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GRAPELAND'S TWO BIG DAYS A GRAND SUCCESS

Possums March Through Streets, Viewed By Five Thousand Spectators. Excitement Runs High

Beautifully Decorated Floats, Automobiles and Other Vehicles Form Parade one Mile Long

Nov. 27th and 28th were two pression that can not be erased. days that will long be remem- Early Thursday morning visland and surrounding country. from every direction, and before is a town that always succeeds does not exist within them. in anything it undertakes to accomplish. We have attracted the forenoon for the "Walk," State-wide attention because we and net wire was stretched on have successfully pulled off one each side of W. Main St. for one of the most unique entertain block, through which the posments ever heard of or read sums were to be driven at 1:30 about. The best feature of the p. m. Promptly at the appoint entertainment was the fact that ed hour the 'possums were haulit was a grand success. Success to the place designated for the in anything is all that anyone start. They were dumped out can ask for. When success is of the wagons amid much exciteachieved, it is well known by all ment, and several men drove way. intelligent and progressive peo them through the inclosure. ple that it costs hard and will. The camera men were stationed many words of praise he ing efforts. Grapeland has nev in advance of the animals and er made a failure in anything it moved backward as they prohas tried to accomplish. No ceeded. Pathe's Weekly had a town could expect a higher com- man on the ground to get the pliment or want a better advertisement than this. Not every Several with kodaks obtained man lives through life without snap shots of the possums in making failures, nor does every action. The crowd was so large town live without making fail that it was impossible to keep ures. The man who always suc- the people back from the net ceeds in life is the man who is wire. A barb wire was stretchever vigilant and grasps the ob- ed about six feet back from the stacles in his path with a firm net wire just before the possums hand and overcomes them. So were turned loose, but immedit is with a town. It must posse lately after the possums were ess men with strength of char- released, curiosity and exciteacter, mind and body, and men ment ran so high that the barb ple. who do not shirk their duty wire was entirely forgotten, and toward the betterment of their a mad rush was made by every community. People who visited one to get a view of the novel one that he was fond of possesses Grapeland these two days, de sight. After driving the posclared that it excelled many sums to the end of the inclosure larger towns in enterprise and they were captured and carried progressiveness. Never before to the barbecuing pits, where in the history of the town has they were given a "warm rethere been such large crowds of ception" and prepared for dinvisitors within the gates of our ner the next day. little city. Never before has excitement run so high. Each and orated floats, automobiles and every visitor enjoyed the time buggies at 2:15, which was formspent here, and went away, ed at the Leaverton Lumber Co's. shouting words of praise for the lumber yard. The parade contown and its enterprising citi-sisted of some twenty-five floats zens. No town could ask for a and buggies and two automobetter advertising medium, than biles, besides the school childwords of praise spoken by peo- ren and others on foot, and was ple who live in other towns who in charge of Dr. Sam Kennedy. have visited the town and were First came the automobiles, fol-

Last Thursday and Friday, tory, and left an indelible im-

bered by the citizens of Grape-litors began pouring into the city of the town. Many towns larger the visitors covered a large area than Grapeland would feel proud of the city. Many visitors from these two days of novel enter- Lovelady and other towns came tainment. There is no town the in on the trains, some coming we have received from this one. tised, and they were not dis-The whole State has been wait appointed in the least. Many ing and watching for the day to were inclined to think that the Grapeland, and some were skep- anxious to know what method J J. Strickland of Palestine Walk" would be a success. Had sum herders" should they reno reason to doubt the success country are like the people in of this venture, for Grapeland this respect—the "sully" spirit

Preparations had been made in "Walk" in moving pictures.

Next came the parade of decfavorably impressed. Hence the lowed by the school children and tle. Sold by A. S. Porter, Adv. two days have passed into his decorated buggies. Next came

the floats, followed by the degree teams of four W. O. W. lodges. Passing up E. Main St. on the east side of the railroad the procession crossed the railroad near the water tank, passing was Chestnut St., and crossing to Sycamore St. above the Baptist church, thence eastward to W ... Main St. and up W. Main to the school building. The parage was viewed by more than free thousand people, and the officers were kept busy making way through the crowd for the parade to pass. The parade was a mile long and only one accident happened, that being when the team pulling the float of Geo. R. Darsey, tried to run away. How-They will be referred to as two noon the streets were crowded ever, they were soon brought of the biggest days in the history and the wagons and buggies of under control and fortunately us one was hurt. All the floats and buggies were beautifully dearof the notoriety we received by Palestine, Elkhart, Crockett, ated and many of them were unique designs and showed ar tistic taste. We would like to size of Grapeland that has or Wednesday night. They came give each one a special mention will ever receive as much adver- to see the possums walk through but space will not permit. After tising from an entertainment as the streets-as had been adver. the parade the crowd collected at the school building, where addresses were made by Han. W. F. Murchison, W. A. Risit come for the "Possum Walk" in possums would sull, and were B. F. Dent of Crockett and Hon. tical as to whether the "Possum would be employed by the "pos. Judge Strickland filled Hen. Cullen F. Thomas' appointment. everyone known the past record fuse to walk. Some possums do as that gentleman wired the of the town, there would have been sull, but those of the Grapeland Board of Trade Tuesday that is would be impossible for him to be here.

Hon. W. F. Murchison opered with an address that was well received, and made many suitable remarks for the occasion. He pointed out the fact that the Grapeland people had found something in this form of entertainment that was entirely new, and impressed the people with the fact that the town would receive wide notoriety for their efforts to boost the town in the

Mr. Riall spoke next, and the pressed of the town's progress and the enterprise of it's people brought much applause. He congratulated the citizens on their splendid educational advantages, good roads and other enterprises, which favorably impressed his hearers. Mr. Riall formerly lived at Augusta, but has been in other parts of the State for the past ten years, and it could easily be perceived that the spirit in which he spoke was from the heart, and that he still felt an interest in the Grapeland country and it's per-

Mr. Dent was then introduced and his address convinced every He heartily commended the perple for their progressive spirit and their efforts to boost and advertise their town and country. He expressed many good ideas and methods of town building. which many of his hearers will profit by. He showed that he was a wide-awake citizen, and that he either rode the "booster wagon" or walked. His address was heartily applauded.

Hon. Jeff Strickland spoke last, and his address was elequently delivered, and stirred the hearts of his hearers along the lines he spoke on, and which was received with hearty ap

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THE POSSUM WALK present and took part in the ALL THE NEWS

plause. The expression of his boosting woke up men who had been asleep, and made town boosters of men who had heretofore been inclined to "knock." His remarks brought out clearly the vital necessities that are required to permit any town or community to grow and prosper. He also impressed upon the farmers, the great importance to the world that the greatest of their co-operation. At the be- treasures a town can posessginning of his address Judge enterprise and thrift, exists in Strickland informed his hearers the realms of her domain. These of the fact that on account of his two days mark the real begincoming on short notice, he did ning of Grapeland's best efforts have time to prepare a special to build a bigger and better would like mighty well to hear have been erected since the fire except it be given him. him deliver an address that he are of much more credit to the had specially prepared if it could town than the old ones were, delivered on this day.

three thousand. The barbecue in 1913. nerstone of the new Masonic stead of 5000. ive ceremonies, and was wit- we are liable to take to accom eral prominent masons were after.

ceremonies.

The Palestine Labor Band furnished the music both days, and ideas on town building and although only a part of the band feel proud of her band boys. Grapeland, and were highly and is no more. commended for their good be-

Although Grapeland has labored under many hardships durthough not so many people were many things for the betterment

consisted of possums and other We hope that the business point. meats, and was enjoyed by ev- men will have a second annual supper. At 2:30 p. m. the cor- 10,000 people will be here in-

building was laid with impress for there's no telling what steps nessed by a large crowd. Sev. plish the things we have started

FROM ANTRIM

Dec. 1st.-We are here again was secured, they rendered and so is December, and that good music, and Palestine should brings the thought to us that the year of 1913 is very near gone They made many friends in into history as time that was-

Let us examine ourselves just a moment and see how much we have done for our blessed redeemer in the past year, in showminds of the business men and ing the year 1913, she has proved ing our appreciation for the many good things we have received at his hands. I am sure we are all wanting along that line but we should always remember that what we possess of this world's goods are not ours, but that it all belongs to address for the occasion. We town. The business houses that him and no man has anything

The Fifth Sunday meeting, or I might say the Fifth Saturday be any better than the one he and with the start we now have, meeting was a rather wet affair, it is to be hoped that every cit-although it seemed dry enough Friday was the day for the izen will put his shoulder to the at first, but the "booze" faction big possum barbecue, and al- wheel and try to accomplish held a scab meeting of their own somewhere. But despite the here as on Thursday, there was of the town in 1914—things that indecency of the weather a very a good crowd, and estimated at were impossible to accomplish good meeting was held from a spiritual and educational stand-

There was a good represent eryone. The ladies furnished a "Possum Walk" next year, and ation of the Rock Hill and Anlarge portion of the dinner, con- that it will be bigger and better trim singers out Sunday and sisting of cakes, pies, chicken, than the first. In the event it they certainly made the "welkin" salads and other edibles. There is made an annual affair, we ring. Everybody seemed to be was more than enough for din- feel sure that 500 'possums will at their best and the singing was ner and many people were given walk instead of 200, and that real good, with Jno Willis, Chas. Streetman, John Warren and W. R. Durnell as leaders.

Rev. G. T. Brimberry of Rock Hill preached Sunday at eleven o'clock, using as a text Roman, 1-16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." It is enough to say he did well.

Uncle H. and Aunt M. Shooter of Crockett spent the latter part of the week with J. F. Martin and family. They are lively old people and we always like to see them when they come down.

Clyde Wynne and family of Myrtle Springs and Jno. F. Bridges of New Prospect were visitors at the home of W. M. Durnell Sunday.

Messrs. Waddell, Montgomery and Spence together with Misses Brown, Turner, Spence and Montgomery of Hays Spring were visiting at the home of G. L. Waddell Sunday. They said they were expecting dinner on the ground at Antrim when they got here, but judging by the way Pete killed the grub we are inclined to think he was not anyways particular where he found

We cannot say much for certain about Grapeland's "Possum Trot," as we could not be there, but unless it was pulled off in first-class style, then it just simply wasn't Grapeland, that's all. As ever,

ANTRIMITE.

Rub the joints with Ballard's Snow Liniment to relieve rheum. atism. It penetrates the flesh to the bone conveying its sooth ing and restorative influence to the spot where the pain exists. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. Adv.

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duce too large a stock. Neither are they given for

your special benefit. I am doing this because I think

it will help me in my business. It is up to you to take

come and select what you need in that line.

all dress goods.

I still have some of the goods left that I bought

Prices reduced on everything in Shoes, Dry Goods

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Toilet Sets, Military Sets, Smoking Sets, Water Sets,

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Knives and Forks, Tea Spoons, Table Spoons, Butter Knives, Sugar Shells, Berry Spoons, Cream Ladles, Cold Meat Forks,

Clocks, Casseroles, Jewel Boxes, Umbrellas, Cut Glass. In fact we have a complete line of nice and useful things for gifts for all.

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driving over a Red River valley because such lands are most farm. The soil was a deep, rich valuable. The public institutions chocolate loam and the cornfield that make life worth livingthey were in, as it proved when schools, churches, and trading harvesting later, had more than and transportation facilitiesone hundred bushels to the acre are more numerous and most on it. Three years before the efficient in the towns, and those owner had bought the farm for seeking land for homes are wil-\$12 per acre.

"What is that land worth?" asked one of the men.

Not long ago two men were and on roads leading into town, ling to pay a premium to get themselves and their families near those institutions.

"That is a rather difficult quest- The very life of these towns ion to answer," returned the and the existence of the institutother. "If this land were in two ions that make life in and around or three miles of the county them worth while depend on the seat it would be worth \$200 per volume of business done by the acre. As it is, more than fifteen local merchants. Every dollar miles from town and with no unneccessarily sent away to roads, it wouldn't sell for \$20." other markets, therefore, takes Everybody knows that the away from the community's lifehighest priced lands in any com- blood and reduces its efficiency munity are those nearest town as a satisfying place to live.

HAPPENINGS AT ROCK HILL

Dec. 1st.-Well, Christmas is look for old Santa—and old ones | cool and pleasant. too—many a heart will be made glad by some gift or remem- home. We are glad to see him brance. But the great remem- able to be out again. brance of pleasure, especially to older people is the thought of proving. Bro. Ramey gave us celebrating the birth of our bles- an interesting talk yesterday. sed Saviour.

Walk," but missed the parade on good sermons. Thursday, and want to say it Jim Johnston and daughter some future day.

Guice and Herry Cook and Miss ston will leave for Ratcliff to Fannie Hudson were pleasant spend a few days. visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Willis Sunday.

The young people gathered at home of Bud Scarbrough. the home of Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. spent an hour in singing.

and Luna Kolb attended church It was carried out well. at Antrim Sunday.

and may you have a good Christ-LITTLE ITEMS.

How To Bankrupt The Doctors

A prominent New York physician says, "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bank. and safe to take. For sale by For sale by all dealers. all dealers.

Notice .-- Take Warning

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trade it was decided to festivities. require all owners of hogs running at large to pen them immediately, or they would be prosecuted.

T. H. Leaverton, Pres.

LIBERTY HILL HAPPENINGS

Libeaty Hill, Dec. 1.-We have nearly here. When little folks had a good rain and now it is

Jim Holcomb has returned

Our Sunday school is still im-

Revs. Hodges and Day filled Well, the writer had the pleas- their last appointment Sunday ure of attending the "Possum for this year. Both preached

was a grand success. Grape of Palestine are visiting friends and will be a star on the map and relatives in this community. Miss Johnston will leave for Tom Laseter and Miss Ethel home Tuesday, and Mr. John-

> Will Chambers and family of Waneta spent Sunday at the

Several from here went to Weisinger Sunday night and Grapeland Thursday and Friday and report a nice time.

Messrs. Willie Willis, Luther Our school children had a Campbell, Misses Eva Brooks, program for Thanksgiving day.

Saturday evening Mrs. Minnie Best wishes to the Messenger Cutler entertained the young people with a party. A few games were played and every. body enjoyed themselves. Fruits were served and at a late hour the guests departed.

SUN BEAM.

Fit His Case Exactly

"When father was sick about rupt." When you contract a six years ago he read an advercold do not wait for it to develop tisement of Chamberlain's Tab. into pneumonia but treat it at lets in the papers that fit his once. Chamberlain's Cough case exactly," writes Miss Mar-Remedy is intended especially garet Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. for coughs and colds, and has "He purchased a box of them won a wide reputation by its and he has not been sick since. cures of these diseases. It is My sister had stomach trouble most effectual and is pleasant and was also benefitted by them."

> Mr. and Mrs. Milligan of New Waverly were the guests of relatives here last week during the

California Woman Seriously Alarmed

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great A bad liver robs you of energy, deal of annoyance. I would strength and ambition; you feel have bad coughing spells and without an Abstract showing half-sick all the time and, more- my lungs were so sore and inover, you are an easy mark for flamed I began to be seriously pneumonia, chills, yellow fever, alarmed. A friend recommend. typhoid fever, or some other ed Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. serious disease. You need a saying she had used it for years. good liver tonic and regulator I bought a bottle and it releived and Herbine fills the bill com- my cough the first night, and in pletely. Try it: You can't a week I was rid of the cold and help noticing how quickly you soreness of my lungs," writes feel its beneficial effect. Price Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, 50c. Sold by A S. Porter. Adv Cal. For sale by all dealers. adv

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THURSDAY, DEC. 4, 1913

People who can make possums walk can do anything. Come to Grapeland!

Consult the advertisements and Friday. Her famous "Possum do your shopping early.

my your poll tax. Things will new Masonic building will be city of Grapeland, Nov. 27-28 nick up next summer.

Editor Jetton has leased his paper-the Oakwood Oracle-to Jim Tom Story. We wish the new manager abundant success.

Grapeland is not a coming town-she has arrived. However, we will not linger by the wayside, but will keep climbing to higher things.

city during our two days of the state. At Cuero it is the merry-making last week, it is Turkey Trot and at other places impossible to give names. They they have just as appropriate

The Messenger's big Christmas edition will be issued De-Man, you had better speak now for space, and have your busiedition.

publicity given it by the press of rection.-Lovelady Light. Texas it would have been a commanity affair, and as it is it is statewide. Please accept our thanks, brethren, and we will peturn the favor when the opportunity comes.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Craven peturned Monday night from Nacogdoches where they had been attending the annual conference of the M. E. Church. We regret to state that Bro. and Sister Craven were not returned to us for another year, but will to Fairfield. They expect to leave for their new home in the next few days. Rev. H. A. Matsey, for three years pastor of Levelady.

your money's worth.

ECHOES OF OUR 'POSSUM WALK

MANY INTERESTING I EMS CLIPPED FROM THE MESSENGER'S EXCHANGES

SUBSCRIPTION - IN ADVANCE

There were 200 fat 'possums in the possum parade at Grapeland. There has never been anything like that before and never will be again unless Toledo should take it into her head to ald. try a muskrat parade.—Houston

in all the slick tail varmints that they can find. We fear the committee had better be careful else some rastus may bring in wood rats or some other varmints besides the 'possums. We don't know how about the 'possum crop in Cherokee county, but the sweet potato crop is something immense.-Jacksonville Reformer.

Grapeland is to have two big Now for the Christmas rush! days this week-Thursday and Parade" is to be pulled off Thurs--Crockett Courier.

The Times is in receipt of an invitation to attend the "Possum Walk Day" to be held at Grapeland today, Nov. 27, from the Board of Trade of that city. These people have provided for a big time for all who attend and no doubt the town will be full to overflowing with visitors. These novelty entertainments are be-So many visitors were in our coming very popular throughout were here from everywhere. | names for the celebration.-Montgomery County Times. Conroe.

Friend Luker, editor of the On behalf of the Board of festivities, and Grapeland would Trade, the Messenger desires to have a Montgomery county "Possum Walk." Without the at grandma's in the opposite di-

Grapeland is strictly in the limelight this week. On Thursday and Friday she is to have a big celebration whereat prominent men from various parts of the state will speak. There will be music by a big brass band, decorated floats, parade by the school children and a "possum parade." We understand that on the first day at 1:30 p. m., 2,700 men will form one unit or section of the parade and each will carry a big fat possum. This is a direct slap at Cuero for instituting the "turkey trot." -Troup Banner.

Grapeland pulled off her day will also be Masonic Day 'Possum Walk' on Thursday and the cornerstone of the new and Cuero had her turkey trot Masonic building will be laid last week. We will try and see with impressive ceremonies. if we can't get up some kind of The editor would greatly enjoy stunt for our town.-Harlingen these two days, no doubt, as he formerly lived in that progress ive little city, and if possible we will be there, Editor Luker, so better add still another possum to your supply in the event we do come.-Mt. Enterprise Her-

Grapeland, Texas has dug up Grapeland is fixing to pull off name and manner. They are a 'Possum Walk and is gathering calling it the "Possum Walk." The Board of Trade of that hustling south Texas city have bought 1,000 possums, been getting them together for the past month. On Thanksgiving morning they will drive these animals down the street of their town to a slaughter pen, kill them, bake them, serve them to several thousand guests with sweet potatoes as a side line. Grapeland has put one over on the Cuero "Turkey Trotters."-Richardson Echo.

The Grapeland Board of Trade day, and Friday is to be Masonic has invited State Press to spend Better save back enough to Day. The cornerstone of the two days in the flourishing little laid in the afternoon. The and participate in the pleasures Courier editor acknowledges an of a double holiday devoted to Grapeland is not a one-man invitation to be present on both pleasure and social profit. The town or a town that, belongs to days and hopes to be able to occasion is the laying of the two or three-it is everybody's mingle with the Grapeland peo- corner stone of a Masonic insti ple on at least one of those days. tution, and the occasion was util ized for a general celebration in the nature of a carnival. This is the kind of thing State Press likes and likes to commend. The more sociability in any com munity the better that community is as a place of residence and the better a community is for residential purposes the better it is for the state and for society and humanity. Civility is the essence of civilization, in etymology and in fact.—State Press. Galveston News.

Will Continue Right Through the ment. Holidays

Owing to our large attendance, comber 18. Mr. Live Business Grapeland Messenger, very many students from a great disthoughtfully sends an appreciat- tance and that could not go home Mattie Smith has been in poor ed invitation to spend Thursday, for the holidays, others anxious health for some time. mess represented in this big and Friday in that prosperous to finish their courses, that they little city to the north attending may accept positions awaiting ed to Augusta. We wish them the 'Possum Walk and Masonic them, we will give no vacation except on Xmas day. New thank the press of Texas for the 'possum hunter's emptiness to and take up work to the very and their brother-in-law. We publicity given and the many fill, were it not for a pair of best advantage without being failed to learn his name. kind words spoken about our brown eyes and a turkey dinner interrupted with a vacation, and will also enable them to secure mother at Neches. choice of boarding place before

comes on. For several months we have not been able to supply the demand for our graduates of Bookkeeping and Shorthand or Telegraphy, we are therefore anxious that new students enwe can place in good positions, the better opportunity we have to demonstrate to the business men the proficiency of our students. Young people interested in a commercial education are finding that life is too short and time too valuable to spend from nine to twelve months taking a The Herald is in receipt of an course in a college teaching the church at Chappel Hill, will invitation to attend two days of other systems when it is a posbe in charge of Grapeland and Merry-Making in Grapeland itive fact that we can give them Nov. 27th and 28th. Thursday a better course in half the time of the Lyceum course is Booth will be "Possum Walk" Day and and at half the cost with the Lowery, the noted lecturer. He Drop in at Wherry's and get Friday they will be barbecued famous Byrne Simplified Short- will be here Friday night, Dec. Adv. and served to the people. This hand and Practical Bookkeeping 12th.

and our practical methods of teaching Telegraphy. They are also finding that a graduate who has the training given by these practical modern systems obtains a better salary than one graduating from a school using the old difficult faulty theoretical systems. We guarantee a better course in less time, at a less expense, and a better job with a better salary than any other school using other systems.

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Course Interested in .----

NEWS ITEMS

Fifty cents reward for a good it. norther. First come first servgrease the back of our ears with the turnip green patch, but we are short on joles.

Our community was shocked Monday morning on learning of the death of Mrs. Charlie Dickey. There were but few who knew of her illness, as she was sick a very short time. Mrs. Dickey leaves a husband and one child about two years old, besides a father and mother and several brothers and sisters to mourn her untimely death. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Fitchett. She joined the Methodist church when a young girl, and her life among us has been one which we can point to with pride. She was a true Christian lady, always willing to lend a helping hand to those in distress. She took the Civil Service examination for postmistress at this place, but death claimed her before she received the appoint-

There is quite a lot of sickness here at present. Elmer Sullivan is very sick. J. A. Shoemaker has two sick children. Aunt

Mr. Frank Newman has movpeace and happiness in their new home. Mr. Newman has students may continue to enroll rented his farm to Powell Bros.

Mrs. Hays is visiting her

Miss Eulalia Lively of Grapethe big January enrollment land is visiting Mr. Ed Bush's family.

Miss Glennie Bush is on the sick list.

Professor Driskell visited home folks at Lovelady Friday. Professor Gainey of Creek was visiting here Friday and roll early. The more graduates Saturday. He reports his school doing nicely.

JEMES R.

For Sale

Two desirable corner lots in Sycamore Addition. Three new residences have been completed near them. For price and terms JNO. R. OWENS. apply to

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Annual December Unloading

Begins

Saturday

It means money saved if you only FROM PERCILLA take advantage of We quote a ed. We are getting anxious to few prices below a spare rib. Most of us have from our big circular:

Staple Dry Goods

Oc Dress Ginghams 8 1-3c
Oc Extra Heavy Outing 81/2¢
Oc Quality Cotton Flannel 81/2¢
21-2c Quality Cotton Flannel 10¢
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10c Quality Brown Domestic S¢
c Quality Brown Domestic 7¢
7 1-2c Quality Brown Domestic 6¢
Sc Quality Brown Domestic 5¢
20c Quality Feather Tick 162-3¢
6c Quality Feather Tick 121/2¢
Oc Mattress Tick 8¢
10-4 Pepperell Sheeting 22¢
20c Genuine Meritas Oil Cloth 17¢
All Standard Brand Calicos, yd 5¢

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We are offering you prices that cannot be beat.

cannot be beat.
21 lbs Standard Granulated Cane Sugar \$1 00
7 lbs. good green Coffee \$1 00
6 lts. good roasted Coffee \$1 00
8 bars Clairette Soap 25¢
4 cans Grant Lye 25¢
4 cans Good Luck Bkg Pwd 25¢
7 boxes Battle Axe Soda 25¢
4 boxes Arm & Hammer Soda 25¢
\$1.00 bucket Coffee 75¢
7 boxes Gold Dust 25¢
1 can Airo Syrup 50¢
1 sack High Pat. Flour \$1 25
1 sack Extra High Pat. Flour every sack guaranteed \$1 35
1 box New Club Shells 40¢
1 box Smokeless Shells 60¢
20 lbs. good Rice \$1 00

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'Keep the Price Down"

LOCAL NEWS

Plenty brick at Darsey's.

Dr.G.H.Black, The Dentist. adv Read Wherry's ad on page 2. (Advertisement.)

See those nobby fall samples at Clewis' tailor shop.

Get Darsey's prices on brick.

We regret to chronicle the serious illnes of Mr. Elmer Sullivan of Percilla.

Just arrived, one car of cypress shingles at \$1.75 per thousand. Adv. T. H. Leaverton Lbr Co.

If you desire satisfactory work, carry your old clothes to Clewis.

For ladies, misses and child rens sweaters, motor hoods and scarfs see J. J. Brooks.

Hulls and meal are POSITIVE-LY CASH_NO CREDIT. Don't ask it. J. W. Howard.

For the highest quality and the lowest prices go to Wherry's. (Advertisement.)

Bread, cakes and pies at the Farmers Restaurant, east side

Wherry's stock is not the largest in town, but his prices are the lowest.

Cypress shingles, \$1.75 per thousand. Let us show them to you.

Adv. T. H. Leaverton Lbr. Co.

Miss Fannie Scarbrough of Palestine was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scarbrough this and last week.

E. S. Vandyke, representing the American Gas Co., of Houston, spent a few days in our city this week on business.

Don't fail to come in and let us complete your cold weather J. J. Brooks. wants.

(Advertisement.)

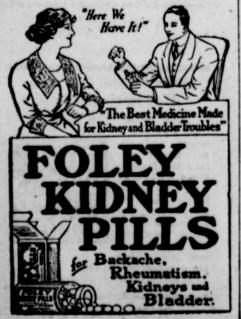
You can get the famous Houma oysters and fish every week at the Farmers Restaurant, east side railroad.

Sheridan of Crockett attended vation, under wire fence, very the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Will good house and barn, good well Sheridan's baby at Augusta of water. Come and see us at Tuesday.

A. B. Spence and Frank Leaverton left Monday night for Waco to attend the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas, which is now in session.

Misses Willie Browning, Cammie, Mary Lou and Retilla Thompson of Palestine visited relatives and friends the latter part of last week.

The many friends and ac quaintances of Mr. and Mrs. Will Sheridan deeply sympathize with them on account of the loss of their baby, who died Tuesday morning of dyptheria.



Car of brick at Darsey's.

Don't forget that good flour at Wherry's.

We will deliver meat every morning. Phone us your orders. J B Lively.

Grapeland Gun The Club will shoot every Thursday afternoon. adv

Rev. C. F. Trimble of Crockett was shaking hands with his many friends here Tuesday.

Warm as toast, those nice all wool blankets at J. J. Brooks. Get them before the blizzard comes.

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. All troubles of any kind of wearing apparel carefully treated. Give him a trial. adv.

Miss Dollie Parks, who has been staying here with her uncle, Dr. W. D. McCarty, and attending school, left for her home in Mississippi Saturday night. She was called home on account of the ill health of her mother.

Miss Alice Fox, who has had charge of Mr. Darsey's millinery department the past several seasons, left Monday for her I have many friends among your sex. brother's home in Kleberg. Miss Fox's many friends regret her departure very much.

Notice

I will be at Grapeland Friday and Saturday, December 12th and 13th, collecting 1913 tax.

Geo. H. Denny.

Wood For Ssle I have some 2-foot wood, stove wood and heater wood for sale. See me for prices.

BEN BROOKS.

Notice

All children coming to the shop during the week can have their hair cut for 25c, on Saturdays 35c. Come in the week and save the dime. J. W. Caskey.

(Advertisement.)

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64 acres of land, one mile S. E. Messrs. Ney and Jno. R. of Grapeland, 30 acres in culti-

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Geo. E. Darsey, Grapeland, Texas.

The Messenger received pleasant call Thursday morning from Prof. R. J. Dominy, who was on his way to Crockett to serve on the county board of examiners.

We are requested to announce there will be an all day singing at Salmon next Sunday and dinner will be served on the ground. haps you'll be marrying Grady!" A good program has been arranged and a good time is assured all those who attend.

W. B. Cochran, a prominent citizen of Lovelady, was a Grapeland visitor last Friday, coming up expressly for the purpose of eating some barbecued 'possum. He got the 'possum alright, and expressed himself as having spent a very pleasant day with

BLUE EYES OF ETHEL

By FRANK H. MELOON.

Although I am a serious minded man, I trust I can tolerate, and even indulge in, moderate levity at times. Ethel says I can and she, if anyone does, should know.

For months before I met her at the graduating reception of my class in college, I had heard of her as being "a mighty pretty girl." Now if there was one thing which I then held in utter scorn, it was a pretty girl. I carried Franklin's saying of "handsome is that handsome does" to the extreme-and beyond, if I may be permitted the expression, I held that femnine plainness and virtue walked hand in hand, and that no girl who was pretty could also be fitted for the pedestal on which my ideal was raised. So you see Ethel Elwell won no anti-acquaintance homage from me on account of her being acknowledged pretty.

At the reception, however, we were forced into each other's company. Most of the fellows except me happened to be either engaged or head over heels in love and there was a prevalent opinion, I afterward learned, that the man who had won the highest honors in the class of 'Ought-Two ought to have some claim upon the belle of the reception, which Ethel undoubtedly was.

I made a frank acknowledgment to her at the outset.

"As we are to be neighbors at our summer houses up in the old Granite State this year, we ought to be acquainted, but I promise not to keep you from your conquest of hearts. You must, on the other hand, count me as an immune. I have never yet seen the woman I could love, though I promise, then, not to fall in love with you, and you of course don't have to say you won't fall in love with me. That goes without saying. Now let's be friends and friends only!"

For the smallest fraction of a second the blue eyes of Ethel looked into mine, and then dropped shyly under their silken fringes. Although, as I said, I am a serious minded man, I felt the queerest sensation about my temples I had ever known. It was like being under fire for the first

Ethel extended her hand, quite the prettiest I have ever seen-small, white, and delicate beyond expres-

"Thank you," she exclaimed in a low, frank voice. "I am so tired of the men who fall in love with me. I tell you the simple truth when I say you are the first-the very first-who has promised to be only a friend. You can't think how excedingly refreshing it is!"

As we adjourned to our summer residences in Hudson the next week, we saw much of each other after that. There was canoeing on the liquid silver of the Merrimack and there was golf among the hills, which looked as if they might have served as tees for the Titans of old.

The last day came, the day when I was forced to end my vacation. Ethel and I sat in the twilight on the veramda of "River Rest," as the Elwell cottage was called. We occupied opposite ends of the same willow seat.

"And we're still friends," I said elatedly. "Kthel"-I called her that in the spirit of true comradeship-"you can't tell how much that means

"I did not suppose that the valedic-torian of his class at college would care for even the friendship of a girl like me!" she answered.

I steeled myself at the thought that she might be playing with me as she had played with others.

"What is your program for tomorrow?" I asked lightly. "Boating, fishing, golfing, tennis,"

she said. "With Hartley Grady?" I inquired. "Yes. I suppose he and I will have to strike up a comradeship for Sep-

tember.' This didn't please me, though

couldn't have told why. "What time are you going west?" I queried. There was a California trip in prospect.

Papa says the Gradys are going with us. I expect, from what he says, we'll start about the first of October." "You'll be making an end of your conquests soon, Ethel," I said, feeling

lision. I laughed nervously. "Perhaps!" She actually smiled. "And, Robert, we're still friends, aren't we?" I remember hearing her

as if I'd been shaken in a train col-

say, as one remembers things which occur in a dream. "Yes,"-awkwardly-"and I promised not to fall in love with you!"

Was my arm about her waist? "But I-I didn't make any promise!" Her saying that, I remember very, very distinctly, for it was super-

latively sweet to my ears. "Do you absolve me from my prom-ise?" I asked.

There was no answer in words, but I knew that I was absolved. I no longer feared the result of the west-

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ern trip, and when I met Hartley Grady next day I shook hands with him so enthusiastically that he seemed surprised.

In spite of her being a pretty girl,

I love Ethel dearly. (Copyright, by Daily Story Pub. Co.)

Very Likely.

Penman-This paper says that Troy, N. Y., has a poet, who sells his poetry from house to house and makes a living thereby

Wright-I suppose it is like the case of the organ grinder; people pay the man to move on.

Possible Explanation. Louis E. Van Norman, associate editor of the Review of Reviews, recently returned from his vacation in Montana. Out there he discovered an old timer who was particularly bitter toward the Piegan Indians. "I like the Sioux, and the Apaches and the Crows," said this old fellow, beating "Them Inviolently on the table. dians are gentlemen. When they went on the warpath they always took their blankets off, and all you had to do was to run and hide. But the Piegans! Mister, there ain't nothing as mean as a Piegan." Next day Mr. Van Norman asked "Bill" Burns, a veteran Glacier Park guide, why the old man hates Piegans so. said Mr. Burns reflectively, "the old cuss married a Piegan squaw. Mabbe it's race prejudice."

Peas Wanted

I am in the market for peas, and will pay \$27.00 per ton in the hull. See me if you have any to sell.

J. W. Howard. Adv.

For Sale

I have a big lot of frost proof cabbage plants for sale; price \$2.00 per thousand delivered at Grapeland. Place your orders J. R. LUCE, at once. Grapeland, Rte. 2.

Notice

All those who owe me and wish to settle same will find their account at the Guaranty State Bank. I would appreciate it if you would call there and settle it. W. B. TAYLOR.

W. L. Wilson has purchased the restaurant on second street from J. B. Lively, and informs us that he will make some need. ed improvements and add some new features to it.

'POSSUM WALK IN RHYME

Last Friday night at the Cozy Theatre, Barker Tunstall, his two little girls, and Miss Willie Adelaide and little Yancy Meriweather, of Crockett, entertained with one of their splendid musical programs, and, as usual, delighted the large audience with numbers they rendered.

Mr. Tunstall is a musician of note and our people are always delighted to hear him.

In one number he played the part of a black face comedian, and got off the following on the "Possum Walk:"

Thank the Lord for all He sends us.

Makes me laugh to think of possums

Trotting in this Grapeland sand. Poor old 'possum! He was ig norant-

Didn't seem to understand Why he was being punished Trotting in this Grapeland sand

But you bet they had to do it And I'll tell you it was grand, Just come down the road a grinnin'

Trotting in this Grapeland sand. Now then comes them sweet potatoes,

They raise 'em to beat the band, You can't beat 'em on potatoes Raised up here in Grapeland sand.

Next came dinner, all was ready Every fellow took a hand-O, you 'possum and potatoes! Raised up here in Grapeland sand.

So be thankful you are living, Let your troubles be forgot, When you're blue and not con tented

Think of Grapeland's 'possum trot!

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Blount-Decker Lumber Co., Alto, Texas.

Jno. Tyer and family of Dodge were here last week to see friends and relatives and witness the "Possum Walk."

some fine specimens of June 1912. corn, which he planted on the 16th day of June and harvested at the rate of thirty bushels per

B. T. Masters and family, now living near Lovelady, were in Grapeland to witness the 'possum walk and see their many friends. Other Lovelady visitors were Tom Straughn, Tom Knox, D. Knox, J. D. Morgan, R. Shaw and S. H. Evans.

B. F. Hill went to Elmina Monday morning.

Dr. Sam Kennedy PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

Office in Leaverton's Drug Store Main Street

PLAY SINGERS MAKE GOOD

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their presence.

December 12th.

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A coated tongue, foul breath Prickly Ash Bitters. It is just about. suited for such ailments. A. S. Porter, Special Agent.

Cotton Report

Crockett, Texas, Nov. 28.-There were 25,724 bales of cotton ginned in Houston County from the crop of 1913 prior to Nov. S. T. Parker of the Oak Grove 14th., as compared with 27,454 community has left at this office bales ginned prior to Nov. 14th., JNO. R. SHERIDAN.

Some Fine Potatoes

Stell Sharp of Latexo remembered the Messenger last week with a lot of fine yam potatoes, for which he will please accept our thanks.

J. L. Ward, who lives out on his half dollar. the Crockett road, brought a great big sack full of his fine potatoes to us last Wednesday, and we have been living high ever since. Mr. Ward understands potatoe raising and always has a fine crop. From a liver, stomach and bowels. A. small plat of ground this year he harvested about fifty bushels of as fine potatoes as ever grew. Thanks, Bro. Ward. May your Anne Robertson of Oakhurst year.

CORNER STONE LAID FRIDAY

The corner stone of the new number of the lyceum course, Masonic building was laid with were with us last Thursday night appropriate ceremonies last Fri-

best that has ever been in our Masons assembled at the school city. Their program consisted building and formed a procession other places. Those present of instrumental music, vocal and marched through town to from out of town were: H. J. solos and quartettes and read-the new building. At least one Borden of Houston, representings. It was music that all hundred-fifty Masons were in the ing the DuPont Powder Co., C. could understand and appre- procession, which included ma- W. Scott, representing the Winciate, ranging from the operatic sons from Lovelady, Crockett, chester people, Henry Ellis, a kind to the old time melodies. Grapeland, Augusta, Elkhart crack amateur from Crockett, The reader, Miss Potter, was and Palestine, and clothed in H. Long and Jake Sheridan, two simply great, and she was call-aprons and white gloves, made of Augusta's best shots, and ed back repeatedly by the large quite an impression upon the Jim McLean, once winner of the audience. The Play Singers are hundreds of spectators who Sunny South Handicap. among the finest musicians in gathered along the line of march That's the best and wisest plan the courtry and Grapeland peo- to witness it. The parade was Borden and Herman Howard ple have every reason to be in charge of J. W. Hail of Crock- tied for first money at 22 yards, proud of the fact that they were ett, as Grand Marshall. The with a score of 47 out of 50, a afforded the opportunity to hear grand officers were Maj. J. F. percentage of 94, which is con-Martin, Grand Master, who is sidered very good shooting. The managers of the course the oldest member of Grapeland Scott and McLean were not are gratified over the result of Lodge, and a charter member; quite up to their old-time form, the first number and wish to Dock Trimble of Augusta Lodge, though McLean took second thank the large audience for Grand Senior Warden; W. P. money in the second event. Traylor, Grapeland Lodge, Grand Howard took first money in both The next number is Booth Junior Warden; D. N. Leaverton, events; Scott and Borden, being Lowery, a noted lecturer, who Grapeland Lodge, Grand Treas professionals, not shooting for will be with us Friday night, urer. The Grand Officers were money. Below is a table showseated upon a platform at the ing the winners, number of tarbuilding, and the ceremonies gets broken out of 25 shots, diswere conducted there. The tance from trap, and amount of corner stone was suspended prize money won. from the awning, and at the First Event: H. R. Howard, proper time, the Grand Master 24-25, 22 yards, 1st., money \$10.; lungs and throat. Price 25c, 50c called for deposits to be made in T. S. Kent, Jr., 20-25, 16 yds, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by A. the stone, which were placed 2nd money \$7.50; Henry Ellis at therein by the Grand Treasurer. 18 yards and Jake Sheridan at How About Santa Claus This Year? lodge, roll of members, copies of 25, \$2.50 each; H. Long, 18-25, 16 the Messenger, Crockett Courier, yards, 4th money, \$2.50. Houston Post and Galveston year, but by handing only \$1.75 News, and many pieces of money 23-25, 22 yards, 1st money, \$9.60; donated by those present were Jim McLean, 22-25, 22 yards, deposited in the stone.

That's some reading, ain't it? J. W. Young of Crockett, District \$4.80; T. S. Kent, Jr., and H. Good, instructive, wholesome Deputy Grand Master, delivered Long at 16 yards tied for 4th reading, too. Try the combina- an address appropriate to the money, 18-55, \$2.40 each. tion. You'll like it. It is this: occasion, which was heartily ap-

UNFAIR TO THE DRUGGIST

Just As Good," Doesn't Apply to This Drug Store

You have probably heard dozens of times the old story that a drug store was a place to "get something just as good." There schools and churches nearby, and clogged condition in the is at least one druggist in the Write us what you want and bowels suggests the use of world that you can't say this

> It is certain that an inferior article will never be substituted for a guaranteed one by Porter's drug store. Take for instance a safe, reliable remedy for constipation and liver trouble like harmless vegetable liquid has proved so satisfactory a liver stimulant and releiver of biliousness, and to entirely take the place of calomel without any danger or restriction of habits or diet, that there are dozens of preparations springing up with imitations of its claims.

But Dodson's Liver Tone is guaranteed to do all that is claimed for it, and if you are not satisfied with it, Porter's drug store will hand your money back with a smile. Any person going that I am completely cured and to this store for a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will be sure of getting a large bottle of this genuine remedy in exchange for

Purify the sewers of the body and stimulate the digestive organs to maintain health, strength and energy. Prickly Ash Bitters is a tonic for the kidneys, S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.

Mrs. H. S. Robertson and Miss

HELD BIG SHOTT LAST WEDNESDAY

The Grapeland Gun Club held quite a big shoot Wednesday, November 26th., that was quite in line with Grapeland's other achievements, attracting several professionals and amateurs from

In the first and second events,

A Holy Bible, by-laws of the 16 yards fied for 3rd money, 19-

Second Event: H. R. Howard, 2nd money, \$7.20; Arthur Wal-After these ceremonies, Hon. ton, 20-25, 16 yards, 3rd money,

T. S. Kent, Jr., H. Long and Arthur Walton, all of whom are members of the club, show good promise of becoming experts over the trap. H. R. Howard The Old Joke About "Something and Jim McLean, who are also members of the club, have each won the Sunny South Handicap, and with such an aggregation of shooters that Grapeland now has, she will no doubt extend her fame in the trap-shooting world as she has done in the "Possum Trotting" world. Let Grapeland back up her gun club, and she will have one of the best advertising schemes available.

The club shoots every Thursday afternoon, and on next Thursday afternoon will have as Dodson's Liver Tone. This a trophy, a handsome silver mounted watch fob donated by the DuPont Powder Co. Everybody is cordially invited to shoot.

Cured of Liver Complaint

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say can recommend them to everyone." For sale by all dealers. (Advertisement.)

Mrs. Anthony Boykin, Misses Eula Powers and Addie Manning of Oakwood visited Miss Vilna Haltom last week.

Don't forget to use a little Prickly Ash Bitters whenever the stomach or bowels are disordered. It quickly corrects such troubles and makes you potato crop grow bigger every visited relatives in this city last feel bright and cheerful. A. S. Porter, Special Agent. Adv.



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Don't paralyze the bowels with a harsh, drastic cathartic that gripes and binds you up tighter after its effect is gone. Take

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It does the work just as thoroughly as the strong cathartics. Yet it acts mildly and naturally, and what is still better, it leaves the bowels in a healthy state promoting regularity in the bowel movements.

Sold by Druggists and Dealers in Medicine.

Price \$1.00 per Bottle Prickly Ash Bitters Co. Proprietors

St. Louis, Mo.

A. S. PORTER

Don't Take Calomel Hot Springs Liver Buttons Are Better

Be healthy, appy, and you ill be, if you

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WATCH

The Show Windows at Porter's Drug Store

If you don't see there what you want in our line, come in.

We have it if it is in our line. If not, we believe we can tell you where to get it.

"Porter Says So"

ANY TIME'S LUCKY FOR HOME BUILDERS

who sidetrack procrastination for action and decide definitely on their building plans. The kind of lumber you would be satisfied with is as cheap now as you will ever see it it and, a the prices we are quoting on the quality you would expect, we say with all emphasis—"BUILD NOW." With our knowledge of the different woods and their application to home building we can doubtless show you how you can attain your ideal home at a much less cost than you think. Hrice-per-thousand for lumber is very misleading to the inexperienced, but when a plan is figured judiciously and the right lumber specified in the right place the total cost is often a pleasant revelation. Our business requires this exacting knowledge and we are sure we can satisfy you in price, quality and service. Let's talk it over. We have everything from joist to shingles.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

LEAVERTON LUMBER **COMPANY**

It Always Helps

says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.

I wish every suffering woman would give



The Woman's Tonic

a trial. I still use Cardui when I feel a little bad, and it always does me good."

Headache, backache, side ache, nervousness, tired, worn-out feelings, etc., are sure signs of womanly trouble. Signs that you need Cardui, the woman's tonic. You cannot make a mistake in trying Cardui for your trouble. It has been helping weak, ailing women for more than fifty years.

Get a Bottle Today!

FRESH MEAT of all KIND at all TIMES



When you want fresh meat phone us your order. FREE DELIVERY.

We carry a complete line of packing house meat BOTH PHONES.

THE CITY MARKET.

J. B. Lively, Prop.

OUR AGRICULTURAL PROD-UCTS CROSS OCEAN TO REACH FACTORY.

Each Consumer Should Call for Texas-Made Goods.

Texas Farmers Produce \$600,-000,000 of Raw Factory Material Annually.

The farmers of Texas produce \$600,000,000 worth of raw material per annum which must pass through the factory before it is consumed, and \$100,000,000 is the raw material capacity of the Texas factories. The balance must journey to the foreign factory and a large per cent of our agricultural products cross the ocean part: to reach it. These statistics present a startling necessity for more factories and in defense of our growing country we must have them, but many of the factories we now have are compelled to seek out-of-state a market.

Every consumer is a market-maker and can become a powerful factor in building up the manufacturing industry in Texas by calling for Texas-made goods. If we would patronize home factories, it would call for an investment of \$500,000,000 in the manufacturing industry, give employment to 400,000 people and keeping in view this fact. provide a home market for the products of the farm, ranch and mine.

The federal census reports show 4.588 manufacturing establishments in Texas. The capital invested is \$216,876,000, there are 84,575 employes engaged in the business; the factory value of the annual output is \$272,896,000 and the value added to the raw material by manufacturing is listed at \$94,717,000. The four leading industries in the order of the value of their annual output the Commission to permit rates to

\$42,530,000; flour and grist milling, ered if the lowering is justifiable. \$32,485,000; lumber and timber products, \$32,201,000; cottonseed oil and cakes, \$29,916,000.

employes of 26,683.

Exterminated Like the Buffalo. Some idea of the vast numbers of animals that Africa used to support can be gained from a passage in W. Scully's reminiscences. It was Mr. Scully's good fortune in 1892 to witness the last great trek of springbucks from east to west of the Bushmanland desert-a trek on a scale such as no man will ever see again. Fencing, the increase of population and the distribution of arms have alable host. He says: "I bave stood on an eminence some twenty feet high, far out on the plains, and seen the absolutely level surface, as wide as the eye could reach, covered with resting springbucks, while from over the eastern horizon the rising colomns of dust told of fresh hosts advancing.

Bonehead Bill.

Bill Jones is such a stupid guy he stays at home at night, instead of sporting round with us down town where things are bright. I never saw Bill take a drink. He doesn't care for shows, and the "open-evenings" savings bank's the only place he goes; for Bill's so all-fired stupid he just can't see the fun of blowing half the envelope before the week's begun. And Bill could stand it pretty well, because-well, don't you see, he's so confounded stupid he draws twice as much as me!-Hugh Kahler, in the Wells Fargo Messenger.

An Expert in Handwriting. Mother was fair, but she wished to be fairer still. Adorned by nature, she sought further beautification. Loveli-

ness was her great goal. Invited out to dinner, she stood be fore the mirror, and, having made her yellow locks a trifle yellower, she proceeded to apply the pencil to her eyebrows. This, it may be remarked, is an age of artificiality, and mother had

reached this age. The little daughter stood by and wondered.

Finally she said:

CONTROL OF BIG CORPOR-ATIONS.

Ex-President Roosevelt Outlines Policy of a Square Deal.

Theodore Roosevelt in a recent article appearing in the "Outlock," on "The Living Wage and the Living Rate," presents in a very forceful manner, both sides of the railroad question. We have long heard many of our public officials discuss only one side—that of the people and it will be news to many who have been following the public discussions, to learn that there are really two sides to the question.

The views of Mr. Roosevelt, who has been considered a radical in railroad legislation, are especially interesting and instructive to Texas at this time when our transportation affairs are in an inflammatory condition. The ex-president said in

"It must be a cardinal principle in dealing with honestly-built and wisely-managed railways that the investor, the shareholder, is just as much entitled to protection as is the wage worker, the shipper or the representative of the general public. Unhave had to shut down for want of lss the investor finds that he is to get a fair return on his money, he will not invest, and in such case not only will no new railways be built, but existing railways will not be able to repair the waste, the wear and tear to which they are subject, and will not be able to make needed improvements. All governmental action, whether by the legislature or the executive, should be conditioned upon

> "Unless the corporation makes money-that is unless business men are prosperous-there will be no money to give in proper wages for the wage worker, there will be no money with which to provide for his protection and to insure him against loss and damage and no money wherewith to render proper service to the customers and to the public as a whole.

"It is just as much the duty of be raised when the raise is justi-Slaughtering and meat packing, fiable as to require them to be low-

"The control should not be hostile to the corporation; it should mereley be hostile to any misconduct During the past five years we show on the part of the corporation, and an increase in establishments of 1,- it should protect the corporation 430; in capital invested an increase against misconduct aimed at it exactof \$101,211,000 and an increase in ly as it protects others from misconduct committed by tt."

THROUGH THE SARGASSO SEA

Captain Brings Report of Spot So Dreaded by Mariners in the Days of Sails.

Albyn steamship Thistletoe, has sent a report to the imperial merchant service guild of Japan on his experience in a mysterious stretch of sea most exterminated the once innumer. in the Atlantic, called the Sargasso sea, which is almost in a line with the Gulf of Mexico, about 800 miles southast of the Bermudas. It is said to have been discovered by Columbus, who was involved in it for a fortnight. "I sailed from Norfolk, Va., for Rio de Janeiro, South America, on May 1," runs the captain's report. "On the next day we fell in with the gulf of weeds, and day after day we passed through large patches that were spread all over the ocean as far as the eye could see. About five p. m. on May 7 the temperature of the sea water suddenly rose 20 degrees, and I noticed that small objects were floating around the different patches of weeds, and with the binoculars I found them to be red-brown berries. The sea water at these places was covered with millions of small jellyfish and "Portuguese men-of-war" (a bubble-like tropical fish with stinging tenacles), some just appearing like huge bubbles with their sails set, reflecting all the hues of the rainbow. Flying fish were there in great number, and it seemed to be the proper breeding ground for them, as the patches between the weeds were full of young fish."

Unique Advertising.

A unique form of advertising appears in the Detroit News. It is in the nature of a warning to consumers by James W. Helme, state dairy and food commissioner, against alleged adulterated foods that have been advertised to the public as pure goods. Ow'ng to the inadequacy of the law governing fake advertising, Mr. Helme says, this is the only method the dairy and food department of Michigan can use "Mother, what are you writing on in protecting the public against impoyour face for?"-The Popular Maga sition. The warnings of the department are displayed and paid for at regular advertising rates.

Advertising Talks

PROFESSIONAL MEN AND ADVERTISING

No Good Reason Why Doctors Should Not Follow Example of Others.

The medical profession has always occupied a peculiar attitude upon the question of advertising. A generation ago it would have been well-nigh impossible to find a respectable physician who would have consented to proclaim his professional qualifications and attainments to the world through the medium of the public prints. It was not considered in accordance with "professional ethics." And this feeling has very largely

survived to the present day. Nearly all of what may be termed the old school physicians disapprove of publicity that comes by reason of advertising in the public press. All that is permissible is the publication of a simple professional card, and even that is in many cases omitted.

Is there any good reason for this? asks the Tampa Times.

Why should the profession be so excessively modest? Many very respectable doctors do advertise; but they are discountenanced by their more conservative brethren, and some even go so far as to term them quacks or charletans. This is in most cases, unjust, but it springs from a feeling that is hard to eradicate.

Other professions are forgetting the conservatism of former days and are utilizing the columns of the newspapers for the purpose of attaining that publicity that can be gained so effectually and completely through no other medium.

Even the preachers are now using the newspapers to call attention to their special services and to extend to the public invitations to attend their churches.

Lawyers advertise, though perhaps less than the members of any other profession except the medical; architects, engineers of every kind-in fact, every calling and profession into which human activities are divided make use of the modern newspaper to 'get into the limelight" of publicity and to draw attention to themselves, except the doctors.

We cannot avoid the opinion that this should not be so. The feeling against advertising is more a prejudice than anything else. It is true that many quacks and incompetents do advertise; but all who advertise are not by any manner of means quacks or incompetents, and because the newspapers it is not safe to dub him a charlatan

It should no longer be considered unethical by the doctors to advertise. It should be left optional with each one to do as he pleases in that respect without loss of prestige or standing among his associates.

Many intelligent and progressive physicians are coming to recognize that publicity through the press, kept within the bounds of moderation and good taste, may be made the means of great good to the community and to themselves.

HIGH VALUE OF GOOD ROADS

Sufficient to Justify Construction as Rapidly as Possible Under Economical System.

No one questions the statement that good roads have a high money value to the farmers of the nation, and it may be said that this alone is sufficient to justify the cost of their construction as rapidly as practicable under an efficient, economical equitable system of highway improvement.

The big point in favor of this expenditure is the economy of time and force in transportation between farm and market, enabling the growers to take advantage of fluctuations in buying and selling, as well as enhancing the value of real estate. It is estimated that the average annual loss from poor roads is 76 cents an acre, while the estimated average increase, resulting from improving all the public roads is \$9.

The losses in five years would aggregate \$2,432 for every section of land, or more than enough to improve two miles of public highway. The necessity of good roads is obvious, as is would enhance the value of each section of land about \$5,760, or more than double the estimated cost of two miles of improved highway, which constitutes the quota for 640 acres of

Darsey's Store News.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY IN THE GRAPELAND MESSENGER.

EDITED BY DARSEY'S SALES FORCE

Darsey's Store, Grapeland, Texas, Dec. 4, 1913

DARSEY'S SPECIAL PRICES WILL MAKE YOUR EARLY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING PROFITABLE-Buy Useful Gifts.

Specials For Ladies

We are continuing our discounts on all ladies' suits and dresses, and have added to the list, our line of ladies' and Misses' coats. These values are unequaled and can not be met by anyone.

All 12.50 ladies'	9.40
coats for	J.4U
All 9.25 ladies'	7.90
coats for	7.30
All 6.50 ladies'	5.60
coats for	J.00
All 5.00 ladies'	4.25
coats for	4.20
All 4.00 ladies'	3.10
coats for	J. 10
All \$3.50 ladies coats	2.75
for	2.13
All \$3 00 ladies coats	2.40
for	2.40
All \$2.50 ladies coats	2.00
for	2.00
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Our entire line of ladies and misses suits going at a discount of 25 per cent, regardless of cost.

All millinery at a discount of 50 per cent.

THIS WEEK'S STORE NEWS

is as full of good news for the careful buyer, as the Grapelandites were of 'possum after the barbecue. This is saying a great deal, but we believe that if you will carefully study the list of bargains we have offered on this double breasted suits and Nor page, you will be of the same opinion. We have gone through our big stock, and have made some exceptionally good prices in order to make room in our shelves for our spring stock of merchandise, now enroute. These prices have been made, regardless of the many advances that have been made on the lines we are offering, and this is an opportunity for everyone to get All boys \$6.00 suits their winter supply of goods at a great saving.

Everyone knows the standard of this store's merchandise, and we have not marked a single article up in order to make the cut seem big, but have taken each article separately and made as low a price as possible to be made on the quality of goods offered.

The man or woman wanting to get bigger values, will save time and money by visiting this store. There are many bargains offered that are not included in this issue.

Boys!

Don't fail to come to our store and take advantage of the Special Values we are offering in boys suits. We have a well assorted stock of boys' Russian suits, folk suits in the season's leading colors.

All boys \$10.00 suits for only	\$8.40
All boys \$9.00 suits for only	\$7.40
All boys \$7.00 suits	¢5 00

for only

All boys \$5.00 suits for only

All boys \$4.00 suits

for only

for only All boys \$3.50 suits for only

We have a big line of slickers and wagon sheets.

Don't forget to see our line of weaters, underwear and knit goods for men, women and child-

FREE-Until the supply is exhausted, we will give a sample can of Calumet baking powder free with every sack of White Wave or Oriole flour. Limit: four cans to the customer at one time.

We have just received a big shipment of shoes for men, women and children. None but all leather shoes will stand this rainy weother. Our shoes bearing this trademark stamped in the shank, star-5-star, are guaranteed to be solid leather-inner sole, outer sole and counter. We can fit you.

We buy Chickens, Turkeys, Eggs, Hides, Peas and Bees' Wax.

Get our priecs before you sell.

\$5.90

Specials For Men

Below, we list a few ar ticles of Men's Wearing Apparel at greatly reduced prices. Call at our store and see the many other special values in these lines.

A big line of dress	000
and soft shirts	90c
Genuine 4.00 Stet-	2 00
son hats	2.90
All 17.00 suits	14.90
for	14.30
All 15.00 suits	11 00
for	11.90
All 12.50 suits	0 00
for	9.90
All 8.50 suits	6 00
for	6.90
All men's \$6 pants	CA 10
for only	\$4.10
All men's \$5 pants	40 05
for only	\$3.85
Men's \$4.50 pants	42 EU
for only	\$3.50
All men's \$4 pants	69 15
for only	\$3.15
Men's \$3.50 pants	69.00
for only	\$2.90
All men's \$3 pants	CO AF

for only .----

Men's \$2.50 pants

for only

Special Money Saving Prices at DARSEY'S

For a limited time only, we are offering at greatly reduced prices many staple articles from our big stock of merchandise. The motive of these prices is to reduce our present stock of goods, and many are being sold at much less than their present value.

Padgitt Bros'. Saddles

have been included in our list of specials, and we have made the following prices:

Tonowing Prices.	
All \$37.50 Saddles for	34.75
All \$35.00 Saddles for	30.65
All 27.50 Saddles	24.05
All 25.00 Saddles	21.95
All 20.00 Saddles	17.90
All 16.50 Saddles	13.85

Shot Guns and Rifles

We are pleased to quote the following extra special prices on our line of guns. Every gun is a standard make and backed by us and the factory.

All 4.00 single barrel shotguns for -----

	All 8.50 single barrel 6.80
	All 12.50 double barrel 9.90
	All 15.00 double bar- rel shotguns for 12.65
	All 16.50 double barrel shotguns for 13.20
	All 20.00 double bar- rel shotguns for 16.00
ı	Our entire line of rifles, both

22 and 32 cal. will go at a big discount.

Furniture

We are offering some very attractive prices in this department, and can furnish your home complete at a big saving to you. Call and see the many bargains offered in addition to the following:

All 7.50 dressers	CAN
for	6.40
All 8.50 dressers	6.80
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Iron Beds

7.50 7.50 beds in and old 6.40
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Stoves

Below we quote you a few special values in our line of Buck's Steves and Ranges. 70 C Buck's Beauty for

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48 Buck's Baltic for 22.35 only 22.60 as Buck's Brilliant 22.60 only, No. 83 Buck's K. Q. Range worth \$30.00 24 CE
Range worth \$30.00 24.65 now