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BLOCKS OF TWO.

The regular subscription price for the Kansas Farmer is one dollar a year. That it is worth the money is attested by the fact that thousands have for many years been paying the price and found it profitable. But the publishers have determined to make it possible to secure the paper at half price. While the subscription price will remain at one dollar a year, every old subscriber is authorized to send

his own renewal for one year and one new subscription for one year with one dollar to pay for both. In like manner two new subscribers will be entered, both for one year, for one dollar. . Address, Kansas Farmer Company, Topeka, Kans.

The demand for alfalfa hay in the Topeka market tells of a recognition of the value of this forage. Dealers complain that they are unable to ob-

yearly income of the State and at the same time increase the productiveness of the soil and eradicate many weeds. But, when?

THE STATE OF CUBA?

It was sure to come. The proposition is now made to invite Cuba to become a State of the Union with Porto Rico as a county of the new State.

When this country went to war with Spain on Cuba's behalf, Congress

serious business? Presently it was admitted that alternation of work and play might be beneficial. In higher institutions of learning where close observations of the achievements of students make comparisons possible, the encouragement of athletics has become a part of the regimen. The best work that it done by stutheir books most, who wear solemn

dents is not by those who mope over countenances always, and who never

manifest the exuberance of youth. On the contrary, those of whom their instructors are proud are the youths of enthusiasm on the playground as well as attention in the class room; those who turn with a relish from hard study to vigorous sport are found to be those who in season turn more efficiently to study.

One of the most pronounced recognitions ever accorded to the place of athletics in the college was that given by Washburn College, at Topeka, last Friday. The football season has received its due attention from the Washburn team. This has been rewarded by triumph in every game played. The team had just beaten the Missouri State University team on their own grounds at Columbia, and expected to arrive in Topeka at about midnight last Thursday. President Plass, of Washburn, proposed to the students that the team be telegraphed to rest over night at Kansas City and reach Topeka at 10.30 Friday morning. This and other parts of the plan met the hearty approval of the stu-dents. On Friday the team was met at the station by the entire student body and most of the faculty. A wagon was at hand for the football players. The horses were detached and the

young men drew the wagon through the streets of the city and to the college, a distance of over three miles. The lady students were present with their colors, and the college band gave a martial effect to the occasion. The enthusiasm of numbers was manifest. The occasion was in every way an enjoyable one and the college spirit was promoted.

Such recognition of the place of athletic sports is healthy. Corresponding recognition in the family and in the community, of the necessity of relaxation and play for their own sake and the sake of the good they do, would tend to the production of stronger, more efficient men and women, to better health and longer lives, to greater achievements and more joy and good in the world. The young must play: the old had better.



Imported Percheron and Chief Herd Stallion of J. W. & J. C. Robison, of Towanda, Kans.

tain stocks of seasonably cut and properly cured alfalfa. Its feeding value for cows is very nearly that of bran.

The nice open fall in Kansas has been favorable to the progress of farm work. Snow or rain about Thanks giving would not meet serious objections from the majority of farmers.

Prof. C. F. Curtiss, of the Iowa Agricultural College, has issued the call for the first annual convention of the National Plant- and Animal-breeders' Association to meet in St. Louis, December 29 and 30.

The United States of Colombia intimates that the United States of America is liable to get into several kinds of trouble on account of the Panama incident. Nevertheless, that Panama Canal is likely to be dug.

Whenever Kansas shall attain the same regard for sheep that she now has for the dog, the aforesaid gentle animal stands ready to add a few hundreds of thousands of dollars to the

it was not a war of conquest. This pledge has been kept as regards Cuba. But the mutuality of Cuban interests with ours, her dependence upon this country for defense, and our need of fuller control of the entrance of the Caribbean Sea on account of the ship canal we are about to construct, all point to eventual perfect union of the rich island with this country. Our invitation at this time to join us, and Cuba's acceptance, all after she has become a member of the family of Nations, could scarcely be construed as violating our pledge to abstain from conquest.

pledged the Nations of the world that

PLAY.

Not so very long ago, schoolmen thought it about the most important part of their duty to suppress the everpresent disposition of the boy to play. Later, it has dawned upon some thinkers that Americans are becoming a Nation of dyspeptics. The suggestion that we take life too seriously, at first met with disfavor. Is not life a

TRANSIT TO THE INTERNATION-AL ALL RIGHT.

Visitors to the International Live. Stock Exposition will suffer no incon-(Continued on page 1216.)

Agricultural Matters.

The Hired Man.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I have long looked in vain for a letter in your columns from the women-farmers on the hired-man question, knowing that the FARMER has bundreds of readers interested in this subject. Had I written this letter fifteen years ago, when I was young and inexperienced with both farming and hired help, and knew myself and my neighbors less perfectly than now, I should have sent up such a wail as this: Oh, for a hired man who will do right by me, not slight his work, abuse everything on the place, both animate and inanimate, and be respectful to me!"

That was the mistaken idea I entertained for the first five years of my struggle to provide a living for myself and little ones by farming. Very slowly and sparingly at first the light came to me. Now I find that at least three-fifths of the hired men are doing their best to serve me to the extent of their knowledge. "An angel can not do more."

The trouble between women employers (and men, too) and their hired help in most cases comes from overinterested neighbors. Hardly a day passed but some one of my neighbors found fault with my hired man-not always meaning to do this-by such remarks as: "Are you paying Jim by the job or by the day?" When I anxiously asked the reason, the reply, if it happened that my neighbor were very slow himself, usually implied that I would be in luck if I got that corn in by fall. On the other hand, if he were swift, I was led to fear that my teams were being worked to death. Or it might be a doubtful remark about the amount of seed per acre, the depth of the plowing, crookedness of rows or fences, or a hundred other things that can be mentioned in a friendly way but would only serve to throw me into a state of nervous worry. Right here let me say, worried, fretful men or women can not expect to control others successfully if they do not control themselves. And we can control ourselves in most or nearly all cases if we will.

Experience teaches me that my friend(?) who constantly watches and question my hired man or woman only to sow seeds of distress and worry in my mind is not the friend he really intends to be but my worst enemy.

I find the best hired man to be a boy or young man; he is willing to do my way and is trying to learn. No two human beings hold just the same opinions with regard to anything; so,

if I find that my man delights in putting on the last straw that my teams can haul, or is training my horses for the race-track on the way to and from the field, or is brutal to them, I find a little gentle council, a friendly talk, better than a sharp scolding in which both parties are usually too angry to be reasonable.

When they realize that you feel a little kindly interest in them aside from the work they do, the number of men who will abuse your trust and confidence in them is small. Do not forget that they are some mother's much-loved sons, and as you would like your own treated, so treat hers.

Once in a while I have a neighbor who kindly tells Jim of the way I abuse him and abridge his rights, or in other ways seeks to make him discontented. This can be easily remedied by not talking over the faults of our men with our friends any more than we would those of our children.

My solution of the problem is, talk less to outsiders of the faults of the hired man, and talk gently and reasonably to him of them. Of his good points, be not sparing in mentioning both to their owner and to others.

I would appreciate hearing from others on this subject and anything else pertaining to the happiness of the human family. MRS. B. R. A.

Dickinson County.

Grow Pop-corn.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - Any one who will give pop-corn a fair trial will never let a season pass without planting a good patch. I have been growing it for seven years and like it better every year. The kind I raise is an extra large variety, the ears are almost as large as small field-corn; the stalks are large, yielding as much fodder as field-corn and containing far more nutrition. I can raise more feed and better feed to the acre planted in pop-corn than anything else I ever tried. On good ground, this corn will make from two to four ears to the stalk, with three and four stalks to the hill. I have never planted a big crop of it as I am a photographer and do not depend altogether on the farm for a living, but have raised from a quarter to half an acre every year for seven years. I have been improving my seed all the time and think I have got it about as nearly perfect as is possible to get it. I have a fine lot of choice seed, and if any farmer who reads this wishes to get a start of this corn. I will send him a bunch by mail, if he will write for it. I got the start of this variety of pop-corn from an old Indian while traveling in northwest

Texas. He told me he had been raising it for thirty years, and that it always made a crop when other corn failed. He said poultry fed on it would never have cholera. I have not lost a fowl with cholera since I have been raising it. If you will plant it thick and cut and feed it, stalk and all, to your cows, you will get plenty of milk, the kind of milk that will make butter.

If any one writes to me for seed, kindly send stamps for postage.

B. F. PEREGO. Newton, Texas.

The Western Kansas Irrigation Assoclation.

To the people of Western Kansas:-We wish to call your attention to the annual meeting of this association at Garden City, Kans., December 9, 1903. Every man, woman, and child should be interested in irrigation who lives in western Kansas. Come to this convention and have your say on what should be done for irrigation in Kan-

The basis of representation in the west half of Kansas is:

One delegate from each county seat, appointed by the mayor.

Two delegates from each county, appointed by the county commissioners. One from each ditch company.

One from each agricultural society. Two from each commercial club.

Good speakers have been invited and will be here to speak on our needs of irrigation. See that delegates are appointed and attend the convention. Railroad rates have been asked for. I. L. DIESEM, President.

R. M. LAWRENCE, Chairman Ex. Com.

Wants a Rat-proof Corn-crib.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I have read with interest the controversy over the English sparrow. I have been looking for the tender-hearted readers of the "old reliable" that think so much of the sparrow, to take issue in favor of the rat. I have considered one pest about as bad as the other until this fall the rat seems to outdo the sparrow. Everybody has rats this fall. I have spent \$3 for poison and I think the killed have cost me about 25 cents each. I would like to know if the readers of the Kansas Farmer have a remedy that will exterminate the rat. I would like a plan for a rat-proof corn-crib. Would a cement floor be all right? J. F. RANKIN. Johnson County.

Speltz.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I am much interested in the columns of the FARMER, particularly in the experience of those who are growing different grains and grasses.

As I have not read much from the

THE CAMEL'S HEAD.

"Where the camel's head goes his body follows," says an Oriental proverb. It's the same way with disease. A small opening will give it an entrance and when disease once has a place in the body a large number of ills may follow it. The opening for disease is often found in a "weak" stomach. When the

stomach. When the stomach is "weak" the body also becomes weak-ened by lack of nutrition, and disease attacks the heart, liver, lungs, kidneys and other organs. Dr. Pierce's

Golden Medical Discov ery makes the weak stomach strong. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, and so enables the body to resist or throw off other diseases.

Men and women who are sick are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, free, and so obtain without charge the opinion of a specialist on their ailments. respondence strictly confidential. A dress Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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"For the past two years I have been a very
sick woman," writes Mrs. Chesley, of 108 Woodland Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. "I tried medicines
from doctors and to no avail. At last I decided
to try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.
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not attend to my work nor walk up or down
stairs without the assistance of my brother or
some friend. I am now taking the fourth bottle,
and am happy to say I feel like myself again.
I can go up and down stairs and perform my
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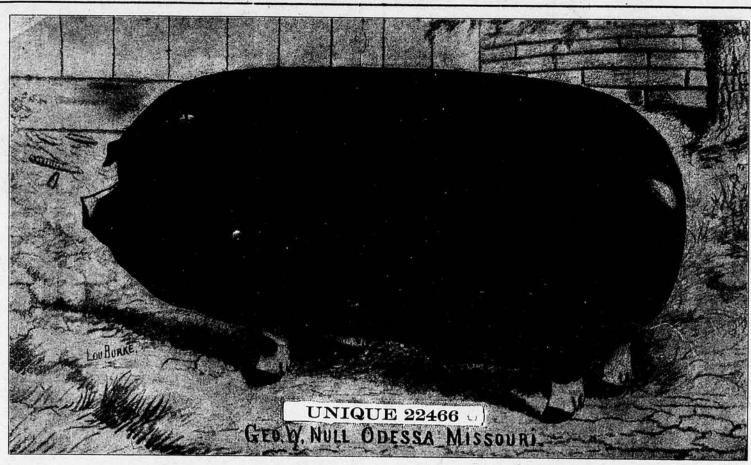
Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." There is nothing just as good for dyspepsia or debility.

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pens of those who have grown speltz, I wish to say that I grew about ten acres this past season which was the most satisfactory crop I had. I consider it far superior to oats as a spring crop. It is a very strong, vigorous grower, stands up well, has a bright, clear straw, and was not affected by rust. Growing side by side with oats, and with conditions all the same, it yielded more bushels, was much easier saved from damage by the wet weather, and is much heavier, and every way better than oats. Where a spring crop of small grain is called for, I regard it as being just the thing.

W. T. PENCE. One Dollar and Twenty-five Cents. Topeka Semi-weekly Capital and KANSAS FARMER for one year, only

Shawnee County.



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Borticulture.

A Few Inquiries Answered Regarding Some Insects.

E. S. TUCKER, MUSEUM ASSISTANT, IN-SECT COLLECTIONS, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Following my report on "Some Insects of the Summer," published in the KANSAS FARMER, September 3, I offer these notes as a continuation:

ELM-TREE APHIS.—(Schizoneura americana.)

I send you by mail a twig from an elm-tree that is infected with this pest. What are they? And what shall we do to get rid of them? Some trees are badly infected now while others have only a few. We are afraid they will kill the trees.

Russell, Kans., June 15, 1903.

A reference such as will answer for this pest is found in "Common Injurious Insects of Kansas," written by V. L. Kellogg, in regard to the cherry aphis, and is as follows:

'Diagnosis .-- Twigs and under sur-, face of leaves spotted or covered with great numbers in groups of minute, shining, black insects. Leaves wilt; growth of tree is stunted.

"Description and Life-history.-This pest is one of the plant-lice or aphids, minute, soft-bodied, most of the individuals wingless, sucking insects. It passes the winter in the egg state, on the twigs; early in spring the young aphids, hatching, gather on the bursting buds and begin sucking the juice from the unfolding leaves. In a week or ten days, the plant-lice are



a, winged female; b, pupa; c, wingless female.

APHIS OR PLANT-LICE. Many times enlarged.
"Common Injurious Insects of Kansas," by V. L. Kellogg.) (From

mature, and begin giving birth to young, which, in turn, are soon fully developed. The plant-lice increase in numbers with marvelous rapidity, and if not checked by the attacks of many natural enemies would soon overrun all vegetation. The young are born alive, except in the case of the first brood of the year, which issue from eggs laid by the last brood of the preceding year. This last fall brood is composed of winged individuals, most of the other broods being wingless.

"Remedies.—The natural enemies of the plant-lice, including lady-birds and their larvæ, parasitic two- and fourwinged flies, etc., are usually sufficient to keep the aphids in check.

'Kerosene emulsion sprayed on the lice is the most effective artificial remedy. As the lice live by sucking, poisoning the foliage is unavailing. The insecticide must be something which will destroy the insects by actual contact. Strong soapsuds or tobacco-water are recommended."

The specimens in this case were determined by Mr. E. Sanborn, a student in the entomological department of the university, who is studying these insects especially. Dr. C. V. Riley, who named the species wrote about it as follows: "Found on the under side of the leaves of elm causing them to curl, producing a pseudogall. When very numerous they sometimes affect all the leaves at the end of a twig forming a mass, conspicuous on account of the sickly yellowish color of all the leaves involved."

The best success in spraying for these insects is accomplished by forcing a stream of the emulsion or of other solutions recommended into the tree, particularly against the limbs, under pressure, in order to dislodge the pests from sheltered places, such as on the under side of the leaves or in bunches on the twigs. Severe storms sweep them to destruction. For a period of nearly two weeks after the gale which occurred in Lawrence, August 5, hardly any kind of aphis could be found, according to Mr. Sanborn, who was hunting them for study. Then in the spring, at the time the apple-buds were swelling, the apple aphis began to attack the trees much to the fear of the fruit-growers, when the late snow-storm effectively reduced them so that not a trace was left.

BUNCHED COCOON PARASITE. (Apanteles congregatus.)

Enclosed find a tomato- or tobaccoworm, I think. I found it yesterday, dead on top of one of my bee-hives under an elm-tree. The bunch of cocoons was attached to its back. I think it fell from the tree. Did you ever see or hear of anything of the kind before?

Olpe, Kans., August 24, 1903.

The caterpillar differs somewhat from the tomato-worm or the tobaccoworm, but belongs in the same family of which the caterpillars produce moths known as the Sphingidæ. By reason of the fact that it fell from an elm-tree, it is evidently a species destructive to foliage. The bunch of cocoons which forms a yellow crust on the caterpillar's back was made by quite a number of Hymenopterous parasites in their larval stage, which develop into minute four-winger flies of the family Braconidæ, and known to science specifically as Apanteles congregatus.

This parasite is known to attack several kinds of the Sphingid caterpillars. The female fly seeks out her host and lays her eggs in the skin of the caterpillar whose body becomes a prey for the young parasites as they are hatched and feed on the tissues within while obtaining their growth. Just before the caterpillar perishes, the parasites emerge from the body and form cocoons attached to the skin,



WORM, WITH PARASITIC COCOONS ATTACHED.

in which transformation into the winged stage takes place. In this species the cocoons are congregated into a mass, for which reason the name is bestowed. Many other kinds of allied parasites form their cocoons singly of silk, which are often mistaken for eggs attacked to the back of an infested caterpillar. When emerging from the cocoons, the flies cut neat little lids to the openings from which they escape. These little parasites are very effective checks to many kinds of injurious insects, and on the whole distinctly beneficial in their habits, although beyond the control of man. A very similar if not identical species thrives in Europe where it is called A. Glogemratus. In America at least it is widely distributed.

THE BUTTERCUP OIL-BEETLE .- (Meloe augusticollis.)

I send you this day a specimen of a funny bug which I found in the woods. Burton, Ohio, September 5, 1903.

Two specimens of blister-beetles. family Meloidæ, were received, which were traced to the species, Meloe angusticollis. The genus Meloe is mentioned in Prof. J. H. Comstock's Man-ual as follows: "The beetles of this genus present an exception to the characters of the Coleoptera, in that the wing-covers, instead of meeting in a straight line down the middle of the back, overlap at the base. These wing-covers are short, and the wings are lacking. These beetles are called oil-beetles in England, on account of the yellowish liquid which oozes from their joints in large drops when they are handled. Our most common species is the buttercup oil-beetle, Meloe angustipennis.

may be found in meadows and pastues feeding on the leaves of various species of buttercups."

In the set of specimens in the university collection, by the side of the label bearing the name of this species, is one Kansas specimen which was collected in Douglas County, but as it disagrees somewhat from examples received from Eastern States, the question as to its occurrence in Kansas remains open to investigation.

THE GIANT WATER-BUG, OR THE AMER-ICAN ELECTRIC-LIGHT BUG. - (Belostoma americanum.)

I have another queer bug that I send you this day.

Burton, Ohio, October 2, 1903.

The insect received is a giant waterbug, known as Belostoma americanum, or commonly called the American electric-light bug for the reason that the insect often appears in numbers at electric lights on the streets of cities where it is attracted when flying at night. Like many other kinds of insects, this bug may meet its death in the luring glare of the light, either by flying into the globe where it comes in contact with the powerful arc or by being crushed on the pavement by passing traffic wherever it may happen to fall. It is usually regarded with dread, especially by women who have sometimes erroneously scribed the creature under the impression that the front legs are horns, from the manner in which these legs are extended with the sharp claws on either side of the head in habitual attitude for grasping prey. The species thrives in a wide territory, east and west, north and south, and appears during the summer months, generally. Specimens were once received from Lake Charles, La., where they were believed to be injurious to fruit-trees, fear must be dispelled, since their habits are known to be carnivorous, though they may be regarded as an enemy of small fish.

A cluster of eggs, arranged in rows on the stem of an aquatic plant, was received from Skiddy, Morris County, Kansas, in June. An immature or young water-bug, in the stage before the wings are grown, was found in the Lake of the Woods, Minn., and given to the university collection under the name of "Toe-biter," a term commonly bestowed on a certain species in California, so-called for the reason that the insect is supposed to bite the feet of persons wading or swimming.

Concerning the habits of the waterbug, Prof. J. H. Comstock has published the following account: family Belostomatide contains the largest Heteroptera in existence. These are all wide and flat-bodied aquatic insects, of more or less ovate outline, furnished with powerful flattened swimming legs, the fore tibiæ curved, and fitted for seizing and holding tightly the victims, upon which they pounce from their hiding places in the rubbish or among the branches of water-plants. A remarkable feature of all the genera is in the presence of a pair of flattened, narrow, strap-like appendages at the end of the body, which are extensile, but not concerned with respiration. (Uhler.)

"These insects are rapacious creatures, feeding on other insects and small fish. Some of the species are of great size. One found in Guiana and Brazil sometimes measures four inches in length. We have in our fauna two common species of the larger giant water-bugs. They are Belostoma americanum and Benacus. These two species so closely resemble each other that they are commonly confounded.

"Belostoma americanum varies greatly in size. Specimens before me as I write this range from 1.75 inches to 2.4 inches in length. It is of a pale dirty-brown color, mottled with dark brown; the ventral aspect of the body is speckled with dark brown. The anterior femora are furnished with a groove for the reception of the edge of the tibiæ.

"Benacus griseus can be distinguished from Belostoma by the absence of the femoral groove."

GLOW WORM .- (Photuris-THE GRASS larva.)

A glow-worm was brought to the department and given to Dr. F. H. Snow by a farmer living near town, who stated that he found it in the grass at night when he was attracted to the creature by a bright glowing light which the worm emitted.

Lawrence, Kansas, October 14. The common lightning-bugs or fireflies comprise most of the insects

which emit a phosphorescent light, but their larvæ or worms are not as well known as the adults or beetles. These insects are classified in a family known as the Lampyridæ, and the adults have soft wing covers unlike most of the coleoptera, to which order they belong.

In Packard's Guide the worms are described as follows: "The larvae are rather long, flattened, blackish, with pale spots on the angles of each segment. * * * In Photuris the larva is not uncommonly met with in the evening shining brightly as it crawls



PHOTURIS LARVA OR GLOW-WORM. (From Packard's Guide.)

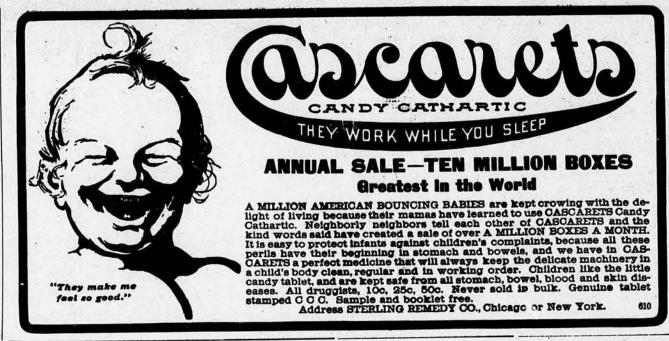
along, and is blackish and crustaceous like a pill-bug. Another Photuris larva (see figure which represents specimen submitted) I have found under a stone in May. It is represented in the act of walking, the feet on one side of the body moving alternately with those on the other. This is the mode in which insects usually walk."

A note might be added stating that the worm is quite active in running when given its freedom, and when molested it curls into a ball. The figure shows the upper side of the worm and the angular edges of the abdominal segments. The line to one side indicates actual length. Like all members of the family, its habits are carnivor-

THE GIANT SWALLOW-TAIL BUTTERFLY CATERPILLAR .- (Papilio cresphontes.)

A caterpillar was brought to the insect department by some boys who carried the creature in a box as if it were a dangerous thing to touch, their fears being founded on the power of the caterpillar to project two red-colored filaments from behind its head when molested.

Lawrence, Kans., October 16, 1903. With this caterpillar, like all of the various kinds which transform into the swallow-tail butterflies, the pres-



ence of a pair of fleshy flaments which can be extended suddenly from behind the head is common to the family Papilionidæ. The correct name of the organs is osmateria, and they are neither poisonous nor dangerous, though they may exhale a disagreeable odor. When molested, the caterpillar projects these organs suddenly and in a threatening attitude with the object seemingly to frighten away an enemy,



CATERPILLAR OR PAPILIO CRES-PHONTES.

and that it succeeds is evident, together with its protective coloration, in being able to escape from the attacks of all kinds of birds.

When a caterpillar is found as late in the season (October) as this one, it will, if left to mature, transform into a chrysalis in which stage the insect will pass through the winter, and the butterfly will emerge next spring.

The body of the caterpillar is mostly rich, ferrugineous brown in color with regions of yellowish cream. It is drawn actual size. Its food plants in Kansas, as recorded by Dr. F. H. Snow, are the hop-tree and several species of the prickly ash.

How to Test Your Seeds.

It is important to test the vitality of seeds that you are in doubt about, and where the crop requires an even stand and an exact amount is planted, as for instance, in corn. Here we plant a few grains in each hill, and if the seed should happen to be poor, the crop would be greatly lessened. When one knows about what per cent of the seed will grow, he can plant them more intelligently and obtain a larger return for the seed. In some kinds of plants there is a greater variation in the vitality of the seed, and this makes testing very important. There are several practical methods by which the testing can be done easily, and with little or no expense. A very simple method is to take an old box and fill it with moist earth (a cigar box might do), and set it in a warm room near the window. Then select a certain amount of seed, say 100, and plant them in the soil, being careful to know the exact number planted. Keep the soil damp and in a warm place, and within a few days they will come up. Then count all that grow, which is the per cent of germination. Perhaps the best and simplest plan is to take two plates, and place in one of them a folded cloth; wool or flannel is preferable since it retains moisture for a long time, but any cloth will do. The cloth should be free from dyes that will come out when soaked in water, as the chemicals might be injurious to the seed. Wet the cloth and press out the surplus water, leaving it very damp, but not soaked. Place the seeds between the folds of the cloth, put in a record marked with a pencil on a piece of paper, with the date and number of seeds, and then place the second plate inverted, for a cover. Selecting the sample to be tested is of great impor-

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tance. It must be a fair sample, including both good- and bad-appearing seeds. If the quantity is considerable, small amounts should be taken from different parts of the mass. These small samples, thoroughly mixed, form the larger sample from which the proper number of seeds is to be counted. In counting out the seeds, a fair number of small and immature ones should be selected, as well as the large and plump ones. In testing seeds, it is necessary that there should be some standard of germination with which the germination of the sample can be compared. If it falls below the standard, it is unfit for use, and its value decreases for every point that it falls below. The Department of Agriculture gives the following for a standard: Beans 95, cabbage 95, carrots 85, celery 65, corn 92.5, cucumber 92, lettuce 90, melon 92, onion 85, oats 95, parsnip 75, pepper 85, pumpkin 92, radish 95, squash 92, tomato 90, turnip 95, wheat 95, clover, red and scarlet, 90, clover

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Farmer.

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Will you please tell me through your paper how to care for monthly rose bushes so that they will not be killed to the ground during the winter? They are full of leaves and flower-buds now and frost does not take the leaves off. OSCAR YORK. Morris County.

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Care should be taken that the mulch does not blow off the plants; some brush laid on the mulch will prevent it. In the spring the plants should be

cut back to vigorous buds, some stems

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November 27, 1903—Scotch topped Shorthorns, A. B. & F. A. Heath, Republican City, Neb. December 2, 1963—Geo. W. Null, Oddessa, Mo., Poland-Uhinas. December 2, 1903—American Galloway Breeders' Association sale, at International Exposition, Chi-

Association sale, at International Exposition, Chicago.
December 3, 1903—100 head of Herefords, at Chicago, Ill. C. R. Thomas, Secretary.
December 4, 1903—American Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association sale at Chicago. W. C. McGaycok, Mt. Pulaski, Ill., manager.
December 9, 1903—Combination sale of Poland-Chinas at McPherson, Kans. M. O. Kilmer, M'gr. December 10-11, 1903—Hereford cattle and Berkshire swine, Sunny Slope Farm, Emporia, Kans. C. A. Stannard, owner.
December 11, 1903—J. R. Young, Richards, Mo., Poland-Chinas.
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January 20, 1904—H. N. Holdeman, Girard, Poland Chinas.

January 27, 1904—David Delair, Manhattan, Shorthorns and Poland-Chinas.

February 1, 1904—Poland-Chinas, Thompson Bros., Marysville, Kans., February 2 to 5, 1904—Percherons, Shorthorns, Herefords, and Poland-Chinas, at Wichita, Kans., J. O. Robison, Towanda, Kans., Manager.

February 2, 1904—Duroc-Jersey swine at Humboldt, Neb. Wm. Brandow, Manager.

February 2 and 3, 1904—Benton Gabbert and others, Herefords, at Kansas City, Mo.

February 3, 1904—Juno. O. Hunt, Maryville, Kans., Duroc-Jersey sows.

February 4, 1904—Swine-breeders' combination sale, Washington, Kans., Poland-Chinas.

February 4, 1904—C. E. Pratt, Frankfort, Kans., Duroc-Jersey sows.

February 5, 1904—J. B. Davis Fairview Kans.

Duroc-Jersey sows.

February 5, 1904—E. E. Axline, Oak Grove, Mo., Poland-China brood-sow sale. land-China brood-sow sale.

February 17, 1904—Combination sale of Angus cattle at Kansas City, Berry Lucas, Manager, Hamil-

bruary 28, 1904—Duroc-Jerseys, A. F Johnson,

Osceola, Neb.
February 24, 1904—Duroc-Jerseys, E. J. Brown
Osceola, Neb.
February 25, 1904—Duroc-Jerseys, Nels. Holm,
Osceola, Neb.
February 28, 1904—Duroc-Jerseys, C. G. Johnson,
Osceola, Neb.
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Mo., Jacks, saddle and roadster horses.
March 8, 1904—F. M. Gifford, Manbattan, Kans.,
Shorthorns.

April 7, 1904—Central Missouri Hereford Breeders Association Sale, Macon, Mo., S. L. Brock, Secretary

Coming Events.

Will secretaries, or those having the management of coming events, oblige the Kansas Farmer by sending dates? International Live-stock Exposition, Chicago, November 28-December 5, W. E. Skinner, General Manager.

American Percheron Horse Breeders' Association, next annual meeting will be held at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, Monday, November 30, 1903, 7.30 p. m. S. T. Thompson, Secretary, Tacoma Bldg., Chicago.

Twenty-eighth annual meeting of Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, December 1. Geo. W. Martin, Kansas City,

Secretary.

The annual meeting of the American Southdown Breeders' Association will be held in the Live Stock Record Building, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, December 1, 1903, 7.30 p. m. Frank S. Springer, Secretary, Springfield, Ill.

Annual meeting of the Hampshire Down Breeders' Association of America, Palmer House, Chicago, December 2, 1903. C. A. Tyler, Secretary, Nottaway, Mich.

Mission Center Farmers' Institute,

Mission Center Farmers' Institute, Shawnee County, December 1-2, 1903; Em-ma W. Wallace, Secretary, Station B, To-

peka.
Douglas County Farmers' Institute,
Vineland, December 3. Ed. S. Haney,
Secretary.
Kansas State Grange, Arkansas City,
December 8, 9, Geo. Black, Olathe, Secretary.

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Western Kansas Irrigation Association,
December 9, 1903, Garden City, I. L. Diesem, president,
Missouri State Dairy Association, Clinton, Mo., December 8-10, E. C. Eckles,

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Missouri State Horticultural Society, Columbia, Mo., December 8-10, L. A. Goodman, Kansas City, Secretary.
Annual Convention of National Plantand Animal-breeders' Association, St. Louis, December 29, 30, 1903.
Fourteenth annual meeting Kansas Improved Stock-breeders' Association, Topeka, January 11-13; H. A. Heath, Secretary.

hard, Ore., January 11-14, 1904; Chas. Martin, Denver, Col., Secretary.

Thirty-third Annual Meeting State Thirty-third Annual Meeting State Board of Agriculture, Topeka, January 13-15; F. D. Coburn, Secretary. Kansas Mid-winter Exposition, Topeka, January 19-31, 1904.

A Little Fiction.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - Feeling the need of a vacation, in the summer of 1903 I took a few days off from hard office work and took a short railroad trip to the country. Soon after my arrival I called up over the telephone, my old friend, who lived two miles in the country and told him of my arrival. He told me to wait; and in half an hour he had driven into town and we were greeting each other with a hearty hand-shake.

On the way out to the farm, an observer might have heard the following conversation.

I said: "Well, Charlie, how have things prospered with you since I saw you a year ago?"

"Not very well. I have had some very hard luck."

'Why, Charlie, I always heard you say there was no such thing as hard luck where gumption and muscle were used properly."

"Yes, I have said so; but it seems I fell down in spite of my remarks about common sense."

"Well, Charlie, what has happened to you to cause such lack of prosperity? When I saw you last you had two of the best herd boars I ever saw and about forty registered sows, and a growing demand for breeding stock at good prices, and I thought to find you a very rich man by this time. It seemed to me that you could supply the world with pigs, and with the care you usually gave your sows at farrowing time, I thought you must have raised and sold a great many pigs."

"Well, yes, I did have two nice Poland-China boars, and I have got them yet, the 3-year-old weighs 900 pounds, and the coming 2-year-old tips the beam at 700 pounds; but all the same I have lost over \$2,000 worth of hogs since last October."

"Why, Charlie! What in the world was the matter? Surely the cholera did not break out in your well-managed

"Well, it did not originate there, but I bought a choice sow at the Kansas City Royal show and she gave it to my herd and I lost twenty brood sows and their litters; and twenty more that rocovered, aborted their litters, so that now, in June, 1903, I am just having my first pigs since April of 1902. Not only have I lost a lot of hogs, but I have simply dropped out of sight, so to speak, for a year."

"Why, how came you to buy any hog at that pest-hole of hog-cholera, the Kansas City show-yards?'

"Well, I did not need any more sows, and never dreamed of buying any, but I went up to the Royal to see the boys on the first day of the sale and as every person had a notice of disinfecting with a standard remedy which is so popular among breeders, and such good animals were being sold at a song, that I could not resist bidding on some choice ones, at pork prices. I started a 400-pound yearling sow of choice breeding and great show-yard form at \$30, and they knocked her down to me. I was dumbfounded. She was worth about \$200. Her owner told me she would have won the year before if the show had come off. A bystander offered me \$5 for my bargain. I did not buy any more, but saw lots of brood sows go very cheap. I marvelled at this and congratulated myself on my own purchase, and if I had not had so many hogs at home I should have bought largely. I went home that night (Tuesday) and found the sow on the same train. As I had not expected her so soon I again marvelled at the promptness of shipment. The express was \$5 on the sow and when I got her home, one of my neighbors helped me unload her. We put her in a small yard adjoining my sows' lot and I pointed with pride to her and her grandly arched back. My neighbor told me her back was not natural, and he believed she was sick. Of course I laughed at such a thing. He said she was sore and stiff. When she rooted out a hole and placed herself upright on her stomach, same as a sunfish rests in water, my friend said she had a violent fever in her belly and looked like a case of hog-cholera. Of course I scouted his views. He is not much of a hogman, but his father had been and he had seen lots of hogs die of cholera. I never gave his views a second thought, so confident was I that the 1,100 hogs at the Kansas City Royal were the cream of the land and were so well taken care of and so well disinfected by body washes. There was not a louse on the sow, nor a sign of an egg, and she was all soaked in carbolic acid and fish-oil.

"Here is where I fell down. Had I taken alarm at my friend's views and put the sow in quarantine, all might have been well, but I had never seen cholera and had full faith in body washes and the health of the hogs at the great show."

"Well, Charlie, what became of the

"She ate well and acted all right and the next day I put her in with my other sows. She fought some and licked every sow that pitched into her. I noticed she kept to herself, but I supposed it was because the rest fought her so. In a few days she did not come out of her sleeping pen to eat corn, and I took corn to her and she slobbered blood on the ears. I concluded she had torn out some teeth in fighting, and thought no more about it. Soon she refused ear-corn and I shelled it for her and she ate it. Soon she refused shelled corn and I gave her rich shorts slop. She soon began to pass blood from the bowels and I concluded she had ruptured a bloodvessel. "One morning (twelve days after I

was at the Kansas City show) I found the sow dead. I shut others away from her and had to wait until noon to get some boys to help me drag her out. We did so at noon and I made soap-greese out of her. My, but she was a fine-built sow! In opening her I found a ruptured blood-vessel in the breast, and I was silly enough to believe it was the cause of her death. I had heard that when hogs had the cholera, they had decayed sores, like small-pox pits, all over them, and as this sow had nothing of the kind, I was sure it was not cholera. Well, about nine days later one of my sows did not come for her corn. I did not pay much attention to it, but observed she did not eat for two days. I put her in the hospital I have for such cases and tried to get her to eat. She would not and had chills. I lighted the gas and kept it warm, but she still chilled and had fever by turns. In a few days she scoured blood as the other sow did, and then I went into the house and took down Coburn's Eleventh Biennial Report, and there I learned that the passing of blood was a symptom of the most violent form of hog-cholera. I nearly fainted. In an instant I saw that the sow I had bought was sick when I got her; that my neighbor was right and that I had exposed all my valuable sows that were so soon to have pigs. I told my wife the awful news. She said it could not be possible, and wondered what we should do. I went to the 'phone and called up Dr. ----'s office and told him to send me a case of his cholera remedy by return expresswhich he did. I bought a corn-sheller and put some corn to cook over the gas-cooker. I made suitable troughs to feed it in and worried along until evening when the medicine came. I did not feed the sows any that day and the next morning they were hungry and ate the medicated corn readilyall but four of them that held aloof and did not seem to be hungry.

"These four refused to eat at the next feed and I got them away from the rest, and they and the sick sow died later on. All the rest took the treatment thoroughly until they had all the medicine in their system they could contain and live. I cleaned out everything and used ten gallons of carbolic acid and a barrel of lime. Dr. 's man wrote me every day and I wrote him every night.

"Two weeks passed by. The hogs seemed well, but ate rather gingerly. Soon they began to get stiff in their legs and commenced to scour off an awfully offensive black excrement. I was now greatly alarmed as I had always been told that Dr. — 's remedy was infallible.

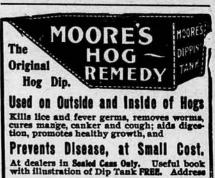
"I put my two sows that I valued at \$500 each, and three of their best gilts into a pen by themselves; then separated all the rest into small bunches away from the regular yards.

"I did not use any more treatment. I did not dare to give them any more of the violent poison that had nearly killed me while mixing it for them.' "Well, what happened then?"

"Well, they died off one at a time until twenty-two sows had died and twenty-two had gotten well. One that recovered did not lose a feed; her sister lost two feeds, her dam never knew she had it, except she aborted her litter the same as all the rest did. One of the \$500 sows laid eleven days on her stomach, neither eating nor drinking, and violently scouring all the



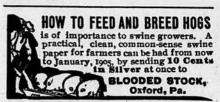


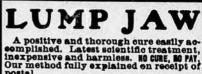




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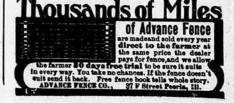


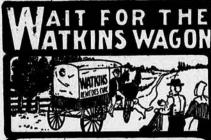
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time. She recovered, but shed all her hoofs. Two sows shed all the meat on their backs and died from the shock of exposure. Several lost their ears and one lost all her coat. One came down with rheumatism and several were very tender in the feet,"

"Well, you say you saved about half of the sows. Do you still have any faith in remedies for hog-cholera?"

"Yes, I think I would have lost every one of them if they had not been under treatment. The remedy stopped chicken-cholera for me and I would not do without it, but it will not prevent every animal from dying."

"What did you do with the dead hogs?"

"I burned them with gas just as soon as they died, and not a hair got away and no one got disease from me."

"Did any one eise get disease from Kansas City?"

"Yes, I have learned of enormous losses.'

"I suppose the leading breeders who took hogs away from there all met with more or less loss."

"Yes, hardly one escaped, and the loss averaged at least \$2,000 each."

"What are you doing now?"

"I have moved all my immune sows to new pens on new soil and they now have a thrifty lot of pigs that I shall never let go into the old pens. The old pens were disinfected and hogs all dipped, but I shall take no chances."

"Has your experience cured you of buying hogs at Kansas City?"

"No, but I would buy only on a thirty-days' guarantee of good health and then quarantine the hog for thirty days."

"Now, after nearly a year, what are your conclusions?"

"I believe a man need not have cholera in his herd if he does not buy it. They must eat the germ to catch cholera and if taken away from it, will not have it."

"Are your immune sows good breeders since they were sick?"

"Yes. All bred readily and produced litters of nine to eleven each of healthy pigs, but the sows themselves have lost their hoofs, ears, hearing, and good shape. They are a sorry looking lot of plain sows now, that do not fatten readily, but are good mothers and of course are now immune and very valuable."

I stayed a few days at the home of my friend and saw his hogs. All he told me I found true. He has met with a great loss, but will be all right again in time. His experience cost him much but he has it now as part of his capital. I write this so those not acquainted with the disease will be able to guard against it and when they do have it, will know how to treat it.

Low's Successful Shorthorn Sale.

Low's Successful Shorthorn Sale.

The combination sale of Shorthorns held at Horton, Kans., last Thursday, the 19th inst., which included the dispersion of the herd of Hon. M. A. Low, Topeka, and fifteen animals from the herds of M. C. Vansell, Muscotah; D. L. Dawdy, Arrington; and G. Y. Johnson, Willis, was, everything considered, a gratifying success. The entire offering of fifty-three head sold for \$8,862.50, a general average of \$167.21. The general average for cows and heifers was \$176.31 and \$132.50 average for the bulls.

The bulk of the sale, however, was the closing out of Mr. Low's herd, mostly Scotch cattle, which, including three calves which should have been sold with the dam but were sold separately, would make Mr. Low's average for 28 cows and heifers \$234.80, and the average for 7 bulls of \$165.71, oo a general average for 25 Shorthorns of \$220.93.

There was a large attendance of representative headers from Kansas Mis-

Sunny Slope Herefords.

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The next Hereford event of importance is the forthcoming sale at Sunny Slope Farm at Emporia, Kans., Thursday and Friday, December 10 and 11, 1903, when Mr. C. A. Stannard, the owner, will sell at auction 72 cows and heifers and 34 bulls, the best-selected produce ever offered from Sunny Slope. This offering comprises the choicest animals of the entire herd and includes the entire show herd of 1903, which made the best record at the State fairs and National shows this season ever made by the present owner. In this very select draft from Sunny Slope Herd there are ten cows, the daughters of the celebrated Hereford sire, Wild Tom, and others are by imported Keep On and Java and other noted sires of the breed.

This is the first public sale made

ported Keep On and Java and other noted sires of the breed.

This is the first public sale made at Sunny Slope Farm by Mr. Stannard since he became owner and nearly all of the 106 head were bred and raised at Sunny Slope Farm, hence this sale should appeal to breeders more than any other sale which Mr. Stannard has ever been identified with, and certainly this Hereford offering positively affords breeders the best opportunity to secure more rare show animals and foundation stock than has ever before been offered in the West. And in view of the temporary depression of values, and the opportune chance to strengthen show herds for the World's Fair next year, it would seem that wise and enterprising Hereford breeders of America would avail themselves of this unusual opportunity to be present and secure one or more of the grandest lot of Herefords ever offered at a single sale. It is, unquestionably, the most attractive Whiteface offering of the year.

If such a superior lot of animals, remarkable for individual excellence

If such a superior lot of animals, remarkable for individual excellence and breeding, are permitted to sell at this time at slaughter prices, there is no way in which to estimate the loss that will accrue to the Hereford breeding fraternity for the next few years. years.

This sale should be made an oc-casion for a veritable rally of Hereford breeders, and it surely will be, if breed-ers could only realize the high character of this entire offering as seen by the writer only last week. It is unfortunate for Sunny Slope, in the opinion of the writer, that this sale had not been dewriter, that this sale had not been deferred for about ninety days, when the New Year will have much better promise for all pure-beef breeds of cattle than now; however, it will be in the buyers' favor, and breeders are not likely in years to have another such wholesale chance to get toppy, blue-blood Herefords as at this sale. Of the seventy young cows and helfers included in the sale there will be a score of calves at foot and a portion of the helfers of suitable age will be bred to Sunny Slope bulls, the remainder being reserved to be bred in accordance with the wishes of the new owner.

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Among the sires of Hehefords in this sale note the following array: Wild Tom, Imp. Keep On 76015, Java 64045, Gem's Keep On 103457, Lord Saxon 89312, Beau Donald 20th 105160, Elvira's Salisbury 94185, Militant 71755, Hesiod 2d 40679, Lamplighter 51834, Benjamin Wilton 63828, Don Carlos 33734, Archibald Mc 60922, Columbus 60900, and Actor 45608. To the student or fancier the catalogue tells the significant story of the breeding, but the beauty and uniformity of individual excellence of the entire offering has to be seen to be properly appreciated. Secure a catalogue at once by addressing C. A. Stannard, Sunny Slope, Emporia, Kans., and make no other Dates for December 10 and 11, 1903.

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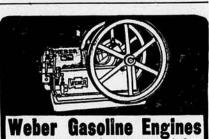
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McPherson Combination Sale.

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In this issue we have the advertisement of the breeders' combination sale of Poland-Chinas, to be held at McPherson, December 9, 1903. There will be 75 head catalogued, 26 of which are boars, 22 glits, and 18 tried brood sows, among which you will find a great variety of breeding and individuality seldom equaled. You all know what Mr. Garver & Son handle; suffice it to say that they consign eight of their best, some bred to each of their great herd-boars, Kansas Chief, Hard To Beat, a winner at the American Royal, and Prince Proud, a prize-winning son of Proud Perfection. L. D. Arnold consigns the tops of his herd, which will consist of tried brood sows sired by the great brood sow sire, Hadley I Know, Kansas Chief, U. S. Perfection 2d, and from dams of extra merit. His glits are from the sow that topped Mr. Garver's last February sale and was sired by Kansis Chief. They are fine. In Mr. Cottingham's consignment will be found some extra good boars, some by Cottingham's Perfection, a boar out of Split Slik 68300, a sow that won first in her class and in herd, first under I year and in herd second in get show, and first in four-pig class produce of same sow, and a champion sow of breed at International Livestock Show in Chicago. J. W. Myers consigns the best of his herd-some brood sows that have proven money-makers. His consignment are the get of such boars as Grand Corrector, by Corrector; Grand Darkness by Guy Darkness, and Regulator by big-boned Tecumseh. Betty U. S. in my own consignment is a granddaughter of Chief Tecumseh 2d and an extra fine one, too. Laura is by Dandy T. by Tates' Chief I Know, and is a brood sow that have proven money-makers, having farrowed seventy-five pigs in seven litters and raised sixty-nine. What more could I say for her? Flora Lincoln by Chief U. S. is another extra good brood sow. Has a fine arched back and a very deep body. Golda and Maud R. are yearling sows of unusual size and individuality. Hadley I Know stands at the head of our herd at present,

Angus Auction at the International.

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W. C. McGavock, manager, Springfield, Ill., writes: "The ninety head of cattle catalogued for the Aberdeen-Angus auction at Chicago, Friday, December 4, are the best-bred of any offering that has heen made at Chicago during any International Exposition. I believe any student of Angus pedigrees and blood lines will hear me out in this assertion, when a perusal and comparison of the catalogues are made. The offering contains consignments from twenty-four different herds, representing every fashionable family and the blood-lines of every champlon and great breeding animal of the day. The individuality of the various consignments is believed to be better than those heretofore contributed to these popular exposition sales under the auspices of the National Association. I wish to impress upon the minds of those attending the International, that they will see a choice collection of breeding cattle in the Angus sale, and those desiring to purchase cattle of this breed should not get too busy with other matters to overlook this, one of the most meritorious sales that has yet occurred of this great breed. The catalogue has been somewhat delayed in the printers' hands, but will be mailed this week to Angus breeders and all applicants. There will be a large supply of catalogues, however, at the sale and all interested will be supplied withem.

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On the first page of the Kansas Farmer this week we present a new illustration of the great imported prize-winning Percheron stallion, now at the head of the draft horse establishment of J. W. & J. C. Robison, Towanda, Kans.

Casino was bought of Singmaster & Son, Keoti, Iowa, in 1902 for \$4,000. The same year he won first prize and sweepstakes at the Missouri and Kansas State Fairs and also the district fairs at Wichita and Eldorado. In 1903 he won first prize and sweepstakes at the Missouri and Kansas State fairs, Eldorado and Newton fairs, and was also first in herd at the American Royal at Kansas City last month. Casino weighs 2,150 pounds and stands at the highest price for service of any stallion in the United States. At the breeders' combination sale, to be belded. Wichter February 2,5 1904, all At the breeders' combination sale, to be held at Wichita, February 2-5, 1904, all mares consigned by J. W. & J. C. Robison will be bred to Casino.

Unique 22466.

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In this issue of the Kansas Farmer we present a sketch of the herd-boar used by Geo. W. Null, Odessa, Mo., who holds a public sale on Wednesday, December 2, 1903. This herd is famous for being the home of Anderson's Model (43611), the \$1,575 sow.

Unique was winner of second prize at the American Royal Show in 1902 and a daughter of his, out of Anderson's Model, Topped the American Royal sale at \$500. Mr. Null is now through with him and includes him in the sale, as well as a few sons of Anderson Model and a lot of other good things, as shown by the catalogue, which will be sent on application.

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Impure Blood.

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Almost every one is a sufferer from some disease caused by impure blood, but only here and there one recognizes that in his blood lurks the seeds of disease, ready to manifest themselves at the first opportunity in some of the innumerable ways so dreaded by everybody. Every neighborhood has its afflicted, many seemingly incurable, with complaints that have gradually made their appearance, growing a little worse with each change of the season until chronic aliments, such as stomach, liver and bowel troubles are well developed. Each takes one or more forms peculiar to such diseases, but all are due to impure blood, to the absence from the blood of some necessary vital force, or the presence of some foreign elment, which impairs its power to faithfully perform its duties, causing a long list of complains which yearly drag thousands to the grave.

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The Farmer's Lantern.

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W. F. Schell, of Wichita. superinten-

W. F. Scheil, of Wichita, superintendent of the Kansas horticultural display for the World's Fair and owner of the Wichita nursery, tells the Kansas Farmer that John Alter, of Belle Plaine, has a large commercial orchard whose crop this year amounted to 12,000 bushels, and he is one of the staunch believers in Kansas as a fruit-country. Last spring he purchased 2,300 young apple-trees, every one of which is alive to-day. He purchased them of Mr. Schell, who feels that the results are attributable to his establishment. The card of Wichita Nurseries will appear regularly for the next year in the Kansas Farmer.

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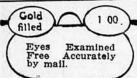


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Ah, on Thanksgiving Day—when from East and from West, From North and from South come the pil-From North and from South come the pligrim and guest,
When the gray-haired New Englander sees round his board
The old broken links of affection restored,
When the care-wearied man seeks his mother once more,
And the worn matron smiles where the girl smiled before,
What moistens the lip and what brightens the eye?
What calls back the past like the rich pumpkin pie?

Then thanks for thy present-none sweeter or better E'er smoked from an oven or circled a platter. Fairer hands ne'er wrought a pastry more fine;
Brighter eyes never watched o'er its baking than thine;
And the prayer, which my mouth is too
ful to express,
Swells my heart that thy shadow may
never be less— That the days of thy lot may be length-ened below, And the fame of thy worth like a pumpkin-vine grow,
And thy life be as sweet, and its last sunset sky
Golden-tinted and fair as thine own
pumpkin pie.

Oh, fruit loved of boyhood! the old days recalling,
Where wood grapes were purpling and
brown nuts were falling;
When wild ugly faces we carved in its skin,
Glaring out through the dark with a candie within;
When we laughed round the corn heap, with hearts all in tune,
Our chair a broad pumpkin, our lantern the moon,
Telling tales of the fairy who traveled like steam,
In a pumpkin-shell coach, with two rats for her team.

—John G. Whittier.

-John G. Whittier.

The First Thanksgiving.

The first Thanksgiving was celebrated by the Pilgrims in 1621, in the second year after their arrival on the bleak and barren New England shore. I have found Governor Bradford's account of it:

"You shall understand that in this little time that a few of us have been here, we have built seven dwellinghouses and four for the use of the plantation, and have made preparation for divers others. We set the last spring some twenty acres of Indian corn, and sowed some six acres of barley and pease; and, according to the manner of the Indians, we manured our ground with herrings, or rather shads, which we have in great abundance, and take with great ease at our doors. Our corn did prove well; and, God be praised, we had a good increase of Indian corn, and our barley indifferent good, but our pease not worth the gathering, for we feared they were too late sown. They came up very well, and blossomed; but the sun parched them in the blossom.

"Our harvest being gotten in, our governor sent four men on fowling, that so we might, after a special manner, rejoice together after we had gathered the fruit of our labors. They four in one day killed as much fowl as, with a little help beside, served the company almost a week. At which time, amongst other recreations, we exercised our arms, many of the Indians coming amongst us, and among the rest their greatest king, Massasoyt, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted; and they went out and killed five deer, which they brought to the plantation, and bestowed on our governor, and upon the captain and others. And although it be not always so plentiful as it was at this time with us, yet by the goodness of God we are so far from want, that we often wish you partakers of our plenty."

How strangely different were conditions then, and how vastly greater seem our own causes for thanksgiving! Yet there are only a few things essential to happiness.

For health, for food, for love, for friends, For everything Thy goodness sends, Father in Heaven, we thank Thee!"

The Thanksgiving Feast—Ancient and Modern.

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: because his mercy endureth forever!"
"Because thy loving kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee."

Thanksgiving, the great gala-day of our forefathers, is still observed as a

religious and family festival, but in this age of ease and luxury there is little to suggest the ancient celebration. Our ancestors with hearts filled with gratitude to God for the protection and many mercies bestowed upon them in the new country of their adoption, gave thanks under difficulties. Going to and from church in the snows and frequent storms of the bitter New England winter was in itself a tax upon courage and strength as well as a severe test of gratitude and piety. The edifice reached, it was fireless, and in spite of the freezing atmosphere, the prayers and sermon long, and, although earnest and fervent, from the standpoint of to-day would he judged dull and tiresome. Nevertheless, the Puritan fathers, mothers, and children assembled, the warmth in their grateful hearts sustaining them to encounter and battle with the obstacles. Those were times of toil, hardship, and self-denial little understood or appreciated by the present generation. The simple life, regular habits, the strictly maintained custom of "early to bed and early to rise," together with plain, wholesome food, active exercise and fresh, pure air developed stalwart men and robust women, sound in mind and body. God-fearing, industrious, honest, and sincere, their descendants have much to be proud and thankful for in such noble ances-

In Colonial days the best of everything was brought forth for the Thanksgiving dinner, whether treasures of linen, china, or silver, they were none too precious to use on that occasion, as housewives then had little of beauty or art to crown the feast.

The Thanksgiving menu of early times we are told included oysters, clams, game of different sorts, turkey, vegetables, and as a special dainty, the dish of Indian origin and preference—succotash. The same delica-cies now appear (with many others unknown to Puritan cooks) on the modern Thanksgiving board as suggestive of bygone days.—Table Talk.

Two-course Thanksgiving Dinner One Hundred and Fifty Years Ago.

FIRST COURSE.

At the upper end of your table a pike roasted with a pudding in its belly, afterward removed (not the pudding but the fish); for your gravy, soup (a brown soup).

Under that a venison patty, and Under that a giblet pye.

On the further side a fine boiled pudding (a roly poly or suet pudding).

On the nearer side of the giblet pye, some Scotch collops; croquettes of larded veal fried in butter and served with spiced oyster sauce, flavored with white wine.

At the bottom of the table a dish of roast beef with horse raddish and pickles.

SECOND COURSE.

At the upper end of the table a turkey roasted, with an oyster pudding in

Under that a tansy (a sort of baked custard), garnished with orange. On the further side a hare with savory pudding. On the nearer side woodcocks with toast.

And at the bottom of the table a pumpkin pye.

SONG OF THE CRANBERRY.

When from each blessed home go up thanks of the Nation;
When unbroken the joy round each well-laden board;
When the laugh, and the joke, and the baby's oration,
Make each moment the day brings a jewel to horde;
Then I, blushing berry of the bog,
Where the will-o'wisp is lantern to the frog,

frog, n the sauce of the day—no one can Am the sauce of the day
say me nay;
I'm the Thanksgiving beauty from the
bog!

When the Parson sonorously asks down a blessing; And the Grandfolk look proud o'er each inch of their line; When the limit of girths is attained with-

in dressing; and praise rings for all things from soup plate to wine, Then I, blushing berry of the bog, Where the will-o'wisp is lantern to the where the will-owish is lattern to the frog.

Am the sauce of the day—no one can say me nay;
I'm the Thanksgiving beauty from the bog!

Charles Mollysine

-Charles McIlvaine.

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Nine little pumpkins growing near the gate; Over one a wagon rolled, then there were eight.

Eight little pumpkins growing round and Baby thought he'd found a ball, then there were seven.

Seven little pumpkins with the tall weeds Along came the gardener's hoe, then there were six.

Six little pumpkins left to grow and thrive;
On one the pony stepped, then there were five.

Five little pumpkins where ten grew before; One withered in the sun, then there were four.

Four little pumpkins, green as green can be; Johnny made a lantern, then there were three.

Three big green pumpkins; then said lit-tle Sue. "Make me a lantern, please," then there were two.

Two yellow pumpkins ripened in the sun; Aunt Mary took one home, then there was but one.

One ripe pumpkin, largest of the many, Robbie found for grandma—then there wasn't anv.

-Ninette M. Lowater, in Youth's Com-

A THANKSGIVING SONG.

For sowing and reaping, for cold and for For sweets of the flowers, and gold of the wheat, For ships in the harbors for sails on the

O Father in Heaven, our songs rise to Thee.

For parents who care for us day by day, For sisters and brothers, for work and for play, dear little babies, so helpless and For

fair, O Father, we send Thee our praise and our prayers.

For teachers who guide us so patiently

on,
for frolics with mates when our lessons
are done,
for shelter and clothing, for every day's

food, We bless Thee, our Father, the giver of good.

For peace and for plenty, for freedom, for

rest,
For joys in the land from the East to the
West.
For the dear starry flag, with its red,
white and blue,
We thank thee from hearts that are honest and true,

For waking and sleeping, for blessings to

children would offer our praises to For God is our Father, and bends from above eep the round world in the smile of

To keep the r His love. -Margaret E. Sangster.

TOMMY'S THANKSGIVING.

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I'm thankful for a lot of things:
 I'm thankful I'm alive
I'm thankful that I'm six years old,
 Instead of only five.

I'm thankful for my tops and toys
 And for my Kitty Gray.
I'm thankful for the big outdoors,
 Where I can run and play.
I'm thankful for the things that grow,
 The apples—aren't they good?
The corn where we played hide-and-seek
 As in a little wood.
I'm thankful for the pumpkins round,
 Just like a golden ball,
And jack-o'-lanterns, big and queer,—
 They don't scare me at all.
Im thankful for Thanksgiving Day,
 For ples all in a row;
I'm thankful grandma made them sweet,
 She knows I like them so.
I'm thankful for the turkey, too,—
 How brown it is, and nice!
And I'd be very thankful, please,
 For only one more slice.

—Elizabeth H. Thomas, in Youth's Com--Elizabeth H. Thomas, in Youth's Com-

The Story of the First Thanksgiving. WRITTEN FOR THE LITTLE CHILDREN OF KANSAS, BY LIDA H. HARDY.

Dear Children:-A long, long time ago-as long ago as almost three hundred years-there lived away across the big ocean, in the land of England, a great many good people. At this time there ruled over England a King who wouldn't let the people pray to the dear, heavenly Father as they wanted to. The people had to mind the King, you know. If they didn't he wouldn't let the papa's have the money they'd worked for. And then there wouldn't be anything to buy the childrens' shoes and bread and butter

with. Sometimes the good people would meet together in the barn to say their prayers, but the King would find out

about it, and then he would put them in jail or drive them away from home. This bad treatment made them very unhappy and at last they thought they would go away from that country. They wanted to find a land where they could sing praises to God and say their prayers in their own way. So they packed up their things and went far away to a country called Holland. About this time they named themselves "Pilgrims." Pilgrims, you know, are people who go traveling around, hunting for a happy land. In Holland, for a-time, they were happy, but as the children grew older they learned to speak Dutch and were not at all like English children. They were beginning to learn naughty ways, too, and, worst of all, they did not want to go to church.

This made the mamas and papas very, very sorry. They said: can not have our children grow up like this. We must take them and go to still another country, where they may grow up to be useful men and women, loving and serving God." Then they asked the kind, good God to help them and to show them where to go.

After a great deal of thinking and talking and planning and praying, they started for America. (That is our country, you know.) .

They rented two large ships. One was called the Mayflower. The other was called Speedwell. Speedwell was not well made, and after she had started, the captain had to go back with The Mayflower went back, too, and after the people (one hundred in all) had crowded on that ship, they started for the second time on their long ride over the ocean. My, but they did get cold and hungry and tired! The big ship would rock 'way up and then 'way down. And sometimes the children just couldn't keep from crying and wishing they had never started for America.

I must not forget to tell you that when the Mayflower was half way across the ocean, a dear little baby was born, who was named "Oceanus," because he was born on the ocean.

The children were happier after this, because the baby's mama would let them come and play with him. At last, after two long months of sailing, they came to America one Saturday night in a dreadful storm of rain and sleet.

The next day was Sunday, and, although they were tired, hungry, cold and wet, with their clothes frozen stiff upon their bodies, they spent the day talking with God and singing praises to Him.

My dear children, you do not wonder now, do you, that we love to think and talk about our brave Pilgrim fathers, who were willing to give up their homes and even their lives that they might worship God in the right way? The very rock upon which they first stepped is taken care of now and is called Forefathers' Rock.

The brave captain's name was Miles Standish. Soon after they landed he went with some of the men-to see if there were any white people near them, but they only saw some wild Indians, who did not come near enough to even say "How!"

At last the long, hard winter passed away and the beautiful springtime came. O how happy the children were then, gathering the sweet violets, spring-beauties, buttercups, ferns, and bluebells, chasing the pretty butterflies and listening to the joyous song-birds!

One bright day, the Pilgrims were surprised by hearing a voice which said: "Welcome, Englishmen!" And there they saw a kind Indian whose name was Sam-o-set. After this, Massasoit, the Indian chief, came to make a visit, and he was kind, too. After a while another friendly Indian came and made a long visit. This Indian's name was Squanto. He taught the Pilgrim's how to plant their corn and how to make their gardens.

Then, when the autumn came and the corn and grain had been gathered, the hearts of the people were filled with thanksgiving.

a Thanksgiving "O, let's have party!" they said, "and let's invite the friendly Indians!" And they did. First they went to their church and thanked God for sending the sunshine

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and the rain to make the grain and vegetables grow. And in thanking Him for all the other gifts they did not forget to thank Him for sending the friendly Indians. For three whole days after this, the Pilgrims and the Indians just spent a happy time together. The Indians brought five deer with them, for the party. Besides this. there were wild geese, wild turkeys, wild ducks, fish from the sea, and plenty of nice bread and cakes. Every Pilgrim and every Indian thanked God for His gifts, before each meal during

those three days. I think that this first Thanksgiving party must have been one of the very

best there ever was, because the hearts were so full of God's love.

Since that time there has been kept each year, one day, when all the people in the country stop to say, "Thank you," to the dear, heavenly Father for all that He does for His children.

Let us all thank Him on that day by sharing our good things with those who are in need. Jesus says in the Good Book, you know, that when we do this, it is just the same as if we did it for Him.

The great pressure of Thanksgiving matter in this number of the Kansas Farmer makes it necessary to leave over until next week the continuation of "The Autobiography of a Collie Dog."

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THANKSGIVING.

Sweet was the song of the robin,
Blithe was the hum of the bee,
In the day when the drift of the blossom
Was light as the foam of the sea,
Then deeply was cloven the furrow,
And gally they scattered the seed,
Who trusted that rainfall and sunshine
Would surely be given at need.

The robin hath flown to the tropic,
The honey-bee flitteth no more,
The reaper hath garnered the harvest,
And the fruit and the nuts are in store.
The flame hath died out on the maples,
We tread on the loose-lying leaves,
And the corn that was steady and stalwart

Is gathered and bound into sheaves.

And sweeter than music of springtime,
And fuller of jubilant mirth,
Are the strong-tided chorals o'erflowing
From the hearts where thanksgiving
hath birth.
The songs of the home and the altar,
The gladness of children at play,
And the dear love of households united
Are blending in praises to-day.

For pasture lands folded with beauty,
For plenty that burdened the vale,
For wealth of the teeming abundance,
And the promise too royal to fail,
We lift to the Maker our Anthems,
But none the less cheerily come
To thank Him for bloom and fruition,
And the happiness crowning the home.

Oh, the peace on the brow of the father,
The light of the mother's clear eyes,
The lilt in the voices of maidens
Who walk under dream-curtained skies,
The dance in the feet of the wee ones,
And the sparkle and shine in the air!
The year has no time like Thanksgiving—
A truce to our fretting and care.

Sweet was the song of the robin,
Blithe was the hum of the bee,
In the day when the drift of the bloom
Was light as the foam of the sea,
But sweeter the silence of autumn,
That maketh a space for the strain
Of the joyance of home, when the harvest

vest
Is gathered from hillside and plain.
—Anon.

Directions for the Scientific Carving of a Turkey.

Supposing the fowl to be carved is a turkey (and one is always anxious to do full justice to this typical American bird of the feast): The bird is placed upon its back, on an ample platter, and so arranged that its neck comes toward the left hand of the carver. That person will find his labor much easier if he stands at the task, though a sitting position is allowable if the seat is high enough to give ready command of the scene of operations.

At the first movement, the fork is thrust as deep as it will go into the highest part of the breast of the turkey as it lies on its back, the tines passing down each side of the ridge of the bone. This is for the purpose of holding the fowl, alone; it is a mistaken idea that the fork is to be used in connection with or as a supplement to the knife. The latter, properly handled, will take care of its work. It is first drawn with a deep cut close in between the side and the leg next the carver. This will almost, if not quite, strike the joint, and as the leg is slightly bent away from the body the joint will be exposed. With a deft movement the knife is passed through the joint and the outside flesh, so that the severed member drops upon the platter. If the entire bird is to be used, the leg on the other side is cut away in the same manner; if only a portion is to be used for the present meal, the further side is left intact until wanted.

The wings are the next point of attack. The knife is to be held almost parallel with the body of the fowl, the edge downward, and the cut is made through the point of the shoulder, aiming directly at the joint. If the position of the knife was correct at the start, and a direct cut was made, the blade will pass directly through the joint, and without an effort the wing will drop upon the platter. If it is necessary to remove these pieces, the wings should be lifted by the knife, while the legs may be taken up in the same way, or by the fingers grasping the exposed lower end of the bone. The fork is not to be removed from the breast till the carving has been finished; its office is simply that of a handle.

The wings having been disposed of, the breast nearest the carver is attacked, being cut into very thin slices, with the knife slanting slightly toward

the wings, so as to give to each slice a bit of the crisp outside. The cuts are made downward, beginning near the neck, and with a keen knife, directed by a little experience, very delightful results may be obtained. Each piece, as it is severed, will fall into position, making a handsome pile. After the other side has been treated in like manner, if that is to be done, the knife is inserted between the breast bone and the wishbone, the latter being cut away, with a nice bit of white meat attached. This opens the way to the dressing in that portion of the fowl, while simply cutting away the skin at the rear gives access to the remainder. The wings and legs are cut apart at the joints, and if the fowl is of any considerable size, slices are cut from the thigh section and generally a single slice from the drumstick.

Nothing now remains but to break up the skeleton, which is seldom done at table, though it is well to include the mode of operation against a time of need. First the breast-bone is removed, by raising its peak with the fork, and turning it over toward the neck, near the base of which it is disjointed. The neck itself can be separated at one of its lower joints, and only "breaking the back" remains. This is done about three inches above the tail-and the task has been completed-nothing very difficult about it, after all! It should be added that no carving can be done neatly and perfectly unless the cooking has been properly watched. If the meat is overdone it will crumble and fall away, even before the keenest blade; while if it is not cooked sufficiently the cutting will be done with greater difficulty.-Good Housekeeping.

.To Use the "Left-overs" of the Thanksgiving Dinner.

There are many dainty ways of using bits of cold turkey. To scallop turkey, cut the meat from the bones of cold boiled or roasted turkey, remove the skin, and cut the meat fine. Put in the bottom of a buttered dish a layer of bread-crumbs moistened slightly with milk-or, if it is a boiled turkey, use some of the liquor it was cooked in-then spread a layer of the minced turkey, with bits of the stuffing, some pieces of butter, and pepper and salt, then another layer of crumbs, and alternate them until the dish is filled. Pour over the whole whatever dressing may, have been left, and if there is not enough, add a little hot water to it and season with a teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce. Spread crumbs over the top and scatter bits of butter over them. Cover the dish with a plate and bake in a brisk oven. As soon as it is thoroughly heated remove the plate and brown. Serve at once.

An appetizing way of using bits of turkey cold is thus: Take the pieces of turkey and free them of bone and skin; if there are any good-sized pieces, cut them in half. Put the meat in a saucepan with whatever stuffing and dressing may have been left and a tablespoonful of butter. Season liberally with salt and cayenne pepper. Place over the fire, and when the mixture boils break into it an egg and stir thoroughly. Turn into a buttered mold, and when cold turn it out on a dish and slice nicely.

To make creamed turkey, pick meat from the bones of a roasted or boiled turkey and cut into small pieces. Allow one pint of meat for





the following dressing: Put in a double boiler one pint of cream or rich milk and place over the fire; rub together two tablespoonfuls of flour with one of butter, and stir into the milk when boiling; add salt and cayenne pepper and stir until it thickens like custard; mix the meat with the dressing and fill buttered individual shells with the mixture; sprinkle crackerdust over the top of them with bits of butter and bake in a hot oven fifteen minutes.

To bone a turkey, slit the skin down the back with a sharp knife, and, raising one side at a time, with the fingers separate the flesh from the bones until the wings and legs are reached, unjoints these from the body, and, cutting through to the bone, turn back the flesh and remove the bones. The flesh may be reshaped by stuffing. Stuff with force meat made of veal and a little pork chopped fine, and season with salt, pepper, sage, or savory, and the juice of a lemon. Sew in shape, and press the wings and legs close to the body, tie all firmly so that the upper surface may be smooth and plump. Lard the breast with narrow strips of firm fat pork, and bake until thoroughly done, basting often with salt and water and a little butter. Serve with a giblet dressing, to which has been added a cup of strained tomatoes.

To boil a boned turkey: When it is stuffed, roll the fowl tight in a piece of cheese cloth and tie firmly with a twine to keep secure and in shape. Place in a stock previously prepared by putting the bones in cold water with some herbs, an onion peeled and stuck with a dozen cloves, a carrot, and a turnip sliced. Boil the turkey gently for four hours at least, then take it out and remove the cloth and place on a dish. Strain the stock, remove the fat, and set over the fire. Add two ounces of gelatine dissolved in cold water. Strain the liquid jelly through a fine sieve over the turkey. When cold, garnish with parsley or cresses and sliced lemon.

To make a giblet dressing for roast turkey, put the giblets and neck in a

saucepan with cold water and add an onion, salt and pepper, and a slice of dry bread that has been made very brown in the oven. Boil until the giblets are done, then strain the stock. Chop the giblets fine and put them and the stock back into the saucepan, dredge with a little flour, add the brown gravy from the bottom of the pan in which the fowl was cooked, after skimming off the fat. Serve hot in a gravy-boat.

Sauces for boiled turkey-Chestnut sauce: Shell and blanch three dozen French chestnuts. Boil in water enough to cover them for thirty minutes. Drain off the water and pound the nuts to a paste. Add one tablespoonful of melted butter, half a teaspoonful of salt, and a dash of cayenne pepper. Stir gradually into the paste one pint of milk. Rub the mixture through a coarse sieve, and place over the fire in a double boiler to cook for half an hour.

For celery sauce, cut one quart of celery into small pieces and add one quart of milk. Put in a double boiler with an onion in which four cloves have been stuck, and cook until the celery becomes tender. Remove the onion and spice and thicken with a litsome of the stock that the fowl was boiled in. Season with salt and pepper and boil for five minutes. It should be as thick as custard.-New York Sun.

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The Progressive Society of Butler County.

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Our club is composed of gentlemen and ladies, old and young, and we intend taking up subjects of interest to farmers.

At our next meeting we are to discuss the "Parcels Post." A little general information on the subject in the KANSAS FARMER would be a help if you have time and space for it.

To whom shall I write to get information about traveling libraries, the kind of books to be had, etc? Do they come in sets on certain subjects?

We make the acquaintance, this week, of the Progressive Society, of Butler County. It is the first country club of which we have knowledge, which includes both men and women. We hear, again and again, with delight, that the farmers are equally as enthusiastic as their wives over the country-club movement, but this is the first instance of active cooperation. We are glad to know of this instance. When men and women study together, with the real and earnest desire to learn, they gain much from each other. The man's point of view is eternally different from the woman's, yet each is wiser and broader and happier for learning from the other.

The Progressive Society has been very kind in sending us a paper which was read at one of its meetings, which appears in this column.

The information as to the Parcels Post appeared in the Grange Department of last week. I am extremely sorry that it could not have been obtained sooner.

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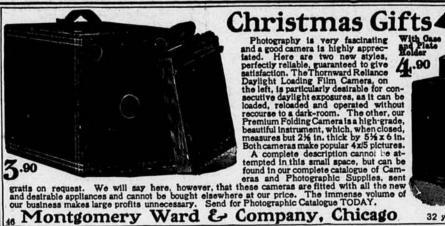
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so they will know whether the soil

they are trying to farm needs a coat

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fertilizer, or simply needs to be lubri-

cated with a liberal amount of the oil commonly known as "elbow grease."

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omy of a fat steer will enable a butcher to tell just how near to the horns or

tail he can cut and still have sirloin

steak, then a thorough knowledge of agriculture (and by that I mean to in-

clude stock-feeding and dairying)

should enable our farm boys and girls

to rise above the low, taunting epithet

"clodhopper" or "hayseed," so often

flung at them by would-be smarties;

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(Continued from page 1205.) venience on account of the strike in Chicago. Only one of the city's vast street car systems is affected. All of the steam railways have direct connections over their own lines with the stock yards, practically entering the International Live Stock Exposition grounds, and arrangements have been perfected to run trains from all the depots in the city direct to the show, sufficient to carry all visitors. A fifteen-minute service will be in effect all day until close of the night show on the Stock Yard "suburban line" from the Lake Shore Depot in the city, and train service in connection with the

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THE PANAMA CANAL.

The attention of the civilized world is just now centered in the little strip of mountain and morass which joins South America to Central America. The small revolution which occurred in the State of Panama by means of which that state set up a government independent of Colombia, of which Panama had been a part, would attract small notice were it not that Panama is an isthmus across which the commerce of the world has long desired a waterway.

Colombia had realized the advantages of its sovereignty over this isthmus and had driven an advantageous bargain with a French company which had undertaken to construct the canal.

The United States had for more than half a century cherished a definite purpose to construct and control a canal from ocean to ocean. After the French had preempted the Panama route, American attention was directed to a plan to dig a longer canal along the line between Nicaragua and Costa Rica to Lake Nicaragua, to deepen a ship-way through miles of shallow lake, and to drop down a rather steep decline to the Pacific. The Atlantic, or Caribbean end of the proposed Nicaragua Canal is about 500

TRANSIT TO THE INTERNATION- miles northwest of the Atlantic end of the Panama Canal. The relative locations of the two routes are fairly shown on the accompanying map.

Experts from the United States had carefully investigated both routes. The French company had spent very large sums on the promotion and construction of the Panama Canal and had found itself unable to complete the work. It was finally agreed that the United States should buy out the French company for \$20,000,000, provided a suitable treaty could be concluded with Colombia. This treaty was negotiated, but failed of confirmation by the Colombian Congress.

The people of the Isthmus, especially those of the two cities, Panama on the Pacific and Colon on the Atlantic side, were greatly disappointed. They revolted, and without bloodshed got rid of the last vestige of Colombian authority on the Isthmus and established a provisional government. This government is virtually protected against forcible subjugation by the fixed purpose of the United States to prevent fighting on the Isthmus on account of the interference which would result to traffic via the Isthmian rail-

Many diplomatic reasons are assigned to justify the United States for its manifest partiality to the revolutionists. However important these may be, there is little doubt but that the commerce of the world would have forced a passage across the Isthmus had the diplomatic reasons not existed, and would have looked to the United States to use the mailed hand. The fact that Colombia stood as a brigand forbidding passage except on brigand's terms, and that the United States found opportunity to thwart the purposes of the brigand, will probably weigh more, in the estimation of posterity, than the attempts at diplomatic justification.

At this writing, a treaty has been negotiated with the provisional government of Panama. This is much like that attempted with Colombia. It provides for the payment of \$10,000,000 to Panama for the right of way and other concessions, and the further payment of \$250,000 a year perpetually. It gives the United States full control of the right of way, and, if the maintenance of order requires, to sovereignty over the two terminal cities.

Colombia now sees that she has suffered a terrible loss on account of her greed. She has suggested a willingness to be reasonable if only restored to control of Panama.

The world looks approvingly on the course pursued by the United States. History is being made very rapidly.

Consult our table of "Coming Events" and figure out which you will attend. Some of the most successful farmers of Kansas make it a rule to be at all State meetings devoted to farm subjects.

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A Rush to Oklahoma.

Oklahoma has lately come to the front as a possible field of mining development, and already there has been something like a stampede to the district around Lawton, from which promising reports of the discovery of gold have come.

At the present time, treatment facilities are lacking. The only ore thus far shipped was sent to the smelters at Denver: The shipment comprised a carload, and the returns reported will give a great impetus to the excitement. Considering the fact that the material was not sorted, the returns, showing up into two figures, must be considered very good indeed. Assays made on 'smaller samples carry very much higher, but after all it is the smelter returns that count. The result attained on the car of unsorted ore will appeal more to informed mining men than all the picture assays which could be reported.

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The Poland-China breeders of Washington County, consisting of L. P. Fuller and A. M. Driskell, Morrowville; D. M. Linn, D. A. Kramer, David Cook, John Bradshaw, W. P. Young, of Washington, will hold a breeders' combination sale of Poland-Chinas of fifty bred sows at Washington, Kans., on February 4, 1904.

C. W. Freelove, breeder of Tamworth hogs, Clyde, Kans., has been having a lively trade, and he figures that after December 10 he will not have any spring boars for sale, but he has on hand thirty fall sow pigs which he wishes to dispose of so as not to carry so many over the winter. He reports his herd as being in very fine condition.

Secretary Park announces that the next annual meeting of the American Galloway Breeders' Association will be held at the Sherman House, Chicago, December 3, 1903, at 7.30 p. m. Owing to the prosperous year enjoyed by its members it is hoped that there will be a large turnout at the annual meeting. No person can vote but one proxy.

The combination sale of Shorthorn cattle held at Sedalla, Mo., November 17, did not realize values that the consignors were entitled to, and thirty-five head only brought \$2,132.50, an average of \$60.93. The eight bulls averaged \$66.33, and 27 cows and helfers average \$60. Owing to the stormy weather which prevailed during the sale, only 35 of the 53 catalogued were sold. It was certainly a great day for the few buyers who were present, as the cattle were in good condition and of excellent breeding.

After a lingering illness, Mr. William Austin, of Emporia, Kans., died on the 21st inst. He had a fortune of a quarter of a million dollars left him a number of years ago and was quite prominent for a time as an importer of draft horses and for his liberal donations to the college of Emporia and loans to impecunious friends, yet he died a very poor man, leaving a wife amd five children. It is hoped that the friends who helped him to part with his fortune may now have qualms of conscience sufficient to induce them to help his family in distress.

A. G. Dorr, Osage City, Kans., who has been successfully breeding Duroc-Jersey swine, which he has occasionally advertised in the Kansas Farmer, now places a yearly breeders' card in which he announces that he has a splendid lot of sows and gilts, some bred and others open, which he will sell at a reasonable price. Mr. Dorr enjoys the reputation of selling first-class stock and giving entire satisfaction to his customers. His herd has already produced herd-headers for breeders in several States. Any of our readers desiring any Duroc-Jersey swine should not fail to call on, or address him for description and prices, as per his card on page 1224.

Mr. Frank Iams of St. Paul, Neb., is one of the most progressive and unique advertisers and importers of Percheron, Belgian, and Coach horses in America. His striking advertisement in this issue a characteristic of the enterprise of this energetic importer. Last year he had great sales which evidently gave satisfaction to purchasers, and this year he has 147 head for sale. Notice that he guarantees to sell you a better stallion at \$1,000 to \$1,400 than are being sold to stock companies for \$2,500 to \$4,000; or if he does not he will pay your fare and \$25 per day for your trouble to see them, you to be the judge. Iams pays horse's freight and buyers' fares, and gives 60 per cent breeding guarantee. Write him for catalogue and mention Kansas Farmer.

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It is with great pleasure that the Kansas Farmer is this week enabled to announce a public sale of pure-bred Shropshire sheep. The dispersion sale of Clover Nook Shropshires, owned by that splendid breeder, E. S. Kirkpatrick & Son, Wellsville, Kans. The sale will take place on December 16, at the farm, one mile from Wellsville. The offering consists of 54 ewes, mostly from 1 to 3 years old, all bred to a splendid buck, one of the best sons of Imp. Charmer. There will also be sold 40 lambs and the ewes and lambs are all eligible to registry. This is undoubtedly the best offering of Shropshires ever made in the West and there is no class of stock that has so much promise for the future as the breeding of sheep for wool and mutton. Notice the advertisement in this week's issue and send for catalogue. It is with great pleasure that the Kan-

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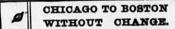
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Cleaning Milk Vessels.

In one of the publications of the Department of Agriculture, Mr. R. A. Pearson, assistant chief of the Dairy Division, gives advice on the above subject. He says that any utensil can be cleaned by the persistent use of the scrubbing-brush, hot water, and salsoda. It should be remembered, however, that there are several important steps in the operation of cleaning, and that one of these is scarcely more important than the other, each requiring strict attention, even to the minutest details.

Fresh milk is easily removed from a surface, but if it is allowed to dry on and become sour, or perhaps decayed, hard work is required to get it off. Under the best conditions it is difficult enough to clean dairy utensils, but when they are allowed to become dry before cleaning, the labor is greatly increased. If it is impossible to fully clean a milk-vessel soon after use, it should at least be filled with water, and then it can be easily cleaned later.

Every part of an article that comes in contact with milk should be cleaned with a brush or be in plain view when cleaned. A' cream-separator can not be properly cleansed by running water through it, and such an effort is rarely made, but frequently the apparatus is not taken wholly apart, as it should be. By means of long-handled or very small brushes, every part should be reached, special care being taken to use the brush about all seams and joints.

Milk should always be rinsed out of vessels before they are scalded. If this is not done, the albumen of the milk will be coagulated by the heat and adhere to the sides, making its removal difficult. It is important, therefore, not to have the first washwater too hot. Cold water is sometimes recommended, but this is not necessary, as it may be quite warm without changing the condition of the

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albumen. The best practice is to rinse the vessels with cold or warm water, then wash in hot water by the aid of some cleaning preparation, then rinse carefully and enough to remove all soap, salsoda, or other cleaning material, and finally setrilize in a steam chest, exposing them to live steam about three minutes. The methods generally used in washing milk-vessels are very imperfect. The vessels are often carelessly rinsed with cold water, then one is filled with hot water and cleaned with a cloth, the same water being made to serve for other vessels successively, being turned from one to another, and by the time the last is reached, the water is no longer hot and is decidedly milky. When water is not hot, the grease is not removed, but simply smeared over the tin. Two wash-sinks should be close together, one for the general cleaning and the other containing clean hot water in which each article is rinsed as soon as it is washed. Most utensils easily dry after being steamed, but if they do not they may be put in a drying room or wiped with a clean cloth. They should be placed in pure air, and in sunshine if convenient, though this is not necessary if well cleaned and thoroughly sterilized.

Cans and pails for carrying milk should be used for no other purpose. It is well to have the cans cleaned and sterilized at the factory, where there are special facilities for this work. In many cases this is done for the patrons free, while in others a small charge is made. Milk-cans and pails should never be allowed to stand in the stable before they are needed there for use. Myriads of bacteria are constantly floating about in the air of the stable, especially when dust is raising by feeding, and milk utensils should not be unnecessarily exposed to them. They should be kept in a clean place with covers off, surrounded by pure air, and should always be rinsed with clean water just before milking-

Milk-coolers are apt to be badly neglected, often because they are used in or near the stable and it is not convenient to take them to the dairy-house or kitchen to be cleaned. So they are simply rinsed off with cold water and allowed to remain where they are used. In cases where they are cared for in this way, their effect on the milk is worse than if they were not used at all.

Cooling Milk for Creamery.

Answering the inquiry of a correspondent of Country Gentleman, Prof. E. H. Farrington presents the letter and his reply to same as follows:

"I would like to get instruction in regard to cooling milk. The way I am cooling it at present is to set the milk-can in a tank and leave it in over night. I also stir the milk after it is all in. Is the above the proper way to cool the milk in order to get the proper test?"—R. A. J., Mineral Point, Wis.

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Where larger cans are used, the milk ought to be cooled in small cans and then added to the large cans after it has reached a temperature near 60°.

All these arrangements and efforts to cool the milk are worthless if the cans are not thoroughly cleaned and scalded each day. When skim-milk is returned from the factory, it often sours before it reaches the farm, especially in the hot, muggy weather of July and August. This sour milk should be emptied from the cans as soon as they are returned, and the taint which is left in them removed as much as possible by a thorough scalding and then airing in the bright sun. I think a great deal of the difficulty farmers have in keeping their milk sweet from day to day is the result of improper washing of the cans.

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Their Bank Accounts.

Following from the Maquoketa, Iowa, Sentinel may contain quite as

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THE DISAPPOINTED HEN.

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family I never yet have sighed for; I always have disliked the cares of motherhood; t must be so unpleasant to provide for A little squealing sisterhood and brotherhood.

But still my mind reflected, rather lately, One pretty chick might lend to life va-

riety,
And while it did not bore me over-greatly,
Amuse me by its infantile society. And so I hatched an egg with zeal un-

swerving, Serene amid the barn-yard's loud garrulity, (Though all the while some hidden hand was serving A very clever trick on my credulity.)

But when the chick was hatched, amid

I looked upon it as a pure monstrosity,
And tried in vain to fathom what its
ways meant,
In waddling with such awkward ponderosity.

At last I learned the truth with fury frightful; My chicken was no chicken—not a bit of it!
o others this deception was delightful,
Though I completely failed to see the
wit of it.

And now I'm forced to stand, with mien convlusive.

Beside this dirty duck-pond, clucking painfully.

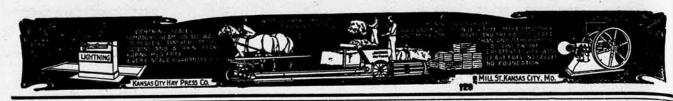
While that young vixen, in a style repulsive, Paddles about and leers at me disdain-

-Hugh Howard

How to Get Eggs in Winter.

This may be considered a threadbare subject, but when eggs are selling at 25 cents a dozen, with a prospect that this cold snap will send them soaring to 30 or 40 cents a dozen, it is a subject that will at least pay for its perusal, if its suggestions are carried out. As a rule, farmers' hens lay eggs in the summer when they are cheapest and in winter but few eggs are obtained. This is all right as far as it goes, for in summer the eggs are costing but little. It may be that the low price of eggs in summer is one reason why some farmers are not attracted to the poultry business. We would have the hens lay in winter, and to do that must see that they are fed properly to produce such results. If we reiterate some things that we have said before, please excuse us, you who have complied with our instructions; but you who have not, this is meant for you. The main essentials to getting eggs in winter are to feed a variety of foods, the more variety the better; give the fowls plenty of exercise, and keep them warm. It is a common practice for some to throw corn out to a whole flock at once on the bare ground. One never can get a winter's egg-supply by such feeding. The fowls will simply mope around till next feeding-time comes and refuse to shell out any eggs. Whereas, if the grain were fed to them in four or five inches of straw, leaves, or other litter, it would give them exercise, keep them warm, and be turned into eggs.

A warm mash in the morning helps egg-production wonderfully. Get a beef's head from the butcher-you can get them for nothing in many townsput in a large kettle and boil till the



of the help. It is not contagious, but

nevertheless, half of some flocks suc-

meat falls from the bones readily. Take the bones out, and to the soup and meat that is left add corn-chop and bran, with some clover or alfalfa leaves, enough to make a crumbly mash, and you will have a food that is bound to make the hens lay, even if they contemplate a winter's strike. The soup need not be used up all in one morning, but can be kept for several days in cold weather and warmed up each morning when wanted. This, with corn, wheat, and oats, alternated, for their evening feed, will give them the needed variety.

Bad Moulting.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-Last fall I purchased a pen of White Langshan chickens that were molting. This pen was headed by a large young cockerel which I thought to be molting. He did not fledge out, and upon examination found his plumes in the condition of those enclosed in tissue paper in this letter. It has been over a year since I purchased him, and he has been that way ever since. His food is wheat and corn with some clover and milletseed and plenty of green rape. He runs at large and otherwise seems healthy. I have some fine young stock from him. I enclose some of their feathers which are in the same condition as his plumes at present. What is the matter with my birds? Is the disease contagious? None of the rest of my flock seem affected with it. Would it be safe to use him as a breeding bird? Can I do anything for him? Greeley County. ELIZABETH COOK.

The feathers sent indicate a case of bad molting, which has become chronic. It is not contagious, but we would not use the bird again as a breeder, as it is poor policy to use any kind of a diseased chicken for breeding purposes. If he is a valuable bird and you want to experiment with him, give stimulating food, warm every morning, well peppered, with meat, and a tonic of iron every day; also small doses of sulfur.

Indigestion.

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cumb to it. Its symptoms are similar to those of cholera. Indigestion is often mistaken for cholera by those who do not know the difference between the two diseases. They can be told apart by noting that cholera does its deadly work in a few hours, while indigestion may last a week or more. While the latter is not contagious, cholera is, and generally takes the whole flock after it gets a start. Indigestion is slow in its work and can be cured; cholera is quick and nearly always fatal, no sure cure being known The most prominent symptom of this

disease is the nature of the dropping, which are usually quite soft and are passed often. The comb turns pale and the fowl eats but little. It acts as if it were entirely worn out. It mopes about, gradually getting weaker and weaker, till it dies, or is cured. Hens that are fat and have a limited range get this disease quite often, but before it is over they become very poor in flesh. There are several causes for this annoying disease. Hens that are too fat and overfed will get it readily. Lack of exercise is one great cause, and improper food, or too much of the same kind of food, such as the continual use of corn. Lack of grit even may cause it, also lack of good, pure water.

The first and best preventive is obvious to any thinking person, and that is not to allow any of the known causes to occur. Keep the fowls exercising, feed a variety of foods, give plenty of grit and water, and do not feed too much, and you will not be liable to get the disease in your flock. Use plenty of disinfectants such as airslaked lime, carbolic-acid water, whitewash, and the like. If you find the disease has got a start among your fowls, begin at once to find the cause and remove it before many of the birds get

The best cure that we know of is a strong tea made from white-oak bark. This is a medicine that many of our most skillful physicians use in treating human beings for indigestion, and it is equally good for fowls. Make a strong tea and put half a pint in a gallon of drinking water. The fowls that are affected should have a tablespoonful of the strong tea poured down them if they will not drink it otherwise. If you see that there is no other water for them to drink they will be compelled to drink it, whether they like it or not.

Egg-eating Hens Cured.

May Huffman, in American Poultry Journal, tells how she cured her hens of egg-eating. She says: "Never kill a bird for this habit. The cure I give is sure every time. A few years ago my birds took to eating eggs so badly that four or five hens would stand around the nest containing a laying hen waiting until she would leave the nest. I tried every remedy suggested, but still they ate the eggs. Finally I sharpened my knife and went out to the coop. I first selected my egg-eaters. This I did by placing an egg on the floor, and as fast as they made for the egg I caught and placed them in a coop to themselves. When the eggs remained unmolested on the floor I knew that I had got all of the egg-eaters. I then took them one by one and trimmed off the end of the upper beak until it showed signs of bleeding and put them back in their accustomed run. Next day I got fourteen eggs as against none for several weeks before. They would try to break the eggs as before, but their beaks being so sore they could not, and so decided they did not like eggs. In a week or two their beaks had grown out, and they seemed to have forgotten their bad habits, never resorting to it again."

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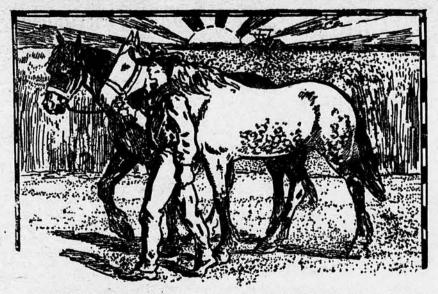
So it is in the Grange. A grange may increase its membership, hold meetings regularly, open them promptly, and be generally successful, because the master is performing his duty well and is active and earnest in directing its affairs. The educational work in charge of the lecturer will be successful and good programs arranged and well carried out, if the lecturer realizes the responsibility in this direction and acts accordingly. After the program is arranged for the year and printed in advance, as it should be, there is much for the lecturer to do even then. Those assigned parts will have to be notified, and if a vacancy is to occur, a substitute provided. The exercises will need a little touching up here and there, some member encouraged, and another warned not to talk too long. The successful lecturer is like the engineer on an engine, with his hand on the throttle all the time, ready to meet any emergency that may arise and avoid any danger that may appear. When the lecturer of a Pomona or subordinate grange assumes the responsibility that devolves upon the officer and goes enthusiastically about the burden of bearing it, as any one must to succeed in any matter, there will be less failures in programs and less feeling of discouragement among lecturers. That so many are already doing this is a matter of congratulation to the members of the al Grange Quarterly Bulletin.

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COUNTRY LIFE.

THE RICHES OWNED BY FARMERS.

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Flavins, Kans.

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Lame Hog.—I have a hog that has lost the use of his front feet. They seem to go back under him and he can not get on his feet but goes around on his knees. He has boils on one fore leg, but seems all right otherwise. Gardner, Kans.

Answer.—I do not know what the matter with his legs can be. Examine his feet closely and see whether they are sore between the claws. If so, clean them out well and dust in some calomel. For the boils on his leg give him some of the Government hog-cholera remedy recommended two weeks

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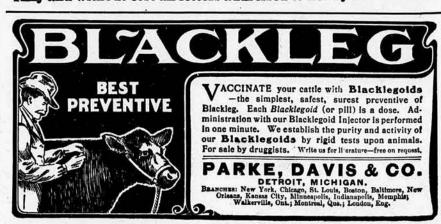
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Linn County—J. A. Cady, Clerk.

HOGS—Taken up by J. W. Butts, of Centreville tp.,
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valued at \$14.

Coffey County—W. M. Palen, Clerk
STEER—Taken up by Frank D. Hartwell, in Le
Roy, October 22, 1903, one red and white spotted
steer, with white face, T S on both sides, 4 years old,
valued at \$25.

Week Ending November 19.

Greenwood County
COW—Taken up by J. L. Welch, in Fall River tp.,
Nov. 12, 1903, one red and white cow, seven years old,
crop off left ear, and half crop off right ear, branded
half moon over dash on left hip, and H over dash on
right hip.

Coffey County—Wm, Palen, Clerk.
STEER—Taken up by E. E. Teeple, in Liberty tp.
(P. O. Gridley,) one dark red steer, with two small white spots on forehead, about 3 years old, P on left hip, valued at \$35.

Wabaunsee County—Sin:eon C. Smith, Clerk.
COWS—Taken up by Mrs. E. Meyer, in Alma tp.
(P. O. Alma.) Nov. 3, 1803, one dark red Western
cow, age about 6 years, branded D on left side, has 4
months old red bull at side, calf valued at \$6,
appraised value \$16; also light red Western cow,
branded 1-0 on left side, has notch in left ear, about
years old, valued at \$16.

Week Ending November 26.

Wabaunsee County—Simeon C. Smith, Clerk. HEIFER—Taken up by C. D. Bean, in Wabaunsee tp., (P. O. Aima,) Nov. 4, 1993, one grade yearling heifer, has general Herefords marks with red spot near left eye, valued at \$12.

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