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READY LEADS THE WAY AND GAINS THE DAY

JOHN D. KNOX. Men are led by trifles .- Napoleon. Make hay while the sun shines. Confidence is the companion of success.

Capital is as the army prepared for battle, as the farmer ready for winter, as the smith striking when the iron is hot. Ready capital is king. "Wealth will prevail over the destitute. The commercial races will always succeed at last in buying out or conquering their savage neighbors. No other issue is possible unless they adopt the arts of their trading or conquering neighbors. The savage races in contrast with the civilized, must submit either to be swept away, or to adopt the arta of civilization."-Trade and Letters, Page 140.

Ready money is a remedy for many ills, and keeps far away many ills, and not among the least is the nightmare on the land out of

many into straighted sircumstances and financial ruin. The past and the present loom up before me and I hear the groaning of many

men oppressed with debt. Here is a Centennial contrast. First, as 'Poor Richard" bad it, in 1776 :

> "Farmers at the plow. Wite milking the cow.
> Daughter spinning yarn,
> Son threshing in the barn.
> All happy to a charm."

And now for the modern improvement in

"Farmers go to see a show, Daughter at the piano, Madam gally dressed in satin, All the boys learning Latin, With a mortgage on the farm,"

Knowledge is a good thing, but we should make it do good, do us good, and not evil. men usually get learning to help them make a living, not in idleness but in wisely directed effort. It should prepare us for many emergencies. A knowledge of same things is of little value. .

But money is knowledge, sometimes, of a weary brain and sore limbs. Money is toil and self-denial on the part of some one. The highest enjoyment comes after pain, and even pain is sweetened if the toil and self-denial have a noble object in view. We must work to live as God would have us live, and toil and life and gain are sacred, requiring on your part care, prudence and wisdom.

David H. Wheeler, D. D. in the Methodist, writes: "By a scarcity of money we usually mean a deficient surplus of stored up wages. There must be always such a deficiency as to individual desires. The most precious commodall over with the image of our best selves, and it is superscribed with the law of self-denial. It ought to be hard to get without ample security and fair wages for its use. You are buying a man when you purchase it. Nothing in the world ought to be more difficult to get by delusive promises. We may safely admit there is always too little of it. Prodigality and negligence, idleness and thieves, exorbitant demands of government and lying vaniclose to the margin of his daily wants. There will never be enough capital until men are sufficiently, that is wholly, industrious, prudent, faithful and just. But in an honest world every laborer would have money to lend." Again: "Practically, the want of money means that many people have lived beyond their means, or entered into engagements which they cannot fulfill."

Doubtless many persons with but little money have all they deserve or can wisely manage, or it may be they are civilized beyoud their worldly wisdom. To have very refined tastes and be destitute of energy and thrift, we must eat up the wealth other hands have accumulated or self-denial stored up, or to be repining sufferers and constant grumblers at our fate. It is safe to say my readers are good consumers of wholesome and pleasant food, of the beautiful about their persons and houses, as well as the seeming necessaries; still self-denial is a duty demanded by thrift. manhood, independence and inture psefulness

Some thoughts, well worthy of serious consideration, are here condensed from the Smirit of Kansus on being "Driven and Pinched"driven by work and pinched for money:

There are two serious drawback to the farmers contentment and welfare; one is he is "driven," the other is he is "pinched" for money. Both are extremely unpleasant in their results; he will do well to grapple with these perplexing problems. Both of them are lions in his path and create a deal of anxiety and discomfort. If any way in the world can be contrived by which the tarmer can do his work more lefsurely and thoroughly and at the right time, it would be a great relief removing a burden of care and a source of irritation which are annoying in the extreme and of constant pressure. Loss and waste are continually occurring from an inability of being in two places at once, of doing work in the proper season. It is needless to particularize the manifold difficulties which beaet the farmer in this respect. He feels them every day of his life and would get rid of them If he knew how. If the farmer, driven by his work, will fast summon up courage and resolution and a determination to act at once, he can soon become master of the altuation and inches high, when I pot them off singly into bring order out of confusion. This being two inch pots. "driven" is the bane of the farmer's life and

and a determination to conquer.

fruitful source of trouble and annoyance to pured, and the vines carefully trained up the many of what is termed our best farmers. To string. meet this difficulty requires no small amount of nerve and courage. No half-way measures but not so vigorously as when partially will answer. A year or two of hard fighting shaded during the heat of the day, but it will bushel. of close economy, of careful management, of do little good where it does not get some sun, wise spending, and frugal living will be pret- at least for an hour or two during the day. ty sure to accomplish the object simed at. We advise nothing mean nor sordid, but only a sturdy simplicity, a determination to be independent, to live within means and to keep out the red spider. The most effectual remedy of debt.

As an aid to economy and simplicity of living, we would advise the farmer to keep a strict account of expenses, and to put down the cost of every item bought, and every dollar and dime and cent paid out. We think one year's close attention to book-keeping, a detailed and exact balance sheet of debt and credit, would do more to help the farmer out of his "pinched" money condition, than any other one thing he could do. Who will be persuaded to try the experiment? It will not be costly, but if faithfully parried out would prove a success.

Topeka, Kaneas.

SHERP, THE POOR MAN'S PRIEND.

I have taken an especial interest in a small way in Atchison Co., as well as in Washington, in sheep husbandry for the last twenty-

Wool has never been so low but what it has paid for the investment, cartailed my stare bill, and, by exchanging my wool, as I do now, with the Blue Rapids woolen factory for cloth and blankets, my family are warmly olad, and the cloth being so much superior to shoddy, lasts longer. I have usually bought common grades of Missouri or Iowa sheep: keeping a full-blooded Cotswold buck with my flock; the result is, my sheep are superior in size, meeting the market demand for mutton, and the freece is fine and long, bringing the highest price in the market. For feed I have found the New German millet, and corn fodder with hay superior to anything else, apt to leave the ground seeded the following year to foxtail, and is too easy a prey to the chiech bug. The same is true of common millet. I raised this year German millet that grew on the high prairie 51/2 feet high, with broad blade, sweet and soft stem and the head 7 inches long by 3 in width; when threshed it vielded me 50 bushels to the acre of seed and 3% tons of hay, which is then superior to any other food for sheep. Toemuch of the bay before threshing must not be fed to ewee as its cathartic effect is apt to indirectly produce abortion and cause them to loose their lambs. The seed I grind and feed to my hoge. This crop alone will carry a flock of sheep through the winter in good condition. In one instance this summer, I sowed a mixture of common millet with the German; the result was the chinch bugs left a neighbor's field, passed over and destroyed the common, and left the German millet to mature at 31-2 feet high, triumphant and alone. Sheep are the poor man's friend, the poor man's stock. It costs but little to get a start. The women and the little children delight to care for them, and I hope to see the day hastened when the shoddy clad, and shivering, thinly clothed families of our Kansas plains will be wrapped in the genial warmth of their own flocks. Economy should be the order of the day, and this stem alone would save thousands to the farmers of Kanese.

e. w.

CULTIVATING BMILAX.

EDITORS FARMER: In your paper some weeks since, there was an inquiry regarding the method of growing smilar, and as no one has answered, and as I have had some experience with it, I will give some hints on the same, hoping to partially answer the question. I find little difficulty in starting the seed early in the spring by the same process under which I start early vegetable seeds, such as tomato, egg-plant, etc. I pour over the seeds hot water and allow them to stand in it from one to three days, and sow in drills in a gentle hotbied or box of earth, and treat as other seeds until the young plants are shout two

The after care is simple, only baving care must be in some way overcome. We believe to keep them moist and partially shaded from my toll and good interest for my land, I get which our living should come. But pride, the difficulty can be met and surmounted by the full glare of the sun, giving them pot- seventy-one dollars profit over and above all chine grease from washable fabrics.

laziness and false views of life have brought any one who possesses firmness of purpose room as the roots fill the pots, and strings to expenses climb on as the vines show a tendency to run. The being "pinched" for money is another The soil should be quite strong and well ma-

The plant will grow in the full sunshine,

One of the greatest drawbacks to its successful culture is the ravages of that insidious enemy to many of our choicest house-plantswhich I have found is the free use of water on the leaves, and when possible a moist atmosphere on the plants, which is not always prac ticable with window-plants. & syringe, or taining to horticulture and agriculture. the fine rose of a watering pot, is the best means of applying the water.

Hoping the above will answer your correspondent's query, I am,

Yours truly, Monricota. HEADERS.

EDITORS FARMER: Your correspondent "L' in No. 48 of the FARMER, asks me some questions about headers that I will, with your permission, endeavor to answer.

First, as to green grain. Grain-cannot be cut as green with the header as with a binding machine, yet it may be cut as green as it is profitable to have it cut if you will make the ricks narrow, say 8 feet ; it will then cure

The new headers will cut as low se-any other equally well. One of my neighbors who sees reaper, employed a header to cut a piece of crinkled wheat, that he could not save with his machine, and the header did save it.

With regard to threshing, if the heads are elipped off too short, the machine will not take all the wheat out, neither will such grain keep well in the stack if the weather is wet. The straw should be cut from eighteen to wenty inches long, as it loads better, stacks better, and threshes better, and you have most of the value of the straw for feeding.

The concave of the threshing machine erly fed there will not be much waste. A good machine man will soon learn to do this work without wasts.

The headers made last year are a great improvement on the old machines. They are ighter than the eld ones, and the apparatus for raising and lowering the stable is so perfect that almost every head can be picked up

It always gives me pleasure to answer inquiries put in the spirit of your correspondent, as it is in this way that the truth is elicited. I hope others who have used the header will let us hear their experience, whether favorable or unfavorable.

WM. PRIVING Saline Co., Kansas.

CORN-GROWING AT A PROPER.

I notice an article of Mr. Slosson's in vone paper of the 4th inst, entitled, "Are We Getting Wealthy?" which shows he is not, by reporting a ten-acre corn crop to have cost bim \$72, which was worth but \$48, and then blames the monied aristogracy, for the rosalt and says, "To save ourselves from atter ruin night. and abject elavery, farmers, mechanics, miners, and all sorts of laborers, must unite, and hurl from power those whose only object seems to be to enslave the people and fill their own pockets," etc. Now, Mr. S., does hurling anybody from power grow you any more corn? Would unlocking the safes containing the gold be the means of any one getting any unless they had something to exchange for it? All this stuff about the monied aristocracy, despots, etc., is all gammon.

Let us now talk about a little business and bard sense. I have just fluished gathering tourteen acres corn, and after Mr. Slosson's style, I will charge interest on value of ground:

Fourteen acres, at \$10 per acre.	\$140 00
Ten per cent, laterest	14 00
Plowing	17 50
Dragging	3 50
Planting one way	3 25

Cost per bushel, ten cents, and worth twenty cents. Our cattle men would be glad to pay me twenty cents per bushel for my corn. Now in addition to getting good wages for

This, Mr. S, is the solution of the hardtimes problem. When you can't grow enough grain to pay for your labor, sell out and come to our Garden of Eden, where corn will grow and cattle and sheep turn your corn into money at the rate of thirty to forty cents per

I will give you s report, next week, of a neighbor's crop that beats mine, he being a practical farmer and I a mere novice. My farm is on upland prairie. H. S. Daw Parkerville Kangas

BUDDING AND GRAPTING PEACHES.

It is supposed that the editors of Agricultual papers are fully posted on all subjects per-

Will peaches grow readily from spring grafting? This fall was rather unfavorablefor budding. Many thousands of trees were lett unbudded the past fall. If grafting came be done in the spring on young seedling peaches, successfully, I think the farmers should be posted on the subject, so that mai my of them might take an interest in thematter, and do their own grafting, and thereby secure their own trees at a very trifling expense. Several young seeding peaches have years, that are earlier than the Amsden Juneby several days, and the fruit far superior tothat variety, being larger and finer flavored. R. W. GARDY.

Mound City, Labette Co.

Peach trees cannot be profitably grafted. resper, and will save lodged or crinkled grain. Almost every nursery in the U. S. bad their equally well. One of my neighbors who save peach trees. Cut off the trees on a level with the ground next spring, and a strong shoot will grow which can be budded in the fall. EDS. FARMER

AGRICULTURAL WEDICHSES.

The country being about tired of trying how much frost the Eucalyptus will stand, the Baltimore Gazette calls attention to the fact that a very fine article of Sweitzer choose can be made from the milk of the cocoanut. The cocoanut could be very prefitably enitivated in the Banana zone, along the northern Pacific railway. Gan. Dook has it in his er, too, to simplify the labor question by thtreducing the bread-fruit tree in this sountry. It is believed that by crossing the bread-fruit tree with some active variety of spring wheat, a species of vegetation could be produced from which the agile greenbacker could pick hishet rolls in the morning without a particle of labor. By grafting the bread-fruit tree on our common batternut tree, it is thought thatthe solendid buttered weffles, so much in vogue with the bondholders and lickspittle capitalists, could be produced in profusion and. at little cost or no .- Gandeners' Monthly.

. We protest against this merciless quizzing four Commissioner of Agriculture. [RDS.

WORTH KNOWING.

Milk which has changed may be sweetened er rendered fit for use again by stirring in a little sods Salt will curdle new milk; hence, in pas-

paring milk porridge, gravies, ear, the salt bould not be added: until the disk is prepared. Fresh meat, beginning to sour, will sweeten if placed out of doors in the sool air over;

Clear boiling water will remove tea stains. Pour the water through the stain and thusprevent it spreading over the fabric.

A teaspoontul of turpentiae, boiled with your white clothes, will greatly aid the whiteaing process.

Boiling starch is much improved by the addition of spesm, or salt, or both, er a little gum arabic, dissolved.

Beeswax and salt will make your rusty flatirons as clean and smooth as glass Tie a lump of wax in a rag and keep it for that purpose. When the from are hot, rub them first with the wax rag, then shour with a paper or closh sprinkled with salt.

Blue eintment and kerosene mixed in equal proportions and applied to bedsteade, is an unfailing bug remedy, and a coas of whitewash is the same for the walls of a log house.

Kerosene will soften boots and shoes that have been bardened by water, and will render them pliable as new.

Kerosene will make your tea kettle as bright as new. Saturate a woolen rag and rub with it. It will also remove stains from the clean varnished furniture.

Cold rain water and soap will remove ma-

Grop Notes.

From Cloud County. Nov. 16th .- I do not see anything in your the results. paper from our county, and although we. Corn is only a medium crop this sesson; are new comers here, perhaps I can say something that may interest some one.

unteers. It has an area of 720 square Emigration large. No vacant lands in this per acre. There has been a good deal of drive any the locate with an area of the square of miles, nearly if not quite all being tillable land. It is well watered, the Republican river running through the northeastern porous tributaries, affords a bountiful supply of ing to sleet and snow at night. This is the water for all purposes. The Solomon river passes through the town of Solomon in the southwest corner of this county. The Solomon valley is considered by all to be one of the finest in the state. The average to wholly overcome this difficulty, but then could not sell. There has been a great deal elder, ash and walnut. There is thought to out the entire county, and already there are | cold weather yet. some successful mines in operation. Coal can be bought here for \$2,25 per ton.

There are several thriving towns in this county. Concordia, the county seat, is situated on the Republican river, III miles from Topeka, and is a busy, thriving town that would do credit to an older state than Kansas. It has some fine buildings built of the magnesian limestone that is so plentiful here. Along the Central Branch railroad that runs through the northern part of the county, are several towns, the principal ones being Clyde, Concordia, Buffalo Junction and Jamestown; the last two being new towns, and offering good induce-

The inhabitants of the county are nearly all from the eastern states, a wide-awake, active people, ever alive to their own interests and the state of their adoption. School-houses and churches are scattered throughout the entire county, thus giving the children an opportunity of becoming honest and reliable citizens. Teachers' wages average \$22.50 per month. There are three papers' published in the countytwo at Concordia and one at Clyde.

Farmers, generally, are grain-raisers, though a few are now turning their attention to stock-raising. Some as fine cattle and of sheep.

There is a steady tide of emigration going west, and it is a constant wender to me where the people will all find homesteads. There will be much suffering in the western counties this coming winter amongst the emigrants, unless they are better supplied with money than "movers" generally are. LOUISE.

The season thus far has been very favorable for farm work. The corn crop is mostly gathered in, and so far as I have observed and heard is about one-fourth; less per acre than last year. I have noticed whole fields almost totally destroyed by chinch bugs. My crops are more or less damaged every yearby this peet. My corn crop will average about thirtyfive bushels per acre, and this, I am told, is above the average of the neighborhood. The autumn has been a little too dry for fall-sown wheat, yet the early sown looks tolerably well. The acreage is certainly a third, possibly one-half less than last year. My winter wheat averaged twenty bushels per acre, this will pay even at sixty cents a bushel.

A comparatively large acreage of Grass or Odessa wheat was sown, which proved almost a total failure on account of Cap Rust in the early part of the season. A few parties in this vicinity who sowed in the fall late, or early in the winter on fall plowed land had fair crops. I am plowing now for this crop, intending to sow the latter part of this month or the first of next." The hay cut was heavier than usual and was generally put up in good condition and as a consequence the price is very low-only three dollars a ton in Manhattan.

Cattle are looking well, and I hear of none dying from eating corn smut. Potatoes were comparatively few and small and as a consequence the price has ranged higher than usual-being from forty to sixty cents per bushel Oats and rye were good and are worth twenty and thirty cents respectively.

This was an off year with us in the fruit crop. Peaches in this vicinity were wormy and worthless. Apples fair but few. My orchard yielded fifty bushels this year, and fourhundred last. Welcome Wells had four hundred bushels this year. Out of more than fifty varieties, not more than a dozen have proved themselves profitable with me. Of these the Ben Davis, a fine appearing though wretchedly poor eating apple, heads the list.

W. MARLOTT.

From Rice County.

Dec. 9 .- The area of fall grain sown, is very ing looks well, the general prospect is not so inds of fruit. The timber is as good as any past year.

pers, with the Odessa wheat, determined, if We have a good water mill on the Delaware general assortment of small and standard ica. His name is Royal Hopeful Photograph, possible, to keep their acreage good and risk in Kentucky township. With these temarks | Iruits. In 1874, everything was killed down and was purchased of Hewer Brothers, of Bels

other crops very good. Stock looks well, and all kinds, except horses, are healthy. There is ne hog cholers. Cattle are thriving well on the range yet without leed. Horses corn, and that is little less than fodder. There brought here from the east are subject to corn, and that is little less than fodder. There ally shared the same fate. The two-year-old the champion boar the same day, beating blind-staggers, and many of them die from it. named in honor of Wm. F. Cloud, a colocounty except railroad lands. FARMER.

From Allen County. Dec. 2d .- Yesterday it rained all day, turnfirst storm of any account for four weeks or some plowed in and some crossplowed.

more, consequently the ground had become

Iola are of daily occurrence and none to be shops, two lumberyards, etc. had. One house in that town contains nine looks strange to me that no new residences little snow. are being built. There is certainly capital enough in Iola to supply the increasing demand for houses, but it may be that the past

an overdose of caution. year and the demand still unsatisfied.

Prices of real estate are looking up someand "grow up with the town." Glasco and than for a number of years past. Good, im-Brittsville are small towns on the Solomon proved land is held at from \$15 to \$30 per given satisfaction. There has been quite an Cord-wood is worth \$2.50@\$4.

eges away in the future?

is reported.

Fat hoge are only worth \$2.10; fat cows, \$2; hogs can be found here as you will see in milch cows, \$20@80; wheat, 60@700; corn, the state. There are also some fine flocks 15@20c; potatoes, \$50c; butter, 121/2@15c; eggs, 15c. Farm wages, \$10@\$15. D. D. S.

From Mismi County.

Now that the threshing is done the wheat crop is found to be much below an average; the yield not being over 13 bushels, owing to the open wet winter. There was much more chess in the wheat than usual and of course was worse on flat land than on rolling dry the country. The last crop is nearly all gathered and we think it will not average more then 30 bushels of 70 pounds each; price, 17 and 18 cts. a bushel at Louisburg and 20 cts. at Paols. There was a large breadth sown in cats and the average was about 35 bushels; price 121/2cts. We would say in regard to wheat, that the last sowing was one-third, perhaps, less in acreage than the previous crop, and is looking quite well. We believe that the acreage throughout the country is much less than the previous year, and in view of that fact and the European demand, we of a constitution, and the election of a board of would advise those who can, to hold their officers, as follows: Pres. M. Hoagland; Vicewheat for better prices. Except calves and steers for feeding, the price of stock is lower than ever before. Good horses \$60 to 70; cows. \$15 to 20; two-year-old steers, \$20 to 25, The best hands can be had now for \$15 per month, and many farmers have quit business, and are offering their farms for rent and sale, E. TILTON.

cacy to the latter fruit. From Jefferson County.

good as at this time last year. A great many part of Kansas, some farms being made right are replanting the fields destroyed by 'hop- in heavy timber. It is also well watered, t I will close.

From Trego County.

Our crop notes are but few, there not havgrowth yet, there having been no rains since the ninth of this month; I think there will be a poor stand. Most of it was put in on god,

. There is not much stock here yet except on very dry. Stock-water was also getting very the range. The prairie has all been burned scarce, some people driving stock two or three over this fall, and the cattle men have driven miles for water. This storm is not sufficient their stock all off to have them fed, that they width is eight miles. Timber along the every little helps. On account of the con- of improvement made in this county the past streams is mostly cottonwood, some box- tinued fine weather, farmers are well along season; quite in advance of some of our sister planted in 1875, bore nuts the past season; they with their work. Corn all secured; stock- counties that boast of settlement from five to are three inches in diameter and about twelve be a great plenty of coal for fuel through- sheds and yards all in shape for winter. No seven years. Wa Keeney, our intended county-seat, one year ago did not have a building. We have received our full share of new and now they can boast of two dry goods and comers the present season, both in the towns grocery stores, two drug stores, one hotel runand country, every house and shanty being ning and one other nearly complete, three full to overflowing. Inquiries for houses in restaurants, two blacksmith shops, two repair

How is that for a town less than one year families, others two, four, and so on. It old? We have had fine weather except one

MORRIS COUNTY PROSPECTS. The prospects of Morris county are more Yew years of reverses have given our people encouraging as time progresses. The grass in a dry time. Mr. Dimmock found hoeing or Odessa wheat has proved a failure, pecuni- them up and burying in the soil late in the Farms for rent are about all taken for next arily, but those who sowed it as a winter season or just before forming seed, to succeed wheat have reaped a bountiful harvest. Over well. Mr. E. H. Baird had good success by one-half the wheat sown in Morris county what, and farms are changing hands more this fall, is of this variety. Of the fall varieacre. Wild land (held by speculators, rail- amount of wheat shipped from Morris county Baird had planted apple and pear trees. The roads, public schools, etc.,) can be had for this fall. Our granaries hold enough wheat \$2.50 to \$18 per acre. Timbered lands (in for spring seed and bread ; oat bins are full to small lots) can be had for \$15 to \$25 per acre. repletion; corn pens would groan under their erately well. The rabbits had killed all his the growing of chestnuts upon soils where burdens if there was any animation about pears and he had not been able to prevent Why is it that so many people rush off to them; and the grunts from the hog pens of it. the border counties where land is no better, each and every farmer, give assurance of pork water no better, and fuel a thing unknown—in and lard in abundance for family use and has not suffered any loss worth naming. It a natural state—and school and church privis some to sell. Homestead land has all been was recommended to wash trees with blood. taken in this county, and the homesteaders with a strong solution of cow dung, and with Stock is all in fine condition and good are "proving up" and becoming owners of whitewash strongly tinctured with tobacco. health with a few exceptions. A few cases of their land. They should be a happy people, Mr. Switzer suffered badly from them, but murrain and black-leg have occurred among and they are. The owner in fee of 160 acres could not wash all the trees in his nursery. calves, and occasionally a case of hog-cholera of land, with grain and; stock in abundance, with nothing to do but feed and keep up fires and a large number in his nursery. Has lost during the winter months, can enjoy himself largely from locusts and flood but has a fine tion of American chestnut is the best. Our no government land subject to homestead en- set about the same depth in the orchard that Italian, though not nearly so large, and even There are several thousand acres of Indian 2000 Turner raspberries 7x4 feet, and the past in 160 acre homes. It has lately been -ap- tiny blackberries bore well the past season. praised at a reasonable figure, which may be He also set 500 Col. Cheney and 1000 paid in six yearly installments. The railroad French's seedling strawberry plants, and had more stand civilization than can the Indian tance would be 1x4 feet. or prairie hen, are ready to sell and move Concord grape, Doolittle raspberry and and: price 60 cts. There is no old corn in anized churches in this county, and fifty. well with him. one schools in tull blast. Prices of produce have not been so good as we expected or might wish for, but this, no doubt, is owing to the ruinous freight rates. With another road to compete with the one that runs the

Hill Spring, Kansas.

RENO COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY This society was organized at Hutchinson. on the 11th day of May, 1878, by the adoption Pres., A. M. Switzer, Sec. L. J. Templin Treas., C. L. Easley.

entire length of our county, we would be hap-

NIFFOC.

The constitution provides for monthy meetings of the society for the hearing of reports calves, \$7 to 12. Owing to the low price of and the discussion of horticultural matters. produce, farm labor has declined somewhat. The regular time of meeting is the first Saturday in each month, at one o'clock P. M. There is a membership of about thirty, at the present time. The last regular meeting was because the price of labor was formerly out of held in Hauk and Whitelaw's office, in Hutchproportion to the price of produce. There has inson, on the first Saturday in December. The been but little decline in the price of labor day was lowering and threatening so that here till within the last three months. Pota- the attendance was not large, but a very intoes are worth 50 cts. All kinds of fruit that teresting meeting was held. As no regular I am acquainted with do well here except business had been arranged for this meeting, several hundred head of pure Durhams. pears. Apricots do well here, are a very fine the secretary suggested that the time be spent fruit and can be propagated by budding or in the relation of the horticultural experiences grafting on the peach, and is superior indeli- of the members, and this was agreed to. The Vice-President, who presided in the absence of Corn gathering is going on rapidly this fine Mr. Dimmeck said that the most of his expeweather. The yield is not as good as last rience had been with peaches; he planted the year by 15 or 20 bushels per acre; wheat was pits in newly broken sod in 1872, they came probably, compared with last year, about as up and grew well. He prunes to a distinct good. I saw some inquiries made by Penn- trunk but heads low; thinks they do better sylvanians desiring information about the in this windy climate. Plants 12 feet apart southern part of Jefferson county. As I have each way, and cultivates with a plow. He Ilpan in that part of the state for thirteen tried mulching some but they did not show years, i will give them my views as to wheat any advantage over those that were cultivated raising. I think the soil and climate very During the locust visitation of 4874 and 1876, well adapted for it, good crops being raised he built fires so as to smoke his trees, and almost every year when the seed is properly lost but two trees by their ravages, out of sevput in. The Kaw valley which runs the eral hundred. He had adopted the same whole length of it is hard to beat for corn, means to prevent injury from frost on cool potatoes and vegetables generally. Now the nights, and thus saved the bulk of his crop, large. Late sowing injured by drouth and orchards are getting age we have plenty of while the fruit was killed on trees not thus grasshoppers, and although some early sow- apples, peaches, grapes and in fact almost all treated. He had a fine crop of peaches the

trench plowed before planting. Has tried a receipt of the champton young boar of Amerwhich escaped. Blackberries and gooseber- dred pounds and cost \$300. They are also in ries sent up shoots the next spring. The roots receipt of a young boar from Schell & Sons, of of seedling peaches also survived and sent Wilton Lodge, Canada, which took the first up suckers. Things came on and grew well prize for a boar under six months at the state ing been any crops raised here yet except sod again till the fall of 1876, when they gener- fair of Illinois last September. He was also wheat sown, but it has not made much of a they began to lay their eggs, after which sired by "Liverpool's Climax," of the famous they would not drive. He thinks the male Sallie family. done the best with him and that he can recom- and are pursuing their calling here with en mend for cultivation, are the Houghton goose, thusiasm .- Junction City Union berry, Kittatinny blackberry, Doolittle raspberry, Concord grape, Morello cherry, and Wilson strawberry. Among forest trees, the box elder, black wainut and gray willow have done well for him. Black walnuts from seed feet high.

Mr. D. J. Cole has been but two years in the county; has apple and peach trees that have made a most excellent growth. Planted the Turner raspberry, last spring, which has grown well, during the past season. He beieves in cultivating orehards thoroughly and very deeply.

Mr. C. L. Easley has apple and forest trees that have made a wonderful growth. Some one asked him how to kill sand burs (Cheus crus tribuloides). Mr. Cole had had good success where they were very thick, by burning sowing the ground to millet and following it with fall sown grain. All agreed that under ble to keep our farms free from this pest. Mr. Ben Davis, Rambo, Genet and Jonathan have grown finely; the Maiden's Blush only mod-

Mr. Bisher catches the rabbits in traps and

He has set 500 apple trees in his orchard, try in this county, emigration has not stopped. they steed in the nursery. In 1877, he set companies have a body of land for sale in the gathered 300 quarts of fruit the past year. county. A few of the old settlers who can no He planted 1x8 feet, but thought a better dis-

The time having expired the discussion closed. The Secretary was instructed to get blank books for the use of Secretary and Treasurer. He also distributed copies of report of the Kansas State Horticultural Society, among the members. It was ordered that at the next meeting committees be appointed to investigate and report on the various subjects of horticultural interest. Several new members were recognized, after which the society adjourned to meet the first Saturday in Jan L. J. TEMPLIN, Sec. uary, 1879. Hutchinson, Kansas.

BLOODED STOCK FARMS OF KANSAS.

The vicinity of Junction City, Kansas, will soon be as celebrated for its live-stock as it is This we recommended to farmers fifteen now for its wheat-producing qualities. Some of the best stock men in the country are locating here and establishing farms, bringing with them as fine blooded stock as the United States affords.

The well known Durham Park of Albert Crane, in Marion county, has already obtained a national reputation. It has turned out some of the highest priced cows known in modern history. One was recently sold to an English lord for \$33,000. It now contains

The stock-farm of Kellogg & Lewis, in Dickinson county, two or three miles west of the Davis county line, has forty head of blooded horses and a dozen head of shortthe President, called on Mr. A. S. Dimmock for horns. Colonel Lewis, the manager, is a naa relation of his experience in fruit-raising. tive of Kentucky, and has always been engaged in the stock business, mostly in rearing and training race-horses. He says that Kansas has the best climate of any state in the union for stock-raising purposes. He is having a mile race track constructed on his farm and a training-stable for the accommodation of ten horses, in connection therewith.

The "Seven Springs" farm of C. E. Murphy is being rapidly stocked with fine blooded horses and cattle. He has several head of Clydesdale mares, all of the Christie stock. some splendid stallions and bulls, and has gone to Topeka and Kansas City to purchase more stock. Mr. Murphy's farm now numbers over 1,300 acres, his residence is nearly completed, and his stables are already finished

and occupied. esers. Watson & Mitchell, of Junction

Mr. C. Bisher said he began in 1878, and City, breeders of Berkshire swine, are just is

locusts dig the holes in the soil for the females These stock-dealers are all gentlemen of to deposit their eggs in. The fruits that have means, energy and experience in the business,

HOW PARMERS LOSE MONEY.

By not taking one or more good papers. Keeping no account of farm operations, paying no attention to the maxim that "a stitch in time saves nine," in regard to sowing grain and planting seed at the proper time.

Leaving reapers, plows, cultivators, etc., unsheltered from the rain and the heat of the sun. More money is lost in this way annually than most persons would be willing to be-

Permitting broken implements to be scattered over the farm until they are irreparable. By repairing broken implements at the proper time, many dollars may be saved-a proof of the assertion that time is money.

Attending auction sales and purchasing all kinds of trumpery, because in the words of the vendor, the articles are very cheap.

Allowing fences to remain unrepaired until strange cattle are found grazing in the meadow or grain fields, or browsing on the fruit

Disbelieving the principle of rotation of crops, before making a single experiment. Planting fruit trees without giving the

trees half the attention required to make them profitable.—Coleman's Rural.

GROWING CHESTNUTS.

We have, on repeated occasions, suggested but little else will grow, as a means of profit both in fruit aud wood. The chestnut is rapid in its growth, and will in from eight to ten years begin to bear a crop of nuts from seed. The seed, however, should be planted as soon as the fruit is ripe and before it becomes dry, and should be planted where the tree is desired to stand. Chestnuts will thrive almost anywhere, and are especially valuable where timber is scarce and rough land abounds to appropriate to the purpose. A good selec-"Otium cum dignitate." Although there is stock on hand. He finds that trees should be note are apperior to the Spanish, French or grafts can be set with the ease and certainty. of the pear. There is always a market dereservation land in this county to be taken up season had harvested 800 quarts. 1000 Kitta- mand for the nuts greater than the supply, or any supply likely to be furnished.

The question is one of real interest in every section where scrub land is abundant and timber scarce; or wherever there is such land, as a means of profit with reference only to the fruit .- Germantown Telegraph.

PLANT FOOD.

Dr. Nichols, in a "Barn Lecture" to a meeting of neighbor farmers, published in the Massachusetts Ploughman, gives the following formula as a valuable preparation of chemical manures :

Those of you who have plenty of genuine wood ashes, will find it for your advantage to use it in connection with fine ground raw bone in manner as follows:

Take 1 barrel of raw bone flour, 3 barrels of wood ashes, dry, 50 pounds of gypsum, 10 gallons of water.

make a heap of the whole upon a floor, and add the water, stirring constantly with a hoe. This is perfect plant food, containing all, in desired proportions, which plants require. years ago, and no greater service can be done than to again call your attention to it. The steamed or burnt bone flour will not do; use only the flour from fresh, raw bones. Five barrels of this mixture to the acre is a cheap and most effective dressing for any kind of crops.

We have been discussing the matter of practical education in its bearing upon the lives of students and upon society. Nothing has been said of the importance, also, of mental training, simply because all concede it, and because nearly all that has thus far been said and done has been on that side. That field, to speak metaphorically, has been so over-worked and the practical so neglected that serious evidences of deterioration and exhaustion are everywhere to be seen-in the great throng of the theoretically educated idlers who know nothing practically of the duties of life, and who are therefore constantly swelling the ranks of the clerks, lozenge and pea-nut peddlers, and the trampsin the pitiable effeminacy and flummery, pracical ignorance and folly everywhere seen in he parlor, to say nothing of the destitution and debauchery of the abandoned ones left by our school system in all cities especially, without any practical knowledge to turn a penny for a respectable livelihood. On that side, we repeat, exhaustion and worse is seen on all hands. We want and society must have some practical education, or we shall have to expend larger and larger sums for reformatory institutions, prisons, courts and police, whereby to care for and restrain the great throng our felse and lop-sided educational methods are constantly turning out upon the world .- Indiana Farmer.

Patrons of Husbandry.

KANSAS STATE GRANGE.—Master: Wm. Sims, To-poka, Scoretary: P. B. Maxon Emporia. OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL GHANGE.—Master, Samuel E. Adams, of Minnesota; Secretary, O. H. Kelley, Louisville, Kentucky; Treasurer, F. M. McDowell, Wayne, N. Y.

COLORADO STATE GRANGE.—Master; Levi Booth, Denver. Lecturer: J. W. Hammett, Platteville.

Missouri STATE GRANGE.—Master: H. Eshbaugh.
Hanover, Jefferson county. Secretary; A. M. Coffee.
Knob Noster.

TO OFFICERS OF SUBORDINATE GRANGES For the use of Subordinate Granges we, have a set of receipt and order books which will prevent accounts getting mixed up or confused. They are: 1st Receipts for Dues. 2nd. Secretary's Receipts, and 3d. Orders on Treasures: The set will be sent to any address, postage paid for \$1.00.

We solicit from Patrons, communications regarding the Order. Notices of New Elections, Feasts, Instal-lations and a description of all subjects of general or special interest to Patrons.

LETTER FROM MASTER OF STATE GRANGE.

EDITORS FARMER: As will appear from the journal of proceedings of the Seventh Annual Session of the Kansas State Grange, which closed its session at Lawrence on the 20th inst., it has been ordered that all past fees and dues of dormant subordinate granges, be remitted, and that all such granges be heldfor dues to the State Grange from date of reorganization only, and on the number of members by them reported as coming into the new organization, the balance, if any, to be dropped from the roll.

It will also be seen by reference to the joural of proceedings above referred to, that here after members of dormant granges will obtain State demits through the deputies of their respective counties. Also, that county deputies will hereafter be elected by ballot in the Pemona Granges, and the result of such election reported to the Master of the State Grange. In counties having no working Pomona Grange, in the same manner (by ballot), in meeting of Masters of Subordinate Granges. The call for such meetings to be made and notice of the time and place given, by the present deputies of such counties. In counties having no acting deputy, the call for meeting of masters will be made and notice of time and place given by Master of the Subordinate Grange in or nearest the county

In view of the fact that some time must necessarily elapse before the entire proceedings of our last session can be published and reach the membership, and of the fact that the leisure season of the farmer (if he has any) is now upon us, I take this method, in advance, of the promulgation, by publication, of the orders of our State Grange, of calling the attention of the proper authorities to the action of that body, and trust that immediate action on the part of our-county authorities will be taken in the matters above referred to that no time may be lost. ..

It will also be found, by an examination of the proceedings of the last session, that our success in pushing forward the well-begun work of last year; in the steady increase of our membership, will depend largely upon the efficiency of our county deputies. I, therefore, trust that the names of none but faithful Patrone, who possess the qualifications requisite to fitness, will be sent forward for the responsible position of County Deputy.

sors are elected, and election until their succ should be held, notwithstanding it may be well known that the present deputy will be elected.

Now is the time for work, then let us be up and doing. Who shall champion our cause and labor for the advancement and protection of our interests, if we ourselves are neglectful WM. SIMS..

P. S. Papers friendly to our order please

MEETING OF THE HANSAS STATE GRANGE. The seventh annual meeting of this grange opened at Lawrence on the 17th of December and closed on the 20th. The Worthy Master, Wm. Sims, in the chair.

On motion, a committee on credentials, conelsting of the following patrons, was appointed: Bro. A. W. Plumb, J. M. Harvey, B. F. Singer.

The committee reported the following delegates present: John Andrews, Atchison county: J. Hadley, Butler; M. Williamson, Coffey; Wm. Roe, Douglas; N. Zimmerman, Johnson; B. F. Singer, Jewell; A. P. Reardon, Jefferson; W. L. Dalano, Franklin; L. McComas, Jackson; A. W. Plumb, Lyon; J, S. Payne, Linn; A. Noce, Marion; Wm. Thompson, Marshall; J. H. Martin, Miami; E. F. Williams, Neosho; J. Rehrig, Osage; Thos. Hayes, Pottawatomie; E. C. St. John, Riley; D. E. Ballard, Washington; James M. Harvey, Shawnee; G. S. Kneeland, Wabsunsee; G. M. Summerville, McPherson; T. O. C. Morse, Sumner; J. L. Hulse, Davis.

The report of the committee was accepted, There being a quorum present, the grange was opened in due and ancient form.

Upon a roll of officers being called, there was found to be present the following: Worthy Master, Wm. Sims: overseer, J. F. Willets; lecturer, J. T. Stevens; secretary, I. B. Maxson; treasurer, W. P. Popenoe; chaplain, W. H. Jones; ceres, Mrs. H. Sims;

Auditing-J. H. Martin, M. Williamson Thog. Haves.

Constitution and By-Laws-Wm Roe, John Rehrig, A. P. Reardon.

Williams, Arthur Noce.

Needed Legislation—Wm. Thompson, John sain elected. Sister Otis has attended every Rehrig. Wm. Roe, D. E. Ballard, John state grange meeting ever held in the state. Andrews.

Insurance-G. S. Kneeland, J. S. Payne, Jos. Hadley.

Per Diem-Arthur Plumb, B. F. Singer, Jas. M. Harvey.

Dormant Grange-J. F. Willets, J. S. Payne, J. D. Hulse, G. M. Summerville, G. S. Kneeland. Education-E. C. St. John, J. M. Harvey,

Thos. Haves. Poblication-W. L. Delano, N. Zimmerman,

Appeals and Grievances-I. McComas, M. Williamson, N. Zimmerman, J. H. Martin,

G. M. Summerville. The Worthy Master delivered, in a very impressive manner, his annual address, which was listened to with marked and appreciative mittee. attention by all the members present. I will not presume to give even a synopsis of this most able address, as it will soon be published in full.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. This report shows that the receipts were equal to the expenditures.

The secretary's report was read and approved. This report shows a gain in membership of 949 from September, 1877, to September, 1878. This will be very gratifying news to members of the order in the state. They will be pleased to know that the bottom has been reached, and from this time onward the progress will be steady, sure and certain, and the grange, in Kansas, will be felt as a power in the land.

The committee on co-operation made a re port, which was adopted. Among the recommendations in the report we find the following: That it is advisable that at least one co-operative store on the Rochdale plan, be established in each county: also that we recommend the establishment of a wholesale o-operative store.

The auditing committee, after a very careful and critical examination of the books of the secretary and treasurer, reported that they found the books to agree in every particular, and that they were kept in most excellent

The subject of co-operation was the principal one at this meeting. Very satisfactory tatements were made of the co-operative stores over the state. The worthy master sling over the state in the interest of the grange, he did not know of one single instance of a failure in these co-operative stores where the Rochdale plan was strictly carried

Mr. Plumb, of Emporia, reported the grange Melvern, Osage county. store of that city as an eminent success

Bros. Zimmerman, Tootbaker and Rhoads of Johnson county, reported the condition of the Olathe co-operative store as very prosper. ous. The prices for goods in this store are the standard for the business houses of Olathe, and the members of the order over the state have begun to consider the Olathe store as the standard co-operative store in the state.

Bro. Livermore, the business manager of this store, being present, was called upon, who in a very clear and concise manner gave some practical illustrations of the inside work-The present Deputies will continue to act ing of a first-class co-operative store. This little talk was very interesting and instruct ive, and brought out some points in regard to Dayton, Ohio, would find in this village a conducting these enterprises that will be of good opening for a flouring mill. practical use to the members.

There was a number of changes in the salaries of the officers, viz: The master's salary was raised from \$100 to \$300 per year; the secretary's salary was reduced from \$600 to \$500 per year; the treasurer's salary was raised from \$59 to \$75 per year.

Other changes were made in the constitution and by-laws, which will in due time be

The following, among other resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That copies of the proceedings of the state grange be furnished the Kansas FARMER and the Spirit of Kansas, for publi-

cation, and also be published in pamphlet form if in their opinion they deem it best.

Resolved, That the executive committee ske measures to have the report of the Olathe store, and such other practical information, furnished the Kunsas FARMER and the Spirit of Kansas for publication.

The committee on appeals and grievances reported that there is a most excellent feeling among the patrons of the state, there being ro appeals or complaints presented to them for adjustment.

The amendment of the constitution presented by that body in regard to reducing the sub. grange dues from ten to five cents per month, was not concurred in.

.The following officers were elected for the ensuing two years: Master, Wm. Sims; overseer, J. Willetts; lecturer, J. H. Martin; very fine iron bridge of one hundred feet chapla'n, Sister Matilda Johnson; steward, E. C. St. John; assistant-steward, John Rehrig, gate-keeper, J. W. Junkins; ceres, Mrs. H. cost of \$3000. Many new houses, barns and Sims; pomona, Mrs. H. Barnes; flora, Mrs. W. D. Rippey; secretary, P. B. Maxon; treas- every spare house is filled. Wheat looking urar, W. P. Popenoe.

Vois grange, was adopting the infant babe of ing well with plenty of feed and to spare. A pomons, Mrs. Barnes; flora, Mrs. Bina A. Otis. the babe in his arms, presented it to the church at Melvern. Schools in full blast. The following committees were appointed: grange, and in a few pertinent remarks General health good. referred to the infant as a bouquet of heaven's sweetest flowers bestowed fon ! Sister Otis, moved its dedication to and christening crop, and it now looks like a splendid Flora, by the grange, in honor of the office chance for next year's crop. - Cowley Co. Good of the Order-D. E. Ballard, F. F. that Sister Oils has so creditably filled for the Traveller.

past four years, and to which office she was

Another interesting feature of this grange, was the installation of Worthy Master Wm. Sims, by Sister H. Sims, she being the only other member of the National grange present on this occasion. This interesting ceremony was performed in a very impressive manner by Sister Sims, and will long be remembered by those present.

In fact, to sum up in brief, I would say that the sessions of this meeting passed off very pleasantly and profitably to all concerned.

I must not forget to mention that Bro. W H. Jones, of Jackson county, was re-elected to the office of chaplain. In a very feeling address he declined the office, as he wished to "divide the honors," he having for the second time been elected one of the executive com-

The grange closed in form at 11 o, clock, W. W. CONE. December 20th.

A MILL SITE.

I saw a notice in the FARMER stating that D. M. Edgerton, of Dayton, Ohio, wishes some information in regard to a mill site. I suppose he is wanting water power. If this is the fact, I can direct him to the very place; it is on Mill creek, in Wabaunsee county, some sixteen or eighteen miles west of Topeks The government had a mill on this creek many years since, hence the name. I have never seen this stream in the dryest season but there was plenty of water for driving ma. chinery at all times. There is a fine iron bridge across this creek, less than two miles from the site, which will be quite an item in favor of the mill, as people can come from either side of the creek in high water. This site is on the south side of the Kansas river. in one of the finest grain-growing regions in this state. There is considerable fall in the creek at the site, a rocky bottom and swift current. I would say to the gentleman above named to come and see for himself as soon as possible, as delays are dangerous.

J. B. DURHAM.

EDITORS FARMER: In your issue of Dec 4th, there was an inquiry for a mill site, by Mr. D. M. Edgerton, of Dayton, Ohio. He will find such an opening at Melvern, Osage county, a site already located on the Marias de Cygnes river, containing five acres with a tated that in the whole of his extensive trav- first-class quarry on it, so situated that the rock can be put into a dam without hauling. An old steam saw-mill on the site. The surrounding country is settled on every quarter section, twelve miles by twenty long. Further particulars by inquiry of H. M. Austin,

> In answer to Mr. D. M. Edgerton of Dayton Ohio, I would say that we have a splendid site for a good mill. He did not say what kind of a mill, whether steam or water; but I will describe a little. 1st. We have a splendid wheat country 80 miles to mill. 2nd. We have a good stream, the Rattlesnake; it has 22 feet fall in two miles. I also understand that there is already \$1,000 subscribed towards a good mill. We say come and wel-JOSEPH MAY,

Livingston, Pratt Co., Kan.

Americus people think that D. M. E., of

H, H. LEWIS.

In reply to Mr. D. M. Edgerton's request I can assure him he will hunt a while before he finds a better site for a grist mill then A. MAITLAND.

Wakefield, Kan. Mr. D. M. Eagerton of Dayton, Ohio, wishes

to find a good opening for a first class, small flouring mill in Kansas. I can say I know of one in Ellis, Ellis county. We now import our flour, and there are 30,000 acres of wheat sown in the county this fall, and only one mill and that is 26 miles from this place.

I wish some one would send to the Kansa FARMER, for publication, a full practical statement of the method of growing sweet potatoes, from the starting of the vine to the storing of the potatoes to keep for use. I am anxious to grow some, but am a perfect novice in the business.

If D. M. Edgerton wishes to be furthur informed respecting the mill site at E'lis, he can address the subscriber at Ellis, Ellis county, Kansas, and all questions will be cheerfully answered. JOSEPH FULLER.

From Osage County.

Standing corn mostly gathered, but little shock corn husked owing to dry weather. The township of Melvern has just completed s span, with wooden approaches of forty or fifty feet, across the Marias des Cygnes river, at a other substantial improvements are being Bina A. Otis; L. assistant-steward, Mrs. built. Many new settlers are coming in, finely, though much less breadth sown than Among the many very pleasant incidents of last fall, owing to dry weather. Stock look-Mrs. Blus A. Otie. Brother Popence, taking movement is on foot to build a Presbyterian AGAIN.

The rains have brightened up the wheat

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Berkshire Hogs.

My herd now numbers over 40 breeding sows and 3 boars. A good part of the sows are prize winners at the leading shows in this country, Canada and England and are all select animals of fine quality, representing the best familities of Berkshires living. I have paid higher prices than any other western breeder, My herd has won more premiums than any other in the west. This year I wom the graud Swepstakes prize at the Kansas City Fair for best collection of logs of any breed, against the largest show that was ever there. The boars in use now are Lord Liverpool. 221, British Soverign. 533, and Conqueror, 233. The first was a prize winner at the leading shows in England and Canada; the 2nd was never besten in his class, and won the 1st prize this year at the great St. Louis and Kansas City Fairs; the third won the grand Sweepstakes over all breeds at Kansas City in 1875, and at St. Louis in 1873. I have now on hand a fine lot of Berkshires of all ages for sale at reasonable prices, including young pigs just weaned in pairs not related, young bours ready for service, and sows safe in farrow. I ship nothing but first-class animals, and guarantee satisfaction in all case, I have reduced rates for shipping by express. Send for new catalogue just out, free to all, and for prices or any other information. Address N. H.GENTRY "Wood Dale Farm," Sedalia, Me.

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CHRISTMAS.

To-day marks another milestone in the history of Christianity. All Christian nations observe this day as the chief among holidays. and celebrate it with universal rejoicing and good cheer. Peace on Earth and Good-Will Among Men, is written in characters of living light all over the Christian world. And with age and the lapse of time the zest of the day improves. The boisterous and more rude manifestations of gladness of an earlier and less refined age, give place to a quieter, more chaste, but not less real and sincere feeling of gratitude for the blessings enjoyed. Neighbor meets neighbor with the time-honored salutation of a Merry Christmas. Every one seems to be persuaded that the day must be kept with mirthful and joyous hearts. And the Kansas FARMER, mindful of the pleasant intercourse it has enjoyed with its readers and friends, and the many cordial God-speeds it has received during the now closing year, from them, takes this occasion to thank them for all their kind words and support, and wish farmers better to turn their corn into pork them many returns of merry Christmas. May

making the ears tingle, there is no more appropriate closing to our Christmas salutation than the lines of the genial poet of Abbotaferd:

"Heap on more wood!—the wind is chill: But let it whistle as it will, We'll keep our Christmas merry still."

POLITICS IN THE GRANGE. The National Grange which recently closed its session at Richmond, Va., adopted important papers, recommending careful study of all questions relating to political economy in the grange, for the purpose of being able to the election of more farmers to positions in

sentatives of the manufacturing, commercial The Kansas FARMER will enter its 16th and banking interest legislate for themselves, year January 1st, 1879. The publishers will and prejudicial to the interests of agriculture. give the readers for 1879, the best volume of This is precisely—almost in the same farm and family literature ever made in the words—what the Kaneas FARMER has urged farm and family literature ever made in the as a most practical, and necessary part of grange work. The National grange, when inducements for agents to work for the promulgating these sentiments, disclaimed all affiliation with any political party or partisan politics-the same point that the FARMER

made. It is incumbent on every man, and especially so on every business organization whose interests touch every other interest in the ples of the government, and the bearing of ev- dresses for \$2.00. ery question upon legislation. When partis sans make use of those questions, it becomes should be comprehended. Scientists are 25 cepies 1 yr. to any post-office addresses, 25.00 rarely strong or aggressive partisans, while the ignorant are invariably the most unreasoning, implacable and zealous partisans. The reason is plain: The former analyze and comprehend each question. They weigh its mer-To say person sending us 15 subscribers, at its and determine its worth, and the worth of of the matter in issue, take their cue from the mouth of flattering demagogues, who are striving for office and its emoluments, caring nothing for the principles of government.

When farmers, as a mass, become less credulous in believing the perverted teaching of office-hunters, and to seek to gain a thorough understanding of all questions of government, from their learned men in the organization, they will send fewer lawyers, up to the capitals of the states and nation to make laws for them, and more of their ewn class, who are able to think wisely and speak with power. There are many lawyers who honor the grand old science of jurisprudence, and are bulwarks of justice, but there are, on the other hand, thousands who never rise above the corruption of bribe-takers, whose sole stock in trade is their tongue; and these throng our halls of legislation, frame our laws in the interest of dishonesty and expensive litigation, make the majority of the political harangues, at public gatherings, mislead the public mind, promulgate false doctrines, and sell legislation in the interest of jobs and corerests legislate for themselves and prejudicial to the interests of agriculture. Most excellent advice and sound reasons for giving it.

LAWYERS IN CONGRESS.

A contemporary who has been investigating the composition of the American congress, has ascertained that the senate is composed of 58 lawyers and only 20 of all other professions and callings. The house of representatives is composed of 228 lawyers and only 70 who are of other pursuits. The same paper makes the following comments on the above facts:

"The United States is the only country where lawyers form an aristocratic caste in politics. In the British parliament not more han one-tenth are lawyers, the occupations which lead being country squires, or the landlord farmers, military men, bankers, and the railroad interests. In parliament lawyers are of very little account. The leaders are men like Disraeli and Gladstone, who know what laws the people want and see that they get them. In the French assembly the same aterests are paramount, with a larger installment of literary men and artists. In Germany the same interests prevail-lawyers are nowhere. It is only in brow-beaten and bankrupt Italy that lawyers come to the front again, and obtain the supreme opportunity to hocus-pocus and bedevil the laws which they are paid to interpret."

It were far better if the people of this coun try would follow the example of the more prosperous states here mentioned, and make t a rule to select their law-makers, both state and national, from the most intelligent and respected of other classes. Legal officers of unquestioned ability could be chosen by each body of the legislature as other clerical officers are chosen, whose duty it should be to draft all bills in legal form. Fewer and better laws would doubtless be the result of such a re-

THE HOG CROP.

one, and although the price is low it pays than to sell it in the grain. There are some ess abundantly reward every noble effort in certain localities in the state, but the great elected to fill the office.

in the coming year. With this chilly, nip- cholera epidemic appears to be confined prinping, eager air, numbing the fingers and cipally to regions further east. Our correspondent, C. W. J., who has been investigat- season, the following recipe for making a suing the disease in Illinois, reports the mady perior quality of cider, which is published in without money columns, will serve for many terribly fatal, even devastating in that state. the Western Rural, may be out out and pre-This will doubtless affect, to some extent, the served for future use : hog market in the near future, and it is reasanable to look for a higher price for pork cider maker for making and keeping cider next fall. We would advise farmers not to good, we made a personal request for the probe frightened out of raising a reasonable num- cess which has been so long a great secret, ber of hogs for next year's feeding. There is and we obtained the following hints that will a loss attending all changes from one branch enable any one to keep cider sweet: Make of farming to another too suddenly. It is the the cider of good, clean, sound apples, after safer practice not to ever-stock with any kind the weather turns cool; put it in good barrels, of live stock, or when established in any perfectly clean, any taint in old barrels will yote understandingly, and also recommending branch of the business of feeding stock, to spoil the cider. To a 40-gallon barrel of pure, abandon it at a sacrifice on account of low fresh cider put in six eggs, whites and yolks prices one year. A great many persons are will beaten; then add two tablespoonfuls of legislative bodies, as it is found that repreapt to be influenced by the same cause in a sait to hasten the clarifying ; draw off once a similar way, and a comparative scarcity causes week for three or four times and you will the price to advance. The same rule holds have good cider that will keep good. good in the cultivation of grain and other vegetable crops. A diversity of staple crops is the best system for the majority of farmers be driven from a well matured system by subscription books until the money has been slight and possibly transient reverses.

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CATTLE DYING FROM EATING DRY

of notices of the death of cattle from eating ceived a note from Mr. S. F. Miller, of Oxdry husks in the stalk fields. The death of ford, Sumner county, Kansas, which inone steer is often a greater less to the owner forms us that our prediction that the hornthan the value of a whole field of corn-stalks, less ox will ere long be brought to the front, but notwithstanding this thing is repeated evhas already been fulfilled, Mr. R. W. ery winter, without the necessary precautions Wonser of that place having just received porations. To cure these great evils which blacken the history of our polities, the National grange advises the teaching of questional grange advises the teaching of questions and as much water as they will drink before tions relating to political economy, in the turning in, and leave them in the stalks but the balance are cows and calves. We are grange, in order that the members may be an hour or two at a time, unless it is in wet obliged to Mr. Miller for giving us this imable to vote understandingly, and elect more weather, when the husks are not so danger- portant piece of information, and hope that farmers to positions in legislative bodies, as it ous. Dry husks clog in the stomache of the Mr. Wonser will reap the reward of his enis found that the representatives of other in- cattle, become a dry, hard lump, causing in- terprise. The mass cannot be reached or acted upon by any means, and violent and sudden death is inevitable. To receive the full benefit of corn-fodder the stalks must be cut up and placed in shocks before the tops are ripe or become touched with frost. There is no better or more wholesome food than this for stock, and it is the very best for cows in

We republish from the Gardener's Monthly in the present issue of the Kansas FARMER, an article on the Darwin theory on plants subsisting on insects, by Peter Henderson, of New Jersey, whose writings on horticulture have or depth of mow, and the quality of hay, achieved for their author a wide reputation Mr. Henderson's experiments seem to conclu- erably. sively prove the theory of the existence of carnivorous plants to be a delusion, born of the over-eagerness of Darwinism to construct a theory of creation on its own peculiar and untenable hypothesis.

since the second year of the war, sometime in silver for legal tenders, on which day Secretary Sherman claims that he will hold \$135 redemption.

A CORRECTION.

news item clipped from some of our exchanges, was printed. The item contained three lines, which stated that F. E. Abbott had been displaced from the presidency of the Liberal League on account of his opposition to the circulation of obscene literature through the mails. A correspondent from Salina, bott was not "displaced" from the League, TO KEEP CIDER.

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> AN EXPERIENCE WORTH REMEMBERING Col. Jeremiah Weaver, of Berks county who has fed a large number of sheep, and who is of the opinion that well bred stock is by far the most profitable, gives me the following memoranda. He says :

"In 1862 I bought forty-five head of well wells are used, to collect royalty from the bred cattle in northern Ohio. They weighed ed, before the patent was applied for under I walked them four hundred and fifty miles which the claim is made. Pay nothing to commenced to feed them at home, November any such claimants, is the advice of our contem- 21; fed fifty bushels of corn per head; sold poraries in quarters where those demands are them in Philadelphia, May 14, 1863, each bulbeing made. Drive wells are in extensive lock having gained an average of four hunuse in some parts of Kansas, particularly in dred and eighteen pounds. Two years after the Arkansas valley country. The claimants hat I fed forty-five head of ill-bred cattle: for royalty for their use will, in all probabil- whose weight averaged nine hundred pounds; ty, visit the farmers in that region with a de. fed from November until May. They gained mand for payment. Pay nothing to such par- only one hundred and twenty-three pounds. ties. By the device of patent-right claims About the same time I bought a well-bred farmers have been swindled out of thousands cow for which I paid \$100; raised out of her of dollars by sharpers. If there was any way four calves; one bull when four years old, of getting at such rogues, a taste of prison life weighed when dressed, fourteen hundred and would be a wholesome discipline for these fel- eighty-eight pounds; one cow with her third ows and a warning to all future imitators, calf sold for \$85; one at \$90; one excellent The Atchison. Topeka & Santa Fe railroad milker I still own; and the cow after being quired, then one may be as exact as he company is interested in all that concerns the fattened brought me \$97.50. At the same welfare of the farmers of that portion of the time the common breed of cows ware selling

THE HORNLESS OX.

In the issue of the Kansas FARMER of November 27th, we published an article on the Galloway cattle under the above title, Our exchanges throughout the state are full and in response to this notice we have re-

MEASUREMENT.

A subscriber wishes to ascertain the number of tons of hay in a stack by computing from measurement. We have mislaid our fields, numbered, -[EDS. FARMER.] tables for making the computation and cannot at present lay our hand upon them. Probably some of our readers are more fortunate in this respect. When the number CARNIVOROUS PLANTS AND THE DARWIN of cubic feet contained in a ton is known, the calculation for contents of a stack or mow is very easy. The weight, however, can only be reasonably well approximated by measurement. The height of the stack. will vary the weight in a cubic foot consid-

SIMPLE SYSTEM OF FARM ACCOUNTS A farmer who keeps no accounts, works in the dark. He knows not which part of large bottle will do wonders. Regular sizes, his farm or labor pays, and which is a loss, 50 cents and \$1. For sale by Swift & Holliand runs the risk of having the proceeds of day, Topeka, Kansas, and druggists every-On the 17th inst., greenbacks came to par his profitable labor offset by avoidable with gold in New York, for the first time losses. He does not know whether this or that management is the better. With a 1862. On Wednesday next the United States plain and simply kept account book, he treasury will commence paying out gold and may know where he makes morey and where he loses, and, in the words of a noted business man, he may "cut short his losses, ceeded in reducing my weight to 158 pounds.

O00,000, free of all demands, for purposes of and let his profits run on." The first thing This is all very satisfactory and pleasant; but in beginning to keep accounts is to make a rough map or plot of the farm, and to name or number each field, to be modified In a former number of the Kansas FARMER, to suit any circumstances. The only necessary point is the recognition of each field, and the expenditures and receipts from it. Two books are required. The complicated systems of farm accounts in books prepared for the purpose, are bothersome, and in the end usually come to nothing, because Kansas, wishes to inflict three-fourths of a they are not suited to the majority of cases, The hog crop of Kansas is a very abundant column on our readers, in contradicting the and are not used. The better plan is for report, the purport of which is that Mr. Ab. each one to make his own method, and use but two books—a daily record of events and but retired when his term of office had ex- transactions, and a ledger. The daily their future lives be crowned with plenty, and complaints of disease and death among hogs pired, the Hon. Elizur Wright having been record is a most useful book, and if kept with regularity, in a few years becomes a

history of the farm, it not of the family, and of the seasons and weather. A small book, 8 inches by 5, with 300 ruled pages, but years. These books are sold very cheaply now, but it will pay to have one of good paper. One can be made by stitching together note paper or folded foolscap.

One of the greatest benefits of keeping accounts is that everything becomes reduced to a system, and the most careless or inexperienced farmer soon becomes methodical and observant (if he persevere). In the record is noted the events of each daymore particularly the business transactions. The following lines will serve as a sample of how these may be entered. It will be better to state more particulars, to note the weather, etc., but such simple records are always of very great value:

Oct. 1. Finished building spring-house; cost \$28.84.

2. Hired P. G., at \$20 per menth, to clear " 4. Finished sowing rye in No. 5. *32 bushels

mangels.

15. Finished plowing No. 3, Sowed 16 bushels seed.

16. Finished harrowing No. 3. Husking corn, " 17. 9 bushels wheat to mill. 5 doz. eggs to B.

In this manner each day's transactions are noted, so that at the end of the week or month, the entries may be transferred to the ledger. It is unnecessary to do more than give a clear clue to what has been done, so that each charge or credit may be made out distinctly, and as these should be entered in the ledger each week, something may be trusted to memory. It is also unnecessary to be over particular in small matters, or to be so precise that it may be troublesome to enter some items. The chief thing is to know what is done so nearly that the final result can be reached as closely as may be. Many persons who begin soon get hopelessly mixed up by trying to be too particular at the start. After a beginning is once made, and facility acpleases. But there are many things in farm accounts where one must "give and take," and such small irregularities are unavoidable and will about balance each other in the general result. For example, if one goeste mill with a grist, the time occupied need not be charged to the flour or to the house expenses with the flour; nor need the skimmilk fed to pigs or calves be charged in accounts unless it is desired to know the exact cost of each item of work or production. But the grain used for feeding cows, fattening cattle, sheep, pigs, and poultry, should be measured out and charged to each; as it is very important to know what profit or loss is made from each kind of stock; and for each crop raised, the cost of labor expended upon it, and the value of the seed, and manures, should be noted, and the crop measured and its value calcu-

*The quantity of seed is large, being four bushels -American Agriculturist.

lated.

A diagram of the farm can be drawn with pencil or pen, and fenced divisions, or

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Yours truly. GEORGE BOYD. Prattville, Als , July 20th, 1876

CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

"Mr. Francis Darwin has proved very conclusively the truth of his father, Charles Darwin's, position, that the so-called carnivorous plants do make use as food of the plants they catch. A large number of plants were fed on meat, and as many on what they could get from the earth as best they could, and the difference in growth and final product was very much in favor of the meat-fed plants."

The above I cut from a contemporary johrnal. Resolving to fairly test the correctness of Mr, Darwin's theory, I last season procured in March, from Keenansville, North Carolina, a large number of Diona muscipula (Carolina Fly-trap. The plants arrived infine condition, and I resolved to test fairly, on a large scale, the correctness of Mr. Darwin's conclusions. Selecting from the lot two hundred of the strongest plants, I thoroughly rinsed them again and again in water, so that every particle of seil and other matter foreign to the plants was removed. I then procured two boxes three feet by three feet, and three inches deep.; these were filled with moss (Sphagnum) and sand mixed, in about the proportion of four parts moss to one of sand, forming a soil somewhat similar to that which they had been growing in naturally; this compost had been also subjected to the rinsing process so as to clear it from impurities. One hundred of the Fly-traps were planted in each box, the plants selected being as nearly alike as possible. After planting, the boxes were each copiously watered with pure water and placed in a cool and partially shaded greenhouse. One box was covered with a wire netting, as fine as could be procured, so as to exclude insects; the other was left uncovered. By about the middle of May, two months after till I got Hop Bitters, and now I am a boy planting, the plants had began to grow freely and the "feeding" process was begun with the plants in the uncovered box. In this I was assisted by Mr. William Talt, one of my neighbors, a gentleman of leisure, and one who is well versed in many branches of natural science; between us the one hundred uncovered Fly-trap plants were "fed" almost daily with flies and other insects. In August, three months from the time the feeding began, the operation was stopped, and the most careful examination and comparison failed to show the slightest difference between the one hundred plants that had been "fed," and the one hundred (under the wire netting) that had not been "fed," both lots had made a splendid growth, and were the admiration of scores of visitors. I never omitted an opportunity to ask professional Lorticulturists visiting us, for their opinion, and the verdict invaribly was that both lots were identical, as near as could be. In this case the "feeding" certainly did not fatten. It may be that our American flies were not so nutritious as the English "meat,, though certainly ours was the more natural food of the two, but as corroborating the test of Mr. Darwin, it failed completely.

What we are all after is the truth in this matter, and in case my experiment may have been in some way defective, or that the prejudices of myself and friends against a theory that seems to reverse the whole order of nature, may have in any way influenced our judgment, I will be most happy to furnish, without charge, to any dozen readers of the Gardeners' Monthly, who have the proper facilities to make the test, a sufficient number of plants of Dionag muscipula, to further thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make demonstrate the truth or falsity of Mr. Darwin's theory on this subject.

I had rather a ludicrous incident occur in relation to this matter. My friend, Wm. R

Smith, superintendent of the Botanic Gardens at Washington, who is a thorough believer in the carnivorous plant doctrine, being at my place last winter, after the above experiment had been tried, we got into some controversy on the subject. Now, Mr. Smith is not only one of our best botanists, but his knowledge one of our best botanists, but his knowledge of general horticulture is perhaps second to none in the United States; moreover, he is a perfect Wilberforce in eloquence and argument, and having driven me pretty well into a corner, he almost squelched me by taking a magnifying glass from his pocket and showing me beyond question a minute species of shell snails in almost every one of the closed should be up leaf traps of the Dionaas. "There," says he, "nature has placed the food-the animal food-directly into the mouths of these insect eating plants. Can you longer doubt the correctness of Darwin's theory?" I was staggered but not yet convinced, and resolved to keep a close watch on the shell-snails "that nature had placed in the mouths of these insect-eating plants." Very soon they requir. ed no magnifying glass to see them; in three weeks they had increased wonderfully in "breadth and stature ;" in three weeks more the biters were bitten, for the snails had eaten the Fly-traps almost completely up! Mr. Smith has, probably, changed his base on the subject of "carnivosous plants," particularly as regards their use of shell snalls as an artiof diet .- Peter Henderson, in Gardeners' Monthly.

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Markets.

New York Money Market.

Kansas City Live-Stock Market. The Price Current reports:

CATTLE—Receipts, 40; shipments, none; dull; na-tive shippers, \$4623 85; native stockers and feeders. \$25069 30; native cows, \$200,22 75; Colorados, \$240 63 00; wintered and corn-fed Texas steers, \$2 4069 HOGS—Receipts, 197; shipments, 230; slow; fair to hoice packing, \$2 1000 35; light shipping, \$1 7500

BHEEP-None in. Kansas City Produce Market-

The Price Current reports: WHEAT-Receipts, 57,9% hushels; shipments, 25,-400 bushels; lower; No. 2 79c.; No. 3,76c; No. 4, CORN—Receipts, 29,119 bushels: shipments, 20,244

bushels; slow and lower; No. 2, 23%c.

HYE-Firm; No. 2, 33c; rejected, 80c.

HAY—Slow; \$7.

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Figure—Qriet; country brands, XXX to fancy, \$175@2 30 per sack.

PROVISIONS—Weak; clear bacon sides, \$4 75@5 00 dry salt sides, \$4 25@4 37%; sugar cured hams, \$8 00.

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New York Produce Market.

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FLOUR—Dull; superfine, western state, \$3 25723 60; common to good \$4; good to choice, \$4 05@4 50; white wheat extra, \$4 56@5 25; St. Louis, \$4 80@5 75. WHEAT—Quiet; No. 3 prine, 88@90c; ungraded red, \$1 0.@1 08; No. 3 do., \$1 02½@1 03½; No. 2 do., \$1 06@1 99; ungraded amber, \$1 04@1 199; ungraded white, \$1 6621 09½; No. 2 do., \$1 05½@1 27. BYE—Pull; No. 2 western, 57@58c.

BARLEY—Dull and nominal.

CORN—Moderate business; ungraded, 46½@48c; No. 3, 43½c; steamer, 45½c; No. 2 46c in store; 47½ adoat; round y llow. 62c.

OATS—Dull; mixed western, 29@30½c; white western, 33@33½c;

n, S2@33%c COFFEE—Firm; per cargo, 10@15%, SUGAK—Quiet and unchanged.

SUGAR—Quiet and unchanged.
RICE—Steady.
MOLASSES—Quiet and unchanged,
EGGS—Firm; western, 26c.
FORK—Bull; mess, 27 15@7 50.
BEEF—Quiet and aloudy.
CUT MEATS—Dull and heavy; long clear middles
14, short clear, 24 25.
14ARD—Firm; prime steam, 35 75@5 80.
BUTTER—Quiet; western, 6@30c.

St. Louis Produce Market.

FLOUR—Unchanged.
WHEAT—Dulland lower; No. 2 red, 91%c cash;
91%6 91%c December; 91%0 92; 692c January; 92%
692c February; No. 3 do., 81%c; No. 2 spring, 76

bid. CORN—Lower and dull; 37%c cash; 29%c January; 33%@ 30%c February; 34%34%c May.

OATs—Better; 21@21%c cash; 20%c bid December;
21% bid January.

KYK—Lower; 47%@43%c cash; 42%c January.

BARLEY—Dull; choice Iowa, 85c.

WHISKY—Steady; \$1.05.

PORK—Quiet and casy; \$7.60 cash; 37.72% March.

DRY 8ALT MEATS—Easter, \$2.55\$2.50; \$3.45\$25.

50; 3 55 3 83 80.

BACON—Dull; \$3 87%; \$4 62%; \$5.

LARD—Good demand; \$6 407.5 45.

GREEN MEATS—Dull; \$2 23.62 39; \$3 25.63 30;

\$8 25.63 44; hams, 16-pound average, 4%c, sweet packing hams, 15% pounds average, 5% c January.

St. Louis Live-Stock Market.

CATTLE—Fair shipping demand at easy prices; heavy, shipping steers, \$4.94 50, export grades \$4 50 65; Christmas beeves, \$5.96; fat, butcher's stock wanted; 1½423½ for steers, and other grades alow and weak; recipts, 1,500; shipments, 200.

HOGS—Lower; some packers standing off; light shipping, \$2 259 \$2 40;packing, \$2 40.246; butchers and fancy, \$2 60.98 70; receipts, 19,700; shipments, 1;900

1;900 SHEEP—Strong; fair to good; \$2 75,23 25; choice and fancy, \$3 50,24 50; receipts, 640; shipments, none Chicago Live Stock Market.

The Drovers' Journal this afternoon reports as fol-

Chicago Produce Market

FLOUR—Steady and uncharged.

WHEAT—Steady and fair demand; No. 2, red winter, 89%@ 90c; No. 2 spring, 88%c cash; 24%83%c February; No. 3 spring, 69%c; rejected, 52c.

CURN—Dull and a shade lower; 30%c cash; 30%c bid January; 31c February; 34%c May; r-jected 27%c.

OATS—Easter; 19%c cash; 20c January; 20%c February; 21%c Led 16%.

RYE—Dull and lower 44c.

BARLEY—Quiet and firm; 98%c cash; 99%c January; ary.

ary.
PORK—Fair demand and lower; \$7 50 cash; \$7 47%
bid January; \$7 57% @7 60 February; \$7 57% March
LaRD—Active but lower; \$5 40 cash and January; \$5 47% @5 50 February; \$5 55 March.
BULK MEATS—Active but a shade lower; shoulders, \$2,5°; short ribs, \$3 55; short clear, \$3 70.
WHISKY—Steady and unchanged.

Topeka Retail Grain Market. Wholesale cash prices by dealers, corrected weekly by W. Edson.

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BEANS—Per bu—White Navy
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BUTTER—Per lb—Choice...
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CHEESH—Per lb
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DOMINY—Per bbl.

CHEESE—Per lb.
EGGS—Per doz—Fresh.
LOMINY—Per bbl.
VINEGAR—Per gal.
E. R. POTATOES—Per bu.
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Chickens, Dressed, per lb.
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Geese.
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It was Christmas Eve, and bitterly cold. The down train from London, due at Bristol at 5 50, had just come in crowded with passengers, and the arrival platform was a scene of indescribable confusion. Excited piles of luggage that lay scattered around; and wearied and worried ladies sought best off; and amongst those who did so was

"Cab, sir?" cried an urchin, eager for a

the box, and took his seat beside the driver. at the further end of the platform. Seeing the bustle and confusion that reigned around she managed, by dint of a little exertion, to drag her modest tin trunk out of the melee; but having done so she could cided, that no aspirant for her hand had do no more, and now stood beside it wait- ever ventured to repeat his offer. ing until one of the porters should be able pale, tired face, apparently about thirty but time and trouble had stolen away the on her way to Stoke Bishop, or how slowly bloom of youth; and though her features the cab was now progressing.

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As before stated, it was a bitterly cold were good, she could scarcely be described some one should come to her assistance.

Presently a porter approached.
"Want a cab, Miss?" he asked, civilly. "Yes. Will you please to carry this box?" The man picked it up and walked off, fol-

lowed by the lady. So great had been the demand for cabs that evening that by this time there was but one had just arrived with a fare. The

"Where do you want to go?" he asked the lady gruffly.
"To Stoke Bishop," she replied.

"Where there?"

"I will tell you when we get there," returned Miss Lyon, not very well pleased with the man's manner.

The driver muttered something to himself, banged the tin trunk down on the roof of the cab, and drove off in a huff.

"I wish there had been another cab, thought Laurette Lyon, uneasily, as she leaned back in her seat. "I don't like this driver at all. I wonder if he is drunk. I hope Mr. Mansfield will be at home when I reach Tivoli. I will ask him to pay him for

In the mean time the cab was progressing as rapidly through the crowded, slippery streets as could reasonably be expectand Laurette began to look about her, Eight years had passed since she had last at a fashionable hotel, and money had been of 'em and walk on.' plentiful. Now she was an orphan; a lonely, hard-working governess, going to spend Christmas with an old school-friend who had been recently married. Laurette did not like Christmas. To her it was a time haunted with sad memories. Every year get out of my cab," was the rough answer. as Christmas Eve came round, the picture "I shall do nothing of the kind!" said as Christmas Eve came round, the picture of a certain Christmas Eve long agorose up before her eyes. She could see it all! The pretty drawing-room, tighted up by the flick-ering fire, in the roomy old house at Black heath: and Herbert Lindsay's earnest face as he asked her to be his wife. How happy they were that evening, and how eager Herbert had been to ask Dr. Lyon's consent, never dreaming of a refusal. They had sat side by side hopefully planning for the future, and listening between while for her father's step. And when they heard him enter the house and cross the hall to his study, Herbert had risen up at once, anxious to get the interview over and return to her.

"Give me one kiss before I go, Laurette," he had said.

But she had laughingly refused.
"I will owe it you," she had said, kissing
her hand to him as he had turned to look at

her at the door.

She had never seen him since. The interview proved to be a long, and

alas! a stormy one. Dr. Lyon refused more than Laurette could brook. She Herbert's offer in harsh, almost insulting terms; and the young man, deeply wounded and mortified, had hastily left the house, and shortly afterwards quitted the country for Australia. Before sailing he had writ-

ing out to Australia to make a fortune. It will be a long process, I fear; but a strong of a neighboring lamp showed to the stranwill and a stout heart can do much, and I ger a pale, finely cut face, and a pair of will and a stout heart can do much, and I ger a pale, finely cut face, and a pair of shall not want for these if I am assured of flashing grey eyes. She was too flurried your faith, Laurette. Will you be true to and angry to notice his appearance.

Without a word he turned to the driver. me? as I shall ever be to you, even though years may pass before you hear from me again, for I shall not write unless I have good news to send. Think well before you do so freely, and with your whole heart. It is no light thing that I ask, and it may, and probably will, involve years of weary waiting. If you have any doubt of your own feelings, of your own strength, I beseech you tell me now. Remember, your promise once given, I shall believe in it implicitly, and on the strength of it build all new companion, turned her face towards

my future happiness. To this Laurette had answered, simply :

Two years later, on Christmas Eve, Dr. will be true to you. Lyon died suddenly. His daughter, in common with most persons who knew him, had imagined him to be a wealthy man; but after his death it was discovered that he had lived far beyond his means, and when all

It is a hard thing for any girl, brought up in ease and idleness, to be suddenly turned out of a luxurious home, and compelled to passengers rushed hither and thither, seek-ing their own special property amid the tunately Miss Lyon was a girl of sense and resolution, and she had at once bravely faced the position, and though her heart vainly amongst the crowd for a porter ached for her father's loss, and she keenly to convey their bags and boxes safely to a felt the change of circumstances, she had, cab. Active youths and stalwart men who nevertheless, calmly accepted the inevitcould carry their own impediments were able, and had taken without ado the first situation that offered. Eight years ago toa tall, bronzed, brown-bearded man, who night Dr. Lyon died; and for eight years wore his coat collar buttoned up around his Laurette had been working hard as a daily throat, and his deer-stalker pressed down or resident governess. Ten years had roll over his eyes. His travel-worn portman- cd away since she and Herbert parted, and teau was large and heavy, but he seemed to all that time no news of him had reached think nothing of its weight, and swinging her. How she had thought and dreamed it in his hand, strode out of the station. for a letter! but no letter had ever come

and year by year hope had slowly waned "No; an omnibus will do for me," re-turned the gentleman, passing on to where dead. "I shall never see him again," she the Redland omnibus was drawn up, and thought. "He is dead, I know, or he must cold though it was, he at once mounted to have had some good news to send me all he box, and took his seat beside the driver. these long years." She had kept her faith All this time a lady was waiting patiently to him inviolate. It is an easy thing to be true to an absent lover, if no love at your side tempts you to break your word. But tation; and her quiet "no" had been so de-

This visit to Bristol had quickened many to attend to her. She was a plainly-dressed old recollections, and her thoughts this gentlewoman, with fine grey eyes, and a Christmas Eve were sadder even than usual. Wrapped in her own reflections, she years of age. She had been pretty once, did not notice how far she had proceeded

as pretty now. To-night she was cold and night. Rain had fallen in the forenoon, weary, and stood passively waiting until and before the ground had had time to dry the wind changed, and it had begun to freeze, and was freezing still; and all the country roads were like glass. In the beaten Bristol thoroughfares and along White Ladies' Road progress was fairly easy; but, having climbed the steep bit of hill at Redland, and gained the level of the down that stretched between that and the pretty one to be seen outside the station, and that village of Stoke, it became difficult for the horse to stand; and when about half way horse was steaming and the driver looked across the down, to Laurette's great surprise, the cabman suddenly pulled up, and, getting down, opened the cab door. "You must get out," he said, roughly.

"Get out!" repeated Miss Lyon in aston ishment. "Why, this is not Stoke Bishop We are not more than half way across the down!

"I know where I am well enough, but I can't take you a step farther. My 'orse can't keep 'is feet, and I'm not a-going to 'ave 'is knees broke, and 'is neck too,

p'r'aps, for anybody."
"Do you mean to say that you intend to leave me with my luggage here, in the mid-dle of the down" asked Laurette, quietly. And at this time of the evening, too?

"Where is it you want to go?"
"To Trivoli—Mr. Mansfield's." "Right away down at the bottom of Stoke Hill? No, Miss; I ain't a-going to take you there, not if you was to give me a fivepound note. But I'll tell you what I'll do,' with an air of making a great concessionvisited Bristol, under circumstances very I'll drive you over to them villas," pointing different from the present. Then her father with his whip to lights twinkling in the disbeen her companion; they had stayed tance, "and you can leave your box at one

> "But I do not know any one living there," exclaimed Laurette, aghast at the man's impudence; "and I could not think of taking

> such a liberty!" "Well, please yourself; only you must Miss Lyon, decisively. "You will drive me back to Redland; there I may be able to get another cab-or, at any rate, a man to arry my box."

"And supposing I don't, miss, what then?" with an ugly leer. "Then you won't be paid!" was the prompt answer. And Laurette looked the rude driver steadily in the face, although

in her heart she was getting afraid of him, and very heartily wished herself safe in her friend's house. The man grumbled a good deal, but fi-nally climbed to his seat, and turned the horse's head towards Redland. He had

not gone very far, however, before he again pulled up, and Miss Lyon heard him accest some one on the road. A man's voice anthe window, heard the driver rejoin : "There's a young woman inside as wants

a hescort down to Stoke. P'r'aps you'll The insolence of the man's tone was sprang out of the cab, and addressed herself to a tall man, with his coat-collar turned up and his hat pressed down over his eyes,

who stood on the path. "I want some one to carry my box to Mr. Mansfield's, at Stoke," she said, in a clear when I came across an Australian friend,

"Give me the trunk," he said, in a deep, gruff voice.

"Trunk, indeed!" returned the other, answer, and do not promise unless you can with a sneer; "tis but a light bit of a box." do so freely, and with your whole heart. "I have a heavy hand," returned the stranger, in the same deep voice. Do you want to feel the weight of it?"

The man looked up, startled.
"I want my fare," he said, in a more civil

tone. Laurette paid him, and then, with her

They walked on in silence. The lady

cabman, and feit grateful to the stranger so hard to prepare for her. for his opportune arrival and readiness to oblige her; and, taking him to be a respectable artesan, or something of that kind, began presently to talk to him. He, however, did not appear to be disposed to converse, and replied so briefly to her remarks

pounds a-year was all that remained for Laurette. al, and the idea occurred to Laurette that it must be assumed.

The idea was not a pleasant one. What could be the meaning of it? She noticed, also, that he kept looking at her continually. She never lifted her eyes without encountering his gleaming at her from under his bat. Brave though she was, she grew nervous and uncomfortable. She knew absolutely nothing of this man, and his man ner was suspicious. Had she only been freed from an impudent driver, to fall into

the hands of a thief or a murderer? It was between seven and eight o'clock, and very dark. At that hour, on such a bitter night, the road they were pursuing was, practically, as lonely as though there were not a house within a mile of it.

What was there to hinder this fellow from knocking her down with one blow of his strong arm, robbing her at his leisure, and then walking off with her box and other property, and leaving her there to perish in the cold? If it came to blows, she would struggle hard, she was resolved, ere she would submit to be robbed of her valuables. But what if he were to slip behind her, and, in some sudden, treacherous manner, deprive her of all power of resistance? She shivered at the thought, and stepped out into the center of the road; and when her companion followed her example, and placed himself again at her side, she almost screamed aloud with terror.

He saw her start. "Is there anything the matter?" he asked, and his manner was so kind that Lau-rette began to be ashamed of her fears.

Ten minutes more brought them to the foot of the hill, and examining the names on the gate-posts by the aid of a few flaming fusees, they quickly found themselves, to Laurette's great relief, in the well-lit hall of the house they sought.

The man put down the box, and the neat house-maid went to inform her mistress of Miss Lyon's arrival.

"I am much obliged to you," said Laurette, drawing out her purse. "How much do I owe you?" And looking at her companion she noticed, for the first time, and with dismay, that he looked much more like a gentleman than an artesan.

"You owe me a kiss, madam," he answered, in a different and a natural voice. "Sir.!" she ejaculated, in utter surprise, though now his voice sounded strangely fa-

"Have you forgotten the kiss you promised me ten years ago to-night, Laurette?" and he tossed aside his hat and stepped towards her.

"Herbert! Oh! Herbert!" And Mrs. Mansfield, coming into the hall minute later, stood still in mute astonishment to behold Laurette—grave, fastidious Laurette—clasped close in the arms of a tall, fine-looking man.

"Well!" she exclaimed at length. At the sound of her voice Lauretta released herself, and turned an April face all tears and smiles, towards her friend.

"You have heard me speak of Herber Lindsay? He has come home at last—at time he should give her one of the berries for last!" and she leaned her head on his arm and sobbed outright.

Two hours later Herbert and Laurette sat in Mrs. Mansfield's cosy little drawingroom. Miss Lyon, looking so young and etty in her new-found h the fire, with a screen in her hand and her face turned towards her lover.

"And so you were unfortunate the first five years?" she said.

"Yes; so unfortunate and poor that some times I hardly knew how or when I should get my next meal. When things were steadily improving with me for rather more than a year I wrote to you, but received no answer. I waited a few months, and then wrote again, with the same result. Then I waited six months, and wrote for the third time, and after awhile my letter was returned to me with the single word 'gone,' on it. You may imagine how disappointed I was. made inquries respecting you of all those likely to be acquainted with your movements, but all that I could learn was that your father was dead, and that you had left the neighborhood. So I thought the best thing I could do was to work harder than ever, and return to England at the earliest possible moment, and search for you my- ing, peoper, salt, and small pieces of butter, swered; and Laurette, hastily letting down | self; and, thank Heaven! I have found

"And how strangely it came about," said Laurette, smiling, "Do you know I thought you were going to murder me at one time?' and to his amusement she told him of the fears that had possessed her.

"I am so glad now that I came to Bristol," continued Herbert. "I was knocking about in London, putting all kinds of machinery in motion with the object of finding you-which, by-the-way, I must stop now-"As your father sets such a high value on money, and requires so much," he wrote, "I have resigned my situation and am go"I have resigned my situation and a my situati bachelor, staying at an hotel, I was only too glad to accept his invitation. Arrived at Redland, I found there was no cab to be had on account of the slippery state of the roads, and so left my portmanteau at the 'Black Boy,' intending to ask my friend to and sugar, then squeeze the juice from a send his gardener for it. And glad I am that I did so, or I should never have met with this happy Christmas Adventure.

On Christmas morning Herbert Lindsay found out his friend's house, and explained the cause of his non-appearance the previ-

ous evening.

A month later there was a quiet wedding at Stoke Church, and after a few happy weeks on the Continent, Mr. and Mrs. Lind-

"I love you dearly, and as long as I live I was greatly relieved to escape the insolent rious, home that he had worked so long and

CHRISTMAS GREENS AND THE CHRISTMAS TREE.

In many parts of Germany and the north of Europe, Christmas is called the children's festival, and presents are given by different members of the family to each other on Christmas eve. A large yew bough is erected in one of the parlors, lighted with tapers and hung with manifold gifts, sweetmests, apples, nuts, Postage Paid. playthings and ornaments. Each of these is marked with the name of the person for whom

is intended, but not with the name of the donor, and when the whole family party is assembled the presents are distributed around Its AGRICULTURAL and the room, according to their labels, amid joyful acclamations and congratulations. A more sober scene ensues, for the mother takes this occasion to say privately to the daughters, and the father to the sons, what has been observed most praiseworthy and what most faulty in their conduct.

In some of the smaller villages of North Germany, the presents made by all the parents are sent to some one person who in high buskins, a white robe, a mask, and an enormous flax wig, becoming the bug-bear of children, known as Knecht Rupert, goes from house to house, is received by the parents with great reverence, and bestows the intended gifts upon them according to the character which he hears from the parents after severe inquiries.

It is an old Swedish tradition that at the festival of Christmas the men living in the cold, northern parts are suddenly and strangely metamorphosed into wolves, and that a huge multitude of them meet together at an appointed place during the night, and rage so fiercely against mankind and other creatures not fierce by nature, that the inhabitants of that country suffer more fearfully from their attacks than ever they do from natural wolves.

The practice of decking the houses and churches at Christmas with evergreens, is derived from the ancient druids.

The holly and ivy are in England the most esteemed Christmas evergreens, though, at the two universities, the windows of the college chapels are decked with laurel.

In many parts of Oxfordshire, it is the custom for the maid to ask one of the men for ivy to dress the house, and, if he refuses or neglects it, she is to steal a pair of his breeches and nail them up to the gate in the yard or highway.

The addition of the chrysauthemm, snusti flower and other everlastings, mingling with the red berry of the holly, have a very pleasing cheerful effect.

The mistletoe was held sacred by the Druids and Celtic nations, because the berries grew in clusters of three, united in clusters to one stalk, and they have a veneration for the

In our times, if one by favor or cunning abor, can induce a fair one to come under the mistletoe, he is entitled to asalute; at the same a limited number of kisses. In some places people try lots, by the crackling of the leaves and berries in the fire. It was an old belief that sylvan spirits might flock to the ever, greens and remain unnipped by frost till a Herbert's eyes she seemed the very Lau- milder season. The holly, ivy, rosemary, bay rette of ten years ago, sat in a low chair by laurel and mistletoe furnished the favorite trimmings .- Demorests' Monthly.

RECIPES.

TURKEY WITH OYSTERS -Cut up the turkey very fine, that is, cold roast or boiled turs key. Put a layer of turkey and one of oysters alternately. Season with cream, butter, pepper, salt, a little nutmeg, an onion, and strew crumbs of bread and small pieces of butter on the top, and bake it.

TURKEY SCALLOP .- Cut the meat from the bones of a cold turkey left from dinner the day before; remove the bits of skin and gristle, and chop up the rest very fine. Put on the bottom of a buttered dish a layer of breadcrumbs; moisten slightly with milk, that they may not absorb all the gravy; then spread a layer of the minced turkey, with bits of stuff-bread allowed turkey. then another layer of crumbs and so on until the dish is nearly full. Before putting on the upper crust pour in the gravy left from the turkey, add a little Worcestershire sauce, ketchup and butter. Have ready more crumbs seasoned with salt and beaten up light with two eggs, then spread it smoothly over the dish, stick bits of butter plentifully upon it. and pake; turn a deep plate over the dish until the contents begin to bubble at the sides, showing that the whole is thoroughly cooked. It will take three quarters of an hour,

A SMALL QUANTITY OF LEMON MINCES MEAT .- One large lemon, 3 large apples, 4 ounces beef-sact, 1/2 pound currants, 1/2 pound stoned raisins, 4 ounces white sugar, 1 ounce candied orange and citron. Chop up the apples and beef suct, mix them with the fruit large lemon into a cup and add a glass of sherry. Well mix the whole; it is fit for immediate use.

SPANISH CREAM .-- One ounce gelatine, S pints of milk, 6 eggs, 8 tablespoonfuls of sugar. Soak the gelatine one hour in the milk, then [let it come to a boil; beat the yolks of the eggs with the sugar, and stir in say sailed for Australia, and in due course let it simmer, take off the fire, and pour over Herbert showed to his dear wife with in- it the whites of the eggs beaten to a froth; finite pleasure the comfortable, even luxu- flavor with the lemon or vanilla extract.

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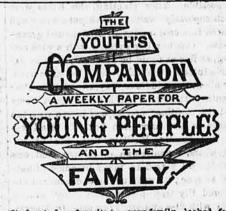
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THE STRAY LIST.

Strays for Week Ending Dec. 25, 1878. Allen County-T. S. Stover, Clerk.

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PONY—Taken up by Thos. Brister, Elm tp, a bay pony mare 12 yrs old. 12 bands high, both bind and left fore foot white, supposed to be with foal. Valued at \$15.

MARE & COLT—Taken up by Jno, Willett, Elm tp, one brown mare 3 or 10 yrs old, 15 bands high, harness and saddle marks, shord all round, followed by a bay sucking horse coit. Valued at \$10.

HEIFER—Taken up by Orn Leake, Genera tp, a white heifer with no ears, 3yrs old. Valued at \$14.

COLT—Taken up by T. F. Hazzard, Genera tp, one bay horse coit about 2 yrs old, white star in forehead, left hind foot white. Valued at \$30.

GOLT—Also, one bay mare coit 3 yrs old white star in forehead, left hind foot white. Valued at \$30.

HORSE—Taken up by Leonard Parsons, Elsmore tp, one horse 14 hands high, light iron gray, light mane and tail, about 2 yrs old. Valued at \$20.

STERR—Taken up by William Simons, Humboldt tp, one bay mare 2 yrs old. 13% hands bigh., white spot in forehead, white spot on hose, left hind foot white., Valued at \$25.

MARK—Taken up by William Simons, Humboldt tp, one bay mare 2 yrs old. 13% hands high, white spot in forehead, white spot on hose, left hind foot white., Valued at \$35.

STERR—Taken up by J. L. Wise, Deer Creek tp, one and the second of the second o

Bourbon County-James H. Brown, Clerk. Bourbon County—James H. Brown, Clerk.

COLT—Taken up by M. Carl, Franklin Tp, one iron gray mare colt, supposed to 1 yrs old last spring, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$25.

STEER—Taken up by Clifford Latta, Timberhill Tp, one red steer supposed to be 2 yrs old, some white in face branded B on right hip. Valued at \$15.

STEER—Taken up by David F. Coor, Mill Creek Tp, a small 2-year old steer, white with red and mixed colored spots, very peculiar in mixture of colors, no visible marks nor brands. Valued at \$17.

COW—Taken up by Mary Burkholder, Osage Tp, one red cow with star in forchead, branded A on left hip, marked with two underbits in right car and one in left. Valued at \$14.

Coffey County-W. H. Throckmorton, Clerk. HKIFER-Taken up by Hiram Driggs, Picasant Tp, one thite yearling helier; underbit in right ear. Valued at \$12.

MULE—Taken up by G. D. Weimer, Burlington Tp, one
Zyenr-old mare mule, dim brand Bor H on left shoulder,
dark bay or black, mouse colored mouth. Valued at

845. BTEERS—Taken up by J. B. Kinkead, Avon Tp, two 2-year-old; steers one red and white spotted, medium size, valued at \$16; the other red with spot in forehead, crop off each car, valued at \$16. STEER—Also, one red yearling steer, some white en belly. Valued at \$12. MARE—Taken up by R. E. Edwards, Star tp, one bay pony mare 7 yrs old, white face, saddle marks, bob tail. Valued at \$29. Valued at \$20.

HEIFKR—Taken up by D. J. Morris, Hampden Tp. one
2-year-old red and white spotted befor, branded on left
hip supposed to be L.D. Valued at \$12.

Elk County-Geo Thompson, Clerk. STEER.—Taken up by Jerry Wilson, Longton to, Nov.

Greenwood County-F. J. Cochrane, Clerk. HORSE—Taken up by David Emmerson, Eureka Tp. Nov. 20, one bay horse about 3 yrs old, branded A on left shoulder, left hind foot white. Valued at \$30.

HORSE—Also, one dark roan horse supposed to be 3 yrs old, branded with figure 2 with bar over it, on left shoulder, left hind foot white, small white spot in face. Valued at \$30.

Jackson County-J. G. Porterflefd, Clerk. COW-Taken up by B. D. Meadows, Straight Creek tp, lov. 11, one red and white spotted cow, 5 yrs old. Valu-

ed at \$18
STERR—Taken up by Simpson Green, Straight Creek tp.
Dec. 2, one dark red yearing steer, almost black around
eyes, belly white, white spot on right thigh, and on isft
foot, tail white from bush half way to body, 1 yr old.
Yalued at \$14.
HEIFER—Taken up by A. J. Smith. Straight Creek tp.
Dec. 6. one rose. Valued at \$14.

HEIFER—Taken up by A. J. Smith, Straight Creek tp.
Dec. 6, one roan or speckled helfer, red neck, white spot
in forehead, branden on right hip, 2 yrs old, Valued at
\$16. \$16. MARE—Taken up by E. J. Dunahue, Douglas tp. Dec. 16, one chestnut sorrel mare about ten hands high, 9 yrs old, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$25.

Leavenworth County-J W. Nelhaus, Clerk. COLT—Taken up by Miller Turpin, Tonganoxie tp, Dec. 16, one roan horse colt, 2 yrs old next spring, one hip down. Valued at \$15.
FILLY—Also, one bay filly 2 yrs old next spring, star is forehead, right hind loot white. Valued at \$15.
Miami County—B. J. Sheridan, Clerk.

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STEER—Taken up by J. W. Zinn, Richland to, one red and white spotted steer, mostly red, sitt in right ear, and red bit in left ear, 3 yrs old. Valued at \$87.

STEER—Taken up by J. H. Dunn, Stanton to, a red steer 1 yr old, brand on left hip supposed to be J. Valued at \$12.

STEER—Taken up by Lewis Ebert, Middle Greek to, a yearling steer spotted red and white, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$12.

STEER—Taken up by J. Jea. Dunn, Richlena yr, a red steer 2 yrs old, some white under finns, end of tail white, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$12.

STEER—Taken up by P. Peterson, Richlena tp, a red steer, white in forelead, white belly, two white spots on back and white on iront of legs, tip of tail white, 2 yrs old Valued at \$17.

STEERS & HEIFER—Taken up by H. O. Peery, Marys. back and white on front oflegs, tip of tail white, 2 yrs old Valued at \$1.

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red with line back, all marked with upper and underbit
in lett ear. All valued at \$23.

STEER—Taken up by Wm. Shannon, Sugar Croek Tp.
a white yearling steer, small nick in end of right ear.
Valued at \$44.

STEER—Taken up by T. B. Robinson, Marysville tp, a
roan steer one year old past, split and underbit in right
ear, underbit in left.
COW—Taken up by W. J. Jones, Middle Crock tp, a red
and white spotted cow, 2 yrs old, crumply horns, branded
with cross on left hip, has with her a small sucking cali.
Valued at \$12.

With closs of the control of the con ued at \$11. HEIFER—Taken up by Jno. Ward, Marysville tp. a red and white spotted heller, supposed to be 1 yr old. Val-

HEIFER—Taken up by caleb Servor, a dark horse yearred and white spotted helier, supposed to be 1 yr old. Yai
red at \$12.

COLT—Taken up by Caleb Servor, a dark horse yearling colt, black mane and tail. Valued at \$12.

COLT—Taken up by B. F. Endicott, Sugar Creek tp, a
bay horse colt 1 yr old, medium size, had on neck a rope
collar with board attached with letters "Bros" on one
side and "Fry on the other. Valued at \$30.

MULE—Taken up by James Cartwright, Valley tp, one
brown mare mule 1 yr old, white nose and bolly. Valued
at \$25.

MULE—Also, a mare mule 1 yr old, black with white
nose. Valued at \$25

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HEIFE 4—Taken up by Spence Biddle, Agency tp, Nov 26, one red and white 2-year old heifer, star in forchead, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$15.

BTALLION COLT—Taken up by Jonas Lawson, Melvern tp, Nov. 6, one bay stallion colt 3 yrs old, 15 hands high, branded P on right shot ider, value \$20.

COLT—Taken up by J. H. F. Plyley, Fairfox tp, Nov. 3, and brown horse colt 3 yrs old, 145 hands high, right flank darker than balance of horse, value \$20.

HEIFER—Taken up by Samel Tenuey, Burlingame tp, Nov. 9, one white yearling heifer, legs, face and eats mix-cd red and white, value, \$11.

MARE COLT—Taken up by Samel Tenuey, Burlingame tp, Nov. 10, one dark iron gray mare colt one yr old last spring, black mane and tall, lighter in face and left hind foot, value, \$15.

HEIFER—Taken up by J. M. Chandler, Superior tp, Nov. 10, one 2 year-old dark red heifer, some white in face and between lorelegs and spot on right shoulder, 2 branded on left hip.

HEIFER—Also, one light red yearling heifer, white face, flank and end of tall, unknown brand on left hip.

STEER—Also, one red and white yearling steer, way backed, unknown brand on left hip. All valued at \$42.

STALLION COLT—Taken up by Wm. O. Davis, Arvonia Tp, Nov. 9, one dark dun stallion, 5 yrs old, black feet mane and tall, nose darker dun, some light spots on nose, spots on forchead, 4 hlands high, value, \$25.

STALLION—Also, one brown stallion, 5 yrs old, white star in forchead, white on nose, right hind foot white, some white on both fore feet, value, \$25.

STALLION—Taken up by George Jolife, Junction tp, Nov 2, one red and white spotted steer 1 yr old, small size, no marks nor brands, value, \$25.

COLT—Taken up by George Jolife, Junction tp, Nov 20 one fron gray gelding, \$ yrs old, no marks nor brands, value, \$25.

Riley County—Wm. Burgoyne, Clerk.

on neck, stiffin choulders, lyme inleft hind leg, little white on left hind foot. Valued at \$50.

Fillly—Taken up by day Powers, Bowhattan Tp (Netswaka, Jackson Co. P. O.) Nov. 1, 1878, one mare colt 3 years old about 4 hands light, dark stored, white strip in forchead, little white on foot, branced on left shoulder, supposed to buster i. Valued at \$50.

Filly—Taken up by D. F. Williams, Robinson Tp, (Rocinson P. O.) Nov. 19, 1878, one bay filly 1 year old, right lind 1000 white. Valued at \$52.

STEER—Takes up by Samuel Ryfeler of Walnut tp, (Frinkyille P. O.) Nov. 19, 1878, one roan steer, white in lorehead, about 2 years old, no marks nor brands. Value of at \$12.

COW—Taken up by A. B. Smith, Washington Tp, (Marak P. O.) Nov. 9, 1878, one red heifer cair 18 months old, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$18.

HEIFER—Taken up by E chase, of Padonia tp, (Hiswatta P. O.) Nov. 9, 1878, one red heifer cair 18 months old, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$12.

HEIFER—Taken up by E chase, of Padonia tp, (Hiswatta P. O.) Nov. 23, 1878, one red heifer, 1 year old, white belly thanks and teet, smooth crop off left ear. Valued at \$15.

Butler County.—Vincent Brown, Clerk.

Butler County.-Vincent Brown, Clerk. GELDING & COLT—Taken up by A. G. Dayls, Murdock tp, Dec. 4, 1878, one gelding 8 or 9 years old, bay, right hind foot white, no marks nor brands. Also, one bay mare colt, right hind fost white, 6 or 7 months old. Both valued at \$65.

Chase County .- S. A. Breese, Clerk. Chase County.—S. A. Dispunan, Diamond Creek Tp, Dec. 6, 1878, one bay yearling horse colt, no marks nor brands visible. Valued at \$20.

MARE—Taken up by Wm. Wood, Falls tp, Dec. 14, 1878, one bay mare, 8 years old, black mane and tail, no marks nor brands visible. Valued at \$25.

Doniphan County-D. W. Morse, Clerk. COW-Taken up by Oscar Pengree, Centre tp, Nov.13 878, one pale red cow, white face and line back, with a neking call one week old, no marks nor brands. Valued sneking can one week old, he had as a state.

BULL.—Taken up by August Good, Wolf River Tp, Oct.
31, one red buil, 3 yrs old, two white spots on hind legs,
a piece of rope and chain tied around horms, no other
marks nor brands. Valued at \$15.

Franklin County-Geo. D. Stinebaugh, Clerk. MULE—Taken up by Field Bledsoe, Peoria Tp. one ight bay mare mulely rold, dark stripe over shoulder, cached mane and shaved tail, medium sized. Valued at Ingal 087 band and saaved tail, medium sized. Valued at \$33.

HORSE COLT—Taken up by F. J. Tawney, Cutler the one dork brown 1-year-old, horse colt, small white spot in ferchead. Valued at \$20.

HORSE AM ARE—Taken up by J. T. Seymore, Cutler the, one gray horse, blind in both eyes between 9 and 15 years old, about 15 bands high. Valued at \$15.

Also, one bay mare 2 yrs old past, left hind foot white, some white of right fore foot, about 15 hands high. Valued at \$30.

HORSE Of a right fore foot, about 15 hands high. Valued at \$35.

HORSE OF AREA up by W. L. Delano, Ottawa th, one dark brown 1-year-old borse, star in forehead, right hind foot white, medium size. Valued at \$35.

BULL OK STAG—Taken up by George R. Mallory, Corris Tr, one red, 5-year-old bull or siag, small size, (has the 1 appearance of one seed only) no other marks in the spot of the star of the spot of th

Values at \$50.

COLT-Taken up by J. M. Beal, Peoria tp, November 39, 1878, one i-year-old small black filly colt. Valued at MARE COLT—Takes up by Wm. Rasterly, Elchmond to Nov. 35, 1878, one brown mare, supposed to be 1 year old, medium size, large white spot in the forehead, both hind feet white.

Jefferson County—I. N. Insley, Clerk.

HEIFER—Taken up by W. H. Turner, Rock Creek Sp., Nov. 21, 1578, one 1-yr-old red helier, some white on belly and sides, star in forelized, no other marks nor brands. Valued at \$14.

BUILL—Taken up by A. A. Griffin, Delaware tp., Nov. 19, 1878, one red and white spotted bull tor5 yes olding in nose, no other marks nor brands. Valued at \$20.

COLT—Taken up by W. Wesley, Rock Creek Tp., Nov. 21, 1878, one dark bay mare colt 2 yrs old, star in forelænd little white on nose, both hind feet white, no other marks nor brands. Valued at \$30.

COLT—Taken up by E. A. Taylor, Rock Creek Tp., noe black colt two yrs old, left hind foot white, no other marks nor brands. Valued at \$40.

STEKE—Taken up by John Rumbaugh, Rural tp, Nov. 5, 1878, one yearling steer, white back and belly, rean sides and redears, smooth crop off right esr. Valued at \$12.

COLT—Taken up by Wm. Billett, Union tp, one dark brown horse colt 1 yr old, left hind toot white around the hoof, no other marks nor brands. Valued at \$30.

COW—Taken up by Taylor Thomas, Delaware Tp, Nov. 10, 1878, one white cow 3 yrs old, no marks nor brands Valued at \$15.

BTERF—Taken up by John Weishaar, Jefferson Tp, Nov. 7, 1878, one pale red steer 2 yrs old, drooped horns some white goots, crop off right ear. Valued at \$16. Jefferson County-I. N. Insley, Clerk.

La Bette County-L. C. Howard, Clerk. HORSE—Taken up by Albert E. Walton, Hackberry tp, Nov. 15, 1878, one light gray horse, medium size, 7 yrs old bunch on right hind foot. HORSE—Also, one red roan horse, medium size, 8 yrs old, white star in forehead, one white hind foot. Valued

Lian County-J. W. Flora, Clerk. Linn County—J. W. Flora, Clork.

MARR—Toben up by J. H. Wonderly, Centreville To.
100. 4, 1878, one dark brown 1-year-old mare, medium
12c, smooth made. Valued at \$25.

BTEER—Taken up by G. H. Curry, Centerville tp, Nov.
1, 1878, one 1-year-old white, steer, crop off back part of
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1878 the 1976 the 19

While on rump, some waite in face, Tyrs old. Valued at \$20. COW—Also, one red and white speckled cow 9 yrs old Valued at \$20. COW—Taen up by J. H. Jenes, Scott tp, Nov. 15, 1873, one brownish black cew, 8 years old few white belies over the body, white nuder belly, points of horns sawed off, has a call about two months old. Valued at \$25. STERH—Taken up by B. J. Robertson, Mound City Tp Nov. 12, 1878, one white yearing steer, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$1.

STERH—Taken up by N. J. Torrey, Sheriden Tp, Nov. 15, 1878, one dark rod steer, 1 yr old, crop off both ears. Valued at \$1.

Lyon County—Win. F. Ewing, Clerk.

HORSE—Taken up by W. S. Bittler, of Center tp. one dark brown horse, hind feet white, little white on left fore foot, some white between the eyes, about 14½ hands high, about 8 years old. Valued at \$30.

PONY—Taken up by Samuel Bittler, Centre tp, one, bay pony white strip in face, about 14 hands high. Valued at \$35.

HORSE—Taken up by S. P. McCaw, Americus tp, one bay horse, white spot in forehead, Valued at \$25.

HORSE—Taken up by D. W. Kastman, of Center tp, one light bay horse pony, white spot in forehead, saddle marks, little sprung in the knees. Valued at \$25.

FILLY—Taken up by M. H. Calley, Centre Tp, one mouse colored gray filly. Valued at \$20.

COW—Taken up by W. Hamphrey, in Emporis tp, one red cow, little white around the udder. Valued at \$20. Lyon County-Wm. F. Ewing, Clerk.

Mitchell County-J. W. Hatcher, Clerk. MARE-Taken up by Robert Hillard, Logan Tp, one flea-bitten gray mare. 15 hands high, 11 years old, collar marks. Valued at \$55. Nemaha County-Joshua Mitchell, Clerk

COLT-Taken up by Peter McQuaid, Nemaha Tp, Nov. 25, 1878, one 2-year-old bay mare colt, small size, off hind foot waite, and a little white in forehead. Estimated value, \$30.

Neosho County-C. T. Stauber, Clerk. MARE—Taken up by G. W.Carpenter, Mission Tp. one sorrel mare, white blaze in forehead, supposed to be 12 yrs old, about 19 hands high, no other marks nor brands. Valued at \$12.

Biley County--Wm. Burgoyne, Clerk PONY-Taken up by Ellin Moon, May day Tp. October 30, 1878, one mare pony 5 yrs old, bright sorrel, 1894 hands high, white strip in forehead, left hind foot white. Valued at \$37.50.

Shawnee County-J. Lee Knight, Clerk.

STERR—Taken up by W. H. Moffett, Williamsport Tp., one yearling steer, roan, marked underbit in both ears, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$14.

FILLY—Taken up by Peter Fleck, Auburn tp., Nov. 11, 1878, one bay filly about 2 years old, right hind foot white, little white in forebead, mane and tail curly, hair on body curly, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$30.

STAG—Taken up by James Carrol, Williamsport Tp., Nov. 19, 1878, one stag 2 years old, red with white stripe on each side just back of shoulder, little white on belly and tip of tail, no marks nor brands visible. Valued at \$1.

83. one fron gray gelding, 3 yrs old, no marks nor brands value, \$25.

Riley County—Wm. Burgoyne, Clerk.

COLT—Taken up by Job Welton, Ashland th, Nov. 29, one bay mare colt 2 yrs old, hind feet write, star in forehead medium size, no brands. Valued at \$20.

Wabannee County—T. N. Watts, Clerk.

STEER—Taken up by Peter Thoes, in Farmer tp, one red steer, 2 years old, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$13.

"STEER—Also, one yearling steer, light red, line back white of orchead, white spots on belly, tail red and well of the star in forehead line back white shind feet up to knees, white tail, no other marks nor brands visible. Valued at \$13.

"OW—Taken up by Fred Redemske, Farmer tp, one cow so rol years old, palered, white in forehead line back white shind feet up to knees, white tail, no other marks nor brands visible. Valued at \$12.

"Wilson County—Gra McFadden, Clerk.

"MARE—Taken up by Daniel Hase, Verdigris tp, Nov. 25, 1578, one light bay horse 19 yrs old, stripe in face, leit hind foot white, blaze face. Valued at \$20.

"Wilson County—Gra McFadden, Clerk.

"MARE—Taken up by Daniel Hase, Verdigris tp, Nov. 25, 1583, one light bay horse 19 yrs old, stripe in face, leit hind foot white, star in seas. Valued at \$20.

"Wilson County—Henry Isely, Clerk.

Brown County—Henry Isely, C

Wabaunsee County-T. N. Watts, Clerk. MARE—Taken up by Allen Hodgeman, Wilmington To.
one bay pony mare 2 yrs old, star in forehest, slind feet,
white, branded W B on left-houlder. Valued \$30.—
MARE—Also one bay mare 1 yrold, star in lorehead,
sighthind loot white. Valued \$15.
MARE—Taken up by R. J. Stephenson, Maple Hill Tp,
one sorrel mare 2 yrs old, white spot is forehead.
COLT—Also, one hay horse colt 2 yrs old.
COLT—Also, one dark bay mare colt, 1 yr old, no marks
or brands.

OUL I—Also, one dark bay mare colt, 1 yr old, no marks nor brands.

MARE—Taken up by John Heagle, Newbury Tp, one bay mare one year old, white on right hind foot, no marks nor brands. Valued at \$25.

MARE—Taken up by James Cottrill, Newbury Tp, one gray mare, star is forehead, branded R on left shoulder. Age 3 yrs. Valued at \$50. Wyandotte County-D. B. Emmons, Clerk.

Wyandotte County—B. R. Emimons, everage MARR—Taken up by H. C. Gentry, Edwardsville Tp; Oct. 25, 1878. one white innre 12 years old, 14½ hands hign, coliar marks on shoulder. Valued at \$25.

GOLT—Taken up by H. Brenner-Jr, Quindaro Tp, Nov. 8, 1878, one light sorrel mare colt, 3 yrs old, white stripe 4 or five inchers long in forebead, white spor on nose, some marks between the cyes, ears with hair nearly worn of, hind feet white above the fetlock, left fore leg seems to have been broken below the knes. Valued at \$15.

GOW—Taken up by Jerry Green, Wyandotte City, Nov. 29, 1878, one deep red cow, about 8 yrs old, short tall, had bell on. Valued at \$20.

GOW—Also, one bindle cow about 8 yrs old, branded with a heart on left hin. Valued at \$20.

GOW—Also, one white cow spotted with red, about 5 yrs old, no marks. Valued at \$20.

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We have noticed in every issue of the Herald, for several weeks, the vast amount of grain and broom-corn that arrives in this market daily, and still the warehouses are filled up as fast as the produce is shipped .- Salina Herald.

An impecunious editor, while traveling on the New York Central Railroad on a pass, was put off at Utica by the conductor in compliance with a new law then enacted in that State forbidding the use of passes. In a letter to his wife the unlucky journalist thus

related his woes:
"Dear Wife—Bell my t'other clothes for what they will bring and remit at once. Had my linen duster for supper and my spare shirt will have to go for lodging. May be able to make a light breakfast on a German silver comb and a pair of shears I chanced to have with me. Don't know when I shall get home; it will depend a good deal on the walking. Don't marry for a few months; there is a bare possibility of my getting back. "SIMON." my getting back.

A witty Western editor, suffering from a depleted purse, copied in his paper an account of an accident, in which the man resscued from drowning related that at the moment of sinking he had a most vivid recollection of every circumstance of his life, and at the end of the paragraph pointedly advises his subscribers to bathe in deep

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"Friends, we are almost penniless. Job's turkey was almost a millionaire compared with our present depressed treasury. Today, if the price of salt was two cents a bar-rel, we couldn't buy enough to pickle a jay-bird."

Another instance of the proverty attending the calling was given in the following story: A country editor called his "devil" story: A country editor called his "devil"
to him one day, and informed him that he
would be obliged to dispense with his services, unless he would be willing to take
nine pence a week for his work, or share
the profits of the paper. The "devil," after
meditating a few moments, decided to accept the nine-pence a week. *

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the subject of a still more distressing story. It appears that while traveling he was so unfortunate as to be robbed of his wallet. The thief, after examining the contents, went to the trouble to return the wallet by express to the address written on the inside, accompanied by the following note: "You miserabil skunk, hears vure pocket-book.
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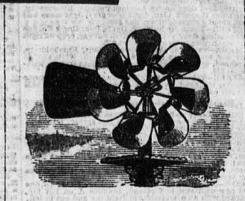
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