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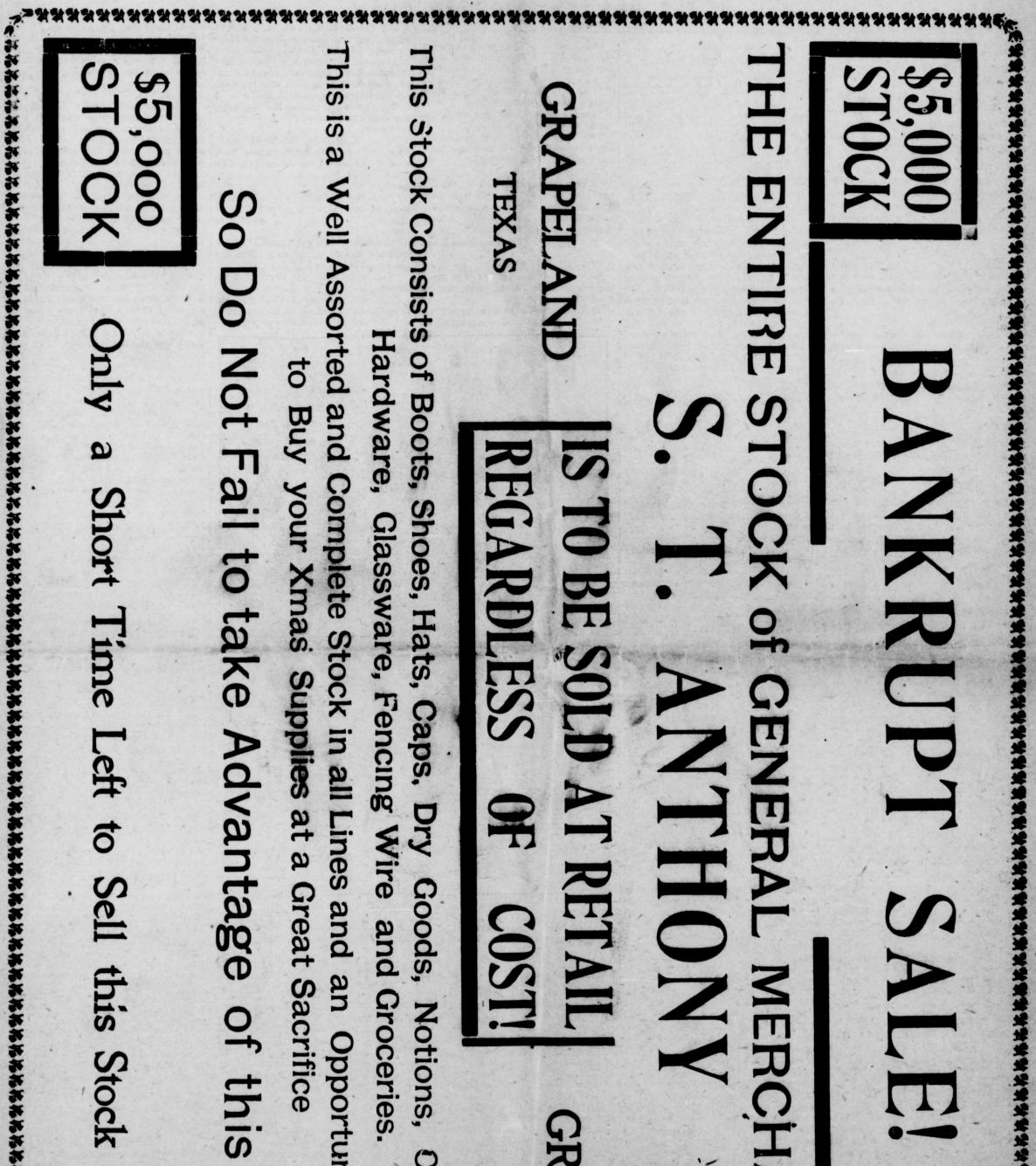
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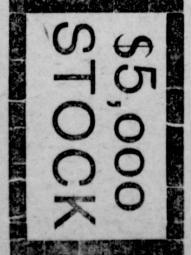
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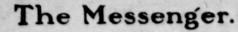
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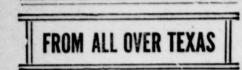
# Sale

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ALBERT H. LUKER, Editor. BRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.



While coupling cars at Troup, R. C. Russell lost his hand between the drawheads.

The financial situation at Austin has been decidedly relieved and sufficient money will be furnished cotton buyers with which to carry on the regular business.

An effort is being made to raise \$50,-000 for the Berachah Home in Arlington, one of the charitable institutions maintained by the Texas Holiness Association.

Union employes of the street railway company at Beaumont and their managers have agreed on a flat wage scale of twenty cents per hour. This will be incorporated in a three years' contract.

John Maupin, a Dallas young man, was found lying helpless and badly scalded in a ditch that leads from one of the ice factories, used for carrying away boiling water, Thursday. He died Friday.

A dispensation has been given for the organization of the second Odd Fellows' lodge in Sherman. The new lodge, which will be known as the Grayson lodge, will be organized on the 22 instant.

A party of Indiana capitalists have established an extensive woodworking plant at Denison. The product of the plant for the immediate future will be what are known as "D" handles, made of ash timber.

The Mexican Mining Company has been organized in Waxahachie with a capital of \$50,000. The officers are: S. W. Wesley, President; W. E. Coleman, Vice President; E. P. Hawkins, Secretary and Treasurer.

Two hundred Mexicans and negroes working on the Dallas-Sherman Inte .urban were much gratified Thursday when they presented their checks at the banks in McKinney and got the cashed without question.

The Presbyterian parsonage in Decatur burned last Thursday. Forest Spencer was living in the house, and cept two small children, who narrowly escaped being burned to death.



SYNOPSIS.

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 neigh-boring principality. Though he had been in the country for six months the Ameri-can consul had never seen the princess. While horseback riding in the country night overtakes him and he seeks accom-modation in a dilapidated old castle. In it he finds two women and an old serv-itor, who feed him and his horse. One announces herself as the Princess Hilde-garde, the other as the Hon. Betty Moore of England. The princess insists that he remain as a witness to a meeting to be held in the castle that night.

CHAPTER III. "Must! My presence here ought not to be known to any one. When you witness that which shall take place here to-night, you will understand." Her tone lost its evenness; it trembled and became a bit wild.

"In what manner may I be of service to your highness?" I asked pleasantly, laying aside my gloves and crop again. "I can easily give you my word of honor as a gentleman not to report your presence here; but if I am forced to remain, I certainly demand-"

"Desire," she corrected, the old fire in her eyes.

'Thank you. I desire, then, to know the full reason; for I can not be a party to anything which may reflect upon the consulate. For myself, I do not care." What hare-brained escapade was now in the air?

"You have heard that I am to marry the Prince of Doppelkinn?" she began. I nodded.

"Doubtless you have also heard of my determination not to marry him?" she went on

Again I nodded.

Well, 1 am not going to marry him."

I was seized with the desire to laugh but dared not. What had all this to do with my detention in the castle?

"Betty," said the princess, turning imploringly to her companion (what a change!), "you tell him."

"I?" The Honorable Betty drew back.

(Had they kidnapped old Doppelkinn? I wondered.)

"I can not tell him," cried her highness miserably, "I simply can not. You the family was away from home, ex- must do it, Betty. It is now absolutely necessary that he should know everything; it is absolutely vital that

"Patience! Not literally a mock marriage but the filling out of a bogus certificate.'

"I do not understand at all." "You have heard of Hermann Steinbock, a cashiered officer?'

"Yes. I understand that he is the rascal to whom you refer."

"Well, this certificate is to be filled out completely. To outwit the duke, her highness commits-

"A forgery."

"It is a terrible thing to do, but she has gone too far to withdraw now. She is to become the wife of Hermann Steinbock. She wishes to show the certificate to the duke."

"But the banns have not been made public."

"That does not matter."

"But why detain me?" I was growing restless. It was all folly, and no good would come of it.

should be present. The caretaker is ant for you in Barscheit-or very un-

that we dare not trust any one at court. Relative to her highness, the duke succeeds in bribing all." "But a rascal like Steinbock!"

"I know,"-a bit wearily.

"It is pacdonable to say that I believe her highness has been very foolish.

The girl made a gesture which conceded the fact. "It is too late to retreat, as I have told you. Steinbock is already on the way. We must trust him. But you?"

"After all, what does a consulate amount to?"

"Your highness!" she called.

at me with a mixture of fierceness and defiance, humility and supplication. I of hobbledehoy; instead, she was one of those rare creatures who possess all the varying moods of the sex. 1

"He knows all?" asked her highness, her chin tilted aggressively.

"Everything."

"What must you think of me?" There was that in her highness' tone tone which dared me to express any opinion that was not totally compli-

"I am not sufficiently well-born to pass an opinion upon your highness' actions," I replied, with excusable irony

"Excellent!" she exclaimed. "I have grown weary of sycophants. You are not afraid of me at all."

"Not in the slightest degree," I declared.

"You will not regret what you are

head.'

mentary.

"It is necessary that a gentleman about to do. I can make it very pleas-



will understand able duty of playing the listener. Let nothing escape your ear or your eye. I am not certain of this fellow Steinbock, though I hold a sword above his

"But where are your men?" ! asked. She smiled. "There is no one here but Leopold."

"Your highness to meet Steinbock alone

"I have no fear of him; he knows who I am.

"Everything shall be done as you wish." I secretly hoped I might have the opportunity to punch Steinbock's head.

"Thank you." The transition of her The princess returned. She looked moods always left me in wonder. "Play something; it is impossible to talk.' She perched herself on the broad arm had always supposed her to be a sort of the Honorable Betty's chair, and her arm rested lightly but affectionately on her shoulder.

"Hark!' We all listened intently. The sound of beating hoofs came distinctly. A single horseman was galloping along the highway toward the castle. The sound grew nearer and nearer; presently it ceased. I rose quietly.

"It is time I hid myself, for doubtless this rider is the man.'

The princess paled for a moment, while her companion nervously plucked. at the edges of her handkerchief.

"Go," said the former, "and be watchful."

I then took up my position behind the portieres. Truly I had stumbled into an adventure; but how to stumble out again? If the duke got wind of it. it would mean my recall, and I was of a mind, just then, that I was going to be particularly fond of Barscheit.

All was silent. A door closed, and then came the tread of feet. I peered through the portieres shortly to see the entrance of two men, one of whom was the old caretaker. His companion was a dark, handsome fellow, of Hungarian gypsy type. There was a devilmay-care air about him that fitted him well. It was Steinbock. He was dressed with scrupulous care, in spite of the fact that he wore riding clothes. It is possible that he recognized the importance of the event. One did not write one's name under a princess' signature every day, even in mockery. There was a half-smile on his face that I did not like.

"Your highness sees that I am prompt,"-uncovering.

"It is well. Let us proceed at once to conclude the matter in hand," she

"Wholly at your service!"

(Hang the fellow's impudence! How dared he use that jovial tone?) (TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### HOW SOME MEN SUCCEED.

#### Remarkable Case of Penuriousness Told by Florist.

A florist in the outskirts of the city has come across what he considers the meanest man in all New York. 'He recently bought a fine summer home and estate about a half mile from my nursery," said the florist. "A

The Williamson County Commissioners' Court has ordered the county | tell him!" prohibition election for Saturday, November 30. The county has been pro since Septembed 9, 1905, and gave prohibition 326 majority at that time.

The steamer Custodian of the Harrison Line cleared Galveston for Liverpool Friday with the most valuable cargo of the season. The custodian took out 23,000 square bales of cotton, 500 round bales of cotton, 8681 sacks of cotton seed meal and 15,328 ly been timid now become cool and feet of pine lumber, valued at \$1,366,-190.

The County Commissioners have ordered a local option election to be held in Jefferson County on December 14 in Justice Precinct No. 6, which includes the Spindletop oil field. This action was taken as a result of a petition containing seventy-seven names. There are 141 qualified voters in this precinct.

Charles Cole was shot and killed while hunting near Nacogdoches. The shooting was accidental.

A dispatch from Ludington, Mich., has been bequeathed \$1,000,000 by an aunt, Anna T. Jeans, of Philadelphia.

The Fort Worth Clearing House Association has decided to recommend that all mercharts and others deposit their cash as formerly, with the understanding that all may be withdrawn irrespective of rules already enforced.

The financial stringency has yielded a fine harvest to the pawnbroker.

The County Commissioners have ordered a local option election in Wichita County on November 30. The peti- woman with a clear sense of the hu- blundered into this castle to-night." tion for the election contained 352 signatures.

Dr. Alexander Graham Bell announces that the airship which he has had under construction for some time, is now ready for practical use. The ship is a cellular kite, driven by a twenty-horsepower angina

he be present. Perhaps heaven has sent him. Do you understand? Now,

And, wonders to behold! she who but a few minutes gone had been a princess in everything, cold, seeing, tranquil, she fled from the room. (Decidedly this was growing interesting. What had they done?) Thus, the Honorable Betty Moore and his excellency, the American consul at Barscheit, were left staring into each other's eyes fully a minute.

"You will, of course, pledge me your word of honor?" She who had recenteven-pulsed.

"If in pledging it I am asked to do nothing to discredit my office. I am not an independent individual,"-smiling to put her more at ease. (I haven't the least doubt that I would have committed any sort of folly had she required it of me.)

liable quantity.

mered.

lessly

"I begin to perceive."

"But the priest's signature, the no-

tary's seal, the iron-clad formalities

which attend all "these things!" I stam-

"You, will recollect that her high-

"I think not. We have not moved

in this blindly. Steinbock we know to

greater weight than his. Do you un-

"Yes, I understand. But I believe

"Oh, if you lack courage!" care-

I laughed. "I am not afraid of 20

Her laughter echoed mine. "Come,

"Warrington-Arthur Warrington."

ness is a princess of the blood. Sel-

to leave the country."

You have my word, sir, that you will be asked to do nothing dishonor. able. On the other hand, you will confer a great favor upon her highness, who is in deep trouble and is seeking a way to escape it."

"Command me," said I promptly.

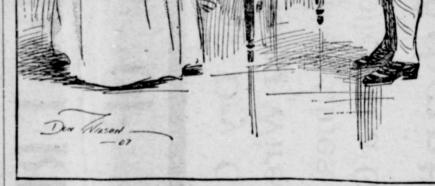
"Her highness is being forced into dom is she refused anything in Barmarriage with a man who is old enough scheit." She went to a small secretary to be her grandfather. She holds him and produced a certificate, duly sealed make this marriage an impossibility. Steinbock's name, For my part, I have tried to convince her of the futility of resisting her royal uncle's will." (Sensible little Britisher!) "What she is about to do married her highness." will be known only to four persons, one of whom is a downright rascal." "A rascal?" slipped my lips, half- have forged the name of the minister

unconsciously. "I trust that I haven't of finance. We hold this sword above given you that impression," I added his head. And if he should speak or eagerly. (A rascal? The plot was boast of it, your word would hold thickening to formidable opaqueness.) "No, no!" she cried hastily, with a derstand now?" flash of summer on her lips. (What more charming than an English that I am genuinely sorry to have is

morous?) "You haven't given me that impression at all." "Thank you." My vanity expanded under the genial warmth of this knowl- Steinbocks.' edge. It was quite possible that she

looked upon me favorably. "To proceed. There is to be a kind do not know your name." of mock marriage here to-night, and

you are to witness it." She watched me sharply. I frowned.



"'Your Highness Sees That I Am Prompt.'"

not a gentleman. I have said that | pleasant." But this threatening sup-Steinbock is a rascal. As I review the plement was made harmless by the acevents, I begin to look upon your ar- companying smile. rival as timely. Steinbock is not a re-

"May I offer the advice of rather a worldly man?" "Well?"

"He is to receive 1,000 crowns for "When Steinbock comes bid him go his part in the ceremony; then he is about his business.

The Honorable Betty nodded approvingly, but her highness shrugged.

"Since you are decided," and I fellow put in his appearance?"

Her highness beamed upon the Honorable Betty. "I like the way he says 'this fellow;' it reassures me. He is due at nine o'clock; that is to say, in half an hour. I will give you these disays; John C. Jeans, a day laborer, in horror, and will go to any length to and signed. There lacked nothing but rections. I do not wish Steinbock to know of your presence here. You will "But the rascal will boast about it! hide in the salon, close to the porhave to impose upon you the disagree- her .-- Chicago Daily News. convince the public that he has really

few weeks ago he was entertaining some old friends, and showing them around the neighborhood. In the course of their peregrinations he brought them to my flower patch, on which I have a number of large glasshouses. Wishing to display his wealth by purchasing something, he stopped at a cucumber frame and asked me the price of various specimens of that vegetable. I pointed a large one out to him at 25 cents, another at 15 cents, and so on; but Mr. Suddenwealth would have none of them. His eye fell on a particularly tiny specimen. 'How much?' he asked, pointing to it. I told him five cents. Mr. Croesus brought out a \$50 bill. I couldn't change it just then, so I told him he could pay later. That suited him fine. Just as I was about to pull the cucumber he requested me to leave it where it was, as he would send his man for it in the evening. He went away smiling, and sent his coachman to the nursery at the end of a week, by which time, of course, the tiny cucumbowed. "Now, what time does this ber had lengethened into a large and brilliant vegetable! What's more he's forgottten to divvy up the nickel!"

#### Exception to the Rule.

Gyer-We are told that love is a disease no physician can cure; but it's a mistake.

Myer-How do you know it is? Gyer-A friend of mine was in love He may blackmail all of you. He may tieres, within call. Moreover, I shall with a feminine M. D. and married

# **BOSS IN HIS OWN COURT**

ing or refusing a right to Amalagamated, so that the matter might be finally determined in the higher triwould take the matter under advise-Mr. ---- By the way, I believe I other

not going to give it to you," came back the reply from the bench. "Our only recourse will be another appeal to bunal. When this was brought to the the supreme court," said Mr. Evans. judge's attention, he announced that he "You can go to the supreme court, or -anywhere else you please," said the ment. The judge had taken judge. "This court can be punished matters under advise for contempt-" "Go away, go away," ment and they had never been heard shouted the judge, waving -his long of afterwards; it was one way of al- arms belligerently toward the lawyer. "That is a very good English name, lowing Heinze ample time to extract "You talk like a town fool I used to and a gentleman possessing it will valuable ore bodies from the disputed know back in Missouri. Bailiff, adnever leave two women in a predica- ground. "Under the decision of the journ court."-Mcc.ure's Magazine

At one time, the supreme court is | supreme court, we are entitled to an sued a supervisory writ directing immediate order," said L. O. Evans, Judge Clancy, of Montana, to make a the Amalgamated attorney, who precertain order in a case, either grant- sented the matter in court. "Well, I'm

#### State Road Being Built.

Christmas Giving.

Mr. Jno. W. Wright, State Financial agent, passed through last about what they were going to 2, 1967. Editor Messenger:-I night going to Austin. This buy for Christmas. The wealthy am getting along swimmingly. writer met him at the depot and girl said, "I have twenty five Nothing the matter except that in conversation asked him: "Are dollars to spend on my family: my socks are almost gone. The you building the state road as how much have you?" The poor feet have been worn off them for fast as you can to Palestine?" Mr. Wright replied : "Well, may- and fifty cents to spends but not starw for that. Now the legs are be not as fast as we can, but at on our family. They do not worn off to the tops of my shoes. any rate as fast as we are!"

road is being built, and to this no money for Christmas." city. We expect to hear the engine whistle if the weather about Christmas presents for somewhat like a horse when the doesn't interfere, by St. Patrick's our family, and too little about blacksmith "quicks" him with a Day.

Listen for the whistle .--- Palestine Advocate.

#### Beware of Frequent Colds.

A succession of colds or a proend in chronic catarrh, from which few persons ever wholly recover. Give every cold the attention it deserves and you avoid this disagreable disease. How can you cure a cold? Why not try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is 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-Demcrat referring to the president's mes sage says: "But those who read it from beginning to end will find that the national government touches them and touches the rest of the world at more points than they ever dreamed of."

It is because so many men have failed to appreciate their deep concern in the government that the republican party has in energy and ambition. Your

Two little girls were talking

Christmas money to spend. that if they have no money they kicking are sometimes accomcannot make Christmas presents. pained by a low muttering about But even if they have no money Moses or some other mild Sun.

they probably have something day school topic. tracted cold is almost certain to lying about the house or office which they do not need half as much as others less fortunate farmer who lives here in town than themselves and which they could easily spare. There are plenty of things in many homes put away in the attic as rubbish which would be of very great the congenial and hospitable service 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 we think we may want them sometime.

It is a good time to clean house just before Christmas, and next door neighbor the governor. to pick out all the things you do not really need. You will be surprised to see how many things yoa have to spare which would cheer and help somebody .- Or. son Sweet Marden, in Success Magaziue.

Are you having trouple with

your kidneys? There are lots of people today who wonder why they have pains across the back why they are tired and lacking won the victories. Some who kidneys are wrong. They need relief without delay. Take De-Witt's Kidney and Bladder Pills; they are for weak back, inflamation of the bladder. backache and weak kidneys. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

#### A Letter From Mr. Cain.

Arayat, Pampanga, P. I. Nov. one replied "I have two dollars a long time but I didn't care a need it. I am going to buy pres- This enables the old grandpa Which goes to show that the ents for poor children who have mosquitoes to job their ravenous bills into my tender skin, which

> We are apt to think too much always makes me jump and kick gifts for those who have no nail. 'Pon my honor I believe this is all there is to it but Miss Most people seem to think Nannie declares that my fits of

> > Not long since we were guests at the farmhouse of a wealthy but has vast rice and sugar farms out near the barriors. I can best tell you how we fared by comparing the day to a day spent in 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 governor. For this latter honor we feel much indebted to our division superintendent who is Some one asked in a letter whether the Filipinos cook their food or eat it raw. Why, they cook it; and besides, they are good cooks. When it comes to making good bread they are ahead of any people I ever saw. There is an excellent bakery here and every evening a half-dozen girls with baskets supply the town with all kinds of bread and cakes. The bread is usually baked in loaves about the size of a

deed all Filipinos have pictures the town a few days ago and in their homes. Those who are laid one of them in the shade. I very poor may have nothing was glad, not because the rufmore than pictures of the virgin fians killed our cop, but because and a few imaginary saints but they did not get me. The policethe well-to-do have many real man was buried with military works of art. Books are not so honors. I went with the procescommon as they should be but sion to the swamp called the quite a number of the people read cemetery. Two men were digpapers. Almost all Filipinos can ging the grave. One spaded out play some kind of musical instru- the mud while the other kept the ment.

Romans used to promise the gods lute fired and the mud raked into rich gifts and splendid games in the grave on the naked coffin. return for good crops. The Fil- The grave is often spoken of as pinos do not make any trade to the "final resting place" but I'll this effect but in case the good yow I don't believe there is much crop comes, they have a gay old rest for the fellow who is stuck time on the last day of the har- down in this mud, especially if vest. They erect a platform in he should have to lie there a few the middle of the rice field, bring million years waiting for the genout a priest, have mass, then a eral judgment. Am I orthodox dance followed by a big feast. If on this point? It has been a long the crops are bad or if an earthquake comes at the wrong time it strikes me that they will tell us rice, they do not hold the celebration. It seems to be the surplus its Rip Van Winkle snooze which and not the bare living that they

are thankful for. I wonder if this is true of our people.

else in the islands. Some men and the sluggish clod", or rather wear clothes, shoes and hats of the sluggish mud. the same style worn by the Am-

say that not only the best but in- the outlaws swooped down on water dipped out with a bucket.

History tells us that the old The coffin was lowered, the satime since I heard a preacher but and shakes the grain out of the that the body will, at some indefinite time in the future, shake off we call death. I think it was no preacher but only a poet who said that the body goes "to mix The drees of the people varies forever with the elements; to be more, perhaps, than anything a brother to the insensible rock

Willie Taft is here. He came ericans. Others wear pants with over to launch the Philippine a kind of doublet which might be ship of state. Willie is getting considered the connecting link ready for a high dive after the between coat and shirt. These presidency. For my part I had wear chinelas, a kind of sandal, rather see Charlie Culberson, or wooden shoes and an ordinary John Sharp, or even Billy Bryan hat. The poorest of the peasant in the chair than Taft; but if we class wear anything or nothing must have a republican and can't for a shirt. Their pants are get Roosevelt, then let us have made of red calico and are gen- fat Willie. He is an able man erally rolled up above the knees. and is as honest as politicians They wear no shoes nor hat of generally are. Then he would any kind. They often have a always be backed by the wisdom rag tied horizontally around the and prestige of Roosevelt, Behead just above the ears. This sides, the election of Taft would of course does not cover the top mean political annihilation to of the head but it doesn't need to that old tom-cat Foraker who bedo so. The wilderness of stubby came so infatuated with the black hair is an ply sufficient to coons that shot up Brownsville. biscuit and one may buy twelve protect the most delicate brain May we have another president of these loaves for five cents in from the tropical sun. The fine who will dare to do the right, lady wears clothes of good ma- party or no party! The south nothing raw except a few of the terial. Her skirts have trains to will not soon forget the man who them about as long in proportion had courage enough (and teeth as the tail of a comet. Her waist enough) to strip a gang of muris made of gauzy hamp and has derers of their gallant uniforme sleeves the size of a two gallon and send the infamous villiane

have habitually voted the republican ticket seem to have regard ed the national government as an affair to be given to the republic party to use as a plaything. The coutry is to be congratulated that men are at last awakened to the important part they must play as citizens. Bryan,s Commerner.

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

U. S. money. The people eat fruits. The healtn laws, if nothing else, would forbid their esting uncooked food. I believe the economic situation in the South would be greatly improved if a few hundred thousand of the saucy, worthless negroes who will not work but a short while at any price were hustled out of the country and Filipinos imported for cooks and servants.

The question is frequently ask ed whether Fillipinos are black. By no means. I would call them light brown. If an American 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 sun areas dark as a Mexican, while the fine lady who guards ner complexion well and uses her quots of swan-down is as light as the brunette type of the American lady. As far as appearance goes, no kind of comparison can be drawn between the Fuipino and the negro. A picture in possession of the Grapeland High School will verify this iatement. \*

such was his understanding of when they were born. the matter. Now I am able to We had ten policeman until Nacogdoches Sentinel.

jug, with the largest part at the job-hunting to "Bosting." hands. This outfit is capped by a kind of hood somewhat like a little shawl. There is no head gear of any kind for women

(No wonder the men respect Easter!) The lady in question carries an umbrella, rain or shine. She sometimes wear chinelas but as a rule she wears wooden shoes. These shoes have thick soles and high heels of wood. They have no uppers except a little leather vamp not much larger than the tip of an ordinary shoe. The Filipino maiden places her little brown bare foot on this shoe and Shortiy before I left home I some of them wear a kind of 1500 pushels daily and is running

was in conversation with Hon. winding sheet which is tucked on half force because he cannot J. W. Maduen of Crockett con- close under the arms and extends get enough nuts to run his full cerning things he had learned down towards the ankles. The capacity. from a kinsman of his about the latter class is seldom ever seen The pay roll of the plant is Philippines. I remember that I without some kind of burden on about \$200 per week. The deasked him whether pictures, their heads. The dress of child- mand, Mr. Morgan says is unusbooks, papers, musical instru- ren is simple indeed. You may ually good. He could sell 50 care ments, etc. would be found in the see six year old children on the if he had them. He has shipped best Filipino homes. He said streets as innocent of clothes as a number of cars this season and

A. W. CAIN.

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#### Peanut Pointers.

The Terrell Transcript publishes quite a lengthly address by by means of the leather tip, half Mr. Geo. O. Morgan, of Terrell drags and half lifts the shoe peanut plant, to producers in rewhile walking. In this way she gard to handling the product from manages to get along by making which the following points are sea noise not altogether as loud as lected: The inferior quality of that made by the tramp of a fresh the nuts brings low prices. The shod horse, Women who do inferiority of the nuts is due to manual labor (that is, wives who carelessness in handling them to have to support the man they preparation for market. The married) wear short skirts and nut should be thoroughly dry bego barefooted. Instead of a skirt fore packing. He is putting up

has orders away shead now .--

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e wate tome apples, oranges, occano s, candy and some firerackers I wont ask for any more for I know you have so many to go to see. Bye by. Your little boy, Grady Woodard.

Voonar '. I want a train, a lit-

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a cap, some little horses, pecans, fire crackers, oranges, apples, candy and a nice cup and -aucer. Bring Annie Alma a ittle doll and lots of nice things. Your little friend,

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United States, And

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Lester White.

# LETTERS TO Santa Claus

Dear Santa Caus:-It nearly Xmas and I thought I had better tell you what I want. I want you to bring me a pretty doll that can go to sleep, a little doll bedstead, a little stoye and some dishes also some candy, arples and oranges. Hoping l have not wanted two much.

I am your little friend. Mable Woodard.

P. S. I want a little doll trunk

Dear Santa Claus-I am a little boy five years old and I try to be a good little boy, I want you to come to see me. I want a little drum, and a little watch, a wagon, some fircrackers, a little horse and some candy, apples, oranges. I wont ask you for anything else this time. 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. heaviest January enrollment of I am mamma's and papa's little baby boy, I am two years old My sleepy times comes early, and I will be a good little boy, so please come to see me.

Your little boy. Wesley Woodard.

Dear Santa Claus: Please a train, some oranges, apples. Charlie Jones friend.

The Tyler Commercial College Tyler Texas, has this year had about 1500 enrollments, the largest annual enrollment of day students of the entire Union, and three times the number in any other Southern Business College.

With sixteen expert teachers, 145 ft. of office fixtures enclosing canks, freight, wholesale, commission, real estate and other offices, equipped with Burroughs adding machine, Huber account register, McCaskey account register, electric railroad handling freight daily, with actual business from the start, with the wonderful Byrne Simplified Shorthand used by thousands of court reporters and office stenographers and with telegraphy under several experts, this great institution has a brilliant future.

Every indication points to the its history. The College is daily placing in \$600 to \$1500 positions students, who three or four months before were earning less than half as much. Students, who, less than two years ago, began at \$50 per month, are now bring me a Teddy Bear, a wagon, drawing \$150 to \$200. If you bananas, candy, a chest of tools know how great is the demand some fire works and a whole lot for Byrne graduates, how easy of "nigger toes." Your little it is to place them thru the calls from business men everywhere, Dear Santa Claus: Please the 200 agents, and the 5 employ ment offices, you would give the college an opportunity to equip a bank full of money if you can you with such a practical educaanything else you can think of tion as would keep you in demand and to then, place you in one of the many positions open

# We Invite Comparison

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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

bring me a pistol, a horse, a cow. a few hogs, a whole lot of candy oranges, bananas, apples, a knife, and oblige your little friend,

Homer Jones.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to its graduates. to bring me something pretty to play with. Such as a negro doll that can cry, a rubber ball, a little hammer, candy, apples and a great big orange. Santa bring success. It,s quick; it's easy; 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 little sleepy doll and a bed for it. And bring me some gives positive guarantees as to dishes. Bring me a little lamp antees every statement true. and 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 equeal, some candies, fruits and our work, if it is found not to be fire-works of all kinds. I want as advertised, we pay your railyou to bring mamma something road fare both ways, and all necnice.

Your little boy, Dewey Jones.

Dear Santa Claus:-Please bring me a cap and some nuts, apples, candy, oranges and something nice to keep, and don't forget little sister.

Your friend. Curtis White.

Dear Old Santa Claus:-Will you please bring me a speech book, a little wagon, candies of all kinds, and all kinds of fruits and nute, fire works.

I am your little boy, Willlie W. Jones.

Dear Santa Claus: -I want you to come to see me again this year. I live in Grapeland now and I hope you can find our said to be as good, but go house. It is close to uncle Frank sey's and get the Oriole.

Young man, young woman, invest a little time, money, and effort in education that insures it's sure; is secured in half the time, at half the cost of other schools, yet covers far more ground. Unlike other school-, The Tyler Commercial College cardy, apples and a set of little time and proficiency and it guar-

Act to-day. Clip this ad and mail for free catalog, or better still, pack your trunk, come to Tyler under the guaranty that if when you arrive, investigate essary expenses Should you doubt our making good this guaranty, write us the cost of a round trip ticket, and we will deposit that amount plus \$5 for incidentals, in a bank before you leave home, subject to your order, ato above conditions. Name.... Address. .

For your Xmas flour, buy Ruth at Howard's.

Oriole flour for Christmas cooking. Cakes made of Oriole flour will be very popular this Christmas, Don't take flour said to be as good, but go to Dar-

# UNLOADED

Compared a set a s

# Santa Claus

Has Unloaded all of his Holiday goods at our store and they are now ready for your inspection. We have a pretty display, and

# Gifts for Everyone

# Carleton & Porter.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS

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For Eczema, Tetter and Salt Rheum.

by B. R. Guice & Son.

Cocoanuts grated cocoanut, The intense itching character- evaporated apples, oranges, ap-Geo.E. Darsey's.

Mr. Ed Brown and Miss Jewel Oliver, daughter of Mr. John istic of these ailments is almost ples. Bananas, onions, seeded Oliver, were married Sunday instantly allayed by Chamber- raisins, figs, bricks, candy, ex- night at the residence of W. N. lain's Salve. Many severe cases tracts, pecans, ground sage, and Warlick, that gentleman officiahave been cured by it. For Sale Oriole flour for Christmas, at ting. A few friends witnessed the ceremony.

Control Your Finances. 10	8 pounds of best roasted coffee or \$1.30 at W. R. Wherry's	etter to Frank Allen. Grapeland, Texas.	MONEY TO LOAN
If you knew that during		Dear Sir: A man fed his his	MONET TO LOAN
he next twelve months di	rug trade	hens half meal and half sawdus he thought they wouldn't know	We Handle Real Estate.
your expenditures would		the difference. He concluded	
equal your income, you in	The only full line of fire works a town on di-play at the Bon Ton.		If you want to buy or sell a farm or borrow money on
would want to change		ed woodpeckers. Another man painted his house	it, call on us. We buy Vendors Lien Notes.
thingswouldn't you	See us for your jewelry.	with a paint that was made of	WARFIELD BROS.
A checking account will	B. R. Guice & Son.	half paint-substitutes. He didn't	
give you a complete record pe	Stoves are cheaper at Ship- er's.	know the difference-not till he paid the painter.	Office North Side Public Square CROCKETT, TEXAS
of each months receipts		He had 20 gallons to pay for	
	Trunks going at cost at F. A.	instead of 10. Got fooled \$12	**********************************
will have up-to-date	'aris.'	50 on the paint. He had 20 days wages to pay	Cut Price
knowledge of your finan-	Go to Howard's for Xmas fruits	for, 20 instead of 10. Fooled \$30	a a
cial affairs. It's a good ca	andies, nuts, etc.	in wages.	Ribbon Sale!
plan to pay all bills by	Get the best shoes at F. A.	He got a poor job besides. He paid too much for his egge, and	FILIDDUII Dale:
check, F	'aris'.	they hatched woodpeckers.	×
	This may be your last chance	Yours truly, F. W. DEVOE & CO., New York.	AT THE MILLINERY STORE
book and checks. We of-	b trade at Shipper's.	P. S. Geo E. Darsey sells our	From now until January 1st we will sell our stock of
	Freshest fruits and candies all		RIBBON and SILK at a greatly REDUCED PRICE.
tages for carrying check-	he time at the Bon Ton.		Ribbon that has been
ing accounts.	Buy White Plume and Lily	Clothing is cheaper at Ship-	60c per yard now 40c 50c " " 35c
Farmers & Merchants	lour from Ciewis-none better.	per s	<b>X</b> 40c " " " 30c <b>X</b>
	Don't forget the removal sale	Oran Rials came in Friday	30e " " " 25e
Otato Dunk,	t Shipper's.	night from Loraine, where he has	25c " " 20c 20c " " 15c 20c "
Of Grapeland	F. A. Faris pays cash for cot-	been for several months.	<b>X</b> 15c " " " 12½c
IOUSTON COUNTY DEPOSITORY	on.		<b>x</b> 10c " " " 81-3c
LOCAL NEWS.	Shipper's LOW prices are oud talkers.	There will be no issue of the	
Shipper sells it for less.		Messenger next week. We bid you good bye until Jan. 2, and	
	Get you a big large trunk at A. Faris' before they are all	wish every one a merry Christ-	<ul> <li>Prices have been reduced on all Hats, Caps, Fascinators,</li> <li>Belts, Combs and most everything in our line. Do</li> </ul>
	one at your own price.	mas.	not fail to call and see for yourself.
Fresh bread all the time	L. L. Campbell, who formerly		THE MISSES RICHARDS
at the Totty Hotel	yed near here, but now of Thorn-	Miss Zuma Anthony arrived Friday from Pecos City to spend	
	un, is here on a visit.	the holidays with home folks.	
Trunks are cheaper at Ship-	Remember there is nothing		Stand up for your county pa- Jno A Davis G R Murchise
	etter than the best. W. R. Wherry keeps the best flour.	her brother, Hosea.	per by trading with the merchants who, advertise through its col-
Old clothes made new at the W ailor shop in Faris' store			umns, They are the ones who, Davis & Murchison
	A Few more fine suiuts of mens lothing at unheard of bargains	The second se	through their business, help to
See the display of Christmas	t F. A. Faais.'		make the paper better as time REAL ESTATE DEALERS AND goes by, and they are the ones
	Every cash register check is-	teachers institute, which is in	who show you that they want Collecting AUIS.
Rugs countupanes and window shades are cheap at Shippers. su	ued this week counts at	session this week.	and appreciate your business by We Solicit Your Business and
	Darsey's		asking for it, and telling you we Solicit Your Business and through the columns of the home Guarantee Prompt
For your Christmas cooking use Oriole Flour, at Darsey's.	The finest fresh fruits, nuts,	Holiday Rates	paper what they have to sell, and Service
	ranges and apples at F. A. Far-	-Excursion tickets for the Holi-	where you can get what you want at reasonable prices. We all Creveland Terror

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A full line of sweet cakes and cookies at the Bon Ton. Use Oriole flour for Christmas cooking.	Register Checks in by Tuesday.	Excursion tickets for the Holi- days 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	where you can get what you wa at reasonable prices. We read advertisements as well news matter, and we can help of home paper when we walk into store by telling the mercha	all Grapeland, Texas.	
The removal sale at Shipper,s is a success. We want at Howard's your	Geo. E. Darsey. Call on our store for your jewelry. We have it at the right prices. Guice's Drug Store.	24-25-26-31 and January 1. See I.&.G.N. Agents. Whenever you feel that your	that you have read his adve tisementsNavasota Review	THE GUARANTEED	
chickens, eggs and turkeys at highest market prices.	Five gallons of the best Eu- pion oil for 85c at W. R. Wherry's	stomach has gone a little wrong or when yon feel that it is not in good order as is evidenced by mean headaches nervousness, bad		REMED	
Call on us for your drugs. We have them at live and let live prices. Guice's Drug Store.	cheap see J. R. Richards at the	breath, and belching, take some- thing at times, and especially af-	Preston Stowe	Ballard-Snow Liniment C	
If you are looking for a Christ- mae present go to the furniture store.	Furniture Store. We learn that Mrs, Geo. Brag- ger, who has been sick for sev-	offered the public today for stom- ach trouples, dyspepsia, indiges- tion, etc., than Kodol. This is	EASY SHAVES	FOR SALE BY	
Go to F A. Faris' and look at that pretty gold and silver decor- ated ware.	eral days is rapidly improving. Have you smelled those fruit cakes at the Bon Ton, 8 months	a scientific preparation of nat- ural digestants combined with vegetable acids and it contains the same juices found in every	Shop on Front Street	JND.F.WEEKS G.R.WHITLEY WEEKS & WHITLEY ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	
A shot gun, saddle, boys wagon or pocket knife, would make a nice present, all of them cheap at Darsey's.	We sell you domestic at 6% c	healthy stomach. Kodol is guar- anteed to give relief. It is pleas- ant to take; it will make you feel fine by digesting what you eat. Sold by Carleton & Porter.	Agent for Inceda Laundry	Offices: Palestine, Grapeland, Texas.	
\$5 00 trunks 3 50, \$4.00 trunks \$3.50, \$3.00 \$2 50, now your time to ouy a trunk. F. A. Faris.	Miss Willie Cunningham of San Pédro is spending the week with her cousins, Miss Logans.	Bold by Carleton & Forter.	·····		
We want your drug trade and will certainly treat you right in prices to get your trade Guice's Drug Store.	FOR TRADEGood 2 3.8 wagon, cow and yearling for work horse. J. A. Bean.	366 HAPPY DAYS JBank of Prosperity			
One of those nice pictures at the furniture store would make	FOR SALE.—Some of my horses and buggies. J. R. Smith.	THREE HUNDRED and SIXT	Y-SIX HAPPY DAYS, value re	R FRIENDS and CUSTOMERS ecceived in your friendship, and	
a nice Christmas present, have you seen them?	We sell you bleeching at 6½c other people charge you 7c. F. A. Faris.	kindly remember your well wis To the	and a start of the barren and	J. G. SHIPPER & SON.	
A large and well assorted stock of all kinds of first-class pine lumber for sale at \$11.00 per	Mre. Clark died last Saturday at the home of her son, Mr. W. J.	State Bank of For state of Dappiness	rtune	a have a start and the	

## LETTERS TO Santa Claus

Doar Old Santa :- I still have that nice doll you gave me it is still pretty. Will you bring me a doll bed stead for my doll, I want an iron one painted red and the and white. I know times are hard and if you can't come I shall not think hard.

> Your little friend, Lela Vance. Percilla Texas.

Dear Santa Claus :- Will you to so good as to bring me a nice took to read and a funny little rabit to play with and if you do not have too much to carry please bring my doll a bed, From a good little girl,

Edna Allen.

Dear Santa Claus:-I am a small boy 10 years old, but help my papa and mama. Am trying to be worthy of some of your nice presents. Please bring me some fire crackers and apples and candy and a truck wagon be sure and come,

Johnnie Allen.

Dear Santa Claus.-I want a little balloon, a wagon which has a goat to it, a little train, a little basse, a ittle foot ball.

> Elvyn Meriwether, Latexo, Texas.

Dear Old Santa Claus:-I am the same little boy as ever before and I am going to call on you for a few toys. Please bring me one dan boxes of caps for my gun and some skyrockets and some fraits and nuts, candies, fire crackers, canon crackers also stary book,

Your little frien3. Maryin Baker. 

La Texo Tex. Oct. 14-Dean Santa Claus: Please bring me a phonograph with two horns, a doll and a little bed, a stove, a bex of tools and a spade and papa some enjoyment and some shovel, a hoe. An iron "nigger a Sule trunk, so the "nigger" cce get in it. Bring me pens and pencils and a pencil box. Also, a little lamp, an automobile, that runs. A wagon and a goat that will pull it. A Chinaman to ride the goat. A bag to make a talloon out of. Bring me a little gue. This is all I can think of right now. Will write again if I think of any thing else,

you to bring me. I am only a little girl four years old. I will not think hard of you if you don't Stomach and Liver Tablets for come to see me. Please bring some time, and can testify that me alittle doll that can open and they have done me more good tect the children. A child is shut her eyes, and some cocoa-nuts, candy apples, oranges, My trouble was a heavy dull feel-diphtheria or scarlet fever when Indigestion raisens, pecans, English, walnuts ing after eating.-David Free- he is cold. The quicker you cure and please bring me some nice man, Kempt, Nova Scotia. These his cold the less the risk. Chamthings to keep. Your little girl, talbets strengthen the stomach berlain's Cough Remedy is the Mollie Viola Parker.

cocoanuts, some raisens and did medicine it is.

something nice to keep. Please bring me some fire works, oranges, apples and bananas. I am your liittle friend.

Nathan Baker.

Dear Santa Claus- Please bring me a ring and some ribbon some apples, oranges, raisins and nuts. Santa if you will bring me this, I will go to bed early and go to sleep quick. You will find my stocking hanging by the fire place. From your little friend, Audrey Campbell.

Dear Santa Claus: As 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.

in it is never misplaced-disap-

wish for much this time, as the remedy now obtainable. For money panic is on hand, so just cuts, burns, sprains, aches and bring me a toy pistol and some pains, I know no equal." fire works and apples, oranges

and some candy, Your little friend, Elic McQueen.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a bugle and some other presents, some apples, candy, oranges, nuts and some firecrackers. My doll that you brought me year before last is still 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

For that Dull feeling After Eating.

I have used Chamberlain's

Dear old Santa: Will you els. They are far superior to tried it are willing to use please bring me the following, pills but cost no more. Get a no other. Mrs. F. F. Starcher A little top, a little automobile free sampleat B. R. Cuice & Son's of Ripley, W. Va., says, "I have and some nuts such as butternuts drug store and see what a splen- never used anything other than

Pay that dollar now.

#### Stop That Cough.

If you have a cough, cold, sore throat or chest, don't delay a adult. for sale by Guice & Son. moment-cure it. Simmon's Cough Syrup is a sure remedy. It makes you well.

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

#### Never Disappoints,

"Many extensively advertised remedies are failures when put to the test. Hunt's Lightening Oil is an exception. Confidence

pointment never follows its use. Dear Santa Claus: I don't It is surely the grandest emergeny

> George E, Paddock. Doniphan, Mo.

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

#### Good Cough Medicine for Children.

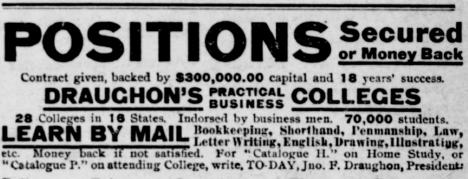
The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and too much care cannot be used to proand improve the digestion. They sole reliance of many mothers, also regulate the liver and bow- and few of those who have Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for my children and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an

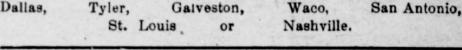
**Jur Guarantee Coupon** If, after using two-thirds of a \$1.00 bottle of Kodol, you can honestly say it has not bene-fited you, we will refund your money. Try Kodol today on this guarantee. Fill out and sign the following, present it to the dealer at the time of purchase. If it fails to satisfy you return the bottle containing one-third of the medicine to the dealer from whom you bought it, and we will refund your money. State **Digests What YouEat** And Makes the Stomach Sweet E. C. DeWITT & CO., Chicago, IIL

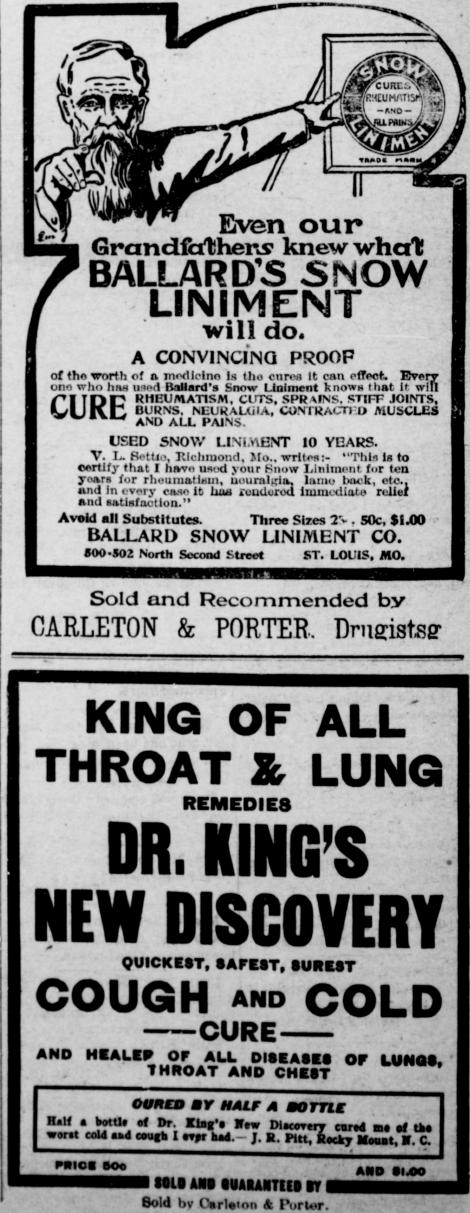
**Kodol For** 

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Sold by Carleton & Porter







Yancy Daily Meriwether.

LaTexo Texas .- Dear Santa Caus: Please bring me a little doli bed, a music roll, a pair of house slippers. This is all I wan for Christmas, Sincerely yours, Willie A. Meriwether.

Dear Santa Claus; I will write you a few lines to let you know what I want you to bring me. Please bring me a pair of Senday shoes and a pair of glover, and some walnuts, raisinoranges, pecans, candy, apples and nuts. Santa, don't forget my little sister, Ella Bring her some candy, apples, oranges, "nigger toes" and raisins. San. ta this is a hard year.

> Your friend, Carrie Parker.

Dear Santa Claus: I will write to you to let you know what I want you to bring me. Please tring me a little wagon, some "migger toes," cocoanuts, candy apple, raisens,, fire-crackers, orseger, wainuts and pecans. Please don't forget where I five. Your little boy, Willis Parker.

Dear Santa Claus: I will write you to let you know what I want

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 shells, five roman candles ne that will shoot 25 times. Please don't get them smutty as ou come down the chimney. Your friend, Cecil McQueen.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring ne some little chairs and a jointed go-to-sleep doll, a doll carriage funded.

some dishes, if you can, and some oranges, apples and nuts

Mable Boykin. P.S. Don't forget that I have a little brother this year, you must bring him something too. M. B.

Dear Santa Claus:-Please bring me a bugle, a popgun and a watch, some candy, apples. prangeg, raisins, nuts and firecrackers. Now dear Santa don't

be to poor to bring me this little bit, I will have the fire covered up good so you wont burn your feet, but you may get prety black coming down the chimney if you are very large,

From your friend,

Pat Taylor. Dear Santa Calus:-Please

and it will run, some candy, ap-

be at Grandmothers. Your little faiend, Arnold Finch. Palestine, Texas.

Certainly Fair.

Of all troubles humanity is subject to none perhaps causes more acute distress and more frantic efforts for relief than many forms of itching skin troubles. We will tell you a remedy that rarely ever fails-Hunt's Cure. One box is absolutely guaranteed to cure any one case of itching trouble-no

matter what the name. If it fails your money is cheerfully re-

> 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. De Witt'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.

> Grapeland public school suspended last Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays, and will open Monday, Dec. 30th. Prof. Perkins is attending the teachers institute at Crockett.

There is sometning about Ken-

nedy's Laxative Cough Syrup bring me a trycicle, a pair of that makes it different from othgoats ann a little wagon, a toy ers, as it causes a free yet gentle engine that I can make a fire in action of the bowels through which the cold is forced out of ples, orangos, nuts, raisins and the system. At the same time firecrackers. Santa don't come it heals irritation and allays into Palestine to find me for I will flamation of the throat and lungs. It is pleasant to take. Children like it. Contains no opiates nor narcotics. Sold by Carleton & Perter.

#### DOCTORS IN GRAND JURY NET.

#### Two Indicted in Iowa for Conspiracy to Force an Independent Physician from a Surgical Case.

Waverly, Ia .- The Bremner county grand jury, which a few weeks ago Indicted fourteen members of the county medical association, alleging violation of the anti-trust law, recently reported additional indictments against Dr. W. A. Rohlf and Dr. O. L. Chaffee on the general ground of conspiracy. Their alleged offense was of forcing an independent doctor from a surgical case, in which he as well as one of the accused doctors had been employed, after he had refused to sign the union scale.

#### Couldn't Discharge Him.

When the jury had filed in for at least the fourth time, with no sign of coming to an agreement in the bribery case, the disgusted judge rose up and said: "I discharge this jury."

At this, one sensitive talesman, stung to the quick by this abrupt and ill-sounding decision, obstinately faced the judge. "You can't discharge me, judge!" he

retorted. "Why not?" asked the astonished

judge.

"Because," announced the talesman, pointing to the defendant's lawyer, "I'm being paid by that man there!"-Lippincott's.

#### FREE TO OUR READERS.

Write Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, for 48-page Illustrated Eye Book and if this paper is mentioned they will send you a Free Bottle Murine for Your Eyes. Write all about Your Eye Trouble and their Oculists will advise as to the proper Application of the Murine Eve Remedies in Your Special Case. Your Druggist will tell you that Murine Cures Eyes. Makes Weak Eyes Strong. Doesn't Smart. Soothes Eye Pain. Aids those Wearing Glasses and Sells for 50c.

#### The Eternal Feminine.

"Did your wife scold you much for getting in so late last night?"

"You bet she did-for about four hours!'

"Whew! What did you do?"

"Fell asleep, as usual, during the lecture.'

"But didn't she wake you up?"

"Come to think of it, she did. Wanted to know if I loved her as much as ever-or something of the sort."-Young's Magazine.

#### STATE OF OHIO. CITY OF TOLEDO. | 89.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, 1 83. LUCAS COUTY. 1 83. FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the trm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo. County and State foresaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every Case of CATAREN that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATABENT CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, his 6th day of December, A. D., 1886. A. W. GLEASON, I TALL'S

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NOTARY PUBLIC. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

"Nails" "Nails are a mighty good thingparticularly finger nails-but I don't believe they were intended solely for scratching, though I used mine largely for that purpose for several years. I was sorely afflicted and had it to do.

One application of Hunt's Cure, however, relieved my itch and less than one box cured me entirely. J. M. WARD, Index, Texas.

#### Not Caretaker's Fault.

. In answer to a complaint made by the town council of Camborne, England, that the caretaker of the recreation ground had allowed the grass to grow to an inconvenient height, that officer replied that the donkey which had formerly eaten the grass had died of lockjaw and he had been unable to buy another one to take its place.

The time is the worst employed which we give up to regrets, unless we learn from them lessons for the future.-Levis.

#### Useless.

A short time ago an old negro was up before a judge in Dawson City, charged with some trivial offense. "Haven't you a lawyer, old man?"

inquired the judge. "No, sah." "Can't you get one?"

"No, sah."

"Don't you want me to appoint one to defend you?" "No, sah; I jes' tho't I'd leab de

case to de ign'ance ob de co't."

#### The Sequel. "Funny thing about Dubley. He said he needed a little whisky because he was run down."

"Well, wasn't he run down?" "I don't know about that, but I do know he was run in."-The Catholic Standard and Times.

Nature's Management. "There is no way, is there, to keep

wrinkles from showing?" "How can there be when wrinkles

are head-liners?"

## NATURE PROVIDES FOR SICK WOMEN

a more potent remedy in the roots and herbs of the field than was ever produced from drugs. In the good old-fashioned days of

our grandmothers few drugs were used in medicines and Lydia E. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., in her study of roots and herbs and their power over disease discovered and gave to the women of the world a remedy for their peculiar ills more potent and efficacious than any combination of drugs.

### Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

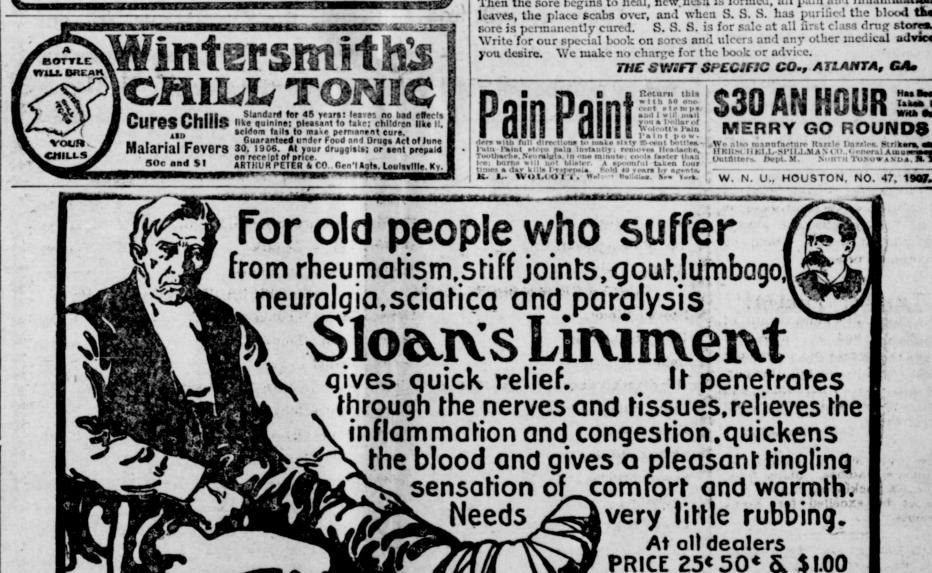
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is an honest, tried and true remedy of unquestionable therapeutic value. During its record of more than thirty years, its long list of actual cures of those serious ills peculiar to women, entitles Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to the respect and confidence of every fair minded person and every thinking woman.

When women are troubled with irregular or painful functions, weakness, displacements, ulceration or inflammation, backache, flatulency, general debility, indigestion or nervous prostration, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

No other remedy in the country has such a record of cures of female ills, and thousands of women residing in every part of the United States bear willing testimony to the wonderful virtue of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable compound and what it has done for them.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. For twenty-five years she has been advising sick women free of charge. She is the daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham and as her assistant for years before her decease advised under her immediate direction. Address, Lynn, Mass.





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# LD SORES FED AND KEPT OPEN BY IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

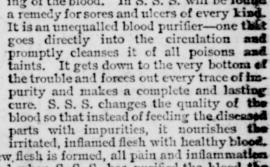
Whenever a sore refuses to heal it is because the blood is not pure and healthy, as it should be, but is infected with poisonous germs or some of blood taint which has corrupted and polluted the circulation. Those next blood taint which has corrupted and polluted the circulation. These musually afflicted with old sores are persons who have reached or passed multiple life. The vitality of the blood and strength of the system have naturally begun to decline, and the poisonous germs which have accumulated becan of a sluggish and inactive condition of the system, or some hereditary taket which has hitherto been held in check, now force an outlet on the face, are legs or other part of the body. The place grows red and angry, festers and eats into the surrounding tissue until it becomes a chronic and stubbers ulcer, fed and kept open by the impurities with which the blood is saturated. Nothing is more trying and disagreeable than a stubborn, non-healing The very fact that it resists ordinary remedies and treatments is good reasons for suspicion; the same germ-producing cancerous ulcers is back of every old sore, and especially is this true if the trouble is an inherited one.

Twas afflicted with a sore on my face of four years' standing. It was a small pimple at first but it radually grew larger and worse in every way until I became alarmed about it and consulted several physicians. They all to grow worse. I saw S. S. S. ad-vertised and commenced its usa completely cured. My blood is now pure and healthy from the first of f.S. S., and there has not been any sign of the sore since S. S. S. cured it. THOS.OWEN West Union, Ohio.

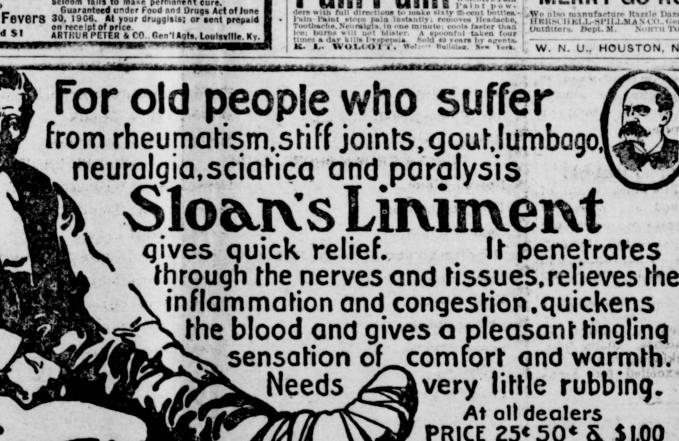
PURELY VEGETABLE

Then the sore begins to heal, new flesh is formed, all pain and inflammation leaves, the place scabs over, and when S. S. S. has purified the blood the sore is permanently cured. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores. Write for our special book on sores and ulcers and any other medical advice









#### Unswallowed.

She had been to her first party and had indulged not wisely but too well in delicacies that cause internal woe when partaken of to excess.

"Why, Geraldine!" exclaimed the anxious mother, as she welcomed the return of her offspring, "how white you are looking; do you feel sick?"

"Oh, no," was the equable reply; "I did feel sick after the ice cream, but I unswallowed myself and I feel all right now."

#### Its Dangerous

To neglect a cold the results are too often very serious. Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Pneumonia and Consumption are frequently the consequences. Upon the appearance of a cold, sore throat or chest, use Simmons' Cough Syrup. It soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm and promptly cures you.

#### Where Legislature Meets Every Year.

There are now only six states in the United States whose legislatures meet every year. In the others the legislatures meet only once in two years, and this is true of the great states of Pennsylvania and Illinois. Only the legislatures of New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Georgia, South Carolina and Rhode Island meet once a year.

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



The Kind You Have Always Bought.

A Certainty. "Every woman thinks she would make an actress.'

"Net every one." 'Yes." "There is my wife." "Deesn't she think it?" "No: she knows it."-Nashville

American.

Some of Them.

"Don't you think it is dreadful for society to be taking up any of these esoteric Oriental ideas?"

"Oh, but the Oriental rugs are perfectly lovely?"-Baltimore American.

Proved Useless.

"When you was little was you spanked like I am to make you good, papa?"

"I was, my son-and spanked hard,

"Ven you can't fool me no more, 'cause if it didn't make you good it won't make me good."

To Break in New Shoes

Always shake in Aflen's Foot-Ease a pow-der. It cures sweating, aching, swollen feet, ingrowing nails and bunions. At all Drug-gists 25c, refuse substitutes. Sample mail-ed FREE. Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

According to the eternal fitness of things a duck of a girl should marry a quack doctor.

"Of course," said Tess at Miss Yerner's wedding to Mr. Timmid, "the bride looks lovely, as brides always do."

In the Church.

"Yes," replied Jess, "but the bridegroom doesn't. He appears rather run down."

"Run down? Oh, yes; caught after a long chase."

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen is Nature's great rem-edy-Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Con-sumption, and all threat and lung troubles. At druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

A poor but otherwise strictly honest man says that the worst thing about riches is not having any.

\$3.00 & \$3.50 SHOES THE WORLD SHOES FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE WORLD THE FAMILY, AT ALL PRICES. \$25,000 (To any one who can prove W.L. Downas does not make a sell Reward (more Men's \$3 \$3.50 shoes the BEASON & L. Durde Men's \$3 \$3.50 shoes the BEASON & L.

The REASON W. L. Douglas shoes are worn by more people in all walks of life than any other make, is because of their excellent style, easy-fitting, and superior wearing qualities. The selection of the leathers and other materials for each part of the shoe, and every detail of the making is looked after by the most completeorganization of superinterdents, foremen and skilled shoemakers, who receive the highest wages paid in the shoe industry, and whose workmanship cannot be excelled. If could take you into my large factories at Brockton, Mass., and show you how carefully W. L. Douglas shoes are made, you would then understand why they hold their shape; fit better, was longer and are of greater value than any other make. CAUTION! The genuine have W. L. Douglas shoes. If he cannot is direct to factory. Shoes sent everywhere by mail. Catalog free. W.L.Douglas.

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Dr.Earl S.Sloan, Boston Mass.

DOUGLAS



Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail

#### Oak Grove News

Oak Grove, Dec. 12 .- I guess the readers of the Messenger think je is a long time between drinks

**Health of this community is** Mr May Bean's improving. child, who has had Pneumonia. is retting well Albert Smith who has been sick the past ten days with Pneumonia is improvig, but there is danger of slow fever setting in.

We have a new addition to our community-J. W Ellis, who has moved to the Geo Chaffin place.

We have a new bridge over the Dowlin branch, which fills a long felt want, and adds a lot of convenience to the traveling public.

Our school is moving along nicely under the management of Miss Roxy Brimberry. Our school building came very near being destroyed by fire yesterday, caused by bad flues

I had the pleasure of attending the district union last Saturday at Antrim We had a very intersting meeting, and a fine dinner. The next meeting will convene at LaTexo the first Saturday in January. All union members are invited to be present as there will be much business of importance.

We understand that the cotton speculators of New York have turned old Theo. Price out of the cotton exchange. I wonder what they will do for some one to lie for them. I guess he failed to make up 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. 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, Managata Taraa

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Christmas Greeting

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## To Our Friends and Customers

We thank you for your patronage this year and we hope that by continuing in the future as in the past, giving you value received for your money whether your purchases be large or small, that we will maintain your good will, friendship and patronage in the future as in the past. Wishing each and everyone of you a merry Christmas and happy New Year' I am yours very truly,

George E. Darsey,

**GRAPELAND, TEXAS.** 

Boys List.

DEC. 18, 1907

Girls List.

Our Store will be closed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 30th, 31st and January 1st, TAKING INVENTORY

Below you will find a List of the Contestants in our Premium Contest that-closed Saturday 14th, showing the name, number of votes and Premium Received:

W N Lane Suicides

Wyatt N. Lane committe suiide in the c unty jail at Ur cket sometime during Thursday night by drinking carbolic aci: The Crockett Courier .....

"Wyatt N Lane was indicted, ried and c nviete at the Octaber term of e-urt f r th- murd-r of Henry Dudley, the husband of his grand laughter. I'h- sentence was for life A new trial was asked for, but refused. An appeal to the court or criminal appeals was being prepared when Mr. Lane took things in his own hands and ended all. A son Clint Lane was indicted for the same crime and is now serving a fifteen years' sentence in the Huntsville penitentiary. Wyatt Lane's case now goes to a higher court then any on earth, and a just and merciful God will pronounce the final sentence."

#### Might Have Bees.

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.

#### To My Friends and Customers.

Owing to the present condition of the country, my collections have been very short, and I will not be in a position to continue my present system of credit business the coming year, and will continue to run on a strictly cash basis, which will be more pleasant to you as well as myself.

I will be glad to extend any favors that my abillities may allow and solicit your business on those terms. Thanking you for past favors.

> I remain your friend, J. J. Brooks.

#### That's Itl

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 hottle will convince vo

Navasota, Texas. writes: "I have used Snow Linimert for sprained ankle and it gave the		BUCK'S JR. RANGE EACH No Votes	druggist, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Carleton & Porter.
best of satisfaction. I always keep it in the house." Sold by Carleton & Porter.	Smith Dailey         37,801           Tandy Dailey (col)         31,950           Aubry Lively         31,416	Lileene and Edith Brown 47,760 Louise Selkirk	My prices will compare with the bankrupt sale prices, and a good many things are cheaper at
Lumber! Lumber! At my mill 4 miles south of Grapeland and at LaTexo. I have the largest stock of lumber ever offered to trade in this part of the county. I am anxious to	BUSTER BROWN SHOES EACHStovall White17,560Bob Scarborough12,495Cullin Dunnam11,150KEEN KUTTER POCKET KNIFE EACH.	BUSTER BROWN SHOES EACH Stella Whitaker	F. A. Faris'. DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve-don't forget the name, and accept no substitute. Get DeWitt's. It's good for piles. Sold by Carleton & Porter.
sell. See me and let me supply your wants. T. H. Leaverton.	Will Herod (Col)	Fannie May Brimbery	An interesting communication from A. S. Price on peanut cul- ture and diversification is crowd- ed out on account of its length
See our line of jewelry, at Howard's, watches, chains, fobs, bracelets, necklaces, buttons, etc Cannot be excelled for Xmas presents.	Leslie Bridges         7,800           Louis Lee         7,565           Compton Lively         6,050	Allie Marshall       3,065         Arline Howard       3,025         Fannie May Woodard       2,980	and being received late. For bed steads, dressers, chairs, bed springs, mattresses, tables, rockers, cooking stoves, or any-
ben you as cheap as anybody	J. E. Cunningham       5,655         M. A. Gadway       3,365         Elma Spruill       3,185	Maude L. Owens         2,645           Birddie May Blount         2,005           Lura Herod         1,935	thing in the furniture line at out prices, see J. R. Richards at the furniture store.
"During the summer of 1903 I was troubled with muscular pains in the instep of my foot," says	<b>V</b>	Annie R. Hollingsworth1,635Elizabeth Leaverton1,580Ima Oliphant1,085	LOST—A hand bag contain- ing a pair of gold spectacles, a dollar bill, one silver dollar and some small change. Finder please return to postoffice.
Mr. S. Pedlar, of Toronto, Ont. "At times it was so painful I could hardly walk. Chamber- lain's Pain Balm was recom- mended to me, so I tried it and was completely cured by one	We are now delivering the premius get yours. Thanking you for the inter	ms as per above list. Please call and serest you have taken in the con-	Rocking chairs, Hall racks, center tables, book cases, loun- ges and scores of other nice things suitable for Christmas presents at the furniture store.
small bottle. I have since recom.	test. I am yours very truly,		Christmas candies, apples,

mended it to several of my

We are requested to announce that Rev. J. F Lively will preach at Lockout on the fifth Sunday. There will be dinner on the ground and everybody is envited.

oranges and fireworks and useful presents cheap at, Geo. E. Darsey. F. A. Faris'. A beautiful line of wool and silk shawls, scarfe, children muff sets, side and back combs, handkerchiefs, and hundreds of useful articles suitable for Christmas

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