in Friday night from Loraine, where he has been for several months.

There will be no issue of the Messenger next week. We bid you good bye until Jan. 2, and mas.

Miss Zuma Anthony arrived Friday from Pecos City to spend the holidays with home folks. Miss Zuma has been living with her brother, Hosea.

Most all the school teachers from this end of the county went to Crockett Sunday to attend the teachers institute, which is in session this weak.

## Holiday Rates

- Excursion tickets for the Holi
days will be sold by the I.d.G.N Railroad to the Interstate points
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LETTERS TO

## Santa Claus

## Doar Old Santa:-I still hav that nice doll you gave me it

 atill pretty. Will you bring me a doll bed stead for my doll, I theo and white. I know times thee and white. I know times are hard and if you caI ahall not think hard.

Your little friend,
Lela Vance. Percilla Texas.
Dear Santa Claus:-Will you 6000 good as to bring me a nice book to read and a funny litte rabie to play with and if you much to earry plesese bring my doll a bed,

From a good little girl,
Sear Santa Claus:-I am seasal boy 10 years old, but help wy papa snd mama. Am trying to worthy of some of your evae fire crackers and! apples and eandy and a truck wagon be swe and come,

Johnnie Allen.
Dear Santa Claus.- I want a tialle balloon, a wagon which has horse. a ittle foot ball.

## Elvyn Meriwether,

Latexo, Texas.
thear Old Santa Claus:-1 am the same little boy as ever before asd ram going to call on you for a fow toys. Please bring me one
dak boxes ef eaps for my gun and some skyrockets and some fraits and nuts, candies, fire crackers, canon crackers also a ewiry book,

Your little friens,
Marvin Baker
Ea Texo Tex. Oct. 14-Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a phomergraph with two horns, a dona and a little bed, a stove, a bak of tools and a spade and
shorel, a hoe. An iron "nigger" shovel, a hoe. An iron "nigger"
a Eitise trunk, so the "nigger" cee get in it. Bring me pens asd pencils and a pencil box. Also, a littie lamp, an automobile, thas runs. A wagon and a goai that will pull it. A Chinaman to ride the goat, A bag to make tabloon out of. Bring me a little grom. This is all I can think of righs now Will write again Yaney Daily Meriwether.
LaTexo Texas.-Dear Santa Cane: Please bring me a littl. doll bed, a music roll, a pair oi
hozev alippers. This is all I wan for Chrietmas, Sincerely yourWillie A. Meriwether.
Dear Santa Claus; I will wrien you a few lines to let you
keve what I want you to bring mas. Please bring mea pair of Enedoy shoes and a pair of glover, and some walnute, raisinoranges, pecans, candy, appler my liule sister, Ella Bring her soser eandy, apples, uranges,
"nipger tors" and raivins, San. ta this is a hard year

Your friend,
Carrie Parker.
Dear Senta Claus: I will write to goa to let you know what I wast you to bring me. Pleast tring me a litfle wag on, some "aieger toes," cocoanuts, candy Applo, raieens,, fire-crackers, oneegee, walnuts and pecans Plogee don't forget where I five. Your littls boy, Willis Parker.
Dear Santa Claus: I will writs gea bo lit you know what I want little girl four years old. I will not think hard of you if you don't
come to see me. Please bring me alittle doll that can open and shut her eyes, and some cocoahuts, candy apples, oranges, and please bring me some nice things to keep. Your little gir Mollie Viola Parker.

Dear old Santa: Will you please bring me the following A little top, a little automobile and some nuts such as butternuts cocosnuts, some raisens and
somsthing nice to keep. Please bring me some fire works, oranges, apples and bananas. I at your liittle friend.

Dear Santa Claus- Please bring me a ring and some ribbon bring me a ring and some ribisins and nuts, Santa if you will bring me this, I will go to bed bring me this, 1 will ao to bed will find my stocking hanging by the fire place. From your lit tle friend, Audrey Campbell.
Dear Santa Claus: Ás they all are writing, will you please bring me a doll and a bed for it to sleep on and some candy, apples and oranges, and oblige.

Mary McQueen.
Dear Santa Claus: 1 don' wish for much this time, as the money panic is on hand, so just bring me a toy pistol and some fre works and apples, oranges and eome candy, Your

Dear Santa Claus: Please oring me a doll, a bugle and some ther presents, some apples, candy, oranges, nuts and some fire orought me year before last till good all but it has got one of it's feet broke off. I still play with it now.
P. S. Please bring mamma and papa some enjoyment and some pleasure, a happy Christmas to all, your friend, Nora Taylor.
Dear Old Santa Claus: Will you please bring me some firecrackers, apples, oranges, one box 22 sheils, five roman candles ne that will shoot 25 times. Please don't get them smutty as Your friend, Cecil MeQueen. Dear Santa Claus: Please bring ne some little chairs and a jointed ne some little chairs and a jointed go-to-sleep doll, a doll carriage
some dishes, if vou can, and tome oranges, apples and nuts Mable Boyikin. P. S. Don't forget that I hav a little brother this year, you
nust bring him sumething too
M. B.

Dear Santa Claus:-Pleabring me a bugle, a popgun and watch, some candy, apples orangeg, raisins, nuts and firerackers. Now dear Santa dun't bit, I will have the fire covered it, I will have the fire covered up good so you wont burn your eet, but you may get prety black coming down the chimney if you are very large,

From your friend, Pat Taylor.
Dear Santa Calus:-Piease bring me a trycicle, a pair of engine that I can make a fire in and it will run, some candy, ap. pies, orangos, nute, raisins and firecrackers. Santa don't come to Palestine to find me for I will be at Gran Imothers.

> Your little faiend,

Palestine, Texas.

For that Dull feeting After Eating.
1 have used Chamberlain Stomach and Liver Tablets for they have done me more ga than any tablets I have ever ree ing after eating.-David Fse man, Kempt, Nova Scotis. These his cold. The quicker you cur talbets atrengthen the stomach berlain' Cough Remedy is the and improve the digestion. They aele reliance of many mothers and improve the digestion. Thew sole rew of those who ls. They are far superior to tried it are willing to use pills but cost no more. Get a no other. Mrs. F, F, Starcher pills but cost no more. Get a no otber. Mrs. F. F. Starcher ree sampleat B. R. Cuice d Son's of Ripley, '. Va., says, "I have id mate a splen id medicine it is.
Pay thai dollar now.
Step That Cough. If you have a cough, cold, sor throat or chest, don't delay a
moment-cure it. Simmon' Cough Syrup is a sure remed tt makes you well.

While all this praise is going around to the men who aided in checking the panic, it looks as it recognition of some kind is due their money in the banks.-Ex.

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pains,

George E, Paddock.
Donipban, Mo Donipban, Mo.

Mr. J. W. Canada of San Anonio, representing the Texas Newspaper Union, called on the Messenger Thursday, and we are pleased to announze to our readers that The Messenger will use heir ready print service next year. Mr. Canada is editor of a fruit journal publiehed at San Antonio; and was also inspecting the fruit outlouk of Eas Texas.

## Certainly fair.

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nedy's Laxative Cough Syrup that makes it different from others, as it causes a free yet gentle action of the bowels through the syatem. At the same time it heals irritation and allays in flamation of the throat and lungs. It is pleasant to take. Children like it. Containe no opiates nor Perter.

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cal case, in which he as well as one of the accused doctors had been em. the union scale.
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"Fell asleep, as usual, during the

## "But didn't she wake you up?" "Come to think of it, she did. Wan

 ed to know if f loveever-or something






## Unswallowed. She had been to her flrst party and ad indulged not wisely but too well had indulged not wisely but too well ha delicalies that caus internal woe when partaken of to excess. "Why, Geraldine!" exclaimed the nxious mother, as she welcomed the anxious mother, as she welcomed the return of her ors spring, "how white you "Oh, no"" was the equable reply; unswa <br> To neglect a conde the resesults are too otten very serious. Bronchitis. Pleur Isy, Pneumonia and Consumption are frequently the appeara if chest, nse Simmons cold, sore throat it soothes the imritation, loosens the Where Logislature meets Every There are now only six states in neet every year. Wh the others the legistatures meet <br>  Ony the legislatures of New York, South Carolina and hiode Island meet <br> Examportant to Mothors. Examino carefuly every bottle or AsToriA a safe and sure remedy for <br> Bears the Ch He fletchic: <br> in Use For Over 30 Yearg The Kind You Have Always Bought

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You Look Prematurely 0 Id
O.k Groves, Dee 12-I guess the readers of the Messenger think i- i; a long time between drinks Coalth of this community i imnrovine $\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{r}}$ Mav Bean's child, who has had Poneumnia. is petting well Albert Smith who has been sick the nast ten davs with Pneummnia is improvig, but there is danger of slow fever setting in.
We have a new addition to our enmmunitv-J W Ellis, whi has moved to the Gen Chaffin place.
place. have a new bridge over the Dowlin branch, which fills long felt want, and adds a lot o convenience to the traveling pub
Iic. Our school is moving along nicely under the management of
Miss Roxy Brimberry. Our Miss Roxy Brimberry. Our whool building came very near heing destroyed by fire yesterday, caused by bad flues
I had the pleasure of attend ing the district union last Sat urday at Antrim We had a very intersting meeting, and a flne dinner. The next meeting will couvene at LaTexo the first Saturday in January. Al union members are invitd to be present as there will be much business of importance.

We understand that the cotton speculators of New York have cotton exchange. I wonder whe cotton exchange. I wonder what for them. I guess he failed to fork his shortage for this month's delivery and they gave him his walking papers
Success to all and a merry Christmas.

> Old Timer. What,s
worth doing is worth doing well It you wish to be cured of Rheumatism use Ballard's Snow Lini ment and you will be well "cused" A positive cure for Sprains, Neu ralgia, Bruisee, Contracted Muscles and all the iils that flesh is heir to. A. G. M Williams, Navasota, Texas. writes:
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 Year' I am yours very truly,
## George E. Darsey,

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We are now delivering the premiums as per above list. Pleasecall and get yours. Thanking you for the interest you have taken in the contest. I am yours very truly,

## Geo. E. Darsey.



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 Wyatl N. Lane ammote suiciderin the e untv jailat ir elk-t bo drinking carbolic aci: ni at Cr ckett Enuri..$\cdots$ Wratt N Lain was indiotel,
 ber term of e eurt f $r$ th- murd-r
of Henry Dudias, the hu a hand of his grand laughter Ph $\rightarrow$ sentence wanfor life A new trial was avked for, but refused. An anpent to the court o criminal apppafs was being prepared when Mr. Lane tonk things in his own
hands and ended all. A pon Clint Lane was indicted for the same orime and is now serving a fifteen years' sentence in the Hunteville penitentiary. Wyatt Lane's case now goes to a higher court than any on earth, and a just and mer ciful God will pronounce the final sentence.'

Might Mave Brea.
When Shakespeare said: "Aye there's the rub," we do not know for certain he was thinking of the itch. But one thing wo do know-and know it twenty yeara' korth-Hunt's Cure will absolutely, infallibly and immediately cure any itching trouble that ever happened to the human cutiele. It's guaranteed.
To My Friends and Customers.
Owing to the present condition of the oruntry, my oollections have been very short, and I will ny present system of credit busi. ness the coming year, and will continue to run on a strietly cash basis, which will be more pleasant to you as well as myself. I will be glad to extend any ravors that my abillities may al-
low and solicit your business on those terms. Thanking you for past favors.

## I remain yonr friend, J. J. Brooke.

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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 oure for Coughs, Influenza, Bronohitia and all Pulmonary diseaseg. Gne bottle will convince you-at your druggist, $25 \mathrm{c}, 50 \mathrm{c}, 81.00$. Sold by Carloton \& Porter.
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