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# Agricultural Matters.

AGRICULTURE IN TRANSITION.

Agriculture remains the largest single factor in the industrial world. It is one of the industries, and as such it must be subject to the disabilities, exigencies and influences of any industry. The same laws govern it. Its commodities must compete; must seek a market, and must run the gauntlet of boards of trade and the middlemen, who make their livelihoods in handling and manipulating them. It has some disabilities not common to all. Among these are bulk in products, time to produce, and to a generally larger degree the inclemency of the seasons. The time to make a pair of shoes may be shortened, but revolving suns are necessary for a field of wheat.

On the other hand, it has in its favor to a larger degree, necessity. Men must eat or die. Other industries are more largely sustained by desire for comfort, for luxury. The human want we minister to is exigent, fundamental, can never be disregarded. A barefoot "cad" has an appetite, a daily demand, which gives no peace until satisfied. Men may dispense with many products which make a great clatter and clamor in the world, but they find no substitute for food. Our art is the art sustaining as against the art preserving. The world can get along without the miller and the mill, but the farmer and the farm will abide as long as this globe revolves.

These conditions of disability and necessity bring about two results, to wit, (1) the permanency of the industry and (2) the comparative stability of prices. The first will be conceded. The farmer will be a fellow-traveler as long as there is a human pathway trodden by a human foot. The world may call him a "clodhopper," but his company is constant and his association brings life, and his vocation com-mands respect. He is a permanent institution, amid revolutions, commercial crises, national debts and disorganized society. This will be conceded.

But the other result, a comparative stability of prices, will not so generally be conceded. It is nevertheless true that the farmer is, taking all his products in the range of years, better assured of a stable price for the fruits of his labor, than those who follow other industries. Three things lie behind the price of any commodity; cost, supply and demand. The first is too often ignored in the discussion. The cost of agricultural products has not been subject to the same mutation as other products. As heretofore suggested, time is of the essence of agriculture. No labor-saving machinery can eliminate it. There is no patent device to ignore nature in her processes. In fact, while agriculture owes much to inventive genius, she is far less indebted to it than any other industry. In my recollection it took two pounds of butter to buy one yard of cotton cloth. Now one pound will buy two to five yards. Eliminate the considerations of supply and demand, the cost of production accounts mainly for this change in purchasing power. The spinning jenny has taken the place of the hand spinning, while there has nothing yet quite supplanted as a machine, while from the time the cows come home at night till the golden product lies on the plate there is no time or place for such division of labor as shall materially diminish the

Therefore, as it is a law of commerce that in the long run no commodity will be sold at less than cost, so the price of butter will not be subject to the same reduction as a yard of cloth.

That the illustration is true in fact will be considered as we proceed in our discussion.

The point under consideration is the stability of the price for agricultural products. If it be true that the cost of production has not been materially

they will bring will be held up to cost paying standard, or the product will be discontinued, then, whatever the cost, it will control the price-other things being equal. In many ways this may be more fully illustrated and its essential verity be established. Conceding all that may be said for labor-saving machinery as applied to agriculture, the points are so many where no such machinery can be successfully used, that the world will never see such a reduction in the price of its products as may be found along the lines of most of the mechanical industries.

Every disability adds to cost, whether it be inherent in the labor itself, or the times, seasons and weather incident to its exercise. The farmer shears his sheep in the old-fashioned way, at the old-time season. There is no short cut to the fleece. Some men cultural problem in Kansas, the farmare handy, but there are few experts ers of this county have not as yet made in agriculture compared with the number if the work were continuous. Organized business methods may diminish the incidental expenses, but the net cost of the shearing is almost a fixed quantity and will always be so.

The situation for this generation is peculiar. While invention as applied to agriculture directly has made less impression than upon other industries, its indirect influence has been great. Every new invention in the industrial world displaces many laborers, and during the transition, that is, while labor is adjusting itself to the new conditions, there are many remuneratively unemployed, and the perturbation in some lines is so great at times that the whole economic world is almost disorganized. But by taking our bearings we are able to see that in the long run men find new places, and on the whole obtain better wages on shorter hours and less strain to mind and muscle.

Agriculture has for the last twentyfive years been going through this transition. Steam has shortened distances and the cost and terms of transportation have been so reduced that distant regions lie at our very doors, and their products are cheap competitors in our home markets, so sharp as to reduce profits. The virgin soil of the West in many large lines of agricultural productions has been too much for the older settled lands, and our farmers in the East felt that their occupation was imperiled .- Hon. Edwin Willitts.

Corn in Central Kansas--A New Kind of

McPherson county, it is claimed, has not had a single dry spot in it and the corn crop is the largest in its history. The corn area of the county, I am told, is 150,000 acres, and the average yield per acre, some say, will be fifty bushels, but forty-five would be a record-breaker. At an average yield of forty-five bushels per acre the aggregate corn product of the county would be 6,750,000 bushels, which is equivalent to the coinage of one and a quarter million gold dollars from the wealth of McPherson county soil and air. This, to say nothing of the wealth from other sources, is better than a

Wheat in this county will not prothe old dash churn. Division of labor duce a large revenue this year. A has reduced the cost of the cloth, but large percentage of the area sown was nothing has yet been devised that dis- harvested but much of it was weedy penses with the farmer's wife, or the and the heavy and continuous rains daily routine of the dairy. Nimble during July and August damaged the discploy. The subsoller is an essential fingers from constant manipulation of wheat much in the stack. The yield is part of either. The plow and the subthe web and the woof become expert poor, as shown when threshed, and soiler are combined and constitute one much is inferior in quality.

Forage crops, however, of all kinds inch furrow, covering up trash, and are immense—sorghum, millet, Kaffir may be run nine inches deep. The corn, etc. Sorghum, it is claimed, will yield in many cases ten tons or more to the acre. The value of this crop for feeding purposes has induced farmers to grow a largely increased acreage this year, and now they are in a quandary to know what to do with all this feed. They say they do not need their corn fodder and it will remain in the field, dry up and blow away.

The farmers of McPherson county, as a rule, are not stockmen. They are wheat-growers and milk-producers.

The creamery at Moundridge, which I visited, made, in the month of July,

ucts, it must follow that the price of 1,350 pounds per day. The creamery at Canton, in same month, made 28,014 pounds. These two creameries are owned and operated by Messrs. Brandt & Essley, who understand their business and make of it an unqualified success. The quality of the milk is tested and farmers get at the rate of about 15 cents per pound for butter during the summer months, of course more in winter. They have in this a steady and sure source of revenue and they are quite sure that they cannot expend the same amount of energy in any other way which would yield an equal net profit as feeding and milking a dozen, more or less, of cows. The aggregate amount of cash paid out to the patrons of the two creameries named above is about \$125,000 annually.

As for irrigation, subsoiling and alfalfa-growing, the three great factors in the thorough solution of the agrimuch progress in utilizing them. They, however, will "get there" by and by. They all believe that alfalfa is the most valuable crop that can be grown in Kansas. Enough has been grown to demonstrate that fact. They believe in subsoiling as a means of saving a much larger percentage of rainfall just where it falls and of storing it in a reservoir below, convenient for plants to draw water from when the growing season comes. They believe in irrigation wherever practicable, but a mistaken idea prevails that it amounts to but little unless field crops wheat, corn, etc.—can be irrigated. A fruit and vegetable garden, irrigated, which has in it a living for a family, is no trifling thing, especially when field crops wither and die. Such a garden, covering from one to ten acres, is all that is practicable for the average farmer in Kansas, and it is enough to make any industrious farmer as rich as he need be to enjoy life and to build up a home, glorified by the presence of celestial beauty in fruit and flower and unearthly things which he then can have.

A NEW KIND OF PLOW FOR FARMERS.

The idea of subsoiling, which has taken such a deep hold upon the American people and from which such important results have already been obtained, has given rise to the idea that a new and different kind of plow is needed to give to the soil that kind of tilth which is in the highest degree favorable to the retention of moisture and to the production of crops.

Hon. J. Sterling Morton, Secretary of Agriculture, has the honor of being the first to call the attention of the public to the idea that a new kind of plow is needed. Among other things he said: The present mold-board plow packs the subsoil at the bottom of the furrow, tending to make it impervious to water. Again, it cuts too large a furrow and does not pulverize the soil in turning." He suggested the idea of a chopping machine, which, while it would cover trash, would at the same time pulverize the soil and leave the subsoil in better condition to admit moisture. A plow manufacturing com-pany caught the idea of the Secretary, and in due process of time out of its brain leaped a full-fledged plow, new, original and practical, and this plow was on exhibition at McPherson while I was there.

It is a disc plow and subsoiler combined. They have a single and double machine. The disc cuts a fourteensubsoiler must be run not less than two and one-half inches deep and may be run eight inches below the depth of disc furrow. Both plow and subsoiler being run at greatest depth would loosen the soil seventeen inches deep. Four horses drew it—the double disc, at McPherson—but six would be better if plow and subsoiler are run full depth. This or something similar will, no doubt, be the coming plow-a plow and subsoiler combined. The party who had the plow in charge were going to Lyons, Great Bend and other points, giving exhibitions of the work lessened as compared with other prod- 40,375 pounds of butter, or an average the plow does, and they will be at Gar- silo as the most economical and con-

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den City with it at the fair in October. At Lindsborg, in the northern part of McPherson county, in the Smoky Hill valley, I saw large and beautiful fields of alfalfa and other indications of a prosperous agriculture. Here are fewer wheat fields and more stockmen. M. MOHLER.

Importance of Indian Corn as a Fodder Crop.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-The importance of corn as a fodder crop can hardly be overestimated. In some of its varieties it is adapted to a very large part of our country-indeed it is a native of this climate.

In the great corn-growing regions of the West it will continue to be raised in immense quantities, principally for the grain for home use and export, but the time is at hand when the fodder will be considered no small part of the crop and will be more carefully preserved for this purpose.

In the New England States, although corn can be profitably grown for the grain and fodder, yet, with the cheaper production at the West and the comparatively low prices that have ruled for the past few years, the tendency is te raise less corn for the grain and more for the fodder. Particularly is this the case where dairying in its various branches is the leading industry. To be successful in this there must be plenty of food for the cows at all times of the year and best adapted for the purpose.

There are but a few weeks in summer when the pastures can be depended upon to produce a sufficient amount of the best grasses, and then something else must be substituted in order to keep up the flow of milk, which is most desirable. There are a few crops aside from corn that can be of use for this purpose, especially early in the season, but corn must continue to be the leading crop. And not only is it being used to supplement the pastures in summer in its green condition, but its value for later feeding, either in a cured condition or as ensilage, is becoming more pronounced each year. The large amounts that can be produced to the acre with our modern methods of cultivation is almost marvelous and is having a marked beneficial effect on our agriculture.

As an aid in our all-the-year-around dairying, the fodder corn crop bears a most important relation. Particularly is this the case when put into ensilage. Of course, the corn can be cured and used to good advantage in that condition, and many follow this practice, but our most progressive and successful farmers-those producing milk in the winter-much prefer putting it in the

venient method. When this is done in a proper manner the ensilage is well preserved and ready for use at all times.

The methods of silo-building and ensilage-making have been greatly simplified since the commencement, which is of much benefit to farmers. This is but the natural outgrowth of experience and observation. It has been found that costly silos built of brick or stone are not necessary—indeed, are not the best. They are now largely built of wood and located in some part of the barn where most accessible and convenient. This is very important, as the saving of time and labor in filling and feeding should always be kept in view. They should be placed in the barn, where there can be a strong frame-work of studding, as some claim that one thickness, on the inside, of well-matched lumber is all that is wanted. Of course, the best quality of boards should be and used be well coated on the inside with tar or some good preparation, to render them more durable.

In building a silo there should be s good water-tight foundation of stone, a little lowest in the center, and well covered with cement. On this the frame-work should rest. Good drainage and air-tight walls are what is wanted. Instead of having one large silo it is being found much better to have more smaller ones, or a large one divided into compartments, as the ensilage will thus be preserved better when feeding out. The deeper the silo the more compact the ensilage will become from pressure of itself and the better it will be. With the carriers now attached to the cutters there is no difficulty in elevating the ensilage to the top of the barn if necessary. Ten to twelve feet square and eighteen to twenty feet high are good dimensions. Silos of this description should be built for from 50 cents to \$1 a ton capacity, according to location and cost of material.

Corn can either be put in the silo whole-properly managed-or cut, but in general I think farmers favor cutting, as it is so much more convenient handling the ensilage when feeding. Excessive tramping of the ensilage when filling the silo or weighting afterward, is not now considered necessary, thus doing away with considerable work. When the silo is filled it should be covered with a thick layer of straw or poor hay to absorb the moisture and preserve the ensilage on top.

The kinds of corn to plant for ensilage will depend in great measure on the location. Amount of fodder is one thing and quality another. The time for raising a great mass of stalks without ears has gone by. It is found that the ears are as valuable as the stalks, so then the largest amount of both that can be grown the better the crop

The best time to put in the silo is considered to be when the ears are in full milk or soon after. This will make a good rich feed. [Experience differs as to this. Some say the grain should be well glazed and others that it should be pretty well matured .-EDITOR.

Instead of raising corn to husk, grind, and then feed corn and fodder separately, some now put the entire crop in the silo as the most profitable way to dispose of it. Much labor is saved by this method and more real nutriment got out of the crop.

Carefully-conducted tests at the Vermont Experiment Station with corn cured and fed to cows without husking, husked, the corn ground and then fed with the stalks, and ensilage made from the corn without husking, were found to be in favor of the latter

As it is difficult growing corn so as to be in condition to feed as early as some farmers would like to do, the practice of filling a silo to be kept over until the following summer for use when wanted. is being followed by some with advantage. The ensilage is found to keep well and can be fed at a time when it is very desirable to keep up the flow of milk until the new crop of corn is in condition for use.

most economical and profitable disposition, may well engage our attention at all times, and the wise farmer, the one who thinks, studies and acts for himself, will be planning wisely for the future and zealously working in accordance therewith. E. R. TOWLE.

# The Stock Interest.

#### THOROUGHBRED STOCK SALES.

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

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SEPTEMBER 6—Walter Latimer, Garnett, Kas., Poland-China swine.

SEPTEMBER 11—W. H. Wren, Marion, Kas., Poland-China swine.

SEPTEMBER 18—Martin Meisenheimer, Hiawatha, Kas., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 1—M. S. Babcock, Nortonville, Kas., Holstein-Friesian cattle and Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 4—Winterscheidt Bros., Horton, Kas., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 9—Geo. W. Null, Odessa, Mo., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 10—M. Waltmire & Son, Fountain, Kas., Short-horn cattle and Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 10—J.R. Killough & Sons, Richmond, Kas., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 22—J. H. Pegram, Virgil, Kas., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 23—C. G. Sparks, Mt. Leonard, Mo., and G. L. Davis, Elmwood, Mo., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 33—C. Chas. Cannon, Harrisonville, Mo., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 30—L. N. Kennedy, Nevada, Mo., Poland-China swine.

#### THE WORLD'S WOOL SITUATION.

The Bulletin of the National Assodiation of Wool Manufacturers says: "The extraordinary fall in the value of the great staples of agriculture which creates so much comment and concern, has been more striking in wool than in either cotton or wheat, but for obvious reasons has not attracted so large a share of the public attention. Wool is a product about the price of which only the producer, dealer and the direct consumer, that is, the manufacturer, greatly concern themselves. It is not a universal ba-rometer of trade conditions, in the sense that wheat and cotton are. It is not a commodity largely dealt in for speculative purposes, sales for future delivery being practically unknown. The peculiar quality of the fiber, the hundreds of different varieties, constantly varying conditions of each great clip as to shrinkage, etc., and the different forms in which it reaches the market, render it practically impossible to reduce the world's wool product to standards of value which permit of baying and selling under any other conditions than those of actual test and inspection. Nevertheless, the value of wool is affected in like degree with the other conditions named, by the general currents and conditions of trade. It has also been affected in recent years by certain other conditions, peculiar to itself, extraordinary in their character, and of the utmost importance to the public at large.

"The wool trade of the world has grown so rapidly during the past quarter century that it has become a most important element in the general trade situation. The value of the world's wool clip is easily \$250,000,000 in first hands; any status which seriously and permanently influences that value can-not safely be ignored. It is possible to represent the decline in wool in exact figures. It has been a widely fluctuating variation, refusing agreement with any rule or law, but not greatly out of harmony with the fluctuations in other staples. In 1860 the average value per bale of Australasian and Cape wool sold in London market was 25% pounds sterling, according to the very trustworthy statistics of Messrs. Helmuth, Schwartze & Co., of that city. After three years of decline, to 22# pounds sterling in 1863, it rose to 244 in 1864, fell to 24½ pounds sterling in 1866, dropped suddenly to £20½ in 1867, and kept declining until 1870, when, under the effects of the Franco-Prussian war, it began to rise, reaching an average of £261 in 1872, which is the high-water figure of a half century. From that year there ensued a gradual decline, which reached £161 in 1879, followed by a sharp rise to £201 in 1880, the year of abnormal values in all lines of produce and products. From the latter year the decline has continued with little variation until it reached £111 in 1894.

the corn crop to this country and its washed fleece clothing is submitted— counties in Kansas.

this quality being selected because it is the standard of measure for American wools-showing that the decline has been equivalent to about 50 per cent. since 1880, when the top figure was 60 cents per pound in April on medium clothing, from which figure it declined to 18 cents per pound in July, 1894."

#### Recent Fairs.

The leading attraction of the fair held last week at Rich Hill, Mo., was the speed ring, and in one of the races—three-minute

-it was made in 2:17. The exhibit of live stock, while not extensive, was interesting, especially in the swine and poultry departments. There were four exhibitors of pure-bred swine, and among them was A. M. Markley, of Mound City, Linn county, Kansas, who showed nineteen head, ten Poland-Chinas and nine Chester Whites. These drafts were from his herd of sixty head. He won first and sweepstakes on boar, Black Tecumseh 14070 S. In the sweepstakes ring he had four extra good competitors. Also won first on yearling boar, same on boar under l year, first and second on sows in three classes, also same on pair of pigs under 6 months. He made several good sales. One of the best went to Watson Furguson, of Eldorado Springs, Mo. The young fellow was sired by Riley Medium, the prize-winner owned by Ed. T. Warner, of Kansas. The dam of the pig was Glit Edge Rosa 25181 S.

There were several exhibitors of poultry, but the writer found them off to the races, except Mrs. R. V. Williams, of Passaic, Mo., and Wm. Markley, of Mound City, Kas. The former showed twenty birds, representatives of her 500 flock, of which 100 are Mammoth Bronze turkeys. She won first on Brown Leghorns, Black Minorcas, Black Langshans, Golden Sebrights and second on Barred Plymouth Rocks. Her chief competitor was Mr. Markley, Her chief competitor was Mr. Markley, who showed fifteen coops, consisting of White-face Black Spanish, Hamburgs, Brown and White Leghorns, Buff Cochins, Barred Plymouth Rocks, White-crested Black Polish, Houdans, Black Langshans, Toulouse geese and Muscovy and Pekin ducks. Excepting Mrs. Williams, he took the lion's share of the premiums.

#### AT BELTON, MO.

The live stock field man finds one of the most attractive and interesting little fair grounds at Belton, situated in the north-western part of Cass county, Missouri. Excellent buildings are provided for all kinds of displays and as good as any State fair ground, save in size. The exhibit of farm products at once exemplified the magnificent crop of grains, grasses and vege-tables, while the live stock show was above the usual county fair exhibit, especially in cattle, swine and poultry.

John McDairmid, the well-known all-round live stock judge and newspaper writer, was out with two herds of Shorthorns, a draft from the herd of eighty head from the farm of Thos. H. Mastin, that is located near Newington, in Johnson county, Kansas. Mc. had but one competitor, Mr H. H. Grimes, of Belton, who showed five head of excellent cattle. The Mastin representatives took all first prizes and the Grimes carried away all seconds, which the writer thought a fair divide.

Among others in the swine show were W. H. Hill, proprietor of Maple Ridge stock farm, near Belton; O. B. Green, who showed twenty-one head of Poland-Chinas; Geo. P. Selecman, of Eight Mile; G. W. Sharp, Grand View, Mo., and W. N. Briskey, of Independence, Mo., who showed a draft from his very strong herd of English Berkshires. Mr. Hill made an excellent showing of his Poland-Chinas and fully sustained his past reputation as a high-class breeder of Polands. Mr. Green was a close competitor and Mr. J. W. McCarty, of Belton, rubbed Hill so close that honors vere about even. Mr. Sharp showed one of the largest and smoothest cross-bred boars-Poland-China and Berkshire-that the writer ever saw. In the class, boars over 6 months and under 12, were two boars that are sure prize-winners. One was shown by Mr. Hill and the other by Mr. McCarty. We do not know of their equals in all Kansas, and would be much pleased to see them at the Ottawa and Paola fairs next month.

The poultry display was the best, both as to numbers and quality, that has come under the observation of the writer this vear at the fairs already attended. William Bostian, of Independence, Mo., was out with five breeds, representatives of his 200 birds. L. B. Baldwin, of Independence, came in company with birds from his 300. H. P. Hawkins, of Pleasant Hill, showed Silver-laced Wyandottes and Brown Leghorns. Mrs. Spruil, of Belton, hustled some of her more pretentious competitors for prizes on White Wyandottes and won the special prize by the association. C. A. West, of Belton, showed Black Langshans and It may be a little late for building "By comparison with the above silos this year, but the importance of figures a range of prices on Ohio success and worthy the imitation of fifty

# Nervous Prostration

#### Cured by Dr. Miles' Nervine.

Prolonged derangement of the nervous system not only affects the brain and men-tal powers, but develops disease in some of the vital organs. The most dangerous of these indirect results is when the heart is affected. This was the case of the Rev. N. F. Surface, Fawn River, Mich., who writes under date of Feb. 14, 1895:



"Fourteen years ago I had a slight stroke of paralysis. Overwork brought on nervous rostration. I was exceedingly nervous and the exertion of public speaking caused heart palpitation that threatened my life. I used two bottles of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure for my heart trouble, and two of Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine for my nervousness and feel better than I ever expected to feel again. I can speak for hours without tiring or having my heart flutter as it formerly did, and I have you to thank that I am alive today."

On sale by all druggists. Dr. Miles' Book on Heart and Nervous Disorders FREE by mail. Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind. Dr. Miles' Remedies Restore Health.

#### Avoid Contagion for Stock.

The Stock Fountain Company's adverisement still continues on page 14, and we wish our readers to notice express trial offer. The company has worked carefully for several years to arrange a fountain best adapted for hogs and other small stock; it has been advised by farmers and fancy stock breeders to retain the fountain now presented; the gravity valve is the only successful way of governing water; no other method will control water perfectly.

Notice in advertisement the company remarks regarding the foolishness of a large cup, and this is true; also notice remark that fountains for horses and cattle are not practicable; this is also true, as several fountains would be required around a tank for large stock when they could just as well reach over and drink without fountain.

The testimonial letter from ex-Governor Boies, of Iowa, whom all of our readers will remember as Iowa's only Democratic Governor; also as being suggested for President and offered the Vice President at last Democratic National convention held at Chicago. The next testimonial letter will be from one of the most prominent Republican ex-Governors of Iowa; both of these gentlemen own large farms and raise a large number of hogs. Surely when they recommend the Lake City and re-order in half dozen lots for their own use, the fountain must be successful.

The attention of readers is directed to the fact that 90 per cent less hogs have died from cholera this season since the Lake City fountain was presented, than any other season. All will understand how many hogs died last year, and how few comparatively, this year. Early in the comparatively, this year. Early in the season the manager of the Stock Fountain Co. wrote many articles, published in all of the stock journals, bearing on the fact that cholera is due to impure water, and espedally to spring and running Wa carries contagion from one water hole to another, when stock pass through same.

The Lake City now has out over 100,000 fountains, and 2,000 dealers and agents representing them; many have sold from twelve to 500 in a single county. A majority of the best breeders and stock raisers are using them to the exclusion of all others; a great many dealers and agents have them in stock; if not, they may be ordered direct from the company, and as stated above, express is prepaid, charges \$3, and if above, express is prepaid, charges so, and in not satisfactory fountain is only to be re-turned to express office; the company guar-antees fountain to you before being paid for, which no other company does. Notice this point carefully; surely an offer of this kind should induce all to purchase one and find out if all claims are not true, regarding decrease of here cholers; increase in growth. decrease of hog cholera, increase in growth, saving time, labor, and always supplying fresh water. We advise readers to try one and direct communications as indicated, requesting trial order, to Stock Fountain Co., Lake City, Iowa.

# Irrigation.

# A LAND-OWNER'S VIEW OF IRRIGA-

By the courtesy of Judge D. M. Frost, President of the Kansas Irrigation Commission, we present the following timely suggestions contained in a letter from an Iowa land-owner:

VICTOR, IOWA, August 14, 1895. Hon. D. M. Frost, Garden City, Kas.:

MY DEAR SIR:-It seems, no doubt, to many, unreasonable for a man living in a section of country where there is no thought of irrigation, to be a firm advocate of it as a means of prosperity and wealth. But I cannot change my humble convictions upon this important subject. If many farmers now living in central Iowa would sell 160 acres, or many even 320 acres of their land, having 160 or even eighty acres left, and resort to irrigation, they would be sensible, and their example would be one of great value to thousands of farmers now in this State. The conditions of things are changing, and have been during the past four or five years, which goes to prove that we are not having sufficient rainfall to produce the even minimum crop the land will produce when there is a sufficiency of water.

The study of irrigation is just as important for our people here as it is for your people in southwestern Kansas. Our people crave many broad acres, and consequently are the subjects of large mortgages, but these mortgages do not trouble them, as the security is amply satisfactory to the mortgagee. We are rapidly approaching the age that we must double up and divide our realty with others who are coming in. Large farms will be divided and smaller acreage owned by a single land-owner. It is not only a necessity, but a blessing, if we are forced to it by the elements. Land renters are being driven out because they cannot pay the rental of from \$3 to \$5 per acre, and then strain every effort to cultivate from 100 to 160 acres each year in order to meet their landlords' claims. This present year is only a repetition of the many preceding years. There are many farms producing about thirty bushels of oats to the acre, and that crop is the renter's first hope, and the acreage is large. This crop is now selling on our markets at 16 cents per bushel. You can see very readily where he is placed, and what resources he has to support a family, pay store bills and pay \$3 rental per acre. The proceeds being from his oat crop only \$4.80, he is loser on every acre. The corn crop is his next hope, and at this time it appears that the yield will be about an average of forty bushels, and the price will not exceed 25 cents per bushel. From this he'may realize \$10 per acre, not more than making up his loss on his oats. He, being a renter, is not presumed to have hogs and cattle to feed the corn, and turn his crop into beef cattle, and where is he? He is just where he should take an objectlesson to heart. His business is the proudest occupation in America, but his practical sense is deficient, if he does not change his methods. He would do well to go farther west, and obtain in his own name, as owner, forty acres of land and utilize every square foot possible by irrigation, and be assured, beyond any question of doubt, of as much from one acre as he now real-

The poor renter should disabuse his mind as to his relative position among the land-owners. He should take into thought that he is not so far below the land-owner, after all, in wealth. He is seven-tenths of the time working mortgaged land, and the landlord is as hard run, pecuniarily, as he. He should take into consideration that it is not necessarily the truth that every man who is handling thousands of acres of land is a rich man. Men are many times mistaken in their opinion of what constitutes a rich landlord. Since beginning to write this letter, I have had three calls for land to rent. Young, industrious men, honest fellows whom

they will make a success of a year's work, and, after paying off rental, will have money enough to get in debt about \$6,000 on a farm purchase. They know that we will sell them farms if they have a few hundred dollars cash and are out of debt. The practice is bidding for a future servitude, and it makes my heart bleed when I see it and fail to show these hard toiling sons of honest parentage, who encourage them, rather, in order to hold their children about them. The practice of irrigation comes in play here, and is an unanswerable argument in favor of these poor young men getting farm homes, and living an independent farmer's life.

There are men here who have tried 'intensive" farming, and they find it is not a success. They seem to think that it is a grand system, when considering it from the common literature they read, but even when rough feed and grain is cheap they miss in buying, and are making continual mistakes in calculation of supplies. Intensive farming and irrigation will go hand in hand like twin sisters. Large land-owners generally cry out against irrigation, and there is no reason why they should, if they would consider the facts. Their land would be more valuable, and they could calculate to bring their lands up to that state of husbandry that it would sell for \$500 per acre.

I know it is slow work to convince the vast populace of the solid facts as to the possibilities which you have so pointedly demonstrated, at various times in different places, as well as practically in your immediate vicinity. am never tired of the duty to impress upon the minds of my clients these positive, undeniable facts. When you and I are done with things pertaining to real estate matters the rising generation will bless us for what we have said and done. ISA S. RICHARDS

#### Irrigated Wheat.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-The irrigated wheat on H. F. Hunter's farm averaged thirty-four bushels per acre, weighed sixty-two pounds to the bushel and graded "No. 1 hard." The field was irrigated only once-June 15when it was given about six inches of water. An adjoining field which was not irrigated, and which was treated the same in every respect, only went sixteen bushels per acre—less than half. Sixteen bushels is an unusually heavy yield for unirrigated wheat, as but few fields are going twelve bushels to the acre in this vicinity. Both fields were planted to Fife and one bushel was drilled to the acre. Experiments here show that a bushel and one peck should be sown on irrigated ground, which will be done next year. The irrigated wheat stood over five feet in height, while the other was about two and a half. The irrigated wheat was not affected by hot winds, as the moisture tempers the atmosphere over the field. On another plat the following varieties of wheat were tested: April, Red Spring, White Chaff, Banham, Hybrid Red Chaff, Assiniboia Fife and Marvel. Of these Red Spring wheat and Assiniboia Fife were the best, the latter very much best of any.

W. B. MOORE. best of any.
Mellette, S. D.

#### From a Utah Irrigator.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I was izes from twenty acres. This is not from your Agricultural college, spent a highly colored but far below the color month here. He suggested that had he done as much in irrigation as I he should write some for some of the irrigation journals. I told him that, in my mind, the irrigation journals did not care for facts, but wanted boom literature, and that I was not a boom writer. I see, however, that Mr. Rose, of Sterling, Kas., is after the truth and suggests: "Let all writers be honest in writing their convictions and not be too enthusiastic in writing irrigation articles." This and your "How to Irrigate," struck me as being in the right direction.

Bulletin 39, just sent out from this station, gives some facts of value, I believe, to the men who are after facts. The "How to Irrigate" both field crops

and still they hope that some time in this bulletin. The writers of the they will make a success of a year's bulletin conclude that about the poorest way to irrigate anything is by the furrow system, and that that system is the best which will distribute the water most evenly all over or through the entire soil, wherein the roots are formed. It is only reasonable to suppose that such would be the case, and actual experiment with us has shown this to be so.

Another matter: It is a fact that flumes or "boxed" ditches of any kind are expensive, and when exposed to the sudden changes of the average weather become a great nuisance. By all means avoid uncovered wooden ditches if possible.

As Mr. Rose suggests, there are many drawbacks to irrigation, and it is very expensive. Where it can be got along without it is better to do so. As a matter of fact, however, if market gardening will pay at all it will surely give the best returns for irrigation of any crop grown. It is my judgment that the market gardener will find in irrigation his greatest aid to success.

Again, I fail to see how Mr. Rose, after finding his irrigated corn so much better than his unirrigated, an ear full to the tip on the one and nothing on the other, can conclude that irrigation does not pay. To the average mortal such a discovery would be proof positive that it does pay.

Though here in the arid West there are farms that are not irrigated—and one of the best ones here in Chache valley is not irrigated-I should much prefer a farm well irrigated; in short, should have no other. Farming under irrigation becomes a certainty

A. A. MILLS. Agricultural College and Experiment Station, Logan, Utah.

#### Some Windmill Experience.

The editor of one of our best exchanges, the Ohio Farmer, relates some experience, which, though it could not probably be duplicated in Kansas, and may be considered as an extreme case, yet illustrates the importance of knowing what you want and where to get it. It is to be regretted, also, that, after all the trouble and expense here related, the editor's well went dry. This he does not charge up to the windmill manufacturers, however. A part of his account of his troubles is as

"We put up a windmill last month. It was the first, and we are getting our eye-teeth cut. There are windmills and windmills, and there are manufacturers and manufacturers. a hole clear through it, so that the pump rod could be inserted. They We have some valuable advice to give to our readers. We give it freely, without reservation. It cost us at least \$25 and we don't charge a cent for it.

"Be sure that you know what you want. Order just what you expect to receive from the manufacturers. If you deal with an agent you can specify in the order just what you want, and you need not accept it if there is anything lacking. If you don't know what you need, look out. There will be a lot of extras, which will cost you half as much as the original cost of what you ordered. Windmill manufacturers are honorable gentlemen, no doubt, but don't let them get the 'bulge' on

"For instance, we ordered a threedelay, we had to drive to town and buy a cylinder, tubing and foot-valve. We supposed it was a mistake on the part of the company from which we ordered, and that they would cheerfully make it right. But we 'counted without our host.' In other words, we got hold of the wrong company. They wrote back that we had ordered a pump, only; that we ordered no cylinder, foot-valve or pump tubing. Correct, technically. They had us. Perhaps it was the only company in

# Vacuum Leather Oil

May as well know it. Get a can at a harness- or shoe-store, 25c a half-pint to \$1.25 a gallon; book "How to Take Care of Leather," and swob, both free; use enough to find out; if you don't like it, take the can back and get the whole of your money.

whole of your money.

Sold only in cans, to make sure of fair dealing everywhere—handy cans. Best oil for farm machinery also. If you can't find it, write to VACUUM OIL COMPANY, Rochester, N. Y.

refused to recognize the fact that when we ordered a pump we meant a complete pump, one that would pump water. A pump stock is worth nothing alone. It must have a cylinder, tubing and foot-valve, or it will not work. We knew this, but we did not know enough to order all the parts, and hence the company 'done' us out of \$10, not counting delay, loss of time, trouble, and annoyance.

"All companies are not like this one. We know of a man who ordered a pump of another company this summer, without naming the parts, and he received the complete pump—cylinder, valves and stock. The tubing must be men-tioned, in every case. Get the exact depth of your well, if you order tubing, and specify whether your well is dug or drilled or driven.

"If you order direct from manufacturers, as we did, be sure to have one of their recognized agents put it up. If anything is wrong then, they can't blame it on the agent of some other mill, who, they say, is thus trying to injure them. We made this mistake. We couldn't get an agent of the mill ordered, without paying him from the moment he left Columbus till he got back home. We could get an agent of another mill right at home—an honest man, who didn't care what mill it was, so he got his wages. But everything that went wrong was charged to this agent, and there was no redress. We had to foot the bill ourselves.

"As we said, perhaps there is not another company in the United States that would have 'gone back' on us in the manner indicated. But we want to show how it can be done, and to point out the only way to avoid trouble. Know what you want, and order every part specifically. If you happen to patronize the company we did, it might be well to specify that the pump stock should be hollow-have might otherwise send you a solid stock and claim that you did not order a hollow one."

Of course, manufacturers who expect to remain in the business cannot afford to treat anybody, even a "green" editor, like that. We know a manufacturing company, whose specialty is hay presses—and we may as well say, right here, that it is the Kansas City Hay Press Co.—which furnishes with each machine everything needed, double-tree, single-trees, neckyoke, even to a pitchfork, so that, when the purchaser orders a hay press and gets it into the field, he is ready to go to baling hay.

Treatment such as that described by the Ohio Farmer should bring failure to its perpetrator, and we are almost very much interested in your irrigation items of August 14. Prof. Mason, from your Agricultural college, spent a to get the mill into operation without entitled to its "roast," so that all might be on guard.

> But there are several manufacturers of windmills and other irrigation supplies doing business in Kansas who can be relied upon to deal fairly. Their

W. S. DICKEY CLAY MFG. CO., 20th and Main Sts., Kansas City, Mo.

# Perhaps it was the only company in the United States that would have IRRICATION.

All right; you need CHEAP Power. One Cent per Horse-Power per Hour is CHEAP. Weber Gasoline Engines run anything. "Economy is Power' ts our motto. For Catalogue and testimonials, address



I have known since they were born, and orchards is treated at some length | Weber Gas and Gasoline Engine Co., 459 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo.

prices may not be as low as those of the other class, but an outfit bought from them is cheapest in the long run. From a large experience in the machinery business the writer has this to say: Buy your complete outfit, including windmill, pump and all connections, from one person or company, and let it be specified that it is "to be complete in every respect and to do the work properly before it becomes the property of purchaser." The manufacturer who would sell a part of an outfit to the uninformed, under the impression that it is complete, is ruled out by this general clause. Such precautions are especially necessary in the purchase of irrigation machinery, because the general purchaser frequently does not know all the details of what he wants nor all the tricks of such as would take advantage of his inexperience in this particular line of machinery. The honest manufacturer or dealer will be glad to have his competitors held down to an iron-clad contract of this kind.

#### Gossip About Stock.

J. R. Killough, of Richmond, Kas., announces that he will not sell any more stock now, as he is reserving everything for his forthcoming sele, on October 10. Particulars will be given later.

F. M. Lail, Marshall, Mo., writes to cancel his sale date of October 22, owing to apprehension as to the condition of his swine, and has therefore shipped out about 100 head, reserving the pick of the lot for

Convert your cheap corn, oats and forage into beef, pork and mutton, and thereby realize a good price for your feed-stuff and labor. A splendid opportunity to do this is afforded by the public sale of thoroughbred Poland-China swine and Short-horn cattle at Ashland stock farm, by M. C. Vansell Muscotah, Atchison county, Kansas, Monday, September 16, 1895. The offering is every way desirable, including the entire spring farrow of pigs and some of the best yearling and two-year-old sows bred to the noted sire, Admiral Chip 7919. Look up the advertisement in this issue and prepare to attend the sale.

The Kansas Farmer takes pleasure in calling the attention of its readers to the annual reduction sale of pedigreed Poland-China swine, announced elsewhere in this issue, by one of Brown county's most successful breeders, Mr. Martin Meisenheimer. Breeders who attended his reduction sale last fall, or who have visited his farm, will appreciate the high quality of the offerings. To have competent judges say that the Te-cumseh Free Trade boar to be sold is one of the few best in the State, and that about half of the sale offerings are by him, is enough for one gossip note. Consult his sale advertisement elsewhere in this issue and govern yourselves accordingly.

H. S. Day, Dwight, Kas., rises to remark that "the O. I. C.'s are booming. Corn here is immense and the Chesters eat more of it to the square inch than any hog on earth, consequently are the hog for us now, and are selling well. When it is a positive fact that farmers generally have feed, swine will go 'sky high.' I have boarsyearlings and under-still for sale reason-Will sell one of my herd boars, Pure Silver 11219 I. O. I. C., having purchased one last fall to take his place the coming season. Have tried this new purchase (Gov. Morrill) and he gets very fine pigs and is a sure breeder. Also have a fine lot of spring gilts which will be bred this fall, for sale. All at reasonable prices."

"Answering five letters a day," says W. S. Hanna, Ottawa, Kas., "concerning hogs, shows the present interest in the future hog crop. It has averaged three inches of rain per week here for the past six weeks, which indicates the condition of the corn crop. We have fed about 200 bushels of oats and 300 bushels of apples to the pigs and they are growing lively, while they run in fifteen lots, including seventy acres of grass. Oats are 12 to 15 cents and apples about as cheap, and as transportation will eat up such crops, as well as the great corn crop, our only safety is to pack into beef and pork and the wide-awake farmer sees it now. With stock hogs at over 5 cents in Kansas City and public sales bringing 10 cents a pound on one year's time, calves quick at \$10, things have changed with the crops."

H. H. Hague & Son, Walton, Kas., write: "Everything is healthy and a big corn crop at hand. It seems like old times to get another corn crop out here. We had rather bad luck in getting a good number of July and August pigs, on account of it being too hot and wet to gather, but we have got about forty nice ones to select from. They are sired by Young Model 9857 S., King's Royalty 13927 S. and Rosa Nell's Sensation. Young Model, sired by Admiral Chip 7919

S. and out of Sal Fox 7th 14658 S.; King's Royalty, sired by Kansas King 8911 S., dam Tulip 24563 S.; Rosa Nell's Sensation by Sensation 25897 S. and he by One Price 18639 S. and out of Hadley Pride 45000 S., so you can see how our hogs are bred on sire's side, and out of such sows as Fancy Girl 32599 S., she by Kansas King 2819 S., dam Fancy Bess 13623 S.; First Choice of Seven 32646 S., sire John Harkrader 5956 S., dam White Nose 17872 S., and Young Model. Sows-Wren's Beauty, Mattie H., Chubby, Sunnyside's Choice, Model's Queen, Model's Beauty, Black Bess and Tippy D. The last two are full sisters. sire Jenny's Boy 3987 S. He traces to Isaac Wood's Tip Top family. Their dam, Fancy Girl 32599 S. and Topsy Maid, sire Gold Coin 7412 S., he by Tecumseh Chip 2169 S. and out of Miss Poka 11422 S., a full sister to Free Trade. Topsy Maid's dam was Putnam Maid 22448 S., she by Seldom Found 7815 S. and out of White Nose 9628 S. We have two boars, farrowed May 2, dam Tippy D., sire King's Royalty 13927 S. Write for description and extended pedigree on anything that you want. We will sell Young Model or King's Royalty, both sure and good breeders. Young Model has to his credit the highest-priced gilts sold in Missouri in 1894—went for over \$100 each. We will price stock very reasonable considering quality. Our sheep are doing finely. We have a few Cotswold, Shropshire and Vermont Merino bucks for sale—lambs and yearlings. Write for samples of wool. We also have some good Light and Dark Brahmas, Buff and Partridge Cochins, Barred Plymouth Rocks and Single-Combed Brown Leghorns, old and young, for sale. We expect to be at the State fair."

The Kansas Farmer takes pleasure in introducing to its readers Mr. J. M. Turley, of Stotesburg, Vernon county, Missouri, who shies his castor into the Poland-China breeders' ring and announces that his very excellent herd of pure-bred Poland-China swine are ready for the inspection of the Kansas swine-breeding public. Our field man, Mr. Brush, says that Mr. Turley settled in Vernon county twenty-four years ago and has been more or less engaged in the breeding of live stock since that time. His excellent farm of 200 acres lies two miles southeast of Stotesburg, a station on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf rail-road, and four miles north of Richards, on the Missouri Pacific railway. The first pair of pedigreed Poland-China pigs that he bought, several years ago, were from the noted Illinois breeders, Shepherd & Alexander, and such was the superiority of the pure-bred ones over the scrub that he discarded all the natives and built up his present herd, that consists of sixty head, all ages, headed by the very excellent harem king, Silver Dick 14180 S. He was bred by the well-known breeders, J. D. Turley & Son, of Missouri. His sire was June Victor 14179 S., he by Handy Andy 14178 S. Both sire and grandsire were great breeders and strong in character and individuality. His dam was Missouri 33143 S. by Cooper 14175 S. and out of Star Beauty 33142 S. He is one of the smooth, even kind and possesses all the points required by the most fastidious of up-to-date Poland-China breeders. But better still, the thirty-four sons and daughters that are included in the spring pig crop attest his great value as a sire. Our friend, B. R. Adamson, proprietor of the Tower Hill herd, at 1th Scott, Kas., quietly informed us before our advent on Mr. Turley's farm, that we would meet with an agreeable surprise, and, sure enough, surprised we were. The youngsters are a large, growthy and broad-backed lot and at once convince the visitor that Turley is both a breeder and feeder. The female division consists of a good strong lot of brooders, especially two of which, Daisy K. 30198 S. farrowed July 28, 1893, bred by Adamson, of Kansas, sired by Cherokee Chief 9372 S., he by Duke's Ben 9371 S., dam Daisy K. 23774 S. by Major B. 7676 S. and out of Calico Katy 20429 S. She and her daughters are extra good sucklers. Her last litter of nine she now brings up into the spring crop youngster crowd for inspection, and right good ones they all are. In close company is the long yearling Orphan Girl 30294 S. by Black Stop 10550, one of the best breeders in Kansas. He was by Short Stop 6938 S., that won first at the great show of Polands exhibited at St. Louis last fall. Her dam was Jenny Ross 25387 S. by Black King 8653 S. and out of Lady Ross 11864. More will be given later on concerning the females in the herd. Mr. Turley intends adding a strong list of recruits this fall and hopes to have a much larger herd for the inspection of the swinebreeding public before another year rolls The reader will understand that the location of the Vernon County herd affords shipping facilities in any direction. Write Mr. Turley for prices, as the youngsters are going off at a rapid rate.

Seven students of the Topeka Business College took positions in one week in April,

Nothing is so atrocious as fancy without taste. - Goethe.

Bayfield Herd Poland-Chinas. The writer, a few days since, visited Mr. J. S. Machir, proprietor of a very excellent herd of Poland-China swine, known as the Bayfield herd, that was founded in 1891. The place known as Bayfield farm is located one mile east of the sprightly little town of Linwood, on the Union Pacific railroad, in south Leavenworth county It consists of 650 acres, one-half Kansas. of which is rich Kansas river bottom and the other high and rolling, well set in blue grass and admirably adapted for stock-raising, especially swine husbandry. The visitor finds the improvements of a modern build, particularly the hog barn, which is 144 feet in length by ten, divided into compartments eight by fifteen feet. In front are runs or paddocks, eight by sixteen feet. The whole thing is constructed of the best materials, painted and furnished, making it one of the model swineries of the State. The herd was founded in 1891 and since recruited by the best from modern herds. The visitor finds now 180 head, all ages, headed by three boars—Souvenir 9421 S., Magnet 13537 S. and Duke of Bayfield 14327 S. Souvenir was bred by the noted breeder, F. M. Lail, of Missouri sired by Lail's Victor 4298 S. and he by Victor 2994 S. The well-posted Poland breeder will at once recognize the great strength of blood in the veins of Souvenir on the side of his sire, that was sold at Mr. Lail's clearance sale last fall for \$200. dam was Beauty Corwin 6538 S. by King Corwin 882 S. and out of Beauty H. 6583 S His conformation and the strong array of sons and daughters in the herd to his credit at once confirms his blood in his maternal line and his value as a sire. His first lieu-tenant, Magnet, is by Young Model 9857 S. and he by Admiral Chip 7919 S., that went a year ago to Messrs. Winterscheidt Bros. a year ago to Messrs. Winterscheidt Bros., of Brown county, and M. C. Vansell, of Atchison county. They jointly paid \$250 for him, and since, after trial, consider it money well invested. Model was bred by C. G. Sparks, of Missouri, whose annual clearance sale last fall averaged \$45.91. Magnet is a smooth, deep, wide, broadbacked individual, stands on a big, smooth bone and well up on his toes. His get are of the broad-backed, mellow kind that go faster than "you can raise 'em." The Duke of Bayfield belongs to the type that a breeder keeps after he has been at breed ing a few years and knows more about the business. He is a credit alike to both himself and his master. The harem queen division of the herd is a grand good collection of twenty-four brood sows, of an even, smooth and growthy type that at once impresses the visitor that the Bayfield herd has been founded and built up right. There are too many of them for one brief herd write-up, but suffice it to state that among them that are sure to be leeted out for final inspection is the showring winner, Belle of Bayfield 25201 S., that at once reminds one of Lady Lail B., owned by Baldridge, of Kansas, or of Lizer's Nemo, that Bert Wise, of Kansas, paid \$275 for. She ought to be good, as her dam was a first-prize winner at the Lincoln, Sedalia and Kansas City fairs in 1891. Close up in her company are two sisters, Zilla 25198 S. and Esther 25196 S., by King Quality 6967 S. and out of Kirk's Beauty S. Both their grandsires and granddams were prize-winners, and the granddaughters at once show the years of work and type developed by the noted Missouri breeders, Messrs. Vivion & Alexander. Then comes American Girl 24987 S., bred by Lail, sired by Brick 7137 S. and out of White Face L. 15976 S. She is one of the prolific and profitable kind and is just what every successful breeder hopes to have and usually or at least ought to retain in the herd Two sisters of the long, deep, roomy, broad-backed type, Ruth 25199 S. and Rachel 25200 S., by King Perfection 7030 S. and out of Moorish Bess 2d 15955 S. Many an old breeder over the entire Mississippi and Missouri valleys knows of the King Perfection blood and show-yard success, and these two females ably sustain that reputation, both in individuality and produce. There are three daughters of Young Model, that one can't well pass by—Bayfield Bess Bayfield Beauty 33539 S. and Maud Muller 33540 S. They are out of American Girl 24987 S. They are all good producers and have a nice lot awaiting the going out order. Among the yearling sows are three—Prudence 33541 S., Juno 33543 S. and Supreme 33542 by Souvenir and out of Rachel 25200 that have a strong string youngsters. The harem queen, Zilla, has three daughters by Souvenir-Queen Elizabeth 33549 S., Queen Anne 33548 S. and Bonny Maid 33550 S .- that are good producers. There are three by Cash Boy 7074 S. and out of Princess Mary 28924 S. that are extra good ones. Then two of Esther's were retained in the herd, by Souvenir-Josephine 33547 S. and Roxanna 33546 S. But enough of the females in the brooder division, and a moment with the youngsters. Enough has been cited, perhaps, to give the reader an idea of the herd and the breeding of the ninety spring pigs, consisting of forty boars and fifty gilts, that are

coming on for the fall trade. For further particulars, consult Mr. Machir's adver-tisement elsewhere in this issue and write him for further particulars. The Bayfield herd ought to be more extensively known, as it will be by the Western swine breeders, and it is a fitting exemplification of "Every one must toot his own horn, else the same shall not be tooted."



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# The Some 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.

#### THREESCORE AND TEN

Who reach the threescore years and ten, As I have mine, without a sigh, Are either more or less than men— Not such am I.

I am not of them; life to me Has been a strange, bewildered dream, Wherein I knew not things that be From things that seem.

I thought, I hoped, I knew one thing, And had one gift when I was young-The impulse and the power to sing, And so I sung.

To have a place in the high choir Of poets, and deserve the same— What more could mortal man desire Than poet's fame?

I sought it long, but never found; The choir so full was, and so strong The jubilant voices there, they drowned My simple song.

Men would not hear me then, and now I care not, I accept my fate. When white hairs thatch the furrowed brow, Crowns come too late! The best of life went long ago
From me; it was not much at best;
Only the love that young hearts know,
The dear unrest.

Back on my past, through glimmering tears, Once more I cast my eyes, and see Bright shapes that in my better years Surrounded me!

They left me here, they left me there, Went down dark pathways, one by one The wise, the great, the young, the fair; But I went on!

And I go on! And, bad or good,
The old allotted years of men
I have endured, as best I could—
Threescore and ten!
—Richard Henry Stoddard, in Independent.

#### WHEN FIRST WE MET.

When first we met 1 wondered why She never frowned nor breathed a sigh; Her heart was light, her spirits glad. And naught had power to make her sad; Her voice was always sweet and kind, Its tones bespoke a happy mind; And loving smiles beamed all the day On lips no angry words could say. In short, she seemed an angel sent To fill each soul with sweet content. How could she always charming be, Or was she only so to me?

Now Time has flown, and in his flight
Has borne away my angel bright.
No loving word, no tender volce
Now bids my cheerless heart rejoice.
No silvery laugh doth greet mine ear,
And hasty words oft times I hear;
That sancy little mouth can say
Such cruet things the livelong day.
Alas! I've learned she is but human,
And just like every other woman.

—A. G. K., in American Cultivator.

#### PLANTS AND FLOWERS.

When Properly Dried They Make Very Pretty Winter Ornaments.

For winter use as bouquets, immortelles, grasses, sedges, berries, etc., preserve a fresh appearance and enhance the beauty of the home. Now is the time to make the selections for drying and preservation. There is a class of plants called everlastings, immortelles, and the like, which from their strawy nature are particularly adapted to winter use, retaining their colors fully as well after drying as when growing. An old favorite of this class in times gone by was the Globe amaranth, with several colors. It was useful as a garden flower and excellent in



FLOWERS PRESERVED FOR WINTER USE.

the winter bouquet. Now it is almost a rarity. Then there are several colors of acroclinums, very graceful in outline. The amobiums, aelichrysum or eternal flowers, the rhodanthes, xeranthemums or straw flowers, all were

common garden plants a few years ago. Drying these flowers consists simply

in cutting at the proper time, which is when in full bloom and before seeds have formed. Where practicable the whole plant may be cut or pulled and hung bottom up in a partially darkened room or shed. Usually, however, the flowers come out at different times and must be cut as ready, leaving on as much stem as possible. Tie in bunches and hang up. The immortelles imported in such quantities from France and Germany, originally yellow, but now to be had in various colors, are charming herbaceous plants. Unfortunately they are not hardy with us. There are, however, several natives of the same genus, guaphaliums, in English, cudweed or common everlasting, which may be preserved in a similar manner. There are also the purple cudweeds and the pearly everlastings, often found in dry, gravelly or sandy soils, which may be had for the gathering. All the work necessary is to hang up in the spare room until the whole collection is harvested or the material is wanted for making the winter bouquet.

As flowers in themselves will have a somewhat stiff appearance alone, dried grasses of various kinds will be found very useful. Hang bottom up to dry, as directed for flowers, for the reason that all plants when first cut wilt and are unable to hold their parts erect. They soon become rigid and when fully dried have a quite natural

appearance.
If flowers are allowed to even partially ripen seed, they will fall to pieces when taken into a warm room. Among the best grasses are foxtail, cattails, bents, feather grass and numerous marsh grasses and sedges. The many brizas or quaking grasses are all well known. Even wheat, rye and oats, if collected early enough, are quite desirable, as are also a number of summer grasses.-Edgar Sanders, in Farm and Home.

#### ABOUT YOUR CALLS.

Visiting Card Etiquette as Explained by Ruth Ashmore.

I know it to be true that when you came to town you had for a visiting card a faintly-tinted stiff one on which was written your name, "Elinor Smith," in a fine Italian hand heavily shaded, writes Ruth Ashmore in Ladies' Home Journal. Fortunately for you, your hostess saw this and kept you from making a faux pas. In the place of these rose-tinted ones, happily consigned to their proper resting place, the wastebasket, you now have rather thin white cards, almost square, with, as you the oldest daughter, and as your middle name is your mother's maiden one, "Miss Cholmondeley Smith," engraved upon them. Your visiting card represents you, and consequently it must be because, seeing it, old friends who knew your mother as "pretty Elinor Chol-mondeley" will recognize you as her daughter and make an effort to show you some special courtesies.

When you make your visits you leave your card with the lady of the house and for each daughter who is in society. When you cannot go to a reception or a tea your cards represent you. When you do go you leave your card either with a servant who holds out a silver salver for it or you put it on the table prepared for cards. This is done because, seeing many people, your friend may not remember all who were there, and the little bits of thin paste-board tell of her visitors and warn her of those to whom she owes either a personal visit or a return card. You called one day on a friend who lives very quietly, and who opened the door for you. For her a card must be left also, and as you are a bright girl you can either do it before her, reminding her that you do not intend to let her forget you came to see her, or you can leave it in the hall when you are alone, for your hostess does not accompany you further than the drawingroom door.

#### Nutritive Value of Corn Meal.

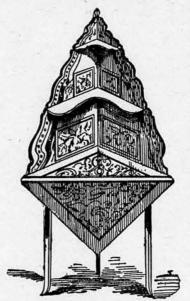
Codfish, oysters, cow's milk and potatoes stand very low as fuel foods. greatest nutritive value in any kind of food is found in cornmeal. In ten pounds of corpmeal there are a trifle more than eight pounds of nourishment. Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U.S. Gov't Report

# ABSOLUTELY PURE

CORNER TEA TABLE.

Designed and Executed by British Association Workers.

A recent exhibition in London that has been under the patronage of royalty is that of the Home Arts and Industrial association. This enterprise encourages the cultivation of artistic effort among the rural population, the farm workers and village laborers, as well as in more pretentious communities. Side by side with a piece of embossed leather work executed by the



A CORNER TEA TABLE.

princess of Wales may be a screen of hammered brass which is the product of a coal heaver. One of the best workers in brass is a washerwoman.

The corner table illustrated is one of the exhibits, the work of two pupils of one of the schools, and it is both beautiful in execution and unique in design. It was built by one young man and carved by another, and is a graceful and convenient model for reproduction. It is especially useful as a tea table, the china to be arranged on its shelves, while its folding leaf can be raised and utilized for the tea-brewing apparatus. Its shape affords an often valuable economy of space.

#### SOME DONTS' IN DRESS.

Don't neglect quality for the sake of quantity.

Don't wear a white petticoat unless it is white. Don't forget that long credit often

brings discredit. Don't trim good material with com-

mon trimmings.

Don't imagine that beauty will atone for untidiness. Don't look a frump because you can-

not look a swell. Don't expect great bargains to turn out great saves.

Don't dress to startle people's eyes, but to satisfy them.

you can do it well. Don't jump into your clothes and expect to look dressed.

Don't achieve the grotesque while attempting the original. Don't wear a fur or a feather boa with a cotton dress or skirt.

Don't dress your head at the expense of your hands and feet. Don't buy cheap imitations if you

can afford the genuine article. Don't put cost before cut. Corded silk won't cover a clumsy fit.

#### Telling Age by the Coiffure.

The common objection among womankind to letting their age be known is not shared by the ladies of Japan, who actually display their cycle of years in the arrangement of their hair. Girls from 9 to 15 wear their hair interlaced with red crepe in a semi-circle around the head, the forehead being left free with a curl at each side, From

the age of 15 to 80 the hair is dressed very high on the forehead and gathered up at the back in the shape of a butterfly or fan, with twistings of silver cord and perhaps a decoration of colored balls. Beyond the milestone of 30 a woman twists her hair around a shell pin placed horizontally at the back of the head. Quite differently, again, a widow arranges her coiffure, and the initiated are able to tell at a glance whether she desires to marry again or

Important Invention in Weaving.

One of those inventions which will inevitably displace a large amount of labor because of its increased economy has recently found its way into textile manufacturing. It is a loom which automatically feeds bobbins into the shuttle. This work hitherto has been one of the duties of the weaver. Now five persons can take care of eighty of these looms, whereas, at present, one person looks after six. The new process will run for an hour or two after every one has left the factory at night and through the noon hour. It is said that it will save one-half the labor cost in weaving and one-fourth the whole labor cost of manufacturing.

#### Stuffed Tomatoes Are Good.

Select about six large tomatoes and scoop a hole out of the top of each. Make this stuffing: A tablespoonful of bread crumbs, two tablespoonfuls of minced veal or chicken, a teaspoonful of mixed sweet herbs, and some lemon peel chopped very finely. Season all rather highly with pepper and salt, moisten with cream or a beaten egg. Place the tomatoes on a baking tin, fill the hole in each with the above stuffing, and bake in a moderate oven for about a quarter of an hour. To serve, place the tomatoes on a hot dish and pour thick, brown gravy round.

Just Judgments.

Love is an infinite capacity for suffer-

A man's affection is regulated by his digestion. The beauty of pain is not in the thing

itself but the way it is borne.

The mere accident of relationship does not give one the right to be insulting.

A lawyer is a man who makes his living by attending to other people's business.—Judge.

Hand-Painted Novelties.

Hand-painted satins are one of the latest novelties, and they are used for bodices, parasols and capes, and handpainted ribbons are already imported for various purposes of trimming.

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# The Houng Folks.

#### IMPORTANT FOR DRINKERS.

A man who drinks whisky
Will feel awhile frisky
And paint the town brilliantly red;
But soon in the gutter,
With misery utter—
He'll wish with a curse he was dead.

A man who drinks brandy
Will feel like a dandy
As long as the smell's on his breath;
But soon in the tremens
Snakes, bogies and demons
Will chase him and scare him to death.

A man who drinks wine
Will feel very fine
And play funny antics and shout;
But for it he'll pay
With headache next day,
And die when young from the gout.

A man who drinks gin
With pleasure will grin
And have what he calls a good time;
Till with a red nose
And dirty old clothes,
He, homeless, will beg for a dime.

A man who drinks rum
Will think yum-yum,
For, maybe, an hour or so,
Till poisoned his blood,
And brains turned to mud,
He dies in sad spasms of woe.

A man who drinks beer Feels good for a year, And thinks it don't hurt him a bit, Till bloated and red And hog-like in head, He falls on the street in a fit.

An apple-jack drinker Feels gay as a tinker Until the gay feeling comes on; Then, nerves in a quiver, He jumps in the river, Or blows off his head with a gun,

A man who drinks water, As every one ought ter, Enjoys to the utmost his life; He's happy and healthy, Respected and wealthy, He's happy and nearthy, Respected and wealthy, And loved by his children and wife. —Chicago Sun.

#### A BAD BOY'S PRANK.

How He Made a Big Pelican Struggle with a Rubber Band.

Several hundred people were intensely amused at the queer antics of the usually dignified pelican, who swims around in Stow lake at Golden Gate park.

Of course, a small boy was at the bottom of it, and the bird is undoubtedly still wondering how it all happened.

The pelican's enormous bill with its membranous sack has made the bird an object of more than ordinary interest to visitors.

So much bread was thrown to it for the sake of seeing the big bill open and



HAD A RUBBER BAND IN HIS HAND.

close that the pelican grew quite tame and a few days ago it swam up to take a piece of bread from the hand of a small boy on the bank.

The youngster had a rubber band in his hand. This he slipped over the big bird's bill.

The pelican at once felt something decidedly unusual had happened. He tried to shake the band off.

The band didn't move; then the bird opened its bill, but as it gave its head an impatient shake the muscles relaxed. "Snap," the rubber band got in its work and the mandibles came together with a noise like the slapping of slats.

The big bird looked surprised. Its round eyes were focused on its bill, which it again essayed to open.

But the rubber band, being near the end, had too great a leverage and the mandibles could be separated but four or five inches, only to audibly snap to-

A most amusing struggle ensued. The bird's bill opened, only to snap shut. Each time the pelican was more sur-

prised than before.

back. Then it stuck its bill under water and in the mud. Still the band stuck.

Then the unhappy fowl made for the land.

As it walked, it lifted its big, broad feet unnaturally high, and after going a short distance brought its right foot down on its left. Then it couldn't pick

the left foot up.

The ungainly bird, with its big bill stuck heavenward, teetered for awhile and then lost its balance and fell over.

This released the foot, and the pelican started for the water, where it continued to struggle with the tenacious band while the crowd fairly shricked its applause.—San Francisco Call.

#### ARIZONA'S ROAD RUNNER.

Bird with Tireless Legs and a Deadly Hatred of Rattlesnakes.

"There's a bird down in my country," said Maj. Ransom, of Arizona, to a Denver reporter, "which we call the road runner. It is an interesting fellow, this bird, with long legs that never give out and which devour distance with an appetite that never seems appeased. Generally two road runners go together—for company's sake, no doubt. They seem to be great gossipers and do a vast sight of talking to each other. They will chase ahead of your horse as you ride along the trail, and keep up the stride for miles and miles and hours and hours with a steady side-to-side motion much like the gait of a packing horse. Why they run along ahead of one in this insane fashion can only be guessed at. It would seem to be for fun and exer-

"They are gifted with a great deal of sagacious malevolence toward the rattlesnakes, with which crawling brood the runner has deadly feud. I suppose the rattlesnake pounces upon the road runner's eggs and makes omelets of them; or gobbles up their young on a spring chicken theory. Whatever the cause of hate, however, the road runner is the deadly enemy of the rattlesnake. They wreak ven-geance on it in this way: They espy a rattlesnake asleep in the sun. 'Mum' is the countersign with your road runner; he never says a word. He and his fellow road runner go about in discreet silence and collect the dried, dead joints of the flat cactus, which abounds in the southwestern deserts. They build a corral about the dozing serpent with them.

These pieces of cactus bristle with thorns as sharp and keen as needles. When they have their snake corraled the two road runners arouse it with yells and the flapping of their little jimcrow wings. They revile it and scold it and appear to apply all kinds of hard epithets to it. The snake gets frightened and its rattles buzz. But they don't come near it. They stand at a safe distance and rail at it. At last the snake tries to crawl away, but can't cross the cactus fence which the road runners have built. The spines prick the snake and it draws back. Meanwhile the road runners keep up their derisive racket. With each prick of the cactus the rattlesnake's wrath increases. At last, in desperate, brainless fury it begins to bite itself. Its poison is as deadly to itself as to everybody else, and in a short time it dies. Great, then, is the mad triumph of the road runners, which taunt it until its last gasp and exult over the corpse like savages. After the snake is surely dead they walk off with airs of cockney satisfaction, and, as it were, arm in arm."

#### Three Famous Inscriptions.

Over the triple doorway of the cathedral of Milan there are three inscriptions spanning the splendid arches. Over one is carved a beautiful wreath of roses, and underneath is the legend: "All that pleases is but for a moment."

Over the other is sculptured a cross, and these are the words underneath: "All that troubles us is but for a moment."

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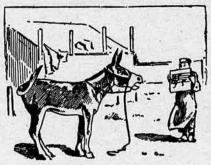
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#### DONKEYS IN EGYPT.

How One of Them Earned the Sobriquet of " Musical Moke."

The Egypt of the Pharaohs might still be a land of plenty for the agriculturist and a heaven of research for the archaeologist and Egyptologist, but it could never be the happy hunting ground of the average tourist without the assistance of the meek but hardworking ass! We read and hear so much of him nowadays that he will surely soon be of as much importance as the workman. But who cares to say a word for his prototype and ever-faithful companion, the Egyptian donkey?

Who does all the work, from carrying a lordly pasha on his violet velvet saddle, to creeping home at sunset so laden with berseem (clover) that nothing is visible but his head and his tail, with a full-grown man and child perched on top of the load? There are



A LESSON IN MUSIC.

donkeys of all sorts to be found in The little kittenish, fluffy beast of a few weeks old takes the cake for charm and good spirits, especially if he be a white one, with black points. Perhaps the most curious don-key was one that would always sing when requested. He was dubbed the "Musical Moke." But the adjective was questionable, and he sang the same tune on all occasions, sometimes accompanied by the banjo, sometimes having to read from notes which he would hardly recognize, and certainly the joke contained in them could never have entared his asinine head.

But he did his best, and none of us can do more. He may not have enjoyed it, but I doubt if donkeys can ever be said to enjoy anything; they take life from a philosophical point of view, bearing the kicks and half-pence with the same placid equanimity and patience.—London Daily Graphic.

#### A Chance to Make Money.

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The financial reports speak of business as booming. Undoubtedly there are larger quantities of products changing hands than for a long time. This is especially true of manufactured products.

Since the commencement of vigorous attempts to enforce the prohibitory law at Wichita, the howl from that city has seemed to vary with the extent to which their whisky has been shut off. If Wichita could but realize it, she would be better off without than with the liquid refreshments about which she is making such a fuss.

Deaf children are educated free at the Kansas School for the Deaf, located at Olathe. The next term begins Wednesday, September 11. If you know of a deaf child in Kansas who is not attending this school, you will confer a favor on such child by sending its parents' address to A. A. Stewart, Superintendent, Olathe, Kas.

The Maryland Experiment Station reports, as the result of variety tests of wheat, that the six varieties that have given the best yields for the past three years are as follows, with their respec-tive yields: Fultz, 41.8 bushels; Currell's Prolific, 41.5 bushels; Valley, 41.2 bushels; Badger, 40.5 bushels; Tuscan Island, 39.7 bushels; Wisconsin Triumph, 39.6 bushels.

The activity of the bimetallists is unabated. In this State a call has just been issued for a meeting of the Bimetallic State Central committee to be held at Hotel Throop, Topeka, on September 10, at 2 o'clock. It is said that the State is organizing rapidly. This movement has not taken on the form of a separate political party, and if its promoters are from such action.

#### Kansas Swine Breeders' Meeting.

The seventh annual meeting of the Kansas Swine Breeders' Association will be held in connection with the Kansas State fair, Wichita, Kas., Thursday, October 3, 7 p. m. An in-teresting program is being prepared for the benefit of all breeders and feeders in our country, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, who are cordially in-vited to be with us. The great corn crop of 1895 should seek its market through the great mortgage-lifter and poor man's friend, so be with us and hear something of interest and profit to you. Reduced railroad rates will

be offered. WILLIS E. GRESHAM, Secretary Kansas Swine Breeders'

Association.

#### THE ROUTE VIA THE GULF.

At the request of the Governor of Texas the Governor of Kansas has called a Western States Conference, to be held in Topeka, October 1, to consider the development of deep water at Galveston, with a view to having an inter-American exposition at that city in 1897.

The fact that the natural outlet to the markets of the world for the products of the great central region of the United States is via tide water at the Gulf of Mexico, has long been recognized. Kansas is the central State of the Union. If the geographical center of Kansas be taken as a center of circumference, and on a map of the United States one leg of a compass be placed on this center and the other upon Chicago, and then brought around to the south, it will be found that tide water between Houston and Galveston is no further than Chicago from the center of Kansas. If, now, Chicago be taken as a center, it will be found that the distance to salt water is barely reached without changing the dividers; so that the products of central Kansas are no nearer to the great markets which level prices, after traveling about 700 miles to Chicago, than before they started to traverse on artificial roads this great distance. It may be remarked that the only tide water reached from Chicago by the dividers which covered the distance from the center of Kansas to the gulf, is at Washington, D. C., and that the direct line between Chicago and Washington is never taken by grain shipments on account of the precipitous nature of much of the direct route. On the other hand, transportation from the gulf to Kansas is practically direct, the plains country prevailing in almost unbroken reach all the way, and even much farther north. It seems absurd that even for so many years we should have been carrying our products so many miles to get them further from market than when we started. It will, indeed, be questioned whether we have done this. True, the major part of the farm products of Kansas are consumed in the United States. The great population of our manufacturing and commercial centers are to be supplied before there is any surplus to send over the ocean. These centers are reached via the eastern route, and we shall always rejoice in the fact that excellent facilities for transportation in this direction are at hand. But so long as we produce annually a surplus to be sent to European centers, so long shall we have an interest in finding the shortest and cheapest route to tide water. Further, it is probable that still further advances in civilization will witness still greater growth in commerce between the various parts of the world-a commerce the cost of which must, under all conditions, be paid out of the products transferred. Our interest, therefore, in the shortest and cheapest route to the leveling markets of the world is destined to be an abiding and an increasing interest. The cost of transportation from Kansas to tide water and from tide water to Kansas can never cease to be a factor in the net receipts of the Kansas producer, who is, in this, a typical representative of the great central West. It is therefore to be expected that the conference called by Governor Morrill will be largely attended. Its influence should be felt in Congress in order that such national attention to the gulf harbor as is necessary may be had. Congress has been unsparing in its expenditures for the betterment of Atlantic coast harbors. It is not here questioned that the money has been well applied and that the improvements have been of great value to the entire country. But here is a region whose commerce is destined to exceed that which now seeks the Atlantic shores. The eyes of this young empire have settled upon Galveston harbor as their nearest door to the outer world.

An inter-American exposition is suggested. Unquestionably an inter-American exposition is always in order anywhere on this continent. But this exposition, in the nature of a celebra-

well interest others than the Americans and there need be no surprise if the exposition shall broaden out to international dimensions.

The movement has started under able direction, its present momentum is such as to assure its success, and the only remaining question is how big an affair shall it be made!

#### PROBABLE PRICES FOR CORN.

Since Kansas has made a phenomenal crop of corn, and this is to be her chief reliance for revenue this year, whether sold directly, as corn, or in the form of beef and pork, all information bearing on the probable price is exceedingly important to our people. Too late to do much good for the drought-stricken crops for this cereal in the great States of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the rains have at length been copious. Portions of Iowa and Nebraska have also suffered from lack of moisture at the critical time, and small areas in northern and central Kansas have been likewise unfortunate. The estimates of a few weeks ago as to the probable corn crop of the United States have, therefore, been considerably reduced by careful observers and compilers of statistics. The Cincinnati Price Current now places its estimate at about 2,000,000,000 bushels for the entire crop, and remarks that this would be a large production, reached only in 1888, 1889 and 1891, while, for the five years ending with 1894 the average production was but little over 1,600,000,000 bushels; and for ten years, 1,715,000,000 bushels. The stocks of old corn on hand are generally low, from the fact that the crop of 1894 was a short one.

There has been some discussion all over Kansas as to what price ought to be realized at the crib for this corn, and rather hastily, as appears from the data before recited, the low price of 15 cents has been, almost by mutual consent, fixed upon as the selling price for the opening market. At present prices for beeves and fat hogs, there is certainly a wide margin of profit in feeding corn at 15 cents, and the feeder who secures a supply at this price will probably, next spring, consider himself very fortunate if he lays in now an amount sufficient for his season's needs. The 15-cent price was made upon a supposition that the the crop would be at least 20 per cent. larger than it is now conceded that it will be.

Of course, the farmer who feeds his grain on the place is likely, this season, as in most cases, to be the one who is on the right side of the situation, and it is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when Kansas farmers will cease to sell corn as corn, but will convert it into higher-priced products before committing it to the transportation companies to be tolled.

#### CALIFORNIA WHEAT-RAISING.

The 1894 report of transactions of the California State Agricultural Society is an interesting volume of about 400 pages. Besides giving a report of the State fair held by the society it contains a careful inquiry as to wheatgrowing in California, conducted after the manner by which Secretary Coburn, of the Kansas Department of Agriculture obtained so much and so valuable information as to the then new subject of wheat-feeding and the cost of growing this cereal in Kansas. It is to be noted that estimates of the cost of wheat production in the two States are much alike.

So highly was the author of the California report pleased with the Kansas report that he set over into his bookgiving proper credit—several pages of Mr. Coburn's generalizations on the subject of wheat-feeding.

It should have been stated, in connection with the elegant illustrations of methods of irrigation, which appeared in the KANSAS FARMER of elegant magazine issued from Chicago.

The present revolutionary movement in Cuba is reported to be in sight of this, we now have laws against the imsuccess, and the talk of annexation to portation of foreign contract labor and the United States is renewed with as also against a certain class of immition, a distinctive recognition, of the Galveston route, is one which may old story. But it may happen.

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#### WAGES IN JAPAN.

The ever-recurring and ever-present struggle to maintain or increase wages and its counterpart, the effort to obtain labor and its products at lower prices, constitute a familiar chapter in every book of experience in the western world. In this connection, the western world includes not only the new world of Columbus, but the British Isles, and to a somewhat less degree the continent of Europe. That the struggle is also prevalent in the older countries of Asia is probably true, but there it is certainly less effective than in England and America.

When Abraham journeyed from the east he probably formed a part of a more or less desultory movement from a comparatively densely settled to a sparsely settled region. How far east this movement originated probably cannot be definitely determined. But the traditions and the histories of the orient leave little room for doubt of the great antiquity of their institutions. The exclusiveness which for many centuries prevented not only ingress of foreigners but also emigration of the natives, resulted in a density of population which, even without the use of much machinery, produced a competition for opportunities for labor which depressed wages, whether reckoned in money or utilitarian commodities, to the lowest figure at which subsistance was possible. The opening of these countries to commerce has had the effect of making a market for their labor products the effect of which on wages could but be beneficial. But even with this betterment it is difficult to see how the orientals exist on what they earn.

Consul General McIvor, writing from Kanagawa, Japan, April 15, gives the following as the wages prevalent at Yokohama in January, 1895:

# Yokohama in January, 1895: PER DAY. Carpenters 20.26 Plasterers 26 Stoneoutters 31 Bawyers 29 Roofers 26 Tilers 31 Matting makers 24 Sorean makers 26 Joiners 29 Paperhangers 24 Tallors: 24 For foreign clothes 48 Dyers 24 Cotton beaters 17 Blacksmiths 36 Porcelain makers 24 Porcelain makers 24 Porcelain artists 38 Porcelain artists...... Printers. Ship carpenters. Lacquer workers. Compositors. Sake brewers. Silk spinners (female), Tea workers, ploking and preparing. Tea firing: Male...... Female..... Common laborers...... Male.....

How carpenters can live on 26 cents per day or printers can exist on 19 cents per day is hard to understand. It must, of course, be considered that their manner of living is very simple. But they must have food to sustain their bodily functions, and they must have clothing to protect them in a temperate climate. The former cannot be much cheaper than in this country, since our food prices as well as theirs are regulated to the level of the world's markets.

Female......

But, aside from the curiosity as to how they do it, people in this country have a more or less immediate personal interest in this question of foreign wages. By protective tariffs our government seeks to exclude the products August 14, that they were published of their labor from full competition in by courtesy of Western American, an our markets with the products of labor in this country and thereby to artificially maintain a higher rate of wages for American labor. Further than

wages as above shown, against all classes of European laborers who choose to come to this country and bid against our own laborers, there is no exclusion. In the mining and manufacturing regions this competition is already felt.

It may be said, truly, that there should be no objection to the immigration of workers, as such, while our resources are only partially developed, while there is yet needed so much at the hands of industry. But it must be remembered that in one form and another the hand of monopoly has been laid upon our resources, and there is an incubus to their development and utilization about which there is an ever-present and ever-broadening and deepening debate, so, that, so far as the laborer is able to see, there is a limitation upon the opportunities to work and no limitation on the numbers competing.

Can the young man of ambition look down along the line of the future and read the personal lesson of the situation here briefly suggested? Can he see the importance of a sure foot-hold in his own right upon a productive portion of Mother Earth? The craze has been to get a salary-a sure thing, to be relieved from the anxieties of responsibility for one's own subsistence, to drift-securing as much pay for as little effort as circumstances would admit. Our statesmen have for a quarter of a century howled themselves hoarse in making prominent their interest in the case of these drifters. They have legislated in the professed interest of this element-much in evidence-to the encouragement of great increase in the numbers of those dependent upon the day's labor for the day's bread. There now appear many applicants for every opportunity to work. There is a grave question as to whether a policy of promoting independence and self-reliance, of fostering the interests of freehold ownership, of making it desirable to work for one's self rather than another, would not be at once more humane, more patriotic. Under the world's system so far wages tend, in all countries, to the Japanese level and lower, with a sinking of the laborer in the scale of humanity. In ancient times it sunk him into slavery; then came debasement of all classes and, except in the orient, decay of institutions, revolution and destruction of society.

#### Stock Wanted in Reno County.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-Corn in this locality is very good as a rule, still there are some fields that are cooked a little. . Wheat did not amount to very much; light yield and poor quality. Oats worse than the wheat. Apples not a very large crop; what there is of large size but do not seem to have keeping quality—soon decay. Not very many peaches—enough for home consumption. Have had lots of rain; ground is thoroughly soaked and in fine condition for sowing wheat. There is not a very large acreage being sown this fall. Farmers have been losing too much money raising 40-cent wheat; have got to raise something that they can make expenses out of. Who will tell us what it is? We have lots of corn, but are we going to get anything out of it? We ought to have 5,000 head of steers run into this township to eat our surplus and save freight. Hogs have been sold off pretty close; times been hard and as fast as farmers could get them so that they would pass to ship they had to go; and then some were afraid to hold for fear of cholera.

Our creamery is about the only thing that keeps money in circulation here. It is paying out about \$1,600 per month. J. U. SCHOONOVER.

Haven, Kas.

#### A Small Fraud.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-Knowing that your paper has a wide circulation in Kansas, I write you in regard to a couple of wily agents who are doing up this part of Kansas (Franklin county) with a little device they call a gas generator. They fit it on ordinary coal-oil lamp wicks, and explain to the housewife that it will save one-half the oil, the flue in great measure, save trim- land at about half the usual prices.

ming the wick, and will last, say, from three to five years. They charge from 15 up to 35 and 50 cents for these little caps. They sell at almost every house. I write to you, hoping that through your valuable paper you may be able to help head them off.

In one instance one of them sold territory to a young lady living in this county, who discovered the fraud after it was too late to get her money back. At my house one of the agents put one of these generators on a coal-oil lantern wick and it burnt off in about two

Now, if there is any way to head these fellows off we would be glad to do so. I believe the FARMER is interested in exposing frauds and I believe you will confer a favor on your many patrons by widely advertising the agents for these gas generators for coal-oil lamps, as well as all other frauds that are set on foot to rob the J. W. COWGILL. farmer.

Princeton, Kas.

#### Alfalfa on New Land.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I noticed in your issue of August 21, an inquiry from W. V. Jackson for information in regard to sowing alfalfa on sod. I sowed eight acres the present year on sod prepared in the following manner: Sod was first broken the ordinary way, about three inches deep, then disked until thoroughly pulverized; it was then plowed six to eight inches deep with a stirring-plow and harrowed until in good condition to receive the seed, which was sowed broadcast, harrowed twice and finished by planking. The seed was sown on the 15th of June. August 7 it was mowed and left on the ground, the plants being from four to twelve inches high. It is now making a nice growth, and I expect to get a light crop of hay from it yet this fall. My land is dark loam, some sand, and six to eight feet to water. No weeds have grown, giving the young plants the benefit of all moisture and other properties contained in the soil, which is a big advantage over old ground. I am so well pleased with the results of my experiment that I shall never cultivate the land intended for alfalfa (which is all new) to any other crop prior to seeding it.

New ground broken during the spring or summer and seeded the next spring, after thorough preparation, may be preferable to fresh-broke sod, and I shall give it a trial next spring.

I am under many obligations to the patrons and correspondents of the FARMER for information gained from their varied experience, and to the FARMER for furnishing such a ready means for an exchange of ideas, and if this article proves of any benefit to a single patron I shall feel that I have rendered only a partial equivalent.

J. R. GUILBERT. Leoti, Wichita Co., Kas., August 26.

#### Publishers' Paragraphs.

Nebraska State fair and exposition will be held this year at Omaha, September 13 to 20, inclusive. This fair is one of the best held by any State and it always pays to visit there.

"THE FARMER'S SIDE."-We have on hand a limited number of cloth edition of Senator Peffer's famous book, which we will send postpaid for 60 cents, or will give as a premium for two new subscribers and two dollars.

The Drovers' Commission Co., of the Kansas City stock yards are in a position o assist our farmers in the purchase of feeding steers this fall. The managers of the Drovers' are experienced cattlemen of good reputation for fair and honorable dealing. Farmers with a surplus of feed should call on or write them.

Our Chicago agricultural contemporary, the Farm, Field and Fireside, through its novel colony plan, is doing much to help those who contemplate bettering their condition by moving either West or South. It has secured 50,000 acres of the best land in Florida and will run one of its popular, special train, cheap rate excursions to that State on October 2. For those going West, it has closed a deal for the famous San Juan grant, one of the richest old Mexican grants in California. November 14 is the date set for a special train excursion to that State. Those who join these colonies are sure of good society, churches, schools and many other conveniences, in addition to

#### Weekly Weather-Crop Bulletin.

Weekly Weather-Crop Bulletin of the Kansas Weather Service, for week ending September 2, 1895-T. B. Jennings, Observer Weather Bureau, Director:

#### CONDITIONS.

A warm week with the the daily tem-perature about 5° above the normal, while an abundance of rain has been quite well distributed over the middle and eastern divisions of the State, with light scattered showers over the western.

#### RESULTS. EASTERN DIVISION.

Much hay has been spoiled during the week by the rains, and the damp weather keeps the corn and grass green. Fruit is abundant and fine. Stock water is plenty. Threshing and plowing are delayed by wet weather.

Allen county.—Bad haying weather with plenty of grass; even the pastures are fit

Brown.-Too much rain for late potatoes. which are rotting; much corn moulding, while wheat and oats are being damaged in stack; second crop of clover extra fine. Chautauqua.—Putting up hay.

Cherokee.-Too wet to plow first of week. Clay.—Ground in fine condition for plowing; late corn maturing better than early; hay and pastures first-class; too wet for

Coffey .- Too wet for haying or threshing; much hay ruined after being cut; corn apples and late peaches fine.

Doniphan.—Corn and late potatoes fine; too damp for haying or threshing. Douglas.—Corn maturing slowly; pota-

toes fine; too wet for haying.

Franklin.-Corn keeps green, some rotting; fruit very good.

Greenwood.—Corn and sorghum good.

Johnson.-Too much rain; haying and fall plowing retarded.

Labette.-Threshing and plowing re- for plowing.

tion; having in progress; new corn already

Harvey.—Too wet for threshing and plowing; all kinds of fruit abundant; some wheat rotting in the stack.

Ringman — Hot

Ringman.-Hot winds the fore part of the week, succeeded by good rains; ground almost too wet for plowing; corn-cutting has begun.

Kiowa.—Corn is drying up rapidly; a large acreage of wheat will be sown.

Osborne.—Corn, especially the late, greatly damaged by hot winds; good rains in south part of county have revived every-

thing; haying in progress.
Ottawa.—Kaffir corn and sorghum look well; ground in good condition for fail

Phillips.-All crop conditions splendid. Reno.-Fine growing weather; all vegetation flourishing.

Rice.—Good rains have put everything in No. 1 condition.

Russell.-Late corn much injured by the not, dry weather; the heavy rain of the

29th of great assistance. Saline.-Plowing almost done; hay a neavy crop; late corn somewhat damaged.

Sedgwick.—Corn-cutting in progress. Smith.—Late corn doing well; early practically ripe.

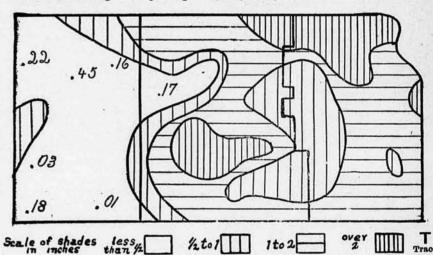
Stafford .- Splendid weather for late corn; haying, plowing and broomcorn-cutting in progress.

Sumner.—All forage crops plentiful. Washington.—Very heavy rains; hay, pastures and late corn growing finely.

WESTERN DIVISION.

The week has generally been dry, with occasional hot winds. Haying has been pushed except in Hamilton, where the rain interfered. The third crop of alfalfa is being harvested along the Arkansas river. The ground is generally in fair condition for plowing, though too dry in some counties.

Gray .- A dry week; the ground too dry



ACTUAL RAINFALL FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 31.

tarded by the wet weather; fall and winter

apples falling badly from the trees.

Leavenworth.—Corn maturing slowly on account of the rain; a small part is being

Lyon.—Corn-cutting in progress; apples and peaches abundant; haying retarded. Marshall.-A splendid week for late corn but poor for haying; pastures excellent.

Miami.—Wheat, oats and flax greatly damaged in the stack by the excessive

rains; all crops flourishing.

Montgomery.—A good week for haying and plowing; corn maturing nicely but full of chinch bugs; pastures could not be bet-

Morris.-Good rains; crop conditions excellent.

Osage.-Much hay spoiled by the rains;

verything growing rapidly.

Pottawatomie. — A splendid week, but bad for haying; corn-cutting be-

Riley.—Corn-cutting and haying delayed plowing in progress; peaches plentiful,

grapes a half crop. Wabaunsee.—Plenty of rain; corn almost

ready to cut; haying in progress.
Woodson.—All crops maturing nicely. MIDDLE DIVISION.

This has been a fine growing week in the middle division and nearly all of the counties report good progress, including those which have been suffering from dry weather, while plowing for wheat is being vigorously pushed where not too wet.

Barber.—Everything "O. K."
Barton.—Heavy rains this week; late corn maturing finely; ground in excellent condition for fall plowing and sowing.

Butler.-Late corn doing well; apples and peaches plentiful; hay and pasture lands good.

Cloud .- A good growing week; pastures and late corn flourishing. Cowley.-Lots of chinch bugs but no

damage done; all crops maturing nicely.

Dickinson.—Most of the corn has been cut up for fodder; grass grealy improved by the late rains.

Harper.-Good rains; crops in fine condi-

Hamilton.-Fair showers; haying somewhat retarded.

Kearney.—Ground in good condition for plowing; the third crop of alfalfa is being

Meade.—This county very dry, only .17 inch rain since July 24; all crops suffer-Morton.-A fine having week; some corn

being cut for fodder; peaches plentiful.

Norton.—Early part of the week hot and dry but the timely rains the latter part helped the corn, especially the late, very

Sheridan.-Wheat yield fair; late corn needs rain; hay crop excellent; too dry for fall plowing. Sherman.-Hot winds on the 26th; Indian

corn and broomcorn need rain; other crops all harvested.

Thomas.-Fair rains this week; corn greatly revived from the preceding drought.
Wallace.—The hot, dry weather during the week greatly injured the corn; forage crops abundant; vegetables fair.

Wichita.-Harvest almost done; corn in good condition; hay crop very heavy.

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#### State Irrigation Convention.

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# Borticulture.

#### KEEPING SWEET POTATOES

Farmers' Bulletin No. 26, United States Department of Agriculture, gives the following on the care of sweet

"Sweet pototoes should be dug only when the ground is dry and before severe frost occurs. Dig in the forenoon, and after several hours exposure gather the potatoes in baskets or boxes, the latter holding about a bushel each. Before digging the vines are cut and drawn from the row with a sharp hoe; the hand, the hoe or the plow is used to dig the roots. A light turning-plow with rolling coulter run once on each side of the row has been recommended as a means of cutting off a large portion of the vines. The potatoes may be either in the field or at the place where they are to be stored. The greatest care is necessary to prevent bruising the potatoes in handling, for their skins are exceedingly tender, and wounded or bruised roots are almost

"There is need for further investigations to determine the best methods of storing sweet potatoes, for the losses occurring during storage are sometimes enormous. In the colder parts of the sweet potato region, where artificial heat is necessary to prevent freezing, we hear less complaint of rotting dur-ing the winter than in the States where it is customary to store sweet potatoes in kilns or banks covered with

litter and earth. "In Delaware, New Jersey and some other States tightly-built houses are constructed for storing this crop, and by means of a stove these houses are kept quite warm for a week or two after the potatoes are put in and at 47° to 65° F. during the rest of the winter.

"The following extract from a paper by a New Jersey truck farmer, giving his method of storing sweet potatoes, may convey useful information to growers in other localities:

ers in other localities:

"The floor of the storage room should not be tight, and beneath it should be a cellar to contain a coal stove, by which the temperature of the room may be raised to 100° F. The storage room should have full ventilation at top and sides.

"While the potatoes are being stored from the field keep up the heat to the degree named and dry off all moisture as soon as possible. Keep up the heat and ventilation a couple of weeks, when the 'tubers' (if stored in separate crates) will be dry. After this, ventilators may be closed to keep out the cold and the heat may diminish to say 60° F. I often let the temperature sink as low as 45°, which will do when outside temperature is cold. But whenever the weather turns warm and consequently damp, raise the temperature of storage room speedily. The object is to keep the 'tubers' a little warmer than the surrounding air, so that the moisture from this will not condense on the cooler surface of the potato, causing it to 'sweat.'"

"A farmer who has had extensive

"A farmer who has had extensive experience with this crop in the northwestern part of Arkansas thus states his method of storing sweet potatoes in a specially-constructed cellar:

in a specially-constructed cellar:

"Divide inside of cellar into slatted stalls six feet wide, three to four feet deep, giving a foot space between stalls. If stalls are one above another, leave six-inch space between the stalls. For a large cellar, twenty or thirty by fifty or seventy-five feet, leave a three or four-foot hall lengthwise through cellar and build bins on each side of hall. \* \* \* Take sweet potatoes immediately from field to cellar and put in bins three or four feet deep. If ground is wet sun awhile so that the dirt will slip from the potatoes. \* \* \* Put nothing around, over or under them. Leave free to air. \* \* \* Every night or day that the thermometer registers 40° above zero, but mostly at night, if possible, keep all ventilators wide open; but should it get above 65° outside, close all ventilators tight, for if you let hot air in your cellar it will condense or cause potatoes to get wet (sweat). \* \* \* Keep as near 45° or 60° inside as possible. But be sure never to have any part of this cellar stand open when the air not being allowed to strike the cool potatoes or walls and condensing is the whole secret in keeping them. Cool or cold air will go all through them and drive out all the moisture, but hot air will not."

"Sweet potato houses can be made "Divide inside of cellar into slatted stalls

"Sweet potato houses can be made above ground as well as below, by using one or more layers of building paper under the siding and ceiling.

needles, and a similar thickness of earth on top of that. A ventilator, made of three or four narrow boards perforated with auger holes, should be provided. A few corn stalks laid on the potatoes beneath the covering of litter and extending from the straw floor of the bank to the point of the cone, and also on the raised ground below the litter on which the cone is built, improve the ventilation and reduce the moisture within the bank. In fair weather the dirt covering may be omitted for a few days and the ventilator, protected from rain, should remain open except during cold weather. In the South sweet potato houses are also made of logs daubed with clay.

"Small quantities may be kept for a few months by packing in dry sand and placing in a dry cellar or room. In the South the writer found that sweet potatoes stored several days after digging assorted into two or three grades, in large baskets or boxes lined and covered with several thicknesses of newspapers keep fairly well for a short time. In experiments at the South Carolina Experiment Station he found cottonseed hulls to be a packing material superior to cottonseed, so often used for this purpose. Dry sand was found useful as a covering for sweet potatoes, but less convenient and satisfactory than cottonseed hulls.

"To sum up, sweet potatoes during storage should be kept in a dry atmosphere, with ample ventilation, and a temperature between 50° and 65° F., except during the sweating period, for which time the temperature recommended by those who use artificial heat is about 80° F."

#### Shawnee Horticulturists.

The August meeting of the Shawnee County Horticultural Society was held, last Thursday, at the State house. It was the original intention to picnic under the trees, but the threatening aspect of the weather in the morning caused the officers to abandon this plan and remove into the corridor of the south wing of the capitol. This is a large hall, and though not well lighted from without, is amply provided with electric lamps.

The display of fruits, especially of apples and pears, was superb. Flowers of great beauty and in abundance were tastefully arranged.

Owing to the scarcity of tables the banquet was enjoyed with less formality but quite as much jollity as usual. Governor Morrill spoke briefly of his

experience, some forty years ago, as a Kansas nurseryman, and dwelt upon the present horticultural development and the future prospects of this industry, and predicted that eventually the Western third of the State will excel.

Mrs. J. G. Wood read a paper on 'Effect of Horticulture on the Human Race." Hon. F. M. Stahl, on his experience in fruit-growing. Senator Edwin Taylor, of Edwardsville; Secretary Coburn, of the State Board of Agriculture, and Deputy Secretary Barnes, of the State Horticultural Society, read exceptionally fine papers on pertinent topics. Most of these papers are in the hands of the editor of the KANSAS FARMER and will be given to our readers in due time.

The next meeting of the society will be held at the farm of William Jordan. near Wakarusa, on the last Thursday in September.

#### Hale on the Peach.

The following is a report of part of a discussion in which the originator of some of the finest peaches took part:

"Mr. Hale: - Our first planting of peach orchards was sixteen feet apart. In 1884 I planted a twenty-two acre orchard in company with another man. The idea was to see which distance was the best, as we had different notions about it, but we finally compromised by planting half the orchard 12x12, and the other half 18x18. A mistake was made by the man who set out the trees so that eleven acres were planted eleven and one-half feet each way and the other half eighteen feet each "From Virginia southward the usual way. That or hard bore its first crop store them under an open shelter in consecutive description of the consecutive description cone-shaped banks, covered with four money. Two years after there was a to eight inches of straw, hay, or pine good, big crop, and the close planting

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"Mr. DeCou:-What are those peach trees washed with?

"Mr. Hale:-We usually use a wash of carbolic acid, common potash and lime; fifteen pounds of potash to a forty-eight gallon cask of water, and lime enough to make a good paste. We have used cotton hull ashes for a wash. It burned the trees some. They put a bushel to a barrel of water. It was applied in May. We always put the borer wash on in May, and where we use such a wash as that we very rarely have borers, or but a small percentage of them.

"Mr. Carhart:-What do you do with them?

"Mr. Hale:-We go over the trees every year in October, and where we see any trace of them we dig them out and then, as I say, we apply this wash in May.

"Mr. Mathews:-Do you commence to fertilize your land immediately after the trees are planted, provided the soil is in good ordinary condition?

"Mr. Hale:-Suppose you were starting to manufacture plows. Would you make a lot of plows until you had some material to make them out of? So when you begin to manufacture peaches, you get the material that it takes to make peaches of in the soil and then keep it up every year. Our plan is our peach trees are planted on good ordinary corn or wheat land in a fair state of fertility. The holes for trees are dug about twice as large as necessary to receive the roots, and a good big handful of fine ground bone is scattered in the bottom of the hole and two or three more on the dirt, and that is worked in around the roots at the time the tree is planted. Then we put on the muriate of potash. The next spring we broadcast about from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds per acre of fine ground bone and 400 to 800 pounds of muriate of potash or its equivalent, and keep that up every year, whether the trees bear or not. Some years we can get cotton hull ashes. It is pretty liberal feeding, but it pays to be liberal with the trees."

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#### September Notes.

Crowd the corn-cutting. This is a good month for weaning the colts and calves.

Be sure to cut sufficient fodder for the stock during the winter.

Crowd the fattening stock now. Early fattening is most profitable.

Determine the number of stock to be kept by the amount of feed on hand.

In very many cases it will be best to commence feeding the stock a little grain and dry feed.

Generally the stock that is ready for market reasonably early in the fall pay the best profit.

This is the month when the shelter should be provided so as to have ready for use when needed.

Of all seasons in the year, now is the poorest time to allow stock of any kind to run down in condition.

See that all of the tools are gathered up and put under shelter. It is poor economy to allow them to lay out during the winter. Plan to make, save and apply all of the

manure possible during the winter, and in this way keep up the fertility of the farm. It will cost considerable less in feed with

all classes of stock during the winter if proper care is taken to make as comfortable as possible.

With growing stock especially, better health and thrift can be maintained if the stock are allowed to run out every day that the weather will permit.

With all fruits and vegetables that are intended to be stored away for late keeping, care must be taken in handling not to bruise, as this often starts decay.

Generally, the potatoes can be dug this month, and in doing this care must be taken not to allow them to remain exposed to the sun for any length of time.

With fattened stock especially, it is quite an item to market as soon as they are fully ready. It is only in exceptional cases that it is best to feed beyond this.

The safest plan and the one that will occasion the least loss is to commence shucking out the fodder corn as soon as it is sufficiently dry to store away.

While it is often only moderately cool weather until November or December, the safest plan is to have as nearly as possible everything in readiness, so that if an early storm should come the stock will not suffer.

While it is an item to plan to feed out as fully as possible all of the farm products, it is rarely an advantage to attempt to keep more stock than the feed will keep in a good thrifty condition.

With all stock and with the poultry an invariable rule should always be followed, and that is, to select and keep on the farm a sufficient number of the very best animals for breeding. This is the best and most economical way of improving.

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# In the Dairy.

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A Successful Milking Machine. One of the lines on which dairy progress is seeking an outlet is milking by machinery. The most obvious advantage to be derived from a machine lies, of course, in the fact that a large number of cows can be milked with the employment of but few hands. This is a matter of greater importance in dairying than in most other lines where machinery is sought to be introduced, because while in other lines it may cheapen production, in dairying the number of cows that can be kept is limited by the number of hands that can be kept busy on the farm outside of the milking hour. An additional advantage, which, perhaps, at first thought is not fully appreciated, is the absolute cleanliness that is possible with a properly constructed machine, it being admitted that even the most strictly clean and careful hand milkers cannot entirely keep out impurities from the milk. The most successful milking machine up to date is the "Thistle," of which we are enabled to give a brief description. We had the privilege of seeing it at Darlington, where it attracted more attention than any other novelty in the show. The machine has been so thoroughly tested by experts that it is now considered to be almost perfect, and it has given so much satisfaction as to warrant the erection of large works in the east end of Glasgow for the manufacture of the machinery. The construction of the "Thistle" is based on the principle of suction produced by vacuum in a teat cup, which, pressed against the teat of the cow, extracts the milk, which is carried off to a receiving pail. When the teat is drained of its milk, air enters the cup, allowing the former pressure to relax and the teat is again filled with milk from the udder. Vacuum is once more created in the teat cup, which again collapses, pressing out the milk into the tube, and it then passes to be received as before. The exhaustion is, of course, effected by means of an airpump, which can be worked by the motive power most convenient. connection with the actual milking, the teat cup is by far the most important part of the machine. Great difficulty was experienced in getting the cup manufactured on account of the complications of movement required in imitating the calf's lip and tongue, special machinery having to be manufactured for this alone. These teat cups are about the size of an ordinary wineglass, are made of flexible india-rubber, and are adapted to any cow. The four cups join at the bottom with a tube attached long enough to carry the milk to the glass cylinder or trap on the top of the pail, another tube connecting this glass pipe with the exhaust pipe running overhead and to which it is screwed in. When the cups are placed on the teats, the exclusion of air complete, and the machine in full working order, the milk begins to flow, not in a continuous stream, as most people imagine, but intermittently, streaming into the glass receiver with each respiration of the pulsometer, just as it did when the hand closed on the test in the act of milking, the momentary interval between each stroke being exactly the same. By aid of the glass or the attendant is able when the milk ceases to flow, and then remove the cups at once. Should the suction go on, however, after the milk ceases to flow, no injury will be done. This has been fully borne out by practical experiment. It is also worthy of note that the milk "froths" up in the pail just the same as if done by the hand. The friction used by this "Thistle" machine is so gentle that the cows seem to enjoy being milked by it. A "Thistle" hand machine for four cows, with a woman and a lad, is capable of milking thirty cows in less time than four women can do it. It costs £45, but larger machines are being fitted to milk large numbers at a time—the number being dependent on the available power which is fitted up.

-The Cable (London).

#### Points About a Good Milch Cow.

It is strange how many people will, in choosing a cow, take one that is well built, of a heavy muscle, wellrounded sides, etc. The good milch cow is just the reverse; she has a long, lean neck, a narrow back and is generally "slab-sided." Her muscles are very small, but hard and firm. good, at least as valuable a milch cow as we ever saw was the ugliest one. But the man who buys cows for the profit there is in it will not generally be governed by the good looks if he is successful.

A small cow of the right type is much more desirable than a large one of the beefy build. One point that is greatly in her favor is the size of the Jersey. It is agreed on by men of authority that the amount of food required for sustaining life and repairing vaste, or what is usually known as a maintenance ration, is in proportion to the size of the animal, i. e., an animal weighing 700 pounds will require more food for this purpose than one weighing 400 pounds, and this food must be given before any return can be looked for in the milk bucket or churn, and this difference of cost of maintenance ration when extended over the entire milking period of 100 animals is a large and very important item and should receive more consideration. A cow that puts on fat does it at the expense of the butter tub.—Exchange.

#### Give the Cows More Food.

A man would be considered crazy if he required power from an engine which needed forty pounds of steam to furnish it and he supplied only enough coal to get thirty-five pounds pressure on the boiler. He could use tons and tons of coal during the winter if he shoveled in only enough to keep the pressure at thirty-five pounds, and he would have nothing but ashes and a worn-out boiler to show for his time and coal. Now substitute the word cows for boiler and feed for coal and see how it reads. It would be something like this: A man has a cow which needs fifteen pounds of food per day to keep her alive, and for every pound above that she would give three pounds of milk. If he gives her only fifteen pounds a day he could keep her all winter and in the spring a heap of manure is all there is for his feed and work, while if he should feed her twenty pounds or more a day he would get enough milk to pay for the feed and a profit besides. There are thousands and thousands of dairymen who are working upon the plan of the man with the engine. They give their cows only enough feed to keep them alive, or if they do give them any more it is not enough to get the most out of them. Not more than one-tenth of the cows in this country produce as much as they are capable of doing or give as much profit as they might, and it is only because of the lack of a little more feed. Four cows will eat what five ordinarily get and give as much or more milk than the five did for this fourth extra of feed. Here is a saving of one cow and the work necessary to care for her. As a rule, dairymen would find it more profitable to feed their cows 25 per cent. more or to decrease the size of their herd 20 per cent. and feed the same amount of food to the balance.—Practical Dairyman.

#### Scrub Feeders.

Before the New York Dairymen's Association H. H. Matteson said: "Coming along up here to-day I came by a herd of cattle that I know. That man sold everything he had and put a pile of money into a herd of cattle, and was calculating to roll the shekels into his coffers right along. Recently I talked to him, and he said, 'I never saw a herd so poor in all my life.' It was then about 8 o'clock in the morning, and that man had these cattle out in the mud, browsing. He had the breeding but had forgotten the feeding and care of these cattle, and he is condemning to-day the man who talked about breeding stock. And he said, 'I had rather have the old scrub dairy that I had on the farm five years ago than to have two like this.' That is why we are condemned and called cranks, be-cause we are asking for just as much

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#### Cream Separator Patents.

There have recently been several imporant decisions in the United States courts regarding centrifugal cream separator patent rights, which are deserving the attention of those interested in any way in

these machines.
On June 18, Judge Coxe, sitting in the United States Circuit court for the Northern district of New York, at Canandaigua, N. Y., granted a decree, inclusive of a perpetual injunction, sustaining the material claims of the von Bechtolsheim patent better and commercially known as the "Alpha" De Laval patent, in the suit of the De Laval Separator Co., of New York, against Samuel Hotchkiss, of Delaware county, New York, who had been making and selling a cream separator with an in-terior bowl device, thus held to infringe the "Alpha" patent as charged by the De Laval Company.

Following this decision, Judge Wallace, sitting in the United States Circuit court at Syracuse, N. Y., on August 20, granted an injunction against John Houston, of Hamden, Delaware county, New York, an owner and user of one of the so-called Hotchkiss separators, which injunction restrains Houston from the further use of such machine.

These decisions are of no little interest to creamerymen and dairymen, and for that matter to the public generally, since it is maintained that the centrifugal cream separator, which has already revolutionized the existing conditions of the separation of cream from milk, is soon to be introduced in a form for household use, that we may perhaps "grind" the cream for our coffee as we now do the coffee itself.

The centrifugal separator patents have long been in litigation. The De Laval Company was practically the pioneer in the introduction of these machines, but of late years various concerns previously making gravity cream setting appliances have taken up the manufacture of the centrifugal machines as well. The De Laval Company has bitterly resented this trespass upon its claimed rights, and infringement proceedings under its patents, in which it claims to have invested and expended nearly a million dollars, have been brought in several States.

In its later machines, the De Laval Company has practically abandoned the older pany has practically abandoned the older types of separator construction and now uses what is termed the "Alpha" process, consisting of an interior device dividing the milk in the revolving separator bowl. It is this new and improved "Alpha" patent which the United States courts now sustain and hold other machines to infringe in the use of bowl dividing appliances.

It is not definitely known how broad the scope of the present decisions may be as regards their immediate bearing upon the manufacture and use of asserted infringing machines other than the ones specifically

machines other than the ones specifically sued upon in these actions. It will be noted that, in the decisions ren-dered, the user is held equally responsible with the manufacturer, and in simple protection of self-interests any purchaser of an appliance, the subject of pending litigation or likely to be involved in costly infringe ment proceedings, should exercise due cau

Germs of tuberculosis have been discovered in samples of milk taken from a herd of cows owned by a dairyman who is selling milk in the city of Ottumwa, Iowa. We understand that the milk in one of the samples was very thick and viscid, and contained large quantities of pus. Selling milk of this kind, which is plainly unhealthy, should be made a criminal offense.

One thing is often overlooked, and that is the thorough stirring of the cream every time a fresh lot is added. In doing this care must be taken to mix not only from the bottom, but also from the sides, as cream adhering to the sides and not being distributed or mixed with the fresher becomes, in a measure, decomposed and imparts a bad flavor to the whole lot of cream when it is put in the churn.

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SWELLINGS ON HORSES.—Will you tell us what ails our horses? They get swellings on their breasts larger than the crown of a man's hat, and it runs back between the fore legs. They are not sick and are in good condition. The fourth one has it now. H. C. Sedgwick, Kas.

Answer.-I have treated many cases such as you describe and have invariably found them due to some injury-a kick or from rubbing against some object. If these are not due to the same cause I am unable to say more without St. Louis in a Blaze of Glory--Seven Weeks an examination.

LAME FOOT.—I have a mare that kicked and drove the end of the sidebar of the buggy over an inch in the bottom of the foot near the center. I treated her for four weeks but she grew worse, and I got a veterinarian, who pared out the bottom of her foot and she got better and is not much and she got better and is not much lame now but handles the foot as if she had string-halt, and there is an enlargement at the crown of the hoof.
Will she ever be sound? T. P. T. Batcham, Kas.

Answer.—The nerve has been injured and she may always have a defective gait.

INFLAMED UDDER.—I have a mare that has one side of her udder caked and broke open in several places. What can I do with it? J. P. F. Spring Hill, Kas.

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#### Weather Report for August, 1895.

Prepared by Professor F. H. Snow, of the University of Kansas, from observations taken at Lawrence:

The past month has been especially remarkable for its large amount of rainfall. The rainfall for the month reached 12.3 inches, which exceeds the average by over eight inches, and which exceeds by over three inches that of any other August in the twenty-seven years immediately pre-ceding. In twenty-four consecutive hours 5.38 inches of rain fell. Only once in the next twenty-eight, wears has this been past twenty-eight years has this been

The rainfall, too, for the eight months of the year, now completed, is more than twelve inches above the average for the same months in the preceding twenty-seven years. The month of August has also been remarkably cool. On only five days did the mercury reach 90°. The relative humidity and cloudiness for the month were high and the run of wind rather low.

Mean temperature was 74.87°, which is .54° below the August average. The highest was 94.5°, on the 18th; the lowest was 57.5° on the 1st, giving a monthly range of 37°. On only five days did the mercury

reach 90°. Mean temperature at 7 a. m., 70.08°; at 2 p. m., 88.03°; at 9 p. m., 72.19°. Rainfall was 12.3 inches, which is 8.17 inches above the August average. Rain fell in measurable quantities on eleven days. There were eight thunder storms. The entire rainfall for the eight months of the year now completed is 35.66 inches, which is 12.24 inches above the average for the same months in the twenty-seven preceding years.

Mean cloudiness was 46.28 per cent. of the sky, which is 11.68 per cent. above August average. Number of clear days (less than one-third cloudy), eleven; half clear (one to two-thirds cloudy), ten; cloudy (more than two-thirds), ten. There were two entirely clear days, and two entirely cloudy. Mean cloudiness at 7 a. m., 49.03 per cent.; at 2 p. m., 47.41 per cent.; at

9 p. m., 42.41 per cent.
Wind was southwest twenty-nine times; southeast, eight times; south, twenty-two times; east, fourteen times; north, five times; northeast, ten times; west, three times; northwest, two times. Total run of the wind was 7,719.5 miles, which is 

a mean daily average of 249 miles, and a mean hourly velocity of 10.3 miles. The highest velocity was 40 miles an hour,

between 2 and 3 p. m. on the 23d. Barometer.—Mean for the month, 29.060 inches; at 7 a. m., 29.080 inches; at 2 p. m., 29.065 inches; at 9 p. m., 29.026 inches; maximum, 29.198 inches, on the 31st; minimum, 28.748 inches, on the 26th; monthly range, .45 inch.

Relative Humidity.-Mean for the month, 79.46 per cent.; at 7 a. m., 87.41; at 2 p. m., 63.80; at 9 p. m., 87.19; greatest, 100, at 7 a. m. on the 14th, 21st and 25th and at 9 p. m. on the 4th, 14th and 23d; least, 42 per cent. at 2 p. m. on the 3d. There was one fog during the month.

#### Harvest and Home-Seekers' Excursions.

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company will sell tickets at greatly reduced rates on September 10 and 24, to points in Missouri, Kansas and Texas. For further particulars address G. A. McNutt, D. P. A., 1044 Union avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

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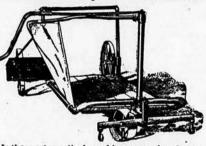
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Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 2.—Cattle—Receipts since Saturday, 7,372 caives, 868; shipped Saturday, 2,402 cattle, no caives. The market was slow, with a weak tendency as a rule. Calves, some cases, were \$1 per head higher. The following are representative sales:

DRESSED BEEF AND SHIPPING STEERS.

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19 1,272 84.80 81 Tex 1,001 3.25	811,228 81.45 80997 3.25
74 Tex 997 3.25 11,210 3.00	26 Ind 855 2.90
TEXAS AND IN	DIAN STEERS.
72 992 \$3.30	171,020 \$3.25
133 1,000 3.15	78 994 8.15
6 893 2.90	92 918 2.95
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69 win1,200 \$2.90	76 win1,048 \$3.05
	INDIAN COWS.
27 884 \$2.60	29 668 \$2.45
8 760 2.15	
2 830 2.00	2 870 1.75
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10 871 \$2.95	1 1 1,210 \$2.90
9 890 2.75	1 880 2.75
12 897 2.75	51,267 2.75
11,210 2.65	11 980 2.63
8 676 2.50	11,120 2.50
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1 840 2.00	2 565 2.00
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1 870 1.75 1 1,080 1.75
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4 957 83.75 21 891 83.70
57 1,005 8.55 23 836 3.55
1 730 8.00 1 660 3.00
19 495 2.70 7 462 2.70

Hogs—Receipts, since Saturday, 1,196; shipped Saturday, 162. The market was strong to 5 cents higher. The following are representative sales:
8 215 84.35 48 168 84.30 84.196 \$4.30

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8...215 \$4.35 | 48...168 \$4.30 | 84...196 \$4.30
20...205 4.27½ 53...281 4.22½ 10...200 4.22½
70 In 183 4.01 | 4...115 4.00 | 10...114 4.03
26 In 208 3.90 | 20...68 3.50 |
Sheep — Receipts since Saturday, 3,025;
shipped Saturday, 110. The market was generally steady. The following are representative sales: 251 N. M. st.. 73 \$3.83 | 758...... 86 \$2.82½ 298...... 77 2.25

foreign buyers are looking around.

Chicago Live Stock.
CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 19,000;
natives stronger; rangers 10@15c lower; fair to

best beeves \$3.40@5.65; stockers and feeders. \$2.25@4.00; mixed cows and bulls, \$1.20@3.75; Texas, \$2.90@3.40; western, \$3.90@4.30.

Hogs—Receipts, 17,000; market active and prices 5c higher; light, \$3.95@4.55; rough packing, \$3.90@4.10; mixed and butchers, \$4.03 @4.60; heavy packing and shipping, \$4.15@4.60; pigs, \$2.40@4.45.

Sheep-Receipts, 17,000; market steady; native, \$1.50(\$3.40; western, \$2.00@3.00; Texas, \$1.50@2.00; lambs, \$3.00@5.00.

#### Kansas City Produce.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 2.—Butter—Market firm; good dairies scarce; considerable poor stock coming in; extra fancy separator, 17c; fair, 144@15%c; dairy, fancy, firm, 14c; fair, 12c; store packed, fresh, 9@11c; off grade, 8c.
Eggs—Price of eggs is firm; candled stock,

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Poultry—Receipts heavy: market weak on springs. Hens, 6c; springs, 8c; roosters, 15c. Turkeys, wanted at 7c, except springs, which are worthless. Ducks, 5½c; springs, 8c. Geese, not wanted, 3%@4c; springs, 7c. Pigeons, 75c@ 150 per doz.

\$1.00 per doz.

Frutts—Apples, market glutted and slow; 15

@30c per bu., according to quality; 75c@\$1.00 per
bbl.; home grown stock sells a little higher in a
small way; shipping stock, 20@25c per bu.;
\$1.00@1.25 per bbl.; crabapples, 60@75c per
bu.; common grades, prices uneven;
fancy packed stand apples, 25@40c per bu. box.
Peaches, 3upply moderate to-day; freestones,
20@30c per peck; 35@60c per ½ bu.; 70c@\$1.00 per
bu.; shipped stock, freestones, choice to
fancy, 40@60c per ½ bu. box; 40@60c per 4
basket crate; 75c@\$1.00 per 6-basket crate;
clingstones,20@25c per ½ bu. box. Minor plums,
25c per peck; Damson plums, 40@50c per peck,
\$1.75@2.00 per bu.; wild plums, 50@60c per peck,
\$1.75@2.00 per bu.; wild plums, 50@60c per bu.
Pears, home grown, 20@25c per peck, 40@50c per
½ bu.; shipped, 30@40c per ½ bu. box, \$1.00
per bu.; small sugar pears, 80c@\$1.00 per bu.
Vegetables—Potatocs, steady, 20c per bu.
in car lots; fancy large, 23c per bu; 25c
in small way; sweet potatoes, 30@35c per bu
in small way. Cabbage, home grown, 15@20c
per doz.; medium to common, 10@15c. Onions,
new, 25c per bu. Fruits-Apples, market glutted and slow; 15

new, 25c per bu.

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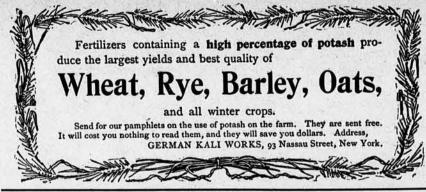
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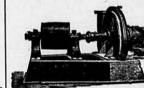
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FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 21, 1895.

Shawnee county-Chas. T. McCabe, clerk. COLT—Taken up by W. R. Stillman, in Tecum-seh tp., one bay yearling colt, left front foot white; valued at \$10.

MARE—By same, one dark bay mare, about 5 years old, left hind foot white; valued at \$20.

FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 28, 1895.

Cloud county-Thos. Lomay, clerk. BTEER—Taken up by Joseph Jantsen, in Law-rence tp. (P.O. Hollis), August 5, 1895, one red steer, coming 2, dehorned; valued at \$14.

Woodson county—H. H. McCormick, clerk. MARE—Taken up by J. A. Hale, in Eminence tp., (P. O. Rose), August 20, 1895, one brown mare, no marks or brands; valued at \$15.

Greeley county-Robt. Eadie, clerk.

HORSE—Taken up by Lewis Chapman, in Tribune tp., (P. O. Tribune), August 9, 1895, one bay mare, weight 1,000 pounds, bar on left shoulder; valued at \$20.

MARE—By same, one bay mare, weight 800 pounds, bar brand on left shoulder; valued at \$20.

HORSE—By same, one brown horse, weight 1,000 pounds, bar brand on left shoulder; valued at \$20.

Chapman on the shoulder; valued at \$20. Cherokee county-P. M. Humphrey, clerk. MARE—Taken up by Joseph Culp, in Lowell tp., August 12, 1895, one roan mare, 12 years old, blase face, left hind foot white, blemish on left knee.

Hodgeman county — John L. Wyatt, clerk.

MULE—Taken up by D. C. Smith, in Hallet tp.,

(P. O. Laurel), August 5, 1895, one sorrel mare mule,
4 years old, no marks or brands; valued at \$25.

#### FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 4, 1895.

Stevens county-Daniel Forker, clerk.

HORSE—Taken up by J. A. Bidpath, of Moscow, one spotted horse, 12 years old, Spanish brand; valued at \$3.25.

HORSE—By same, one bay horse, fifteen hands high, 7 years old, branded D. D. H.; valued at \$12.60.

HORSE—By same, one bay horse, fifteen hands high, 4 years old, branded 7; valued at \$14.

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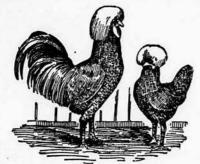
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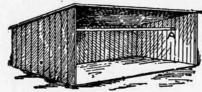
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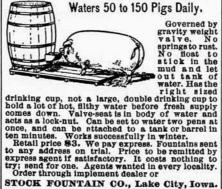
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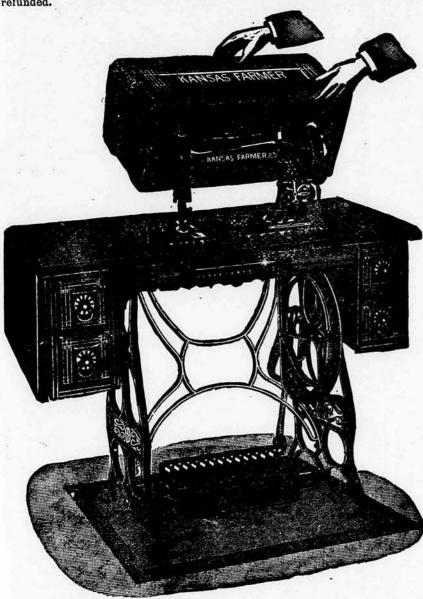
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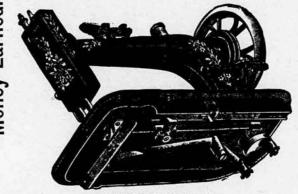
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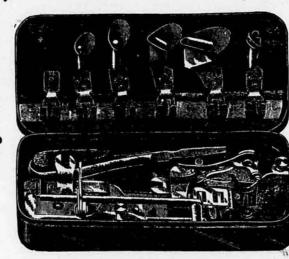
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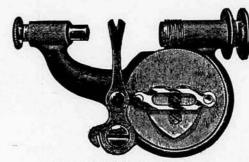
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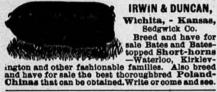
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# SECOND ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE OF CHOICE POLAND-CHINAS

Hiawatha, Kansas, Wednesday, September 18th, 1895.

From the herd of Martin Meisenheimer, Hiawatha, Brown county, Kausas, when will be offered to the swine-breeding public, without reserve or by-bid, at home, on the farm, near Hiawatha, about fifty-four head, including that grand hog, Tecumseh Free Trade 10783, farrowed August 20, 1822, sired by Tecumseh Chip 2d 7669, he by Tecumseh Chip 2d 7689, he sire being Free Trade 4420, the 850 hog. This is not only a grandly-bred hog, but an extra good individual, a grand breeder and pronounced by competent judges to be the best hog in the State of Kansas. He has the regulation Poland-Chius boar's face, good head and ears, full, graceful chest, good shoulders and heart girth, a long, arched, broad back, wide, deep hams, well down on hock, even top and bottom lines, very heavy bone, and stands straight upon his feet has a coat of black with white points. This is his measurement: Heart 72, fiank 69, length 67 inches. Will also sell three fall boars and ten broad sows, that I have selected for my own use. Most of these are bred to Tecumseh Free Trade 10783, the rest to Bourbon Wilkes, due to farrow in September and October. Also about forty of the tops of the spring pigs, streed by six grandly-bred boars, Tecumseh Free Trade 10783, Butler's Darkness 6846, L.'s Tecumseh 13152, Young Free Trade 11107, U. S. Nemo 13345 and Young Victor M. 13325.

TERMS OF SALE:—A credit of one year will be given on all amounts over \$15, with approved notes, bearing 8 per cent. Interest from date. Two per cent. discount for cash on all amounts above \$15. Fifteen dollars and less, cash without discount. Parties from a distance will please bring good bank references. Bids sent by mall or telegram, stating extreme limit of price, will receive as careful attention as though bidder were present in person.

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