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Agricultural Matters.

FARM AND FIELD NOTES.

The best way to make a horse gentle and trusty is to be gentle and trusty yourself.

Farmers ought to be very careful with their implements, putting them under cover as soon as they are through with the season's

If sweet-potato vines cling to the soil beyond the main root, raise them occasionally and see that no weeds grow along the ridges

Oats harvest is now in progress all over the state. Farmers should see that not a moment's time is wasted in taking care of it after it is cut.

Mowing machines, reapers, plows, and all other farm machinery should be put away clean and well oiled as soon as their work is done for the season.

The young colts should be handled every day and learn to stand quietly hitched in the stable, so that there need be no trouble when weaning time comes.

Rye may be sown any time now for fall these items are pasture. If the ground is clean and soft, it added to the price need not be plowed. The seed may be of their goods and sown broadcast and cultivated in or it may

Early planted corn, especially of the early varieties, is now in roasting ears. As soon as the kernels harden stalks should be cut up and put into shocks so that the fedder may be all saved.

These are very hot days to work among corn but if there are any weeds in the corn field left there from the last plowing, remove them at once; it is better to have a corn stalk than a weed stalk.

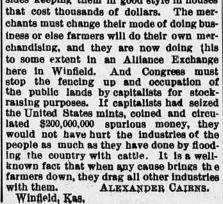
Every farmer in Kansas who has prairie grass which is reasonably clean of weeds and which he does not need for pasture should make it into hay and bail it for the winter and next spring markets; it is always marketable in winter and spring,

Why Farmers are Poor.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I feel interested in the question "why farmers are poor." Many reasons can be given, but I will mention only two, which, in my opinion, contribute more to the farmer's peverty than most of the others that can be given. First: Capitalists and syndicates have taken possession of the public lands and are raising cattle by the hundreds of thousands, in fact, on such a scale that farmers cannot compete with them; they have no money invested in land, and very few of them pay taxes; numbers of them are not citizens, nor do they intend to be; when they have made their struck, and no loco-weed in the country.

pile they will leave the country; they have brought down the price of stock to a point below the cost of produ tion by the farmer. Her tofore rais ng stock has always been the most remunerative part of farming. Second: Farmers buy at too high prices and sell their produce 100 low: they a'low merchants to put a price on farm products and fix a price on their own goods, and it is only human natu e for the merchants to take the advantage. Besides, we have double the number of merchants needed in every tewn and city all over the country, consequently they have to charge a high percentage on their goods. Another thing, they pay the drummers wholesale houses from 10 to 12 per cent. for bringing around samples and selling them goods. Then they buy g. ods on sixty days' time and have to pay interest at 1 per cent. per menth. Of course both of

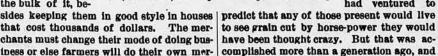
THE CORLISS WIND ENGINE. MANUFACTURED BY THE PEABODY MANUFACTURING Co., PEABODY, KAS. [See Gossip About Stock.] the farmer pays the bulk of it, be-



From an Old Friend in Saline.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-While writing on business I will report that I, too, lost a calf, one week ago, that was nearly two months old and died very suddenly. It had been weaned at one week old, was picketed out, drank water at noon, refused milk in the evening, commenced bawling, running around, frothing at the mouth and stumbling over anything that came in its way, was soon covered with perspiration, ran against a building, fell down, had spasms, and was dead in a few minutes. It hadn't been a very hot day so it could have been sun-

Farmers here are paying 16 cents per pound for twine and cutting their very heavy crop of small grain. Some are buying new self-bind-rs, belleving it cheaper than to have binding done by hand, even if the help could be obtained, which is very doubtful. It looks so grand to see harvesting done so rasily and speedily as now—a man riding in a comfertable seat driving a team and the well bound sheaves dropping at regular intervals, men following shocking. What a wonderful improvement has been made in regard to harvesting grain, and very many other things, within the recollection of many persons now living. The writer hereof remembers distinctly well-it was in the summer of 1826-when the first grain-cradle was introduced in the neighborhood where he was born and partly raised-Ross county, Ohio. The people were amazed to see a thing that could and travel right off from a reap-hook. If any person there had ventured to



now grain is cut and bound by horse-power.

Possibly some are living now who will see

it cut and bound and probably threshed by A. CHENOWITH. electricity. Breckville, Saline Co., Kas.

Illinois Weather and Orops.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - We were glad to find in your last issue a communication from Prof. C. C. Blake. His forecasts for May and June, to date, both as to precipitation and temperature, have not been verified. In his "tables," page 35, he says; "There Eldon, Miller Co., Mo.

will be no frosts in any part of the United States after the first of May, except in the mountain regions." And the rainfall in north Illinois would be 1 36-100 and the mean temperature 63 degrees. Now we had a frost here the last week in May. The rainfall was 265 100 inches. The mean temperature of May was 55 13 31 degrees. He has the rainfall for June 85 100 inch. Now the rainfall up to the 17th was 2 92 100 inches. It rains almost every day. The early spring was as he predicted. Much of the corn was planted in April and the first of May; but from the 17th of May till the 6th of June corn made very little growth, owing to the cool, wet weather that prevailed. Early planted corn has a good stand; that planted on new breaking has been badly damaged by worms. Wheat, rye and oats look very premising. There will be an average hay crop. We are frequently accosted with the remark, during this rainy weather, "How is this for a drouth?" Our reply is "There is time enough for a drouth before the season is over." We are highly pleased with the Kansas Farmer Of the half-dozen agricultural papers we take, we consider it one of the best.

Harrowing.

Elburn, Kane Co., Ills.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-In preparing the seil for fall seeding of both wheat and grass, harrowing will bear an important part in the work to be done. In fact, after the soil is properly plowed the harrow will be one of the best and most economical implements that can be used in the work of properly fitting the soil. The old style of preparing the seed-bed for wheat and grass was to plow the ground shallow first, then harrow the way it was plowed and again crosswise. Then another plowing, deeper and more thorough than the first was given, and the harrow and roller used to fine the soil before drilling, the idea being to get a fine, level seed-bed, as deep as the soil was plowed. But the later plan is to plow deep and thorough as soon as possible after the crops are harvested and then use the harrow to fine the soll and making a seed-bed to the depth of three inches as fine as pessible. There are quite a number of different harrows that can be used in different kinds of soil to a good advantage. In preparing a sod for seeding one of the very best that can be used is the disc. Unless the sod is unusually tough two good harrowings, the first given in the same way that the ground was plowed and the next given crosswise, will be sufficient. A common harrow can be used after this, if necessary, to thoroughly fine the soil. On old ground one of the very best is the spring-tooth; two worktake a double land ings will, in anything like an average soil, put it in first-class tilth for seeding. The cutting harrows, like the "Acme," are good in some soils, but will not do as good work in a stiff seil as the disc; at least this is my experience. When it can be done, and especially when the soil is dry and hard, the harrowing should be kept up with the plowing. If allowed to stand even for a few days, the lumps will get harder. If the work is so that this plan cannot well be follewed, the better plan is to wait until after a rain. With harrowing, as with other parts of farm work, it will always pay to do thoroughly. Properly managed good service can be dene with the harrow, while it is possible to do considerable skimming. Sufficient harrowing and working should be done to not only fine the soil but also to keep down the weeds and volunteer growth that is almost certain to spring up after plowing. And care should also be taken to harrow sufficiently to have the soil in a fine tilth before sowing the seed.

N. J. SHEPHERD,

The Stock Interest.

THOROUGHBRED STOCK SALES.

Dates claimed only for sales which are advertised or are to be advertised, in this paper.

July 30—Wm. J. Miller, Percherons and Short-horns, Belleville, Ill. OCTOBER 5—John Lewis, Short-horns, Miami, Mo. OCTOBER 9 — John Lewis, Poland - Chinas, Miami, Mo.

WHAT ABOUT SHEEP HUSBANDRY?

The KANSAS FARMER has all along insisted that the outlook for sheepraising was as encouraging as that of any other industry. Prices of farm products generally have fallen. Horses and hogs have kept in higher ranges than other classes of live stock, but they are about the only things raised on farms which have not been distressingly low during the last three or four years. As in some measure offsetting this, prices of most manufactured articles except those which are protected by patents, have fallen on an average about as much as those of what farmers raise. Without going into details it has appeared to us that good results would follow a wise management of sheep husbandry by farmers. We are pleased to know that in this we have been in accord with that sterling stock journal. Breeder's Gazette, in whose columns the following excellent article appeared re-

"The wool crop of 1889, now beginning to move toward market, seems destined to not only command a higher price per pound than obtained in 1888 but also to secure a larger aggregate return to growers than they received last year for a considerably larger clip. This appreciation of price results to some extent from recent treasury decisions putting an end to practices nullifying in a great degree the effect of the tariff on foreign wools, raw and manufactured, but is mainly traceable to the fact that buyers have reached the conclusion so long urged by growers, that wools have been inordinately low, and cannot longer be held down to the unremunerative figures ruling for some time past. With a visibly shortened domestic supply, and those mutations in wool values with which all students of the wool market are familiar, and which all prudent growers have learned to properly discount, once more prices show an upward tendency-however, with no promise of an approaching boom.

"But growers must not be allowed to overlook the fact that something more than comparatively fair prices for wool is requisite. Not now, any more than any time during the decade in which transactions have been on a specie basis, is there any safety to prospect for permanent prosperity in wool-growing beyond that secured by due observance of all those economies of production so often insisted upon in the cclumns of the Gazette. The necessity for heavier fleeces of wool, more and better lambs, larger and more desirable mutton carcasses for a given expenditure of labor and consumption of grass and grain will be found as necessary to assured flock profits next year and beyond as they were last year and this.

"Much disappointment has come to geeming WOOI-growers unro failure to appreciate the changed condition of their surroundings. They seem to have overlooked the downward tendency of prices in all the necessaries of life, and the fact that this all-around ing value of shipping cattle of 20 to 30 reduction has been made possible mainly through economies in production unthought of twenty years ago With everything else raised by the farmer or produced by the manufacturer (except when shielded against competition by patent rights) selling at figures that would have been deemed incredible a few years ago, there is little hope for getting wool out of the category in the absence of some abnormal disturbance of the market.

"Fortunately this outlook is not necessarily discouraging; and what is now about as low as they have ever

now demonstrating the fact that notwithstanding depression in wool prices. sheep can be made to yield as fair returns as any class of domestic animals. A notable illustration is found in Tennessee, where a neighborhood of farmers have organized for the rearing and sale of early lambs, by which means they have succeeded in bringing prices up to a figure which seemed beyond reach a few years ago. One of the requirements of the lamb club is that no animal inferior in size or condition shall be offered for sale. Two selling dates are fixed, and all lambs not ready for the first must be held over. On a fixed date, when the number of eligible lambs owned by members has been determined, announcement of number and weight is made in available city markets, and bids solicited. If the offer is satisfactory the party is notified, all ambs shipped on an agreed day, paid for, and the whole transaction closed at the best prices the market affords, without the intervention of middlemen, and the necessary division of profits. What has been done in this one neighborhood can be repeated at hundreds of other stations throughout the country. There is no secret about the proceedings, no class of sheep not within reach of farmers everywhere. Evenness in size and condition, these the best attainable, and getting enough animals together to fill one or more cars, so that freight charges will be at a minimum, solves the whole problem of prices. The club's first sale this year was 1 500 lambs at \$6.50 per 100 pounds.

"Another step outside the long-trodden path has been taken by the woolgrowers of Texas, looking to uniformity in grading wools and consequent advantage marketing, both in dispensing with much of the tribute now paid to middlemen and securing for the growers of the more desirable grades the recognition and remuneration to which they are entitled. While this forward step to secure the flock-owners some part of the profit from their business, of which they have hitherto been deprived, is certain to prove more tedious and difficult than the experiment at combination in Tennessee, the Gazette is not prepared to pronounce it impossible. If the zeal and intelligence evinced by the leaders in this new departure are not permitted to wane, and can be imparted to a majority of those whose interests are to be subserved, an improvement in existing marketing arrangements may quite confidently be looked for.

"One thing seems certain, too many men are dividing the profits that should go to the flock-owner. Every movement promising a change should be encouraged. Time and energy thus expended promise better results than will ever come through greaning under present burdens or hunting a way out of sheep husbandry with no assurances that any better profits can be secured in some other line of business."

Low Prices of Beef Cattle.

A friend sends us a clipping from the Chicago Daily Market Review of June 21, from which we quote the following:

"One hundred and twenty thousand cattle for two consecutive weeks in \$2,500,000; \$700 000 per year for labor June was something undreamed of. The market simply could not withstand the pressure. Monday's supply was taken at strong prices, but since then there has been a shrinkage in the sellcents per cwt., and the decline was the most severe where it was the least expected, viz, in choice to extra steers of from 1,400 to 1600 pounds weight. There appears to be practically no limit to the number of fat cattle ready to be dumped upon the market at a day's notice, and the time when we may confidently count upon a steady and permanent dwindling of the receipts, and a steady and permanent enhancement of values seems as remote as ever. Cattle averaging over 1.400 pounds are 2,300; total, 4,010; Hammond, 1,449.

better, intelligent, energetic men are been. They are nearly \$2 per 100 pounds lower than at this time last year. This means a difference of \$30 per head in the selling value of a 1500-pound bullock. Is there any wonder that cattle-raisers are thoroughly discouraged and anxious to go out of the business? Not a fat steer arriving at the yards but is losing for the feeder from \$5 to \$10 p.r head."

Dressed Beef Business at Chicago.

Last week we presented to our readers an interesting article from the pen of Mr. John Clay, Jr., in the journal of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, treating the subject of cattle-raising in the United States. Below we give some of the figures showing the extent of the dressed beef business in Chicago, prepared by the same writer:

The dressed beef business in America was founded some twenty years ago. A few years later the work was taken up by the late Mr. George H. Hammond, of Detroit, who may be termed the father of this business. He was a man of fine executive ability, and he built up through his energies a magnificent trade. He died, unfortunately, just when he had reached the zenith of his powers. Other parties took up the business, and it has gradually grown (figuratively speaking) from a grain of mustard seed to a very large tree. Mr. T. Eastman, one of the largest live stock shippers in America, branched off into this trade; Mr. Nelson Morris, well known to every cattleman both at home and abroad, also took a hand; in 1880, Mr. G. F. Swift began upon a most extensive scale; while two years later Messrs. Armour & Co. also commenced the business. We have now in Chicago four immense concerns, viz : Swift & Co., Armour & Co., Hammond & Co., and Nelson Morris & Co. These firms, along with Libby, McNeill & Libby, buy a very large proportion of the cattle coming into our market. As facts speak for themselves, we took the liberty of propounding a series of questions to the various parties, and herewith we give the result :

1. Number of cattle killed during 1888? Answers: Swift, 815,031; Armour, 480,-000; Hammond, 283,894.

2. Number of cattle slaughtered for dressed beef during 1888? Answers: Swift, 678,896; Armour, 290,000; Hammond, 283 894.

3. Number of cattle slaughtered for canners during 1888? Answers: Swift, 136,135; Armour, 190,000; Hammond,

4. Number of buyers employed? Answers: Swift, 10 to 12; Armour. 7; Hammond, 7 to 9.

5. Number of men employed? Answers: Swift, about 4,000; Armour. 5 000; this also includes men employed on pork-packing; probably 3,000 would cover beef employes. Hammond, about

6. Some details as to wages and salaries paid? Answers: Swift, varies from \$1.50 to \$4 50 per day, according to skill of laborers—only the very highest class of skilled laborers getting the bigher amounts. Armour, buyers. \$2 000 to \$7 000; expert butchers, \$4 to \$4 50 per day; helpers, \$3; laborers, \$1.75 - total cost labor our houses, on beef. Hammond, wages from \$1 to \$4 per day.

7. Number of cattle sold to the principal cities in the East? Answers: Swift, during 1888, New York city, 117,908; Philadelphia, 60,178; Baltimore, 17,065; Washington, 10,195; Boston, 54 546. Armour, Philadelphia, 16 000; Boston, 30,000; New York and

Brooklyn, 26,000. Hammond, 243,463. 8. Average percentage of dressed beef obtained in proportion to the live weight? Answers: Swift, about 57 per cent.; Armour, about 57 per cent; Hammond, 551 per cent.

9. Largest number of cattle killed in a day? Answers: Swift, 4.528; Armour, dressed beef, 1,710; canvers,

10. Average number of cattle killed

per day? Answers: Swift in 1888, 2,612; Armour, about 1,600; Hammond, about 900.

11. Average cost of cattle? Answers: Swift, in 1888, \$4 29, dressed beef only; Armour, \$4 25, dressed beef only; Hammond. \$4 13 per 100 pounds

12. Average weight of cattle? Auswers: Swift, in 1888, 1,146 pounds, dressed beef only; Armour, 1,144 pounds, dressed beef; Hammond, 1 206 pounds.

Hornless Cattle.

The general agitation of the question of the advantage to stock-growers of breeding hornless cattle, and the preference of these over horned animals, has become one of great popularity, as witnessed by the remarkable interest in the subject of dehorning cattle, a practice which has been much in vogue for the past year or more in all sections of the

That there are many and important advantages to be gained by the stockmen and farmers generally, by growing hornless cattle, hardly any person will deny. But the process of dehorning as generally practiced has numerous and strong opponents, even among those who favor hornless cattle, because of the painful operation and the alleged injurious effect many times upon the animals treated. This fact has led to the seeking out of other methods of removing the horns from the animals, and this has resulted in the bringing out of substances for killing the horn in young animals during the early stages of its growth. These, while probably not absolutely painless, are as nearly so as it is possible for anything to be, and is therefore the most humane, as well as the cheapest and least troublesome method of getting rid of the useless appendages of domestic animals.

The latest agency recommended for the purpose of removing the horn from cattle, is the use of caustic potash applied to the young calf and preventing the growth of any horn, as explained in the following, clipped from another paper:

"Suppose a way should be discovered to make a calf grow hornless at an expense of 1 cent for one hundred calves? That is what we are coming to, and it seems to be here even now. A scientist says: 'A single application of caustic potash prevents the growth of the horn. Caustic potash is simply the pure potash. Get a nickel stick at the drug store and reep it in a bottle so that it will not slack. When a calf makes its arrival, determine whether you want it to be horned or hornless. If you have no use for horns (the calf itself will never have any good use for horns) then take your stick of caustic potash, wrapped up in a paper, in one hand, take the calf between your knees, wet the hair over the horn spots, rub the end of the potash well on these spots and he will grow up a polled Jersey, polled Holstein, polled Short-horn, polled whatever it is."

This we believe to be the simplest, most expeditious, if as successful as claimed, cheapest and least painful of any method yet

suggested, and is worth a trial. An agency of this kind merits strong recommendation, as the practice of dehorning by some humane method should be earnestly encouraged. Horns are worse than useless upon cattle as they are only instruments of warfare, which no domestic animal has any business with. A cow or an ox has no more need of horns than a horse has, and they would seem absurd on the latter. And the frequent loss of human life from wounds inflicted by cattle with their horns is sufficient ground for the removal of the horns from all neat cattle, to say nothing of the many advantages in an economical and financial way to breeders of stock in growing hornless cattle. Richfield (Kas.) Republican.

From the Herald of Faith, St. Louis. Mo., August 10, 1887: "Referring to Shall anberger's Antidote for Malaria, the business manager of the Herald of Faith would say, that he gave this medicine a personal trial, and was speedily cured of an unpleasant Intermittent Fever. He then recommended it to F. J. Tiefenbraun, 1915 Papin street, and to police officer Meidenger, at the Union depot, both of whom were cured by it of chills and fever of several years standing. Recently his wife, after a fever of several days duration, took a single dose and was perfectly cured. In view of these remarkable cures, and remembering how much money is spent for quinine, so little to be depended upon, and often so injurious, we can only wish that Shallenberger's Antidote would come into general use." Antidote for Malaria, the business manager

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In the Dairy.

Soiling Crops for Dairy Cows.

One of the essentials in dairying is fresh food during as much of the year as possible, and in order to have fresh food for cows in the summer-good fresh food—the dairyman should so arrange the growing of his crops as to have fresh succulent grass every day during the growing season. This can be started by sowing rye in the fall to afford early spring pasture of an extra good quality. Oats sown in the spring early will produce a next crop to follow the rye. Orchard grass, well rooted will come in during this time in good supply. Early corn-sweet corn, perhaps, would be better-may be sown broadcast or planted in drills near together early as the ground will permit: this will come in immediately after the green oats. By that time red clover will be in its best condition for food. Rye sown in the spring will produce early fall pasture and it may be continued by sowing different plats of ground at different times, say two or three weeks apart, thus insuring a continuance of green rye during all of the fall months.

In addition to this, sorghum, milo maize, Kaffir corn, millet, Hungarian, and other quick-growing grasses may be used by the skillful dairyman in such manner as to have fresh, good, rich grasses always at his command.

In order to preserve the best properties of green grasses for use of the cows during winter, let it be saved in silos. Every reader of the KANSAS FARMER will learn how to do this. We have an article in another place in this week's paper from the pen of Prof. Shelton on this subject. Read it, learn what has been done and what may be done in that

Dairying in Kansas.

This year will demonstrate the adaptability of Kansas climate, soil, and productions to dairying. A considerable number of new establishments have been started and the report is favorable from all of them. Probably one of the principal difficulties in the way of suc cessful dairying in Kansas will be found to be in the lack of running water in some portions of the State. This can be remedied by the use of wells and wind pumps. There is no serious trouble about getting water in wells anywhere in the State and at a reasonable depth. In all of the eastern counties wells of excellent water have been made at a depth ranging from twelve to fifty feet, the average will not exceed twenty feet, and in nearly all cases where good water is obtained it is permanent. The writer of this knows of many wells less than twenty feet deep which have furnished large quantities of water continuously during all of the dry seasons of the last three years. With such a supply to draw from there need be no fear on account of water.

The next important matter with many farmers who prefer to do their own dairying would be to procure cool storage. This can be arranged by making a building partly under ground, or more properly speaking, partly below the surface, so that a draft of air may be passed through on a lower plane. A heavy covering which will be sun-proof will preserve a moderately-cool atmosphere in the low basement. Vessels containing water may be placed on the floor so that the passing air may be saturated with water and thus assist in cooling the premises. With the exercise of care, diligence and good business tact, there is nothing in the way of successful dairying in Kansas.

Prof. Alford says: Looking over my records I find that with cows of like age and breeding, those which calved in September and October gave from 800 to 1,000 pounds of fresh in the spring. I also find that the winter milk is considerably richer than that made from succulent nastawage af the spring ing. The cow is given a drink of luke.

Did you notice that fine head of hair at church last Sunday? That was Mrs. B—. She never permits herself to be out of Hall's Hair Renewer. milk per year more than those that were

and early summer, and from one to two quarts less of it is required to make a pound of butter. I estimate that two pounds of butter will bring as much money in winter as three pounds in summer.

Management of Incoming Cows.

The profit from a cow depends very much upon the management for some time previous to the calving. The best cows are always threatened by that usually fatal disease, milk fever, unless care is exercised to avoid the danger. The average cow which escapes this disorder needs equal care to secure the greatest product of milk for the longest time; and in a business dairy where the calf is to be reared, its value will depend upon the manner in which the cow is managed. Docility is a considerable element in the value of a cow, and this is to be looked to as much as a large milk yield. So that there are three important points to be considered—the safety of the cow which, from her large development of udder and her rich milk yield, runs the most risk from the reaction consequent upon the disturbance of her system due to the calving; the judicious feeding of the cow whose system is to be stimulated rather than depressed; and in all cases the training of the calf for its future usefulness. Heavy milkers should be kept on spare diet for at least a month previous to the calving. No grain should be given. Good hay is sufficient at this season. Some cows hold on to their milking so persistently that it is difficult to dry them off; but it should be done at least three weeks before the time expires. It is a great mistake to encourage the flow of milk up to too late a period, for the purpose of beating of the character of the cow. The frequency of milk fever with such cows is nature's protest against this misuse of the animal and the breach of natural laws. The flow of milk should be reduced first by feeding only dry hay, and second by partial milking only, always leaving some milk in the udder, and gradually lessening the quantity taken. If the cow has ever been attacked by milk fever, occasional doses of a pound of Epsom salts will tend to avert inflammatory action which results in this disease. To stimulate the average cow, which is rarely in danger of this kind, the food should be judiciously regulated in regard to her condition. If she is thin, bran mashes, or some cut roots with bran, may be given with safety, but in no case should corn meal, and still less cotton seed or linseed oil meal, be fed. Good hay with three or four pounds of bran s eeped in warm water will be sufficient as a daily ration. This food for a month previous to the calving will nourish the cow and very much help the calf.

It is wise to separate all incoming cows from the herd a week before the calf is expected. This is easily to be known by the appearance of the cow. and every cow should be watched in this regard. It is not only a barbarity but a strong provocative of trouble, due to nervous excitement, to permit a cow to drop a calf while fastened in a stall, or in stanchions, and it is an inexcusable wrong for a dairyman to neglect his cow so as to let this be possible. It indicates such a general looseness of management as to account for the losses which make the dairy business so commonly unprofitable. For many years my plan has been to have a comfortable, roomy stall in a retired part of the building (such as a tool or wagon house) set apart for this purpose, in which the cow may be either tied or left loose. This stall is seven by nine feet, with a feeding trough and water box, and is made so that it can be seen without opening the door. Here the cow is kept for a few days and well attended to. When the calf appears, it is removed quietly to a distant part of the yard where the calf pens are, and is left alone until the cow is milked, which is

warm gruel of bran or oatmeal, and the milk is taken from her and at once given to the calf, which is taught to drink it. The absence of the calf is rarely noticed by the cow, which is tied as soon as the calf is removed. If anything is wrong with the milking or the cow, she can be attended to with little trouble, and if any serious difficulty is apprehended a dose of Epsom salts, fo:lowed by a dram of tincture of aconite in a little gruel, may be given without delay.

I have never had any trouble, not even in the delivery of the afterbirth, since this plan of isolating the cows and the preparatory attention has been adopted. and have never lost a cow or a calf or had any experience personally in my own dairy with milk fever. But I have seen enough in other dairies to know that troubles of various kinds might have been easily averted had this kind of careful management been in practice -Henry Stewart, in American Agri-

The Busy Bee.

Bee Notes.

[From the Western Apiarian, Placerville, Cal.]

With Italian bees it is quite easy to liscern an Italian queen, they stay on the comb much better than the common bees, and do not run like a drove of sheep every time the hive is opened.

Let your aim be to have every pound of your boney first-class. Have it all put up in neat attractive packages; honey poorly put up makes a poor market. Comb honey, as you all know, is sold largely by its appearance, and a poor article, well put up, sells better than a good article poorly put up.

Every one who has a liking for the bee business should be encouraged to take a hand in it. An active man can do well in any business he is q alified to push. There are too many drones in the human hive already. If you think you are suited to the vocation of beekeeping be sure to select a good location, as a great deal depends on a good location. You should especially look well to the flora of the country.

A good bee magazine is a bee-keeper's best friend. Every bee-keeper in this country should take a bee paper of some kind. I never saw a bee paper yet that did not pay well for a careful perusal. Without it a bee-keeper is working at a disadvantage; he does not know what improvement is made outside his own county, and continues to go in the same old ruts year after year. Not so his neighbor who reads a bee journal; he is on the watch for improvements, new ideas, new inventions, etc. This man will succeed. He has no difficulty in disposing of his honey at a good price. People buying honey always inquire for this man's product.

Who has not watched the honey bee as she goes forth at sunrise to kiss each opening flower, to sip the dews of early morn, and gather the delicious nectar that h s been distilled during the quiet hours of night. What is more beautiful to behold than the graceful movements, and curves, that are made on her jourhen she has marked her location ney; when she has marked her location and its surroundings, she makes a becline to some flowery dell or sweetscented meadow, to gather her load of honey and pollen. Who has not been lossed the desired the desir impressed by the wonders to be found inside a bee-hive. What well-appointed commonwealths; where each adds to the stock of happiness for all! Wisdom's own forums; whose professors teach elequent lessons in their yaulted hall! Galleries of art; schools of industry; stories of rich fragiance; orchestras of song! What marvellous seats of hidden alchemy! How oft, when wardering far, and erring long, man might learn truth and virtue from the bee.

California Excursions.

Are you going to California? If so, read the following, and find out how much it will cost you, and what you can get for your money: The Santa Fe Route runs weekly excursions (every Friday) from Kansas City and points west to San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego and other Pacific-Coast points. The ticket rates are the regular second-class rates-\$35-from the Missouri River the principal California points. Pullman Tourist Sleeping-Cars are furnished. These cars run through, without change, from Kansas City to destination. The charge for berths is remarkably low, being \$3 00 for a double berth from Kansas City to California. The Pullman Company furnish mattresses, bedding, curtains and all sleeping-car accessories, including the services of a porter with each car. The parties are personally conducted by experienced excursion managers, who give every attention to passengers, insuring their comfort and convenience. For more complete information regarding these excursions, rates, tickets, sleeping-car accommodations, dates, etc., address

Geo. T. Nicholson, G. P. & T. A., A., T. & S. F. R. R., 'Topeka, Kansas.

Colorado Tourist Rates.

With the approach of the summer's heat, many people will seek a "cooler clime." Colorado, with its high altitudes, furnishes an abundance of "climb," and is a favorite summer resort. The Santa Fe Route has placed on sale at all coupon ticket offices round-trip tourist tickets, at reduced rates, to Denyer, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, and Trinidad. Excursion rates from junction points in Colorado to all mountain resorts. Tickets are good going 30 days; returning, 5 days; final limit, October 31, 1889. Through Pullman Sleepers daily to Denver, Colorado, Springs, Pueblo and Trinidad. Call on nearest Santa Fe Route ticket agent for rates and tickets.

GEO. T. NICHOLSON, G. P. & T. A., A. T. & S. F. R. R., Topeka, Kansas.

"Rally Round the Flag, Boys!"

The Grand Army Reunion to be held at Milwaukee (August 26 to 31, inclusive,) will, in many respects, be one of the most notewerthy of commemorative events. There will be no lack of distinguished speakers. But the most attractive features will be the "tie that binds" men who have fought, starved and bled for a men who have fought, starved and bled 167 a sacred cause, the renewal of old-time associations, the rehearsal of war experiences, and the rekindling upon the altar of patriotism of undying devotion to "one flag and one country." Veterans and their friends will be pleased to know that from all stations on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway, on its main lines and branches both east and west of the Missouri river, the price of tickets has been placed for this occasion at one fare for the round trip, while children under 12 and over 5 years of age will be charged only ene-half this excursion rate, or one-quarter the regular fare for the round trip. Tickets will be for sale at all principal stations on the Rock Island Route, August 21 to August 28, 1889, inclusive, good for continuous passage to Milwaukee at any time between these dates, and good for return passage, leaving Milwaukee on any date between August 27 and September 5, 1889, inclusive. Holders of such tickets who desire to make side exoursions from Milwaukee to points beyond, in any direction, can, by surrendering their return coupon tickets for safe keeping to the Joint Agent at Milwaukee, have them honored to original starting point where ticket was purchased (by proper indorsement), on any date not later than September 30, 1889. sacred cause, the renewal of old-time associa-

A Summer Vacation.

At this time of year nearly every one begins to think of a summer vacation, er an outing of some kind for a little recreation. For those who desire to visit the summer resorts of the East-Niagara Falls, the White Mountains, Old Point Comfort, and numbers of others, there is no line which offers better facilities or lower rates than the Burlington Route. If the trip is to be by way of Chicago, the Hannibal & St. Joseph's fast vestibule train, "Eli," has no peer; leaving Kansas City in the evening, the traveler takes supper and breakfast on the dining car, arriving in Chi-

Palace sleeping ours.

For a short trip there is probably no more For a short trip there is probably no more resort than Spirit Lake. Gars.

For a short trip there is probably no more delightful summer resort than Spirit Lake, Iowa, or one of the other countless lakes in northern Iowa and Minnesota. Here again the traveler finds he cannot do better than take the morning train of the K. C., St. J. & C.B. R. R., leaving Kansas City at 11:15 a m. and arriving in St. Paul and Minneapolis next morning for breakfast. From these points he can make direct connections for summer resorts in all directions. This train has one of Pullman's finest buffet sleeping cars through between Kansas City and St. Paul. This also is the train to take for Spirit Lake, but one change being made, and that early in the evening into a through sleeper to the Lake, arriving at destination at 7:15 in the morning. The above trains run daily.

Write for all information, tourist circulars, etc., to H. C. Orr, General Southwestern Passenger Agent, 900 Main street, Kansas City, or A. C. DAWES,
General Passenger and Ticket Agent,
St. JOSEPH, Mo.

SILOS AND ENSILAGE.

From Bulletin No. 6, Kansas Experiment Station—Prof. Shelten, Director.

The question of fodder-making from corn isantimately associated with that of silaging. If it can be shown that corn forage is equal in value to corn after siloing-that the fodder can be made and handled as cheaply and fed as economically assilage made from the like material-then it is futile to make further argument for the silo; for silaging is an expensive process, and one that goes naturally with intensive farming and accumulated capital in farming. It seems necessary, therefore, in the outset, to consider the question of

FODDER-MAKING

as preliminary to a statement of facts and experiments bearing on the question of silos

Every practical man familiar with the facts understands that corn fodder in Kansas is a very different thing from the article of the same name raised in New England and the middle States. Here, the corn plant in all its parts reaches a development quite unknown in regions of shorter summers and poorer soils. Moreover, the proportion of leaves and blades (edible fodder) is doubtless much less with the Kansas corn than with the small-growing Eastern sort, due to the habit of the plant in part, and to the whipping action of the blades in our prairie winds. Kansas corn fields are weak in the fodder product for other reasons: the ripening period is a very brief one, allowing very little time in which to cut and shock the corn. The subsequent tying and shocking of the bundles of fodder at the time of husking is always, except on "wet days," a diffi cult task, due to the nearly always dry and brittle condition of the stalks, and to their bulk. Even when all this has been done with the most painstaking care, a very large proportion of the valuable corn blades will be found to have been crushed and broken and scattered about the base of the shocks, from which it can scarcely be recovered. When we attempt to gather the remnant of our fodder, now literally "stalks," into shape such as to make it water-proof, either by close shocking, stacking, or hauling to the barn, we encounter difficulties, growing out of the coarse, bulky character of the materials, that we have never been able to over-

For these reasons chiefly, and because of the cost of cutting up the corn and the added cost of husking from the shocks, we have ceased, upon the College farm, to attempt further to grow corn and fodder in the same field. The same facts have compelled us to look to the silo as a means of utilizing the wealth of vegetation which is otherwise largely wasted in our corn fields.

After we have cut our corn in the best possible state, shocking it carefully and husking with equal care, there is still a very great waste in feeding it, that few farmers estimate. For three years we have, during a considerable portion of each "feeding" season, fed a number of cows, greater or less, upon corn fodder alone, and in various conditions, i. e, chopped into different lengths and fed whole, and mixed with grain in various proportions. Below is given in tabular form our more recent experiments to test this question of the amount of corn fodder "wasted" or rejected by the animals before which it was placed.

[We omit the details, giving only the tab-

ulated summary.—EDITOR		
Amount fed-lbs.	waste,	
Fodder cut in two (2) inch	185	30
lengths1,258 Fodder cut in one (1) inch	412	33
lengths	398	31
inch lengths	449	26
(%) inch lengths1,462 Fodder cut in one-fourth inch lengths and fed with	340	23
meal 528	71	13
Av'ge of all fodder fed7,688	2,390	31
This table is interesting and	instru	etiva

albeit to some extent misleading because of the impossibility of stating the exact quality and condition of the fodder.

The table seems to show that the shorter the lengths into which fodder is chopped, the smaller the proportion rejected by the animals; and this, I believe, is generally true of fine fodder of the first quality. That it is not true of all classes of fodder is shown by many of the feeding periods of the table, in which the fodder cut in shortest lengths shows the largest proportion of waste. Moreover, in an experiment made in 1886 we demonstrated that the finer the fodder was cut up the larger the proportion of waste; but in this case the fodder used was coarse and uniformly poor. I am abundantly satisfied from accurate experiments made to test the point, and from a large general ex-

of cutting fodder is found in the fact that the fodder crop, and the great waste of fodsuch chopped fodder can be placed in the der in the field and ultimate loss in feeding manger and generally handled much more conveniently than the unchopped.

The addition of meal to the cut fodder diminished the waste greatly without a doubt, although it may well be questionable whether cattle are benefited by consuming a large amount of indigestible, woody fiber to which they have been tempted by a very small amount of adhering meal.

The striking fact is that even with the very excellent fodder used in this experiment. and fed as it was in a tight manger, the cattle rejected 31 per cent. of all placed before them. Consider for a moment what would likely-certainly, I may say-be the case with ordinary, coarse fodder fed on the ground in the field or yard and often necessarily in the mud!

THE LOSS OF CORN IN FODDER MAKING. There is yet another phase of the fodder question that must not be lost sight of. If we make fodder of any real value the corn must be cut up while it is yet green. At what stage of ripeness the corn plant yields the best and largest amount of fodder has not yet been definitely determined, but all agree that the corn plant must be "green" at the time of cutting. Now the experiments of last season, made at this station, seem to show as conclusively as one trial can show anything, that the loss of corn when cut even slightly green is very great.

This will be readily seen in the following facts, embodied in the last report of the sta-

To still further test the question of the best time to cut standing corn with the view of securing the largest yield of corn and fodder, without much reference to varieties, a series of careful cuttings, and afterwards accurate weighings, was made in field E. Here rows of corn exactly equal as to length, and made by thinning exactly alike as to number of plants in a row were measured off on opposite sides of the field. At one side, occupied by a yellow medium dent, four cuttings were made when the corn was in as many different degrees of ripeness. On the opposite sides of the field, occupied by the King Philip sort—a greatly modified flint-five different cuttings were made of corn in as many different stages of riponess, as explained further on. The results obtained with the yellow dent are stated in double rows, while the statements in reference to the King Philip are given by the single row. The plan was to have adjoining rows (or double rows) cut when the corn was in very different degrees of ripeness, so that any difference in the yield of the different rows would clearly be due to different times of cutting and not to differences in soil. Thus, rows 1 and 2 were cut at the first cutting, 3 and 4 at the fourth, 5 and 6 at the second, 7 and 8 at the fourth again, and 9 and 10 at the third cutting. This plan was occasionally varied slightly, but only when errors seemed certain to result from follow-

ing it too closely. First cutting, August 8-Corn in "milk" state.

Second cutting, August 15 · Corn in "dough" Third cutting, August 20-Corn in hard

'dough" state. Fourth cutting, August 14 (King Philip)-Corn glazed and firm; September 4 (yellow dent)-Corn hard, stalks drying up.

Fifth cutting, September 4 (King Philip) -Corn hard, stalks drying up.

The corn was shocked as fast as it was cut, and remained undisturbed until it was thoroughly dry, when (October 13) it was carefully husked, and after a few days' exposure to the sun, corn and stalks were weighed with results as stated in the table following:

[Tables omitted, a synopsis being stated below.—EDITOR]

We find * * that adjacent rows, cut at intervals of seven to twenty days, show variations, with only two or three exceptions, in seventy odd cases almost exactly proportionate to the difference in the time of cutting; the largest yield of the best quality of corn, going with the row cut latest. Indeed, we are plainly taught here that corn continues to improve in weight until the very last-after the blades of the plant have been dried up, and quite likely blown away, and seemingly until the juices of the stalks have been completely sucked up. It is hard to resist the conviction that this cannot be a mere coincidence; that, in short, these figures point to a real principle in the growth of the crop which the farmer cannot afford to ignore. * * Considering then all the facts—the great labor of husking corn from the shock as compared with "picking" it from the

(which we have demonstrated time and again to amount to 26 per cent. of the stalks) -it is perfectly clear to me that we must raise corn for corn, with no thought of fodder, and corn again which has no higher purpose than the production of fodder. We must, in short, have two corn fields on every farm, receiving radically different treatment, to correspond with the different purposes for which they are cultivated.

This seems to me to state with sufficient fullness the argument against the attempt to get grain and fodder from the same field. The great Kansas staples, corn and sorghum, are unsurpassed fodder plants when grown and harvested with the single object of making "hay." I have come to think, after three years of careful experiment with the silo upon the College farm, that it is a necessary part of the machinery of the corn field. The argument for this view is given in what follows.

SPECIAL VALUE OF THE SILO TO KANSAS.

Cern and sorghum are, and are likely to remain, to Kansas farmers, the principal sources of stock food. With either of these crops cultivated for the sole purpose of fodder-making, and considering them from the standpoint of bulk or quality, two or three times as much stock food can be produced as from an equal area of timethy, clover, orchard grass, or millet. That bulky foods like corn and sorghum may be harvested easiest, cured best and with least loss, and handled with the least waste when their destination is the silo, and when there, are stored in the smallest space, are facts that go without argument with me. Moreover, a crop of rich corn fodder or sorghum is always a possibility in Kansas. In 1874 a magnificent crop of fodder corn bearing ten bushels of nubbins to the acre was consumed by grasshoppers because we had no sile in which to store it. In the drouth year of 1887 our crop of sorghum was an excellent one. Last season (1888) we grew a good crop of fodder bearing thirty-five bushels of corn to the acre, the seed of which was planted on July 6. Almost every season, in this section of the State, an excellent crop of fodder may be grown after the wheat crop has been harvested, where the seed has been listed in upon wheat stubble ground.

The expensiveness of ensilage as compared with the common method of fodder-making in the field is often urged by those unfamiliar with it. A comparison of the successive steps necessary in both methods does not. however, show a heavy balance of labor against the silo. In both methods the corn must be cut up and hauled to the barn or feeding place, and the cutting into half-inch lengths is as necessary to one process as to the other. The silaging, too, saves the expensive process of husking from the shock, and the subsequent hauling, shelling and grinding of the corn. In the single item of husking, the silo saves to its owner much more than the increased cost of hauling the green fodder. The overwhelming argument for the silo, in Kansas, is that it furnishes the means by which the greatest of all forage plants, corn and sorghum, may be cut up, cured, and fed in such time and manner as give to the farmer all of value that there is in them. Of course other crops, the grasses, clovers, alfalfa, the non-saccharine sorghums, millet and forages in general, may be used as silage material, but in Kansas corn and sorghum are, and are likely to remain, well-nigh the only silage materials.

. THE SILO.

The silo is simply a more or less completely air-tight and cold-proof room or compartment of any nature. It will be made large or small, according to the size of the herd to be fed from it. A large sile is more economically constructed than a small one, portion of spoiled silage will be taken from a large silo than from a small one. Nevertheless I should on no account advise the erection of very large silos, simply because an accident to a large silo means a very large loss in its contents, and besides, a large surface of silage exposed to the atmosphere will in this climate, unless fed out promptly, mold and spoil, often considerably. However large the herd, I should not care to make the silo larger in superficial area than say 30x15 feet. If larger than this, I should certainly divide the sile by one or more cross-partitions. A few figures giving results obtained at the station during the last year may prove suggestively useful to the farmer who is thinking of his first sile. However, we give fair warning that such figures, if taken literally, are most delusive. For example, our herd would quite likely standing stalks, the great difficulty in tying, have eaten very much more sllage than they

grain ration less, or had the cattle been arger or less comfortably housed.

Our silo No. 2, is, by inside measurement 18'-3" by 13'-3" and 22 feet high. It was filled-eight days having been occupied in the process-with eighty tons of corn silage, omitting a small fraction here as elsewhere. Two days after the filling it had settled two feet. The average weight of each cubic foot of the contents of this silo at that time was a small fraction under thirty-four pounds. Our herd to which silage was fed numbered fifty-six head, all females of four breeds, and ranging from yearling to aged cows. The average daily feed to these cattle, most of which had a small daily grain ration, was nearly thirty-four pounds, or almost exactly a cubic foot of silage as it rested in the silo shortly after filling.

Prof. Samuel Johnson, in the April bulletin of the Michigan Station, estimates that cows of 1,000 pounds will consume a daily ration of sixty pounds of silage. This is considerably more than we have been able to feed. With us only large cows, and those of which extra service at the pail, or in suckling calves, was demanded, consumed a daily feed of sixty pounds of silage and an added grain ration. From outside sources of information, the discussions had at farmers' institutes and the like, as well as from our own experiments, I am inclined to think that the estimate of the consumption of silage per head of cattle, here given at one cubic foot per day, is, with a good quality of silage, and considering herds made up of large and small animals, a very safe basis for an estimate of the size of the proposed silo.

LOCATION OF SILO.

If in the possession of a barn of suitable size, 1 should prefer a silo erected inside this building to an independent structure, by reasons of cheapness in construction and its usual convenience to the animals to be fed from it. Where the silo occupies a portion of the barn, it should be made to extend the full height of it-from the floor of the basement or cellar to the purline plates. A silo located in a dry bank or bluff side, such that a portion of its height greater or less was beneath the ground, would be most advantageously situated, provided the silage could be withdrawn at the lowest point of the silo. Such a silo would have very decided advantages over one built wholly above ground: it would admit of easier filling, and at a moderate height above ground would give great depth to the silo, which is always an advantage. A silo having a cellar from which the silage must necessarily be hoisted, is wholly inadmissable. The "cellar" portion of the building will ordinarily be constructed of masonry. This should, however, be given a thick coat of cement or plaster, so that the silage is nowhere brought in contact with the stone or brick of the wall.

Our experience with a stone silo has been most disastrous. During the two years we used a silo of exposed stone masonry, our loss of silage must have been nearly or quite 50 per cent. of its contents. Even where this stone work was brushed over with a thick paste of cement and lime, there was found six inches to a foot thick of rotted silage in contact with the masonry. Afterwards the stone work was sheathed over with inch stuff, leaving a two-inch air space between the sheathing and wall. The same sllo since has preserved its centents without

Great care should be taken that the location of the silo is such that feeding from it may be done with the least possible outlay of labor. If located in the barn, the silo should be placed as near as possible to the cattle stalls; if outside, it should be given a position adjoining the feed yard or shed, as the case may be. Where the herd is fed in shed or barn, the stalls are likely to be arranged in double tiers, the tiers separated by an alley toward which the cattle are headed. In this case, the silo should be placed adjoining the end of the shed in such manner that the door of the silo will open into this common alley.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE SILO.

The foundation of the silo walls may be a wooden sill slightly imbedded in the ground, but for obvious reasons such a foundation will rarely be used. In making silos as in many other cases the cheapest method is often a very dear one in the end. I advise farmers generally to be extremely shy of the cheap and easy methods of making silage which I see occasionally recommended by amateurs. A nearly air-tight and cold-proof room must be had, and any silo that comes short of this is sure to give the owner a large annual crop of moldy, spoiled silage.

Our practice has been to build a light stone foundation wall, one about 10 inches in the ground, rising no higher than the surface, and about 12 inches thick at the top. At inperience, that the chief, almost only, value hauling and stacking or otherwise securing did had the season been a cold one, or the tervals of about 8 feet a bolt of % or % inch

iron, threaded at the top and provided with a burr, is built in the masonry. This bolt is made to project above or out of the foundation wall about 3 inches. A foot wide, 2 inch plank which has been previously tarred and bored to match the projecting bolts, is satisfactory as a sill. This is driven down over the bolts to the top of the wall, the corners are halved together, and strongly spiked, the burrs are turned down, and the foundation of our sile is laid.

With a silo 12 feet high, joists 2"x8" set upright every 16 inches are heavy enough; with a higher wall than this I should use 2x10 joists in every case. The walls of the silo must be made strong enough to bear without deflection the great pressure put upon them. If the wall yields to the pressure the silo takes air, and the result is a mass of spoiled silage greater or less according to the amount exposed. With the joists erected and securely "toe-nailed" to the sill and secured by a strong plate at the top, the work of finishing the silo is of the simplest character.

In College silo No. 3, recently finished, the exterior wall shell is composed of shiplap; the inner is made up of two thicknesses of stock boards with one thickness of tarred paper intervening. In selecting materials for the silo wall, care should be taken to avoid pieces with knot-holes, and those much warped or twisted. In boarding up the inner wall shell we have found it cheapest in the end to bring the stock boards to a straight edge with the plane before attempting to nail them up. The tarred paper we put up in horizontal strips, allowing the strips to lap three inches. We have used ten-penny wire nails in sheathing the silo walls, although quite likely 8's would answer the purpose. The two courses of boards should be made to break joints much more completely than is shown in the cut. The top of the silo to prevent spreading ought always to be stayed by a number of cross-ties of plank or wire cable, extending from one plate to the other. The roof of the silo may be made of any materials that will exclude the rain.

THE SILO FLOOR.

Do not attempt to floor the silo with boards or plank. The best and cheapest material for the floor of the silo is common clay, which after having been evenly spread to the depth of three inches should be moistened and worked (puddled) and smoothed with the hoe. One of our silos has a cement floor, the other is floored with clay. For aught that is appreciable to the senses the clay floor is fully equal to the much more expensive one made of cement.

THE COST OF THE SILO

will of course largely depend upon local values of the labor and materials employed in its construction. I am abundantly satisfied that it will be unsafe to calculate the cost of the silo in Kansas upon a lower basis than \$2 to the ton of its contents.

SILAGE MATERIALS.

Any material of value in the condition of hay or fodder is probably suitable for silage. Clover, timothy, alfalfa, millet, Hungarian, cow peas and many other forages have been tested and found satisfactory in the condition of silage. Nevertheless, for reasons stated before, the coarse-growing fodder plants, like corn and sorghum, are sure, in Kansas and generally throughout the West, to be the principal if not only silage crops.

Much is said pro and con of the various sorts of ensilage corn now on the market. With these our experience has been too limited to enable us to offer an opinion. This is certain, that the common dent varieties of corn and the medium-growing saccharine and non-saccharine sorghums are all excellent silage materials. We are strongly of the opinion that in time it will be demonstrated that sorghum is greatly superior to corn as a silage material. We can recommend Late Orange, Goose Neck, and particularly Golden Rod, as being especially liable to damage by insects, and they remain green far into the fall, usually until cut by frosts, so that the work of filling the sile may be carried on long after the corn plant has ripened its crop and the stalks have become worthless.

GROWING THE SILAGE CROP.

So far as the corn crop is concerned the tendency in recent years has been strongly in the direction of thinner planting for silage. By many it is maintained that ensilage corn should be planted precisely as though the object was to procure the largest

one-half feet apart, with plants occupying in the rows eight to twelve inches of space. The corn is cultivated and kept clean precisely as corn is ordinarily managed during the growing period. With sorghum designed for the silo we should plant in drills three and one-half feet apart, and grow individual plants in the rows at intervals of six to ten inches. Upon good soil and with fair treatment, corn raised as above will yield twelve to sixteen tons of silage per acre, while the yield of sorghum will often reach twenty

HARVESTING THE CROP.

The tendency has in recent years been markedly towards harvesting corn designed

for the silo at an advanced stage of ripeness. In Kansas it will not be safe to follow Eastern practices in this respect. Here the intense heats and other special climatic influences push the corn crop, when once on the down grade towards ripeness, at a constantly accelerated speed; so that often only a few hours separates the grain which is only "glazed" and that which is ripe to flintiness, and dead and dry in leaf, stem and seed. Moreover, after the corn plant begins to dry up and "fire," the winds act upon the blades and tender parts of the plant most wastefully. For these reasons, and considering the accidents and hindrances likely to arise after the work of filling the silo has fairly begun, this work ought not to be much delayed after the corn is in the early 'dough" state.

The simplest and on most accounts best method of harvesting corn for the silo is the common plan of cutting the corn with the corn-knife and gathering it in armfuls, carrying each armful as fast as cut directly to the wagon rack.

It is often necessary to cut the corn and leave it in bunches on the ground hours or even days before hauling. The sweetest and best sample of silage that I have yet seen was made from rather green sorghum which had been cut and left in hundredpound heaps on the ground during three to five very hot days, before hauling to the silo. FILLING THE SILO.

Whether the silo should be filled at a continuous operation, or by periods allowing one or two days of rest to follow each day's work of filling, is one of the mooted questions in silage-making. It is argued that the method of slow filling permits free access of air to all parts of the mass of silage, and consequent rapid oxidation and great increase of temperature. This high temperature (140 deg. Fah. and upwards) destroys the germs of acetic fermentation, it is claimed, and thus we have as a result of the slow filling, "sweet ensilage." By others, this theory, and the facts on which it is based, are disputed, and the claim is put forward that sweet ensilage is due to the condition in which the corn is harvested for the silo-well-ripened fodder giving the sweet article of silage, while the green, watery and succulent corn develops a high degree of acidity. In our experience with both plans of filling, the slow method has given what seemed the sweeter silage. I admit, however, that our experience on this point is far from conclusive. It certainly ought not to be a difficult matter for those who have made a study of bacteriology to determine whether a temperature of 140 deg. Fah.-beyond which we have never known the temperature of the silo to riseis really destructive of vinegar germs.

For practical men this fact remains: we may fill the silo rapidly, or by the slow method, as suits our convenience, with the assurance that no great harm will result in either case. We have used in filling our silo a "13-A" Ross feed cutter having a twentyfour fcot elevator. This machine is oper ated by a ten horse-power engine, which is greatly more power than is really needed. We have usually cut our silage into halfinch lengths, although for aught 1 know results have been just as satisfactory when the valuable for silaging. The sorghums have cut was made at one inch, except that the this great advantage over corn: they are less silage cut into inch lengths would not pack silage cut into inch lengths would not pack quite as closely in the silo as when the materials were cut in smaller pieces.

We have tried treading and packing the silage as the filling progressed, afterward weighting the mass heavily with rocks, and we have filled the same silo without treading, or subsequent pressure of any kind. In the latter case, the silage kept as well and came from the silo, it seemed to me, in much better order than that which had been thoroughly tramped and weighted. In filling, the stream of silage should fall at as nearly as possible the center of the silo, and it is

paper, covered about eighteen inches deep with green, fine grass, like the aftergrowth of orchard grass, or prairie grass. This caution deserves the attention of every owner of a silo: do not, on any account, after the silo has been sealed up, disturb this covering or the inclosed sliage until you wish to feed it. I have had occasion in a number of cases to break the natural seal of the silo, and always have lost heavily, as a result, in spoiled silage.

EMPTYING THE SILO.

The operation of feeding from the sile is usually performed from the door. In feeding it is well to remember that if a silage surface is left exposed to the atmosphere for a number of days, it molds quite rapidly and not unfrequently a considerable loss results. On this account I prefer to feed from the top of the silage, so that more or less of the entire surface can be fed every day. To accomplish this purpose I have planned in the new silo (No. 3) the shoot, over the door of the silo. This consists simply of a 2"x10" spiked on edge securely to the silo, twenty inches from the corner. Twenty-inch pieces lightly tacked to this projecting plank connect it with the adjacent wall, thus forming a 10"x20" shoot which passes through the inner door of the silo. We expect to shovel the silage constantly from the top, emptying the silo through this shoot. As the silo empties, the pieces of shiplap may be removed, thus saving the lifting of silage to the top of the shoot.

Inquiries Answered.

ALFALFA seed is saved from the second cut ting, same as red clover seed.

WINE STAINS .- Watch "Notes and Recipes" in our Home Circle for such things.

FARM RECORD.—Books specially adapted to

the keeping of farm records are published. WHEAT DRILL.-We do not know of any drill that will work on first breaking without tearing the sod.

CORN SUCKERS.-It is generally believed that corn suckers result from soil energy produced by the operation of heat and moisture on a fertile soil.

WINTER OATS .- Mr. A. D. Lee, Coldwater Comanche county, wants the address of any person having winter oats-oats that may be sown in the fall same as winter wheat

ALLIANCE AND GRANGE.—For information concerning these associations, address B. H. Clover, President Kansas State Alliance, Cambridge, Cowley county, and Hon. William Sims, Master of State Grange, To eka.

MILLET SEED FOR HOGS.-Millet seed ground and mixed with corn meal and bran makes good food for hogs. If any of our readers have had experience with millet seed used in any way for hog feed, we would like to publish his estimate of its value.

WHAT TREES are they? The trees you describe are probably Ailanthus and honey locust, but you will get the names correctly if you will send some of the leaves to Hon. Martin Allen, Superintendent of Forestry station, Ogalla, Trego county.

GRASS SEEDING .- In Kansas all grass seed ought to be sown in spring and not with grain of any kind. Quantity of seed depends on kind of grass. Ten pounds of red clover seed to the acre is about right, 15 pounds of timothy, 20 pounds orchard grass, 25 pounds of blue grass, and 25 pounds of alfalfa.

FLEAS .- A correspondent wants to know how to get rid of fleas. If you can get them corralled, a dose or two of kerosene will dispose of them. If you can collect a considerable number in old dry straw or hay or grass and set fire to it, that will destroy some. But the best way to be relieved of them in bed at night is to have the bed clothing well aired and shaken in the morning, then bathe the bedy and change clothing for the night, change in an outer room and leave the clothes there, so as to wear perfectly fresh clothes on the body and sleep in a bed freshly aired and cleaned. This is some trouble in hot weather, but it is not as bad as an army of fleas.

Reservoirs for Irrigation Purposes.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - Enclosed find \$1.00 money order to pay my yearly subscription to your valuable farm paper, which I highly esteem.

While I write I might say a few words, or, rather, ask a few questions, for publication, if interesting in your opinion, to insert in the KANSAS FARMER for its own readers, above my name.

Could not and should not the United States government build reservoirs on the Arkansas river or at its headwaters? First. as we are the leading irrigators of the West, could not the government dam up such cuts as there are at Canon City, Colorado, where clined to think that a like rule holds with ensilage sorghum, and that it should be planted in such a manner as to insure the maximum development of sugar and seed.

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The Arkansas river goes gushing through a mountain ridge, and put locks therein to stokets at reduced rates. Time two and one-like water run during crop season, thus keep let w

government find many canon basins on either side of the river that would hold large bodies of water to be let out during crop season, thus give ever, body water and solve this great question of prior right to water in the river all through the State of Kansas?

We are having abundance of rain and I laid it to the river being nearly bank full, as it has been my observation during my eleven years' residence here that when the river was full we had plenty of rain for crops, etc. Therefore I say, let the reservoir be built quickly and the river kept full of water to evaporate and make rainfall, and there will be no need of irrigation ditches and Kansas will never know another drouth.

We are trying hard to get lower rates on railroads, that our "King Alfalfa" may go to your eastern market and do you good.

H. H. CLEVELAND.

Deerfield, Finney Co., Kas.

Gossip About Stock.

W. A. White, of Plattsburg, Mo., who is so well and favorably known to stockmen. will be in charge of the Fat Stock Show, in connection with the New Era Exposition at St. Joseph, Mo. Mr. W. is the man for the place.

Stockmen, farmers and agents, please notice on our 14th page the advertisement of safety and advertising fence, manufactured by W. I. F. Harden, Hartford, Kas., and then write to Mr. Harden for circular and full description. We believe his patent. is something you will find valuable to your-selves.

C. M. T. Hulett, breeder of Short-horns and Poland-Chinas, Edgerton, Kas., writes, in remitting for his advertisement: "I have already sold stock enough through it to pay for it the next five years." He also reports a recent sale of bull calf to a Kiowa county man, also has a fine lot of pigs for the season's trade.

Send for a catalogue of sixty Percherons and Short-horns to be sold at Belleville, Ill., 17 mlles from St. Louis, en Tuesday, July 30th. The stock has been raised by Wm. J. Miller, a careful breeder. Also notice advertisement of sale of fine stock to be held at Attica, Kas., by C. S. Jobes, on July 28d, 1889. No doubt many fine bargains can be made by our Kansas friends at this sale. Some most excellent registered Holsteins are advertised for sale.

Dietrich & Gentry, of O.tawa, Kas., have favored us with an excellent report of the stock prospects in eastern Kansas. In their letter accompanying same, they say: "Our herd of Poland-Chinas are doing fine-could not wish for better. Have made some very fine purchases which we have added to our herd, and judging from our sales and the reports we received from our customers we will be sold out long before the season is Our advertisement in Kansas over. FARMER is doing us a great deal of good."

Stockmen and farmers generally are interested in that very useful machine, the windmill. On our first page we give an illustration of a most excellent one manufactured by the Peabody Manufacturing Co., at Peabody, Kansas. Their factory is located in one of the live stock centers of the State, where the company have an excellent opportunity to study the needs of the farmer and stock raiser in the line of their manufacture. They write us as follows: "It has been the aim of the company to manufacture mills that are adapted to this country. The many thousands of these mills sold and erected by us testify as to our success. The Corliss wind engine is made for either deep or shallow wells, and is constructed for long and faithful service. Our facilities for prompt shipment cannot be surpassed." This company is a Kansas institution and, as such, must of course be successful. We believe that those contemplating the purchase of a wind mill will find it to their advantage to correspond with this company, and get their prices and such information as they are ready to give.

Mrs. Belle L. Sproul, Frankfort, Kas., will sell young S. C. Brown Leghorns at way-down prices till September. Write.

Orchards ought to be kept clean of weeds and volunteer grass of every kind. Weeds are escape valves for moisture. No one piece of ground can raise good fruit and good weeds at the same time.

In Summer Days

You can reach the cool and charming resorts : of the Northwest, in the new and elegant Vestibuled, Family Compartment Sleeping Cars,

The Bome Circle.

To Correspondents.

The matter for the Home Circle is selected Wednesday of the week before the paper is printed. Manuscript received after that, almost invariably goes over to the next week unless it is very short and very good. Correspondents will govern themselves accordingly.

Some Day of Days.

Some day, some day of days, treading the

with idle, heedless pace,
Unlooking for such grace,
I shall behold your face!
Some day, some day of days, thus may we

Perchance the sun may shine from skies of May,
Or winter's icy chill
Touch lightly vale and hill;
What matter, I shall thrill
Through every vein with summer on that day.

Once more life's perfect youth will all come

back,
And for a moment there
I shall stand fresh and fair,
And drop the garment care;
Once more my perfect youth shall nothing
lack.

I shut my eyes now, thinking how 'twill be, How, face to face, each soul Will slip its long control, Forget the dismal dole Of dreary fate's dark, separating sea.

And glance to glance, and hand to hand in greeting.
The past with all its fears,
Its silence and its tears,

Its lonely, yearning years, Shall vanish in the moment of that meeting. -Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.

Sad toiler, weary worker in the field Of ever-changing life, should it be thine, When broken with thy load of cares, to yield To nature and the piping voice of Time; And rest thee, where the mighty ones have lain.

And rest thee, where the highly ones have lain,
In the broad bosom of the teeming earth,
Ere thou hast walked the well-allotted time
That thy frail race is given for its span;
Or yet before thou hast accomplished ends
Best in thy sight for the best good of man—
Despair thou not. 'Tis the decree all-wise:
"No thought that has grown into deed of good
Has ever died, or can, or will, or shall.'
They soften, and they atrengthen, and they
build

High stepping-stones for others who will mount
To that high state which is the aim divine:
Do good to others—bless thy fellow-man.
—Percy Shell, Jr.

Out on the ocean whose billows are roses,
While robins, blithe sailors, are piping their
tune,
Along down the sunbeams, while angels stand
watching,
God launches from heaven the fair ship of
June.
—William C. Sheppard.

THE MOTHER'S STATUS.

When I think of the exact and deferential demeanor required of our grandparents toward their parents, I would like to have some of the modern boys and girls contrast their own demeanor with that which was re quired so long ago. I take it for granted that they have heard of the "good old times;" if not, inquire into the matter of some grandmother or grandfather, who will be sure to tell all about how "girls and boys don't behave as they used to."

With regard to the way I have seen some young people behave in this day and generation, I remember some incidents which I would like to relate for the purpose of giving other young people an opportunity to judge for themselves if there is in them any reflection upon their own conduct.

One hot Sunday a few summers since I attended a religious service in a district school house. Among the people gathered together I noticed three coming in an open spring wagon. An elderly lady was sitting upon the front seat, driving; her daughter, supposed to be a young lady, and her "best man" were sitting on the back seat. The happy couple was shaded by an umbrella held by the "gallant." Both of the young people were apparently oblivious to the fact that the mother was sweltering in the hot

My mental comments were something after this fashion: "Is that young man in a very delicate state of health th his would-be mother-in-law to sacrifice her comfort and dignity in this manner? Is the girl afraid to drive that she isn't ashamed to be seen so comfortably sheltered while her mother serves her in such discomfort? Does the mother care that the young people upon the back seat have forgotten her existence, or do not seem to care that she is warm, tired and dusty? I almost think I can see a look of sadness upon her sunburned features. I am sorry for her if she does care; but sorrier if she does not. She should have retained her sense of what is befitting her sufficiently to give her daughter a lesson in propriety, upon her return home, or to warn her of the treatment awaiting her when she shall have become toil-worn, and the man who is now forgetting to be chivalrous shall neglect to shade her also.

Fourth. It was quite a grand affair; some one brought an organ; a quartette of young folks sang very well. The young ladies who sang were well dressed and carried themselves with ease, even although they were the observed of all observers, from the prominent part they were taking.

I saw an old, homespun man and wife listening to the music with lively interest. She was dressed as plainly as a dark cetton dress and plain, dark sunbonnet could make her. They were near me, on a hard board seat. I asked some one who they were. "They are Mr. and Mrs. So-and-so, father and mother of the young ladies who are singing."

"Indeed!" I remarked to myself. "Haven't you girls sense enough, or kindness, perhaps, to see that your mother comes into notice, as your mother, with clothing befitting such an occasion?"

The singing-something about an unwillingness to "mortgage the farm"-appeared less significant and less sweet as the girls warbled on. Their confident manner assumed the more unpleasant appearance of assurance. There seemed to be, as there was, ill-breeding in the stylish costumes. My interest went over to the plain father and mother who were showing such unselfish, unreserved pride in their children. They had, literally, taken a back seat, and expected no attention from the ones who should have been glad to honor them. It was painful to see the look of meek contentment upon their faces. An opportunity p:esented itself to become acquainted with one of the singers; it was convenient to decline the honor without rudeness. I would gladly have shaken the toil-worn hands of the selfforgetful father and mother; but they did not appear to be in society; at least no one proffered me the pleasure.

I might have been uncharitable; the girls might have been thoughtless, and the lovers upon the back seat, under the shade of the umbrella, might have misconstrued the old adage, "All is fair in love." Then, too, these may be extreme cases not to be met with at every country picnic nor even at times when the state of the emotions might excuse a lapse of good sense.

But I must not forget another incident of a pleasanter character connected with that picnic. Another mother with her several daughters were together in a confidential group. The elder lady's apparel was appropriately becoming and of as good material as that of her daughters. They were upon such good terms with each other—the mother "the fairest of her daughters." She was smiling and happy and there was no-doubt as to her status in the hearts of her girls. 1 know that those girls prepared their mother's wardrobe and admired the work of their hands. I do not believe, had the mother been clad in mean apparel and her daughters in a contrasting fashion, there could have been that good-fellowship between them. Why shouldn't girls—as girls average—be ashamed of one who takes on the appearance of an inferior instead of assuming her rightful queenship?

The two or three illustrations of my subject need no pointing of the moral; any bright girl can see for herself that it is a disgrace for any other girl to be lax about honoring her mother. As has been observed in substance before, there is a lack of breeding where a mother permits herself without protest to step down and out while her child takes the place of honor. Here I assume that it is the mother's ewn fault, and in many cases it is; but, girls, if your mother has been so mistakenly unselfish as to dethrone herself in your favor, honor the thought which prompted it by reinstating her. Do it for decency's sake if not for a higher

As in all other matters, rules for good breeding have their foundation upon those higher laws found in the Bible. Among the laws laid down for our profit is one which says, "Honor thy father and mother."

PHEBE PARMALEE.

A Word to Correspondents.

We have to again ask our correspondents not to prepare articles in the line of fiction for publication in these columns. We have several reasons for this, all of which seem to us to be good ones, but will mention only two. First-Our space is limited so that we cannot spare much room for any one department of the paper, and fiction is always longer necessarily than the mere statement of common facts. Second-The average writer is not a good composer in fiction. Peculiar taste and talent are required in this department of literature. The tendency of young authors, that is to say, authors who have not been long in practice, is to use a great many figurative expres-I once attended a country picnic on the sions, and that leads them to extravagant potash water.

use of language; not only extravagance in the use of words, but erroneous use of figures. For example: In a manuscript before us the phrase "bright-eyed il wers" is used. There is no office which such a phrase can fill, for there is no figure in which it can be made to appear that flowers have eyes. It would be well enough to say bright faced flowers, because what we see may sometimes at least be called the face, and flowers may be said to have faces.

We want to make this department of the paper useful, and we know of no better way to do it than to use such descriptive, instructive and comprehensive articles as will not only entertain readers but instruct and improve them. We are glad to have communications from our friends, especially our lady friends, on any and all subjects of particular interest in the family. We have had many such in past years and expect to have many more in time to come. Those of our correspondents who are gifted in fiction will find abundant opportunities for exercising their faculties in composing for periodicals devoted to that class of literature.

The Mission of the Rose-Bud.

One morning I opened the garden gate and stood alone with the grand old trees. Passing onward through enchanted bowers, suddenly I espied a tiny rose-bud half hidden among the leafy hedges and quietly peeping up from its imprisonment, not, as I fancied, unlike a redeemed spirit released from its clayey environments in its struggles upward. And so the tiny rose-bud, unconscious of the loving heart that bent above it to place a kiss -the seal of approbation-upon its newlyfound appearance there. Could Flora find a lovelier bower in which to place her cherished child? for the dews came nightly there to kiss its upturned face and the glad sunshine by day came lovingly down through the foliage to cheer and gladden the growing flower. Under such favored influence it expanded and flourished, and in the course of time it bloomed; and oh! such a gift were equal to any found within the royal gardens of kings or queens. A little waif, more fairy than child, espied too its hiding place, and stretched out its chubby hands in glad delight for the floral treasure that swayed and nodded and reveled just a little higher than the dimpled hand could reach. Days came and went, and went and came again, and the rose flourished under kindly skies; but little fair hair drooped, and one day the death angel came and .carried away the household pet to bowers whose roses bloom not on loftier stems than her little hands can grasp. Love's heart bled sore for the loss of the child, but the mi-sion of the rose-bud had been spared until the fairy form had been laid to rest. Down deep in the casket of the dead darling was buried away from sight forever and for aye the half blown rose and the beautiful clay.

But another rose bud came to fill the place of that one plucked from its green old haunts, and as its sister had done, so the new one flourished until, one day at noon, all worn and weary in his journeyings, footsore and travel stained, a traveler chanced to pass that way and stopped for a rest in the shady embrace of the grand old garden and to drink from a fountain near. Glancing at the perfect flower, a gladdened spirit arose within the traveler's soul, sanctified and strengthened. "Surely as He marks the sparrow's fall, He will attend my journey ings until I have done with the dusty byways of life." He now recalls the old rose bush at home, that in his innocent boyhood years clambered up to his chamber window with its wealth of roses and their welcome p rfume. How vividly now came back to his view the dear old home and the loving he uts centered there; the father, aged be tore his time, mother with her heart of love, and sister with a wealth of devotion which no brother could forget. These and a thousand other recollections came, and he resolved to return once more to the deal home. Wicked deeds had hardened him; but now he thought of better things. .. prayer, such as he had not uttered since a child at his mother's knee, escaped his lips, and God, ever ready to hear the cry of the penitent, there gave him strength for his good resolution. Who may know, since his good resolve, what a flood of light comes to his sin-warped soul through the mission of the rose? God placed flowers along our way to cheer the faint heart, raise up the fallen, give courage to the lagging and hope to the faltering. This is the mission of the rose-MYSTIC.

Potash water is the quickest cure for wasp or bee stings. A small quantity should be kept in a glass-stopped bottle. Open the sting with a needle and put on one drop of

Notes and Recipes.

Plain moonstone faces are at present much worn for scarf pins.

Silver link purses, with American \$1 pieces for tops, are popular among the ladies.

Clover leaves formed by two pearls and a diamond are a recent successful ornamentation for side combs.

Among the latest novelties in silver is a match-case having two dials and indicators for the use of whist players.

Fastened in the spokes of a toothed wheel a compass, containing a fine pearl, makes an appropriate scarf-pin for mechanics.

A tomato-shaped, handsomely-decorated porcelain salt-cellar, with satin-finished silver cover, has taken the place of the E ister egg design.

A Summer Soup.-A knuckle of veal stewed in milk, with rice, very delicately flavored with lemon peel, makes a nourishing broth when beef tea is disliked.

To test jelly drop a little into cold water or on a cold plate, stirring it for a few seconds. If it coagulates it is done. The best jelly requires only five minutes' boiling.

In ironing, have a piece of sandpaper, such as carpenters use, lying on the table handy; it removes the stickiness of starch from the iron perfectly with only a rub or two across it.

Fried Cakes -One pint buttermilk, one and a half cups sugar, two tablespoonfuls sour cream, one teaspoonful soda, a little salt and spice to suit the taste, flour sufficient to make a soft dough.

Tea stains are difficult to get out if neglected. They should be soaked in either milk or warm water as soon as possible, and then soaped and rubbed out. The next washing will efface them wholly.

To take creases out of drawing paper or engravings, lay the paper or engraving face downward on a sheet of smooth, unsized white paper, cover it with another sheet of the same, slightly damp, and iron with a moderately warm flat-iron.

Frosting Without Eggs -To one cup of granulated sugar take five tablespoonfuls of milk: boil four minutes without stirring after it begins to boil. Take from the stove, set the dish into one of cold water, and beat until thick and white; flavor and spread before it sets.

A Dainty Dessert .- A pint or more, according to quentity desired, of sweet milk thickened with cornstarch to the consistency of paste. Stir in a generous lump of butter, and shaved chocolate to color a rich brown. Turn into cups, and when cold, est with sweet ned cream, flavored with vanilla.

Care of the Nails.

Vaseline rubbed on the nails after washing the hands will do a deal of good to dry nails. Manicures first bathe the hand a long time in hot water, then with scissors and knives clean and cut the nails, remove the superfluous skin about the onyx, then polish the nails with buckskin and fine powder, washing the hand again in hot water with soap. After drying, the nails are polished with a fine brush and are finally rubbed with a rosy unguent to give them a shell pink.

A correspondent of the Massachusetts Ploughman says: "I once saw a row of currant bushes some ten rods long, where one-half the row was completely bare of leaves, while the other half was in full follage. Where the leaves were the ground was sowed with coal ashes, and there were no worms on the ashes. Where there were no ashes there were no leaves on the bushes. The use of ashes is a cheap way to secure a crop of currants."



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The Houng Folks.

The Harvest.

I watch the golden billows awaiting the sickles keen,
While the corn stands waiting yonder, a splendid, glittering sheen;
I hear the reapers coming with merry shout and song,
Then I see the billows falling in solid ranks along.

The grain not only falling, but the tender flowers, toe,
And with them tares and thistles are scattered through and through;
For the reaper reaps a harvest that is heavy for the blade,
While the voice of the Master calleth, "It must not be delayed!"

And thus is the mighty harvest in all our glorious land,— The reaper blithe and happy, there is joy on every hand:
For toil is sweet to the faithful, reward will come at last.
So the reaper sings and labors until daylight hours are past.

I see the harvest over, and mountains of golden grain Await the thresher's pleasure, and it shall not

wait in vain;
For I hear the hum of engines and clatter of
turning wheels,—
Let us wait a moment—linger—and see what
this reveals.

You know what we see, good farmer, in fields now brown and bare;
Where the grain is kept from the thistles—from thistle and from tare;
And only the grain is wanted, the thistles are cast away,
While the flowers that died and withered shall bloom another day.

I see another harvest in the grain fields of this The wheat is bent and shaken with labor sore

and strife;
But the reaper cometh often, with footsteps soft as air,—
He takes the grain and flowers, the thistle and the tare. the grain and flowers, the thistle and

The harvest is ever ripening to the reaper's The narvest is ever ripening to the reaper's subtle breath,—
To the krife of this silent reaper, whose mystic name is Death;
And we know not the hour of his coming, whether at night or day,
Nor why he should spare the thistles and take our flowers away.

In this living and mighty harvest we are grain or worthless chaff; or worthless chaff;
We cannot serve two masters,—God wants no
work by half.
And I pray, when the harvest is over, at the
garnering of the wheat,
I, with the grain and flowers, may kneel at the
Master's feet.

POSTAL FACILITIES.

-Good Housekeeping.

The Almost Marvelous Progress Made During the Past Fifty Years.

There is no department of the government with which so large a part of the people has to do, and none with which the people has to deal so often, as the Postoffice. On an average, every man, woman and child in the United States both sends and receives something by mail-a letter, a newspaper, a package, once a week throughout the year. Indeed, hardly any feature of the modern civilization is more striking to one who can divest himself of the feeling that the postoffice is a matter of course, than the development and present extent of communication by means of the mail.

When we remember that fifty years ago it cost 25 cents to send a single piece of paper, written or printed, from Washington to Boston; that the railroad system was in its infancy, and that letter-sending was a luxury not to be indulged in without consideration, we may see what a vast change half a century has wrought. At present every one who can write at all sends letters. Children are encouraged to begin correspondence with relatives and friends as soon as they can "print" words. Business men are hardly more sparing of postage stamps than their wives are of pins. And this modern idea of the constant use of the postcffice is wholly the growth of fifty years.

Let us compare 1838 and 1888. Fifty years ago the mails were carried on only 1,900 railroad in the Tinited State miles less than are now operated in the territorially small State of Massachusetts. Now the mails are carried on 140,000 miles of railroad. There were, in 1888, 57,000 postoffices against 12,000 in 1838. The revenue of the department was \$4,250,600 in 1838, and more than \$52,500,000 in the year ending June, 1888

Statistics were not kept of the number of letters and other parcels mailed fifty years ago, but in 1887-88 the letters transmitted numbered almost 1,720,000,000; the postal cards 372,000,000; the newspapers and periodicals 1,063,000,000, and the packages 373,000,-000-a total of 3,578,000,000 pieces, and an average of almost sixty to each person of the 60,000,000 inhabitants of the United States.

American postage rates are by far the cheapest in the world. The English penny rate on letters is the same as the 2 cent rate, but the distance traversed by letters here is carefully and you see him silently hand the

greatly in excess of that in the United Kingdom. Moreover, Great Britain has nothing to compare with the American system of sending newspapers to subscribers at a rate of 1 cent a pound. It cests a half penny-1 cent-to send each paper in England-at least six times as high a rate as that in the United States, even if no account be taken of the greater distances here.

The English parcel post is, however, cheaper than the American. Packages of merchandise can be sent at the rate of 8 pence-6 cents-for a single pound, and at a rate growing smaller as the weight increases. until at eleven pounds the charge is only 18 pence-or about 31% cents a pound. The United States rate is uniform at 1 cent an ounce. A four-pound package—the limit of weight, would cost 64 cents; in England it would cost 15 cents.

No doubt this country will in time overtake and surpass its greatest rival in this department of the postal service, as it has already done in other departments. There is no conceivable limit to the expansion of this service, and as the service grows in amount it may grow cheaper. It is probably too soon to think of a 1 cent rate for letters, but in a very few years, at present rates, the department will overcome the deficiency between receipts and expenditures-it was nearly \$5,500,000 during the past year—and then the 1-cent rate will come, as surely as the 3 cent rate superseded the 5, and the 2 the 3 cent rate. Whether or not any of the other dreams of those who favor extending the nostal service—postal telegraphs, savings banks and the like-are to come true, is a question for the future to answer .- Youth's Companion.

A Medlev of Marvels -- The Making of Flint-Glass.

Flint-glass is the general term for all the multiform utensils and ornaments (apart from windows and dark bettles) which make glass an omnipresent blessing in modern life. The distinctive pecularity of flint-glass is the presence in it of lead, which imparts a brilliancy unlike that of most other glass. The lack-lustre surface of all the old objects of glass made before the English invention of a lead formula is noticeable. Lead oxide was originally used only in most expensive glass prepared from calcined flints. But gradually it has crept into many grades, down to the most common material for household and fancy wares, and for all transparent bottles, giving them all a finer lustre than was otherwise obtained until the recent invention of lime glass. And the costliest of all glass, that used for optical lenses and imitation gems, still gains its extraordinary weight and refractive power from lead. The honors of skill in flint-glass production are broadly divided among the nations, England taking the lead in the crystal or purest flint-glass used for cutting; Italy (Venice) in colored designs more brilliant than any made in the days of the republic, when flint-glass was not known; Switzerland in imitation gems; Gormany in cheap vases; France in lens disks, and America in pressed glass and cheap tableware. Recently a cheaper flint-glass has been introduced into American pressed ware, in which lime is substituted for lead, yet which retains much of the lustre and clearness of lead flint.

F.int-glass is either blown, moulded, or pressed, and frequently all three methods may be seen together in the same establishment.

A flint glass factory is a most entertaining medley of marvels. As you enter the great building that surrounds the huge chimney the first impression is that you are in a human ant-hill rumbling with inordinate activity. Or perhaps the sensation is better described as a plunge into a purgatorial chamber of industrious demons. In the center the openings in the gigantic furnace dazz'e you like glaring eyes from a soul of fire; but the glow comes really from molten glass in the dozen "menkey-pots" about the blaze. Scores of workers, boys, youths and men, throng in restless confu sion. It looks as if every one were running about on some impish deed of his own fancy. But stand still and watch closely, and you will see it is all a great system of human cleck-work, each movement fitting nicely into the whole effect. The men at the furnace, who seemed at first to be the devils thrusting pitchforks into the blazing depths to toast their victims, are only gath ering metal on their punties. When a sufficiently large lump has been collected the man wanders off with it. You think he will certainly burn some one with that burning ball of fire, they are all bustling about him so incessantly. But follow him

into a large globe, and sits down to play with it at a bench which has a horizontal iron bar on each side of him to roll the tube on. Back and forth he rolls it like a toy, and the glass keeps curiously changing its shape. He has made a hole in the globe and has enlarged it into a symmetrical opening, and new the glass is cooled so that he can do nothing more. Will anybody in all that hurrying crowd help him! Instantly a young man appears, and without a word he holds up to the cool glass his long tube with a disk of red hot glass on the end, which fastens to it. The man at the bench scratches the globe, jars it, and leaves his bar. Off the other man runs with it to the "gloryhole," where the broken end is quickly heated again into softness. Then he hurries back with it to the beach man, who renews his play. A couple of minutes more and suddenly you perceive that he has made a perfect lamp shade, which a stroke detaches from the iron rod into a small bed of sand. A small boy carries it off on a stick to the annealing furnace, and now the gatherer is on hand again with a fresh lump of metal to begin the process again. Turn to the next man sitting at his work, and you notice him finishing a smaller charge into a lamp chimney, shaping the top by a mould. Here is a man amusing himself with a small bunch of soft glass on his rod. You are sure he can have no serious purpose in turning and bending it into those ridiculous shapes. Quickly a boy seizes it from him, and you cannot trace him. It has gone over to a fancy vase, where it was needed to complete the ornament. So each bench has its own little task of skill, and keeps repeating it over and over, and each boy of the multitude (there are two or more to every man) has his own particular duties. He pops up always in the moment and place where he is needed. All the workers are busy as their wits can make them, for they work by the piece, and the number of things made determine their wages. They are grouped into sets or "shops" of three or four, who work together and share profits together on a well understood grade of division. Generally four constitute a shop, the most skillful workman (the blower) at the head, the gatherer (3 young fellow) next, and two boys, one handling moulds or tools. and the other carrying the products to the annealing oven. The only way to learn the glass trade is through long apprenticeship in these four stages. And no apprentice is permitted to enter the full privilege and wages of a master-workman without the consent of the order. By this severe means of apprenticeship the glass-workers keep the skill of their trade in their own control, much like the Venetian artisans, and practically dictate their own prices to employers. -Harper's Magazine for July.

tube to an older man, who blows the glass

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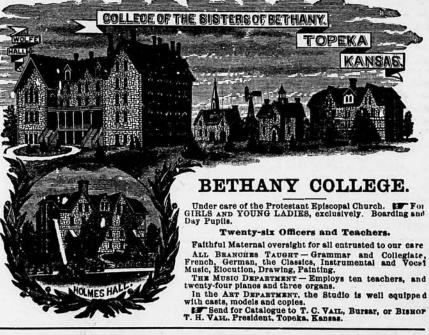
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Last week's business reports were about all favorable.

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Business failures reported last week numbered 209, against 202 the preceding week, and 215 the corresponding week

Sergeant Jennings says the average rainfall in Kansas for the entire month of July, 1887, was 1.72 inches; in 1888 it was 2 64, and for the single week ending Friday, the 12th day of July, 1889, the average for the State was 1.18, and it was well distributed.

Four mammoth trusts were reported last Saturday, with an aggregate capital of \$219,183,000, viz.: Lad, capital, \$83,-018,800; sugar, capital, \$49,856,500; cotton seed oil, capital, \$42,162,200; distillers and cattle feeders, capital, \$30,726, 600; American cattle, capital, \$13 396,

The Territories of Dakota, Montana, and Washington are now preparing for admission as States under the late act of Congress. The two Dakotas are Republican, Montana is Democratic, while the political complexion of Washington is not yet determined. Wyoming also has called a constitutional convention and will apply for admission at the next session of Congress.

We are in receipt of a brief prepared by ex-Governor Crawford and his associate counsel, representing the interest of Arapahoe and Cheyenne Indians, before the commission lately appointed by the President, to negotiate for In ndian lands in the Indian Territory. It is an interesting document, chiefly for the reason that it contains a great deal of historical information relating to the history of Indian lands in that

A Good Idea.

Mr. Secretary Rusk has adopted an charged with the duty of editing the reports and bulletins issued by the various divisions of the Department. Many of these reports are prepared by scientific and professional men, who treat every subject elaborately, saying many things that the average reader cares nothing about. The object of this work is to select and condense the most important features of the reports, just what the people at large want, and give them out in that form. This will save a great deal of printing and a great deal of carrying in the mails, at the same time conveying to the public all needed information.

A FOOL AND HIS MONEY ARE SOON PARTED.

Our article of two weeks ago called forth the following letter:

MUSCOTAH, KAS., July 5, 1889. KANSAS FARMER COMPANY: - The editorial in your last issue in favor of protection—robbing farmers to enrich manufacturers-disgusts me. You are not the farmer's friend, but as this editorial proves to my mind conclusively, the paid advocate of the protectionist robber system. Even the New York Tribune (see editorial in May 24th issue) admits that the protection to sugar enables the sugar trust to rob the people of \$90,000,000 a year, and demands that Congress give the matter immediate attention.

I have paid for the Kansas Farmer for a year, less the time it has been received, but l will not have in my house a paper that will sell me and my neighbors and our interests out for a consideration. Stop the paper and keep the money. Yours, etc.,

A. J. GROVER.

The author of that letter is an aspiring man, was a candidate for Congress last year, and he may therefore reasonably be presumed well informed. We present his letter to our readers in order that his range of acquaintance may be extended, and in order further, to afford him an opportunity to answer a few practical questions through our columns -questions relating to matters of great concern to farmers, and thus give additional evidence of his familiarity with this subject.

1. What are the prices, any time this years past, in London, England, and Chicago, Illinois, of the following named articles, each and all of good and like quality, viz.: Farm wagons, plows, cultivators, threshing machines, reapers, mowers, self-binders, and generally of all farm implements, including axes. shovels, forks, rakes, etc.

2. What are the prices in London and Chicago of the following articles and classes of articles: Stoves, nails, common window glass, bureaus, bedsteads, tables, common chairs, lumber-pine

oak and walnut?

3. What are the comparative prices of tinware and furniture in the two cities named above? That is to say, how do the prices of these two classes of articles compare in the two cities

4. What are the prices in the two cities named of fence wire, common salt, and bituminous coal; what is the cost of transporting a pound, a hundred pounds, or a ton of wire, salt or coal from London to Chicago, and what is the price of home-made salt at Hutchinson, Kansas?

5. What are the prices, in the cities named, of building materials and tools, as brick, lumber, glass, nails, screws. locks, hinges, saws, files, hammers, etc.?

6. Given any number of Kansas farmers-say in Shawnee county, they send 50,000 or 100,000 bushels of wheat in charge of an agent by the cheapest route to Liverpool, England, and there dispose of it in the open market for cash, invest the proceeds in farm supplies, including groceries, dry goods, shoes, hardware, tinware, carpets, furniture, farm implements and machinery -just such things as Kansas farmers need and use, bringing them back to Topeka and there distributing them, would the transaction be profitable, and if so, how much money would be saved by it?

7. What were the prices of steel rails excellent plan for the distribution of in London and Philadelphia in the years information useful for farmers. It is 1867, 1870, 1875, 1880, 1885, and in June, the establishment for a new division 1889, and what is the cost of carrying a

the same numbers and quantities of like same purpose, which of the two trans-

ing named articles in Chicago or St. Louis, viz: One farm wagon, one spring wagon, one self binder, one mower, one corn cultivator, one hay fork, one shovel, one axe, one stove, one table, one bureau, one set dinner or breakfast dishes, one suit ready-made clothing of wool for himself and a bolt of prints, a bolt of unbleached muslin, and two dress patterns of gray flannel for his wife, a bolt of red flannel for the children and one dozen pairs of shoes for the family; and if at the same time farmer B purchase similar articles of like grade and quality in Liverpool, England, which of the two farmers would pay out the most money in the transaction?

Mr. Grover, having given the tariff question a great deal of study, will have no diffculty in answering all of these questions promptly, and correct answers from him will aid all of us in reaching satisfactory conclusions concerning the protective policy.

THE DRESSED MEAT QUESTION IN COURT.

Readers of the KANSAS FARMER will remember, on suggestion, that we called attention some time ago to a question which might be and probably would be raised relating to the constitutionality of a law which attempts to prohibit the introduction and sale of healthy dressed meats in any state or city brought from another state or city. On submitting our views to an earnest friend of the inspection idea his reply was something like this: We are not far enough along yet to make it either prudent or necessary to consider that phase of the subject at all; it is our present business to get rid of the dressed meat combination and its unfair competition in our local towns.

About a month ago an agent of a Chicago dressed beef establishment was arrested in Indiana and fined \$50 for selling dressed meat in violation of the inspection law of that state. He refused to pay the fine and was imprisoned. On the hearing of a petition for his release, Judge William Johnston of the Porter county circuit court decided against the constitutionality of the law on the ground that it interferes with interstate commerce, and on the further ground that jurisdiction over this subject is given by the constition of the United States to Congress exclusively. The judge's opinion is elaborate. We make two extracts so that the reader may see the drift of the judicial mind:

7. What were the prices of steel rails in London and Philadelphia in the years 1867, 1870, 1875, 1880, 1885, and in June, 1889, and what is the cost of carrying a ton of steel rails from Philadelphia to Chicago and to St. Loais?

8. What were the prices of horses, cattle, hogs, wheat and corn in Chicago in 1859 and 1860?

9. Say a farmer in January, 1859, or 1860, invested the proceeds of the sale of an average farm horse, ox and hog, fifty bushels each of wheat, corn and oats, 100 pounds each of butter and cheese, and 100 dozen eggs, in farm supplies, including a farm wagon, a spring wagon, a reaper or mower (read to the sale of the sale of the sale of the sale and other farm utensils, a stove, clothing, shoes and groceries; and say the same farmer thirty years later sold

the same numbers and quantities of like articles at the same place and for the same purpose, which of the two transactions netted the farmer most profit?

10. Will \$1 or \$10 or \$100 worth of farm products in general—stock, grain, fruit, vegetables, etc., in 1859 go as far in purchasing supplies for the farm and family as a like amount did thirty years ago?

11. How do present prices and those of 1859 or 1860 compare as to the following named articles in Philadelphia or New York city, viz.: Calico, muslin, common wool cloth, ready-made clothing of cotton and wool, shoes, glass, tableware, cutlery and hardware in general?

12. If farmer A purchase the following named articles in Chicago or St.

13. How do present prices and those of 1859 or 1860 compare as to the following named articles in Chicago or St.

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that dressed meat has become an important article of commerce, that it is extensively shipped from one State to another as well as into foreign countries It is well known that many of our cities are supplied largely with fresh meat shipped to them from adjoining States, and being so the traffic in dressed meats comes within the definition of inter-state commerce. He also called attention to the legal proposition that what has been a long time recognized as a legitimate business, in no sense hurtful to the health or morals of the community, is to be regarded as legitimate trade, and in that view of the case, he is of the opinion that a State Legislature cannot lawfully interfere with the traffic. In his opinion inspection laws are for the purpose of determining the quality and lawfulness of articles of food.

As we suggested some time ago, this subject is now before the courts, and it will be determined according to the law in such cases. If it be decided that the inspection law is not good for the purpose intended, we will have to fall back upon our original proposition to declare all such combinations as the beef combine to be criminal conspiracies, punishable as other great crimes, and every community must establish a packing house for itself where all the animal food needed may be prepared.

A Railroad Trust.

It is proposed to organize the railroad companies of the country ir to one or more consolidated bodies, having control of all the rail transportation of the country. The proposition is made by John McCook, a railroad manager of New York, in a circular, part of which we quote as follows:

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As the inter-State commerce bill has abolished the pooling arrangements heretofore existing between the trunk and other pool lines, necessity for some system of regulating and controlling their traffic appears to be as great, if not greater, than ever before and some new plan must at an early day be devised therefor. Such a plan to be effective, should cover the following points:

1. Maintain all the equities, not only between the rallway companies themselves, but also between their respective stockholders' interests.

ests.

2. Continue the legal and all other relations of the respective railway companies to the United States and the several States under which they are organized at present.

3. Secure a unity of interest upon an absolutely equitable basis in the ownership, operations and earnings of all the lines. This being accomplished, the weak elements of all pooling arrangements and the temptation to the companies to cut under or destroy the same will have been removed and the power of large shippers to play off one line as against the other, will be reduced to the minimum, if not destroyed.

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panies themselves what the inter-State In Webster's Unabridged Dictionary "com- commerce law was intended to effect. The owners and managers of roads must accommodate their business to the interests of the people or the government will do it for them. The growth of farmers' associations will hasten the work materially.

United States Crop Reports.

The June crop report of the Department of Agriculture at Washington shows an increase in the area planted in corn of about one and one-third million acres. The total area in corn is over seventy-seven million acres; the largest increase is west of the Missouri river. The condition of the crop is only medium, lower than usual at this stage of its development. Cold weather and cut worms have interfered with the

WORDS OF EMINENT STATESMEN CONCERNING PROTECTION.

A friend sends us the following request with inclosures:

PROTECTION.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-If you will kindly publish the following extracts from the writings of eminent statesmen, you will confer a favor on many of your readers.

Agriculture, manufactures and navigation, the four pillars of our prosperity, are most thriving when left most free to individual enterprise. Protection from casual embarrassment, however, may sometimes be seasonably interposed.—Jifferson's first annual message.

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Do not allow yourselves, my fellow citizens,
to be misled on this subject. The federal government cannot collect a surplus for such
purposes without violating the principles of
the constitution and assuming powers which
have not been granted. It is moreover a system of injustice, and if persisted in will inevitably lead to corruption and must end in
ruin. There is but one safe rule, and that is
to confine the general government rigidly
within the sphere of its appropriate duties.
It has no power to raise a revenue or impose
taxes, except for the purposes enumerated in
the constitution; and if its income exceed
these wants, it should be forthwith reduced
and the burdens of the people so far lightened.—Jackson's farewell address.

All experience has demonstrated the wisdom and policy of raising a large portion of
revenue for the support of government from
goods imported. The power to lay these duties is unquestioned, and its chief object, of
course, is to replenish the treasury. But if
in doing this an incidental advantage may be
gained by encouraging the industry of our
own citizens, it is our duty to avail ourselves
of that advantage. A high tariff can never
be permanent. It will cause dissatisfaction,
and will be changed.—Fillmore's first annual
message.

I am in favor of such tariff reform as will

message.

I am in favor of such tariff reform as will lead to ultimate free trade.—J. A. Garfield.

Certainly. We publish them with pleasure, and wish every one of our readers would read and study the extracts carefully. They are full of good sense. In addition to them we give below some other extracts from the same eminent statesmen:

Extract from letter of Thomas Jefferson to Benjamin Austin, discussing the protection act of 1816.—"We have experienced what we did not then believe—that there exists both profligacy and power enough to exclude us from the field of exchanges of other nations, that to be independent for the comforts of life we must fabricate them ourselves. We must now place our manufacturers by the side of the agriculturist. The farmer question is now suppressed, or rather assumes a new form. The grand inquiry now is, shall we make our own comforts or go without them at the will of a foreign nation? He, therefore, who is now against domestic man-ufactures must be for reducing us either to a dependence upon that nation or to be clothed in skins and live like beasts in dens and caverns. I am proud to say that I am not one of these. Experience has taught me that manufactures are

has taught me that manufactures are now as necessary to our independence as to our comfort."

Extract from letter of Andrew Jackson to Dr. L. H. Coleman, August 26, 1824.— Heaven smiled upon and gave us liberty and independence. The same Providence has blessed us with the means of national independence and national defense. If we omit or refuse to use the gifts which he has extended to us, we deserve not the continuance to use the gifts which he has extended to us, we deserve not the continuance of his blessing. He has filled our mountains and our plains with minerals—with lead, iron and copper—and given us a climate and soil for the growing of hemp and wool. These being the seat meta-risks of our rational defense. great materials of our national defense, they ought to have extended to them adequate and fair protection, that our manufacturers and laborers may be placed in a fair competition with those of Europe, and that we may have within our country a supply of these leading and important articles so essential to war. * * * * * In short, sir, we have been too long subject to the policy of British merchants. It is time we should become a little more Americanized, and instead of feeding paupers and laborers of England, feed our own; or else, in a short time, by continuing our present policy, we shall be paupers our selves."

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Primarily, then, prices must have been entirely controlled by the volume of meney unaffected by credit. * * * There can never

growth of the plant in some places, particularly in the Ohio valley, though worms were worse farther west. May and early June were cold in the region of Wisconsin and Dakota and have interfered some in that region. The general average condition of the corn crop is given at about 90. Kansas and Nebraska lead with 97 and 98. Kansas leads also in wheat, the average condition of the State being put at 98, Missouri coming next at 94. Speaking generally, the wheat crop is good and the prospect for corn is fair.

deem it my duty to call your attention to one or two other considerations affecting this subject. The first is the effect of large importations of foreign goods upon our currency. Most of the gold of California, as fast as it is coined, finds its way directly to Europe in payment for goods purchased. In the second place, as our manufacturing establishments are broken down by competition with foreigners, the capital invested in them is lost, thousands of honest and industrious citizens are thrown out of employment, and the farmer to that extent is thrown out of a home market for the sale of his surplus produce. In the third place, the destruction of our manufactures leaves the foreigner without competition in the foreigner without competition in our market, and he consequently raises the price of the article sent here for sale, as is now seen in the increased cost of iron imported from England."

Extract from a speech of James A. Garfield in House of Representatives June Garfield in House of Representatives June 4. 1878.—"Two days after the votes for President were counted, and long before Washington was inaugurated, James Madison rose in the first House of Representatives, and, for the first time, moved to go into committee of the whole on the state of the Union, for the express purpose of carrying out the theory of the constitution, to provide theory of the constitution, to provide for the common defense and the gen-eral welfare, both by regulating com-merce and protecting American manu-factures * * * * Our fathers had merce and protecting American manufactures * * * * Our fathers had been disciplined in the severe school of experience during the long period of colonial dependence. The heavy hand of British repression was laid upon all their attempts to become a self-supporting people. The navigation laws and commercial regulations of the mother country were based upon the theory that the colonies were founded for the sole purpose of raising up customers for her trade. They were allowed to purchase in British markets alone any manufactured article which England manufactured article which England had to sell. In short, they were com-pelled to trade with England on her pelled to trade with England on her own terms; and, whether buying or selling, the product must be carried in British bottoms at the carrier's own price. In addition to this, a revenue tax of 5 per cent. was imposed on all colonial exports and imports. The colonists were doomed to the servitude of the principling by the simplest forms of land. furnishing, by the simplest forms of labor, raw materials for the mother country, who arrogated to herself the sole right to supply her colonies with the finished product. To our fathers independence was emancination from this servitude * * * * They determined therefore to make their termined, therefore, to make their emancipation complete by adding to agriculture the mechanic arts, which in their turn would carry agriculture and all other industries to a still higher de-velopment, and place our people in the front rank of civilized and self-support-ing nations. This idea inspired the legislation of all the earlier Congress.

MONEY, PRICES AND BUSINESS.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I have been reading the recent money discussions in your columns with much interest. I commend, and have always commended the KANSAS FARMER for its liberality in giving all sides a hearing. In my mind that is the shortest and best way to find the truth.

One can hardly read the communication, "A False Cry," in the FARMER of July 3, without a smile at the writer's innocence and self-confidence. He says prices are lower to-day than a few years ago, hence less money is needed to do business. He might have added, however, that monetary obligations have not decreased, hence as much money as ever is still needed, else it will take double the property to pay a given obligation. The way to keep up prices is to add dollars to the circulation as commodities increase. It is a simple

Divisor, commodities; dividend, volume of money; quotient, prices.

That simple statement covers the case. For more than twenty years we have been swelling the divisor by the increase of population and commodities, and decreasing the dividend by the various devices of destroying, retiring and suppressing money; hence the continual fall of the prices of commodities and the increasing value of modities, and the increasing value of money and monetary obligations.

Your correspondent says money is superabundent right here to-day, hecause it is piling up in the banks. He cause it is piling up in the banks. He is deceived. As money cannot be invested at a profit in commodities during a period of falling prices, it piles up in the banks.

volume of money is being permanently increased, and the "money to loan" offices will all be changed to "investment offices." Money will then be in demand. Money will seem to be scarcer, but prices will be better, and men with property to sell can get money without borrowing. It will be a change from bad times to good times—from a period of debt making to a period of debt paying.

Your correspondent runs into the usual error of assuming that ninety-nine hundredths of all business is done with checks, drafts, orders and other private forms of credit; and that bills, checks drafts, orders and private credit multiply the power of money a thousand times. That must be wild guessing where a man's statements in the
same article differ so much. There is
no use of guessing at all. The facts
are well known and plainly stated in
the official tables. From 93 to 97 per
cent of clearing house business is done
with checks, drafts and other forms of with checks, drafts and other forms of private credit, which may be styled the money of conditional payment. From 3 to 7 per cent. of all clearing house business is done with some form of legal or unquestioned money. This, for convenience, may be called the money of final payment. Then, on the average, for every hundred dollars worth of business w ness done there must be used about \$5 of the money of final payment. To suppress, retire or destroy \$1 of real money kills about \$25 worth of business; and as men do not see this cause when it occurs they go on risking as before, approaching the danger line of bankruptcy. Should contraction continue thousands must pass the danger line into bankruptcy, in spite of themselves. Business cannot be done with less than 3 per cent. of real money ness done there must be used about \$5 less than 3 per cent. of real money which is accepted as final payment; and that small percentage is dangerous. six or 7 per cent. of real money are safer figures. When money is plenty the safer figures are used and bank-ruptcies are few. When money is scarce and growing scarcer a small percentage is used and bankruptcies are frequent.

I do not make these assumptions and statements unadvisedly. They are sustained by the facts of history and by the best authorities of Christendom.

In March, 1888, Senator Plumb said: "The country to-day is in distress for lack of money which the treasury has locked up. * * * * The contraction of the currency during the last tion of the currency during the last three years has been 5 per cent. of its volume. This means the depreciation of property of the country \$3,000,000, 000. Debts have not only increased but the means to pay them have diminished in proportion as the currency has been contracted. * * * * We are dealing with a question which has more to ing with a question which has more to do with the welfare of the people of the United States, which is of more the United States, which is of more concern to them than any other thing that is pending—the volume of the circulating medium of the country, the value of its property, the difference between debt and bankruptcy on the one hand, and freedom from debt with prosperity on the other."

Speaking of the long continued de-ression existing in 1874, Senator Logan aid: "It is a money faraine and nothsaid: ing else."

The United States monetary report of 1877, respecting the depression of in-dustry then existing, said:

The true and only cause of the stagnation of industry and commerce now everywhere felt, is the fact now everywhere existing of fulling prices caused by a shrinking volume of money. This is the great cause. All others are collateral, cumulative, or really the effect of that cause.

Senator John Sherman, in 1869, said:

The contraction of the currency is a far more distressing thing than Senators suppose. Our own and other nations have gone through that process before. It is not possible to take that voyage without the sorest distress; to every person except a capitalist out of debt, a salaried officer, or an annuitant, it is a period of loss, danger, lassitude of trade, fall of wages, suspension of enterprise, bankruptcy and disaster. To attempt this is to impose upon our people, by arresting them in the midst of their lawful business, and applying a new standard of value to their property without any reduction of their debts or giving them any opportunity to compound with their creditors, or to distribute their losses, and would be an act of folly without an example for evil in modern times.

Wm. H. Crawford, Secretary of the Senator John Sherman, in 1869, said

Wm. H. Crawford, Secretary of the United States Treasury, in 1820, said: All intelligent writers on currency agree that when it is decreasing in amount, poverty and misery must prevail.

John Stuart Mill, the great English

economist, states:

If the whole money in circulation was dou-bled, prices would double. If it was increased one-fourth, prices would increase one-fourth. Ricardo, of England, says:

That commodities would rise and fall in price in proportion to the diminution of money, I assume as a fact that is incontrovertible; that such would be the case, the most celebrated writers are agreed. We call special attention to the fol-lowing from the report of the United States Monetary Commission, 1877:

cocur a universal fall of prices and a general withdrawal of credits without a preceding decrease in the volume of money. * * * As the volume of money shrinks prices continue to fall. * * * When money is decreasing in volume prices have no bottom except a receding one, and they are inexorably ruled by the volume of money. * * * In the whole history of the world every great and general fall in prices has been preceded by a decrease in the volume of money. * * * At the Christian era the metallic money of the Romain empire amounted to \$1,800,000,000. By the end of the fifteenth century it had shrunk to \$200,000,000. During this period a most extraordinary and baleful change took place in the condition of the world. Population dwindled, and commerce, arts, wealth and freedom all disappeared. The people were reduced by poverty and misery to the most degraded condition of serfdom and slavery. The disintegration of society was almost complete. The conditions of life were so hard that individual selfishness was the only instinct consistent with self-preservation. All public spirit, all generous emotions, all noble aspirations of man shriveled and disappeared as the volume of money shrunk and prices fell. * * * That the disasters of the Dark Ages were caused by decreasing money and falling prices, and that the recovery therefrom, and the comparative prosperity which followed the discovery of America were due to the increasing supply of the precious metals and rising prices, will not seem surprising or unreasonable when the noble functions of money are considered. Money is the great instrument of association, the very fiber of social organism, the vitalizing force of industry, the pretoplasm of civilization, and as essential to its existence as oxygen is to animal life. Without money civilization could not have had a beginning—with a diminishing supply it must languish and, unless relieved, finally perish.

Sir Richard Allison, the great English historian, corroborates this testimony to the fullest extent, and says:

to the fullest extent, and says:

The two greatest events in the history of mankind have been brought about by a successive contraction and expansion of the circulating medium of society. The fall of the Roman Empire, so long ascribed in ignorance to slavery, to heattenism and to moral corruption, was, in reality, brought about by a decline in the silver and gold mines of Spain and Greace. And as if Providence intended to reveal in the clearest manner possible the influence of this mighty agent in human affairs, the restoration of mankind from the ruin this cause had produced, was owing the directly opposite set of agencies being put in operation. Columbus led the way in the career of renovation; when he apread his sails to cross the Atlantic he bore mankind and its fortunes in his bark. The annual supply of the precious metals—of money—for the use of the globe was nearly trebled, before a century had passed the price of every species of produce was quadrupled. The weight of debt and taxation insensibly wore off under the influence of that prodigious increase; in the renovation of industry society was changed, the weight of feudalism cast off and the rights of man established.

The great Peter Cooper stated that,

The great Peter Cooper stated that, during his long business life, he had witnessed ten disastrous industrial dewitnessed ten disastrous industrial de-pressions, always from the same cause; always and uniformly from a destruc-tion or suppression of the money of the country. And English history informs us that a law for the suppression of the currency of that country was passed in 1820. At that time the country was prosperous, and the British people were employed and contented. Under the influence of the Peel contraction bill, four-fifths of the land-holders of Enginfluence of the Peel contraction bill, four-fifths of the land-holders of England, through bankruptcy and forced sales, lost their lands. The people were without employment and were suffering everywhere for the commonest necessities of life. The suffering country was relieved by five money bills introduced in a single night by Lord Castlereagh, and passed under a suspension of the rules as matters of urgent necessity. Every bill was designed to increase money facilities. The relief was sudden and effective.

My excuse for this long letter is, because, in the language of Senator Plumb, the money question is the most important thing that is now pending. In fixing the prices of all commodities, the volume and easy circulation of money must be considered! Its importance equals that of every other subject of business, trade and commerce!

Respectfully, John Davis.

Junction City, Kas., July 5, 1889.

Legal Definition of Trust.

A bill was introduced into the Legislature of Michigan lately to define trusts and punish violations of the law. The bill was drawn by an able lawyer, Judge Christiancy, who probably is as competent in that direction as any other man. Following is the definition of trusts as written out in the bill:

"All contracts, agreements, understandings and combinations made, entered into, or knowingly assented to by and between any parties capable of making a contract or agreement which would be valid at law or in equity, the purpose, or object or intent of which shall be to limit, control or in any manner to restrict or regulate the amount of production or the quantity of any article or commodity to be raised or produced by mining, manufacture, agriculture, or any other branch of business or labor, or to enhance, control or regulate the or to enhance, control or regulate the market price thereof, or in any manner to prevent or restrict free competition in the production or sale of any such article or commodity, shall be utterly illegal and void, and every such contract, agreement, understanding, and combination shall constitute a criminal conspiracy."

Borticulture.

Culture of Small Fruits.

A farm is not complete without at least a small area devoted to the growth of small fruits. The farmer, of all men, ought to be well supplied with everything in the fruit and vegetable line which are useful, healthful, and can be grown successfully in the region which he lives. A very small piece of land is sufficient to raise large quantities of small fruits, such as strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, currants, and the like. No farmer's wife would think of supplying the table without the products of a good garden.

Fruits are quite as healthful, quite as useful, quite as economical in every way as vegetables, and they can be grown as easily and as abundantly as vegetables; half a dozen good grape vines will supply an ordinary family with grapes, and the ground occupied by them does not exceed six square rods. Blackberries and the other berries named can be grown in quantities sufficient to supply the family on still less ground than grapes. One square rod will produce more strawberries than one who does not know anything about it would believe. Every farmer should see to it that his place is well supplied with small fruits. Our readers by carefully watching the columns of the KANSAS FARMER may learn how to cultivate and to take care of everything in the fruit line which grows in this always an object to shade the ground as

About Budding Fruit Trees.

It is about time for those persons who intend to bud their trees to commence the work for this season. Budding may be done in this latitude any time between the 10th day of July and the 15th day of August, provided always that the season is regular. What we mean by regular is a season without special characteristics, as drouth or extreme wetness. In order that budding may be successfully done it is necessary to attend to it when the bark will slip easily.

The bud to be used must be of the present year's growth, and it must be put into a branch or stock of this year's growth. First, have a small-bladed pocket knife-blade with sharp and smooth edge; remove the bud by placing the knife blade immediately above it, cutting under and downward so as to take a small portion of the wood with the bark, making the bud slip about three-fourths of an inch long; cut off the upper part immediately under the top of the bud smoothly; cut across the twig or stock intended to be budded an incision deep enough to just go through the bark without cutting the stock; then cut a slit downward along the stem about one inch, beginning at the middle of the cross cut; raise the bark where the incisions intersect, and slip counties, Saline, Fillmore and Jefferson, the bud under so that the smooth upper edge of the bud will exactly meet and join with the cross incision; then press the lips of the bark down over the bud have learned that even in forestry plantfirmly, tie with a woolen string and the work is done.

It is well to cut off the branch just beyond the bud. If that is not done immediately after the budding, see that | tree." it is done late in the fall or early next spring before the new growth com that the growing process will not be wasted on a part of the tree which is not needed.

Plainsman, Plant a Tree.

At a meeting of the American Nursery Association, held at the city of Chicago, last May, some excellent papers were read on various departments of nursery work. Mr. Charles A. Green, Secretary of the association, kindly sent out advance sheets of the report, from which we take the following article off forestry, by Mr. G. J. Carpenter, of Nebraska:

" We have learned in growing forest

twelve inches. Also that none but sandy or loam soil can be used successfully, as clay soil is liable to crust over so that winged forest tree seeds cannot break the crust.

"The seed should be planted thickly, so that they can help each other through the ground, then if a heavy rain should fall after the seed is planted and before it is up it is often necessary to go over the rows lightly with an iron-tooth rake and break the crust. The rows should be two feet apart. They should be cultivated with a harrow-tooth cultivator drawn by a steady horse, at least once a week.

"As we use nothing but new land we are obliged to weed the young plants but once or twice.

"All cultivation should casse by August 1, that they may have time to ripen before freezing weather sets in.

"We have found the Whitney seedling digger to be the best machine with which to dig seedlings, and that tarred twine is the best tying material, as willows and wool twine are liable to rot during the winter. We always tie in bunches of one hundred, and find it cheaper to count and grade during the soil for the ivy is garden loam and sand, winter, labor not costing us as much as in the fall or spring.

"Our friend Douglas has told you how to plant, but I will add that we have found a judicious mixture of varieties in planting to be very beneficial; for instance, light foliage trees like ash should be planted with heavy foliage trees like box elder, it being soon as possible to prevent weeds from growing and to produce humid atmosphere under the trees.

"We have learned that the German theorist who occupies the position of Commissioner of Forestry, aided by our Eastern journals, spends more time in procuring statements in regard to planting trees in Europe than in preparing statistics relative to the work in the United States.

"We copy from a leading New York journal as follows: 'It is to be regretted that the United States is doing so little toward replenishing the fast disappearing forests. Last year, according to the statistics procured from Washington, Great Britain planted 4,287 000, France 6,400 000, and Germany 13,000,000 deciduous forest trees.' As seen from the foregoing, these three great empires planted 23,687,000 trees, while the books of the nursery I represent will show an actual sale for the year ending April 20, 1889, of over 25,000,000-enough if planted four feet apart to make a timber belt around the globe, overlapping the three greatest European countries by over 1,000,000

"There are several other firms in Southern Nebraska whose sales run up into the millions, and there are to-day growing in three southern Nebraska over 100,000,000 forest tree seedlings for the fall and spring trade.

" We mention these facts because we ing the United States leads the world, and that the State of Nebraska alone leads all Europe, for her citizens have a motto, which is, 'Plainsman, plant a

The Ivy Plant.

The ivy is my most popular house and out-door plant, and I naturally spend a great deal of time in studying its needs and conditions. It is a plant that will easily adapt itself to new surroundings, and it will grow almost anywhere under ordinary favorable conditions. I have it for a house plant in the winter time, hanging from a large basket suspended from the ceiling, and in the summer months I let it wind and twine around the pillars of the front porch. It also grows up over a small trellis work on the north side of the house, where it makes a pretty appearance

grow in shady locations, even in rooms, where a dry atmosphere, dust, gas and light from coal stoves are in sufficient quantity to kill anything else in the plant line. In such a room it can be trained around pictures and along the ceiling, looped up here and there to prevent it from failing. It gives a cheerful appearance to a room, and in the winter reminds one of the freshness of spring.

The ivy needs but little care to keep it green and fresh. When allowed to grow at will out of doors it usually demands no attention from any one; but occasionally the scale attacks it and ravages leaves and vines. The scale attacks it oftener when growing in the house than when it is outside. As soon as these insects make their first appearance on the leaves, the entire branch should be washed with soap-suds, a tooth brush being used to scrape the scale from its hold. After every branch and leaf is thus washed, the whole should be syringed with clear water. If the vines are subjected to such treatment twice a year, the scales will not attack it, and the leaves will have a smooth, shiny appearance. The best with a liberal supply of bone meal mixed in. This is better than any special fertilizer for the plant and no amount of "fuss" will do the plant half so much good as these simple plans. Wash it twice a year with soap-suds, and give it a good supply of bone meal for food, and nature will take care of the rest .- Helen Wharburdon, in Farm and Vineyard.

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The Poultry Hard.

Wattles versus Dakin.

In the matter of the dispute between H. A. Wattles, Baynesville, Kas., and W. O. Dakin, poultry breeder of Toledo, Ohio, the reader will remember that Mr. Wattles, in a communication to the KANSAS FARMER some weeks ago, said that some eggs which he had purchased from Mr. Dakin as pure Wyandotte, had hatched out not uniformly. To that communication the editor of the Toledo Blade, as the friend of Mr. Dakin replied, setting forth that Mr. Dakin thought there was something wrong somewhere on the part of Wattles, but that in order to set himself right had offered to send other eggs to correspond to the order of Wattles-pure Wyan-

Replying to the letter of the Blade man, Mr. Wattles sends in to the KAN-SAS FARMER office the correspondence between him and Mr. Dakin-copies of his two letters, and the original of Mr. Dakin's letter. He says he received only one letter from Mr. Dakin-the one sent here.

We have read all the correspondence on both sides, together with an affidavit of Mr. Dakin that his communication to the Kansas Farmer is true in every respect. Mr. Dakin's letter having been referred to by his friend of the Blade. no confidence is violated by publishing it, so that readers may judge for themselves whether he proposed to forward other eggs. Here is the letter, word for word, as it was written.

TOLEDO, OHIO, May 7, 1889. H. A. WATTLES, BAYNEVILLE, KAS.-Dear Sir:-I have deferred answering your letter, as I was having Wyandottes come off, to see how they were going to hatch. I cannot understand why you should have the result you claim to have. The day I received your letter I had twenty-two come off and not one singlecomb or feathered leg among them, and since then I have had twenty-nine more come off with the same results. Will you write me what number was on the eggs. There has been such good results from the eggs I have sent out and I consider myself still the reliable breeder that I am known as such all over the country. I have bred the Wyandottes long before they became so popular. I think your knowledge of them is not more than mine. Please do not task your brain too hard in writing articles for the various papers, as I can assure you by more than one judge in the country that there is no other birds any bet-Yours respectfully,
W. O. DAKIN. ter of the kind than I keep

Questions Concerning Poultry.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-Can any of your readers tell me what is the trouble with my young turkeys and prescribe a remedy? They seemed all right when hatched, but in a few weeks would get a kind of rheumatism in their legs and feet, begin to draw up until they could not walk at all, and finally die, as the disease had reached the vital parts. They would eat heartily until the last. Had the best of care, and were never out until the dew was off. The later hatch seems to do better, so far at least.

What color should a bronze turkey be? Some say a light brown, others a jat black. My old ones are both nearly black, but some of the young ones are white, and have no others with them. Will some one please explain, and greatly oblige,

A CONSTANT READER.

Cayuga Ducks.

It seems strange that this valuable breed of ducks have been so long neglected. When it is better understood by breeders it will surely receive the attention it deserves. In point of economic merit it is equal to any other variety, and when in full plumage it is very handsome indeed. It is said to have been found in North America, and though for a time there were doubts as to its purity, some thinking it to be a cross between the Black East India and the R puen, it has been now generally accepted as a distinct breed. It is in almost every respect the same as the variety, and when in full plumage it is

small variety just named, the exception being in point of size, for whereas the Black East Indian is a very small duck, the Cayuga is large, ranging from seven to ten pounds in weight, according to the sex and the manner of feeding. They are prolific layers, good feeders, and have the very obvious recommendation of being "stay-at-home" birds, not having the predilection for wandering away which characterizes some of the other varieties. The plumage is brilliant black throughout, and in carriage, shape and general appearance, they are regarded as one of the handsomest races of the duck tribe. The Cayuga duck is a good sitter, but a somewhat careless mother, and therefore it is regarded as the better plan to use hens for hatching out the eggs.

Prices of Good Poultry.

The buyer of poultry for breeding purposes should look to some things besides prices, whether they be high or low; something besides show records or score cards. If possible he should ascertain the breeder's methods and aims, whether his show record is the result of careful breeding or of judicious buying. Many a "clean sweeper" has been bought for a song because his ancestors were culls, and because in all probability his posterity will be culls also. Good records, high scores and fine feathers are valuable, but do not always indicate good breeders any more than a shiny hat indicates a fine brain or a large bank account. Oftentimes the would-be purchaser is anxious to secure birds of a certain strain, which is all right if he knows where to get them; but he should not overlook the fact that in too many cases the only claim that specimens have to a strain is that they roosted for a few nights in a certain breeder's poultry house. To establish a strain requires years of study and careful mating.

As a rule, the soil that suits wheat best is not that which we call new ground in a timbered country, but lime soil, after the excess of vegetable matter has been taken out by cultivation. The best wheat land is usually called limestone or clay soil. This soil is composed of say, one-third clay, onethird sand, one-third vegetable mold; this makes a good soil for almost anything. Wheat is a small feeder of lime, yet, strange to say, it does best on such lands. The prairie lands of the West bring the largest crops of wheat when freshly broken. This is largely owing to the freshness of the supply of potash.

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Very respectfully yours, GEO. W. WINANS,

State Supt. Public Instruction.

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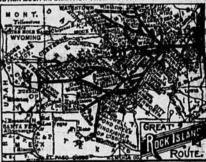
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"OBJECTS OF THE ALLIANCE."

Under the above title our worthy president of the State Alliance publishes an article in the FARMER of June 27 which though embodying much food for reflection, yet we apprehend stops short of the mark at which it is aimed. The writer seems to fear that he is treading on treacherous and uncertain ground, and hesitates to positively and unequivocally set forth the absolute purposes of the order and the means by which they may be attained. He hopes that "such of the brethren and others who do not fully agree with him will remember that, 'To err is human, and to forgive divine."

He may rest assured that if this article bears evidence of any sin that merits forgiveness it is one of omission rather than commission. Farmers and laboring men all over this great land of boasted liberty are painfully conscious of the existence and power of the combinations of capital that have monopolized nearly every industry except that of agriculture; and while they have reduced the price of raw material they have at the same time advanced that of the matured product to the material detriment of all classes of consumers. They are conscious that existing laws are framed in the interest of these monopolies, and that State and national Legislatures, and too frequently the judiciary, are influenced by selfish interests to maintain this unnatural and unjust supremacy of capital. These are facts of common knowledge, and the masses of the people groaning under these seemingly legalized oppressions, are anxiously scanning every movement that seems to promise any hope of relief. Hence the "flood of inquiries that are pouring in upon the officers of the Alliance."

It would seem that under these circumstances the response to these inquiries should have no uncertain sound, and that it should be characterised by an assurance that will prompt such a rally to our standard as this world has never witnessed before, preliminary to any proposed peaceful revolution. We should proclaim to the world that the great, fixed and unalterable purpose of the Farmers' Alliance and Co-Operative Union of America is the absolute overthrow of all monopolies and legalized systems of robbery and oppression, the restoration of industrial pursuits to a competitive basis, the emancipation of the producing and laboring masses, and their elevation to the legitimate plain to which the dignity of their avocations entitles them. All other objects are merely subsidary to these. Brother Clover dwells at some length upon the educational features of the order. These are all very good and eminently proper, but it should be stated in this practicing systematic robbery upon the connection that the object of this educational system is to awaken the understanding of our membership to the litical revolution as this country never necessity and the eminent propriety of witnessed before. The Farmers' Alavailing ourselves of the means within liance and the kindred orders that have our power for the attainment of the de- been consolidated with it under the sired means of relief.

The limits of this article will not permit a detailed discussion of existing methods of extortion, or the available means of relief. It is sufficient for our present purpose to briefly indicate what may be more elaborately detailed in the future. The first essential to the success of the Farmers' Alliance is the absolute and irresistable force of numerical strength. Farmers outside of the order in too many instances are waiting to see what the Alliance shall it can reasonably claim in the FARMER accomplish before they unite with it, at this time, and the reader may pursue and members of the order are many the thoughts herein suggested at his times too impatient to see something own leisure and by his own methods. done to justify their hopes of relief. It is hoped that enough has been said

that until the great mass of the farmers and laboring men are enrolled, and present an unbroken front to the enemy, we cannot hope for victory; and all measures attempted prior to such enrollment, though they may yield some good results, can only give promise of partial success.

Let the farmers in all unorganized counties awaken from their legarthy, and bestir themselves in this matter. Let our members who know the objects and purposes of the order exert themselves to extend its limits. Let Kansas take her stand beside those States that are now practically solid in this organization, and we will not have long to wait for results. By the invincible force of numbers we must succeed. Do you ask by what means we are to attain our ends? These are too numerous to be more than hinted at within the limits of this article. By the establishment and maintenance of an exchange we may hope to control and market the products of the farm independent of the knaves and gamblers who have for years manipulated the grain and stock markets of the world. We may likewise hope to impart some wholesome (servants?) of the dear people. I can imagine that I hear tremulous murmur of the non-partisan character of the Alliance, at the mention of any political action. The order is most unquestionably non-partisan in its character, in the strictest sense, but not therefore necessarily non-political. It would be well for politicians to discern the significance of this distinction. It is in its strictly non-partisan character that its great political strength consists; and when the proper time shall come it will make itself manifest in no uncertain manner. We must have no weak knees in the political arena. The officials elevated to responsible positions by the 80,000 majority of the dominant party in our State have many of them failed to redeem the pledges given to their constituents before the election. This is signally true of the legislature, and it is incumbent upon the people to see that the next representative body that assembles at the Capital to enact laws for the general weal shall be chosen from the ranks of the masses whose interests they are to represent. The writer of this article has always been a republican, and voted with that party at the last election, but in view of the signal failure of our last legislature to of the people from their many burdens, former party affiliations sink into insignificance in relation to any future contest; and in this declaration I am confident that I voice the sentiment of a majority of the people in this disrict, at least. Our national legislature has yet to act for the redemption of its pledges; and if another adjournment of that body ensues with no effectual enactment for the suppression of the greedy monopolies that have paralyzed the industries of the nation, and are people, it is safe to predict that the next election will witness such a pogeneral title of the Farmers' and Laborers' Co-Operative Union now numbers, in the aggregate over 3,000,000 members. The various labor organizations of the country with kindred interests number undoubtedly as many more. These all unite in a common demand of existing authorities for redress of existing wrongs; and the "powers that be" will do well to observe the signi-

ficance of this just demand. This theme is too large for the space should not be forgotten for a moment to awaken increased interest in the

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growth of the order and prompt to renewed effort of its members for its extension into unorganized counties. S. M.

Weather-Orop Bulletin

Of the Kansas weather service in co-operation with the United States Signal Service, for the week ending Saturday, July 13, 1889.

Precipitation.—Good rains have fallen in all portions of the State this week. An excess occurs in the extreme southwest, culminating in Meade and Clark, where four inches fell. This excess extends diagonally across the State to and through the northeast counties, culminating again in Brown and Atchison where three inches, and over, lessons to the obtuse understanding of fell. Three inches also fell in Stafford, professional politicians and the official | Pratt, and the contiguous portions of Kingman, Barber and Harper. A belt of heavy rainfall, one inch and over, extends also through the northern counties. There is a deficiency in the central counties of the western division, and in Lincoln, Saline, Ottawa, Clay, northern part of Riley, and Pottawatomie, also in the southeastern coun-

> Temperature and sunshine.-The temperature ranged above the average the first days of the week, and hot winds prevailed on the 5th, 6th and 7th as far east as Reno and Ellsworth, heating wood, metals, etc., above the temperature of the human body. The rains of the 7th, 8th and 9th reduced the temperature below the normal; on the 11th it again rose above the normal, but the 12th found it generally below again. There has been slightly less than the usual amount of sunshine this week in Stafford, Sumner, from southern part of Woodson to the north line of the State and from Ottawa to Nemaha and Brown. An excess in Jewell, from Gove to southern part of Lincoln, in Haskell, Edwards, Butler and Montgomery, elsewhere an average amount prevailed.

Results.-The general effects of the meteorological conditions this week are favorable. The hot winds of the 5th, 6th and 7th began to affect vegetation in localities, but the general rains which followed returned the crops to their proper condition and color. The wheat harvest is about over, the oats harvest nearly so. Threshing has begun in all parts of the State. Corn is tasseling in all parts of the State, is silking as far north enact any measure looking to the relief as the Smoky Hill and the Kaw, while in the southern counties it is in the "roasting ear" stage; in all sections it has a healthy dark green color, the upland presenting even a better color than the bottom corn.

A very excellent quality of peach is now ripening in the central and more northern counties. Potatoes are generally of good size and quality. This week is generally reported "a splendid week," "corn has made a magnificent growth." Rust has lightened oats crop in places. T. B. JENNINGS,

Signal Corps, Ass't Director.

THE MARKETS.

(JULY 13.)

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KANSAS.

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Kansas Fairs for 1889.

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Kansas State Fair, Topeka, September 16-21.

Anderson county, Garnett, August 27-30.

Atchison District, Atchison, September 10-16.

Barber county, Klowa, October 15-17.

Brown county, Hiawatha, September 37-7.

Chase county, Cottonwoof Fails, September 4-6.

Cheyenne county, St. Francis, September 25-28.

Clay county, Burlington, September 25-28.

Crawford county, Girard, September 24-27.

Ellis county, Hays City, September 10-13.

Frord county, Gyfrard, September 10-13.

Frond county, Hill City, September 24-26.

Graeley county, Horace, September 3-7.

Graham county, Hill City, September 26-28.

Greeley county, Horace, September 26-28.

Harvey county, Newton, September 10-13.

Jewell county, Mankato, September 10-13.

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Jewell county, Lincoln, September 25-27.

LaCygne District, LaCygne, September 24-27.

Linn county, Mund City, September 16-20.

Linn county, Mankato, September 16-20.

Linn county, Council Grove, September 23-26.

Mitchell county, Cawker City, September 24-27.

Nemsha county, Beneca, September 17-20.

Neoshe county, Brit, October 1-3.

Osage county, Burlingame, September 16-13.

Ottawa county, Minneapolis, October 9-11.

Osborne county, Osborne, September 17-20.

Plainville fair, Plainville, September 12-27.

Phillips county, Phillipsburg, September 17-20.

Rawlins county, LaCrosse, September 18-20.

Saline county, Saith Center, September 10-18.

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HOW TO POST A STRAY.

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Any person taking up an estray, must immediately advertise the same by posting three written notices in as many places in the township giving a correct description of each stray, and he must at the same time deliver a copy of said notice to the County Clerk of his county, who shall post the same on a bill-beard in his office thirty days.

If such stray is not proven up at the expiration of ten days, the taker-up shall go before any Justice of the Peace of the township, and file an afflavit stating that such stray was taken up on his premises, that he has advertised it for ten days, that the marks and brands have not been altered; also he shall give a full description of the same and its cach value. He shall also give a bond to the State of double the value of up.

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The Justice of the Peace shall within twenty days from the time such stray was taken up (ten days after posting) make out and return to the County Clerk, a certified copy of the description and value of such

posting) make out and return to the County Cierk, a certified copy of the description and value of such stray.

If such stray shall be valued at more than ten dollars, it shall be advertised in the Karsas Farker in three successive numbers.

The owner of any stray may, within twelve months from the time of taking up, prove the same by evidence before any justice of the Peace of the cennty, having first notified the taker-up of the time when, and the Justice before whom proof will be offered. The stray shall be delivered to the owner, on the order of the Justice, and upon the payment of all charges and costs.

If the owner of a stray fails to prove ownership within twelve months after the time of taking, a complete title shall vest in the taker-up.

At the end of a year after a stray is taken up, the Justice of the Peace shall issue a summons to three householders to appear and appraise such stray, summons to be served by the taker-up; said appraisers, or two of them shall in all respect describe and truly value said stray, and make a sworn return of the same to the Justice.

They shall also determine the cost of keeping, and the beinefits the taker-up may have had, and report the same on their appraiseme t.

In all cases where the title vests in the taker-up, he shall pay into the County Treasury, deducting all costs of taking up, posting and taking care of the stray, one-half of the remainder of the value of such stray.

stray.

Any person who shall sell or dispose of a stray, or take the same out of the State hefore the title shall have vested in him, shall be guilty of a misdemennor and shall forfet double the value of such stray and be subject to a fine of twenty dollars.

FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 3, 1889.

Pawnee county-James F. Whitney, clerk. MARE—Takes up by Mathew Wilson, in Keysville tp., June 2, 1859, one bay mare, both hind feet white, star in forehead; valued at \$30.

Chase county—J. S. Stanley, clerk. MARE—Taken up by W. W. Kurtz, in Diamend Creek tp., P. O. Clements, June 5, 1889, one sorrel mare, 6 years old, no marks or brands; valued at \$50.

Johnson county-W. M. Adams, clerk. MULE—Taken up by Geo. W. Davison, in Monti-cello tp., P. O. Holliday, one dark pay mare mule, 14% hands high, 4 years old, stripe across the shoulder-and part way along the back.

Crawford county-J. C. Gove, clerk.

PONY—Taken up by J. W. Towery, P. O. McCune, June 13, 1889, one brown mare pony, white face, branded E on left shoulder; valued at \$35 STEER—Taken up by W. H. Richardson, P. O. Girard, April 25, 1889, one red steer, 1 year old; val-ued at \$9. STEER—By same, one red steer, 1 year old, white on head, feet and belly; valued at \$6.

FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 1889.

Johnson county-W. M. Adams, clerk.

HORSE—Taken up by John Marty, in Shawnee tp., P O. Glenn, one gray horse, 15½ hands high, weight 1,050 pounds, all four feet white, tail light celor, forehead light, 7 years old, no marks or brands; valued at 660.

HORSE—By same, one gray horse, 15 hands high, weight 1,050 pounds, scar on left hip near the run.p, about six inches long, all his legs dark color; valued at 660.

Shawnee county-D. N. Burdge, clerk. COLT—Taken up by W. H. Oswalt, in Mission tp., une 24, 1889, one bay mare colt, 1 year old, left hind oot white, white on right foot, white spot in face; alued at se foot white, w valued at \$20.

Geary county—P. V. Trovinger, clerk.

STERR—Taken up by Conrad Schmidt, in Junction City, June 4, 1889, one red steer, 2 years old, white spots on beily and right flank; valued at \$12. HEIFER—By same, one red and white heifer, 2 years old; valued at \$12. HEIFER—By same, one black and white heifer, 2 years old, right horn broken off; all three branded K on right hip; valued at \$12.

Leavenworth county-J. W. Niehaus, clerk. 2 MARES—Taken up by Thos. Mussett, in Kicka-poo tp., (Missouri river bridge), May 18, 1889, two mares, one 15 hands high and the other 12; one bay, small white spots on one side, 4 years old, and the other black, white face, one hind foot white, 3 years old; one branded 5.B on left shoulder, injured in fet-lock joints; one valued at \$35, other \$20.

FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 17, 1889.

Anderson county-S. Durall, clerk. PONY—Taken up by T. A. Osborn, in Lincoln tp., June 19, 1889, one bay horse pony, sharp shod all round, about 10 years old, star in furchead, branded H on left shoulder and W on left stifle, unknown brand on left jaw, saddle marks; valued at \$35.

Wyandotte county-Frank Mapes, clerk. MARE—Taken up by T. A. Bales, in Delaware tp., (P. O. Edwardsville), June 6, 1889, one sorrel marc, light mane and tail, blaze face, slit in right ear; val-ued at all.

ued at \$15.

HORSE—Taken up by C. F. Proebestel, in Shawnee tp., (P. Q. Rosedale), June 15, 1889, one bay horse,

blaze in face, left hip down, knot on left hind foot;

Montgomery county -G. W. Fulmer, clerk. MULE—Taken up by R. O. Lacy, in Drum Creek tp., June 5, 1889, one roan mare mule, 14 hands high, bad eyes, scar on left fore leg, 15 years old; valued at \$15.

Greenwood county-J.W. Kenner, clerk. BULL—Taken up by George Felter. in Twin Groves tp., July 10, 1889, one red bull, 4 years old, white spot in forchead, three bars on right hip, horn partly bru-ken.

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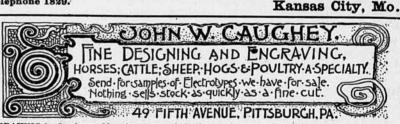
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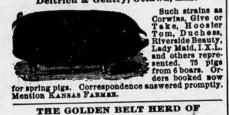
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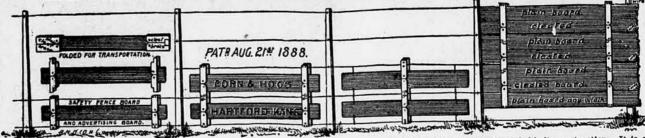
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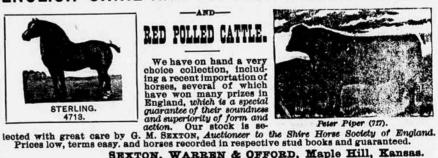
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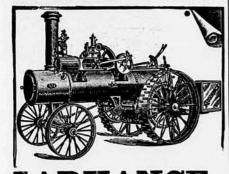






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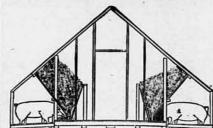


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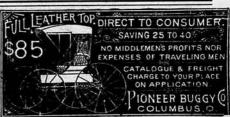
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