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Several valuable letters on fall-sown alfalfa appears in this week's Kansas FARMER. Several others equally valuable have arrived too late for this paper. They will appear next week.

In answer to the many inquiries as to the solar motor it may be well to say that, up to this time, only one of these machines has ever been put into operation. This one has been pumping water at Pasadena, Calif., for over a year, deriving its power from the sunshine exclusively. Early this year the company began the construction of three additional plants. Many minor improvements have been suggested by the experience of the last year. These have caused unexpected delays in completing the three new machines. Latest advices state that the three plants are now about completed. One of these will be put to pumping water for the Santa Fe railroad at some point in the arid region. Another will be given an opportunity to show what it can do on the farm of E. B. Cowgill, near Great Bend. It was espected that this motor would be on the ground by this time, but the delays incident to perfecting a new machine have been greater than was anticipated by the builders. A member of the Solar Motor Company was in Topeka on Monday of this week negotiating for the manufacture of these machines on a large scale. Kansas can furnish the sunshine, and there is no doubt about the Boston company's ability to furnish the harness. This is not exactly obeying the injunction to "hitch the middle east and and west. There

your wagon to a star," but it comes very near obedience when we hitch one pump to the sun. That luminary holds the earth and all the other planets to their courses and pours out every year energy enough to pump water to drown many sections. When the sunshine machine is ready, notice will be given and the public will be invited to see it. work and to talk and write about it without limitation.

Representatives of sixty leading manufacturing and other industrial establishments of the United States, met at Chicago, April 10, and organized the National Reciprocity League. W. E. Stanley, Governor of the State of Kansas, was elected president. The object of the organization, which is nonpartisan, is to wage a campaign of education concerning the "urgent need of reciprocal trade relations with foreign nations."

These manufacturers say they are manufacturing in excess of the consumption of the home market. They want the United States Government to establish trade-relations with other countries that will throw open the markets of the world for the disposal of their goods. The United States will be asked to ratify at least nine treaties that provide for reciprocal arrangements in the trade relationship of the United States and various counties of the Eastern hemisphere. B. B. Hulit, of Topeka, Kans., was chosen secretary of the league, and B. B. Swift, of Chicago, treasurer.

The following board of directors was selected: H. C. Carver, Chicago, Ill., chairman; G. Watson French, Davenport, Iowa; C. B. Hoffman, Enterpise, Kans.; James Deering, Chicago, Ill.; Henry L. Little, Minneapolis, Minn.; L. O. King, St. Louis, Mo.; A. B. Farquher, York, Pa.; W. S. Thomas, Springfield, Ohio; H. A. Heath, Topeka, Kans.; John Onio; H. A. Heath, Topeka, Kans.; John A. Kasson, Des Moines, Iowa; John L. Webster, Omaha, Neb.; Adolph Kasper, Chicago, Ill.; A. D. Brown, St. Louis, Mo.; E. T. Brunson, Chicago, Ill.; S. R. Calloway, New York City; and E. M. Barton, Chicago, Ill.

A National convention of the league will be called for the near future, probably at Chicago.

Resolutions were adopted in favor of the ratification of the reciprocal treaties negotiated by Minister Kasson; that a liberal reciprocity treaty should be at once negotiated with Cuba; and that in making reciprocal treaties an active minority should not be allo vail over a passive majority, and the interests of the whole American people should be considered.

KANSAS WHEAT-GROWING.

Another one of Secretary Coburn's remarkably valuable quarterly reports has just come from the printer. The title of this is, "Kansas Wheat-growing." This report opens with one of Mr. Coburn's notably clear essays, in which he shows that the breadstuff products of the Kansas prairies excel in both quantity and quality. A county map of the State shows the 1901 acreage and yield state snows the 1901 acreage and yield for each county. Kansas has only one county which produces no wheat. The quantities produced range from Sumner's 6,819,078 bushels down. The "wheat belt" of counties, which each produced over 1,000,000 bushels of wheat lest season stratches across the State last season stretches across the State from north to south and is very near

are thirty such counties. Marshall, in the northeast, and Montgomery, in the southeast, are detached from the main central belt. Several counties approach near to the million-bushel limit, while others which fall far below this aggregate yield show acre yields which suggest that whenever the production of wheat shall appear ag attractive as the wheat shall appear as attractive as the prevailing husbandry in these counties, they are likely to be added to the mil-

lion-bushel list.

This part of the book contains a large number of most excellent professional papers on wheat-growing, and ends with short papers by practical growers in each county.

The second part of the book is devot-

ed to the addresses, papers, and discussions at the thirty-first annual meeting of the board, January 8-10, 1902. Nearly all of these papers were given in the Kansas Farmer's report of the meeting. ing. Some of them, notably Professor Shamel's great lecture on "Corn Culture and Breeding," are finely illustrated in

the official report.

The report on "Sugar-beet Growing in Kansas in 1901," is included, also a paper on the destruction of gophers and

prairie-dogs.

The book is an exceedingly valuable one of 336 pages. Every farmer in Kansas ought to have a copy. Formerly it was necessary to send postage in order to secure the publications of the State Board of Agriculture, but the last Legislature showed its appreciation of these valuable reports by making a suitable appropriation for postage. It is therefore necessary only to write a request to Hon. F. D. Coburn, Topeka, Kans., to to Hon. F. D. Coburn, Topeka, Kans., to secure any of the helpful publications of the board, the edition of which has not been exhausted. The editor of the Kansas Farmer can not but wish that every reader would write immediately for a copy of "Kansas Wheat-growing."

BLOCK 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 sub-scribers will be entered both for one year, for one dollar. Address, Kansas Farmer Company, Topeka, Kans.

Kansas Topographic Sheets.

Among the recent atlas sheets which the United States Geological Survey has issued are eight of the topographic maps of Kansas. These sheets each named after some important town appearing upon it are the Burden, El Dorado, Cheney, and Larned sheets in the southern part of the State, and the Mankato, Junction City, Washington, and Oskaloosa in the north and northeastern portion. Each sheet covers a rectagular section of about twenty-seven by thirty-five miles. All the town, county, and State boundary lines appear, also the cities, villages, roads, and streams. The relief or topography is expressed by contours which also show the elevation above sea level. These maps are now available at the usual Government rate on application to the Director of the United States Geological Survey.

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Simple Remedy for Horn-flies.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - I see an inquiry in your most valuable paper of April 10, by G. K. Smith, of Lincoln County, in regard to horn-flies. I presume he means on milch cows.

We milked twenty cows last season. bought a little squirt-gun, or spraypump, which cost \$1. One can be obtained at any hardware store. With one gallon of crude carbolic acid I got rid of the flies from twenty cows for the whole summer. We just fastened the cows in the stantions and with the squirt-gun filled with the acid, I would proceed up the line just sprinkling each cow's back and legs. The pump did not really sprinkle, but sent a mist or fog over them. This method catches all the horn-flies on the wing and also kills those sitting in the cow's hair. You can then milk in the day time without a cow switching or stamping. It also keeps the flies off of the cows during the day to a great extent. This method did not destroy the flavor of the milk. The cows were glad to come into the barn to get rid of the flies. We also use this to exterminate the mites in the hen-house and the lice on our hogs.

Richland, Shawnee County.

Agricultural Matters.

Fall-sown Alfalfa.

A. ANDREWS, WELLSVILLE, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-In your issue of April 3 you asked for reports from those who have had experience in sowing alfalfa in the fall. I give my ex-

I sowed five acres on land that would be called timber-land last fall. The land sloped north and east. It was seeded to flax the year before. I disked and harrowed the land thoroughly and sowed the seed August 20. I sowed twenty pounds of seed to the acre, using a press drill and drilling both ways. It was very dry, so that the seed was slow coming up, but I got a good stand and it grew all fall, making five or six inches growth that fall and going into the winter in good shape. There was no stock on it last fall. It is looking nice and green at present.

I have had no experience with alfalfa and I am very doubtful of it being a success here, but I am giving it a fair trial. Of others who sowed here last fall, some lost their seed entirely and others have a better showing than I have.

V. B. HOWEY, TOPEKA, SHAWNEE COUNTY.

In May, 1900, I plowed a piece of land and let it rest without any crop through June, July and August, only harrowing it thoroughly to keep the weeds down. About the first of September I cultivated it, and about the middle of September I harrowed it well. I then sowed the seed and harrowed both ways after seeding. I obtained a good stand and it wintered in good condition.

In the spring of 1901 I planted soy-beans, but they failed to come. In July I seeded this land to buckwheat and this also was a failure. I plowed the land the first of September with a dia-mond plow and seeded the land to alfalfa about September 15. I got a good stand and it has wintered well.

Another piece was plowed early and sowed to millet. The crop was a failure on account of the dry weather. I had plowed the land and had harrowed it thoroughly before planting the millet. In August I planted this millet land to Kafir-corn and this, too, was almost a failure on account of the dry, hot weather, but I cultivated the ground and kept the weeds down, and after the third plowing and last cultivating, I seeded this land to alfalfa. This made a good stand. On account of the scarcity of feed and the Kafir-corn being killed when about three feet high, I pastured the alfalfa. It was eaten close to the ground, and the dry freezing the fore part of the winter killed the tops, and it looked as if it was gone. But at this time it looks about as well as the piece not pastured, although it is not quite as

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I used about twenty pounds of seed to the acre and used an eight-shovel cultivator to cover the seed. My observa-tions are that the best time to sow al-falfa is during September or the first part of October. If the land is kept well cultivated and clean, is well pulver-ized, and there is a good seed bed at ized, and there is a good seed-bed at seeding time, there is no question of getting a stand, rain or no rain. But the man who tries to raise a crop of something else and then plant alfalfa the following fall on the same land, will be disappointed four times out of five.

A. MONGER, HOLLIS, CLOUD COUNTY.

I sowed about sixty acres of alfalfa last fall. The first piece was oats stubble. The ground was disked and har-rowed, and the seed sown about the middle of September. It came up all right, but a heavy growth of oats came up and choked it out completely. It was dead before winter. Nothing hurt it but the oats.

I also disked, harrowed, and sowed alfalfa on a piece of millet ground about the same time. The ground was very loose; repeated harrowing would not pack it. The alfalfa there dried out and most of it died.

I had six acres of sweet corn. When the cattle had eaten this to within about a foot of the ground I disked, harrowed, and sowed this to alfalfa about the same time as the other two fields. It came up promptly, grew well, and now looks well, except that the spring winds have been hard on it.

I have had more failures with springsowing than with fall-sowing of alfalfa. I sow broadcast, using about fifteen pounds of seed to the acre. I sow half each way, and harrow the ground lightly after sowing. If a drill is used it needs to be followed by a harrow or float to level the ridges, or a heavy rain is liable to cause the young plants to be covered with mud. By drilling and floating there is danger of covering the seed too deep. A plank fastened to drag behind a drill can be made to float as you go, but it is open to the same objection of covering too deep if the ground is loose. I have never pastured alfalfa much before it was a year old.

K. HUTCHENS, MARION, MARION COUNTY.

I sowed something like thirty-five acres of alfalfa on land that was sown to millet last spring, which, however, did not amount to anything on account of the drouth. About August 10 or 15 this land was plowed, harrowed, floated, and harrowed again, which made it fine enough for gardening. Twenty pounds of seed to the acre was sown about the middle of August. The land was then harrowed again and was finished just in time to get all the fall rains. It came up splendidly, and grew until freezing weather set in. That killed a large portion of it. At present writing it is puzzling to know what to do with it, and I have about concluded to sow it over again, paying no attention to what is standing.

H. B. HARMON, LATIMER, MORRIS COUNTY

Alfalfa sown last fall is dead in this locality. A. Johnson has fifteen acres and C. Blythe twenty acres that is most all dead, and W. H. Dodderidge has a large field near White City that has only a few acres alive in it. I had a piece sown last spring that went into the winter in splendid change and it is the winter in splendid shape and it is about three-fourths dead. These are only a few of the many pieces that have succumbed the past winter. The tap-root seems to be rotten or broken about two and one-half inches to three inches below the surface of the ground. Now, brother farmers, let us not be

discouraged, but let us prepare our ground and sow a larger acreage this year than has ever been sown here before, for all things considered, alfalfa is the best paying crop ever grown in on wheat-stubble ground. I plowed with Kansas,

J. E. LANDIS, ABILENE, DICKINSON COUNTY.

I double disked ground, that was in corn last year, in August, harrowed it twice, and sowed alfalfa September 10, with a Hoosier grain drill. I had the tubes behind the shovels so the dirt rolled in and the seed on top of it. I sowed twenty pounds to the acre and covered with the harrow teeth very slant. It came up nicely, made some growth—not as much as it would have if it had had more rain—and was not pastured.

The weather was so dry and windy this spring that some of it died and the wind, blew most of it out. I intend to harrow the ground several times and drill alfalfa again in a week or so. may sow some again this fall if the weather is favorable.

G. BOHRER, LYONS, RICE COUNTY.

I sowed two acres of alfalfa last Sep-



12° below zero kills alfalfa sown the fall before, almost without exception. I sowed two acres last May and got a fine stand and a good growth. It is now coming on in fine shape, and the stand is still good. Clean ground and spring-sowing, I feel confident, will suc-ceed oftener than fall-sowing.

B. NEEDHAM, OSAWATOMIE, MIAMI COUNTY.

I sowed twelve acres of alfalfa on stony bottom-land—part good, dry land and part too wet for corn. The land had been in wheat continuously since 1897. It was plowed the latter part of and was well harrowed and slabbed. The sowing was done the last of August with a broadcast seeder, using twenty pounds of seed per acre, and think, was too much, in the dryest ground the shoots began to appear inside of one week, and it continued to come up for about ten weeks, when there was a good stand on the whole field. On about half the field the al-falfa was fully six inches high when cold weather set in. The rest was smaller—some just coming through the ground. It was not pastured. It win-tered all right, and looks as fine as could be desired, being a good, even stand all over.

There will be more alfalfa sowed here this year than ever before. It stood the dry weather the past season incomparably better than any other crop.

J. M. CRAIG, GARNETT, ANDERSON COUNTY. I sowed a few acres of alfalfa last a stirring plow about August 1, and after plowing I disked and harrowed the ground well. I was ready to sow September 1, but thought it was too dry, so I waited for a rain, which came September 15. After the rain I went over the ground with a float—three heavy boards bolted together—which mashed all the clods, leaving the ground as fine as a garden and well packed. I sowed during the week that came in on September 15, using a press drill, and drilling both ways. I used half the seed one way and half the other way. My drill has no seeder attachment, and I could not regulate the feed so as to sow the alfalfa-seed alone. So I mixed equal parts by measurement of seed and bran. This plan worked very well. I sowed twenty pounds of seed to the any. The plants are now from four to alfalfa is dead. On pulling up the roots eight inches high, a splendid stand. I of that which is dead I find that the

tember, and got a fine stand and a good growth. I looked over the field this month and found it all dead. I think ing to sow Siberian millet this spring on ground that I will seed to alfalfa next fall. I will get a crop of millet, have my ground in good condition for fall sowing of alfalfa, and be ahead bf my neighbor who sows this spring.

FRANK HOOVER, COLUMBUS, CHEROKEE

I sowed alfalfa last fall about the last of September, on corn-stubble ground. The corn had been cut and shocked. I harrowed the ground and sower broadcast, about twenty-five pounds of seed to the acre, and covered lightly with the harrow. It was pretty dry, but a light rain started the seed and it did not kill out the past winter. I top-dressed it with fresh stable manure when the ground was frozen. It is about three inches high now, and I am hoping I have solved the problem in Cherokee County.

We have a gumbo soil here, which is against the deep-rooting tendency of alfalfa, but I am convinced that it can stand gumbo better than crab-grass. My ground has not a weed on it and had been clean all summer. I believe now if this plant can get a good start of the weeds it will succeed almost any-where in the State.

The field was not pastured last fall. I shall mow it at least three times the coming summer. I believe the only method is to sow in the fall on ground that is cultivated not more than two inches deep. I believe clean corn ground harrowed enough for a seed-bed, is the best.

ALBERT COLMAN, COTTONWOOD FALLS,

CHASE COUNTY. I sowed four and one-half acres of alfalfa last fall. The land had been in corn. I cut the corn and hauled it off the land. The ground was too hard to plow with a stirring plow, so I plowed it with a cultivator the same as if I were plowing corn, and only got a little loose soil. I then harrowed it until it was all level with about three inches of loose ground on top. The lumps were no larger than hen's eggs on top. It was in August when I prepared my ground. I sowed the seed September 10, using a broadcast seeder with twentysix pounds of seed to the acre. I then harrowed the ground both ways. On September 12 we got a good rain and the alfalfa came up as thick "as hair on a dog's back," and it got about four inches long before cold weather. It was acre. The plants appeared in four days not pastured at all. No snow laid on after sowing and made a growth of six it at all; it all blew off, because the inches last fall. I have not pastured it field was so level.



roots seem to be eaten off. I do not believe it was the cold weather that hurt it. This field of four and one-half acres is thick enough yet, but it makes one's heart ache to look over it. I would advise the readers of the Kansas Farmer to sow in the fall, so they can get a group the first year. get a crop the first year.

F. J. WOODWORTH, WALNUT, CRAWFORD COUNTY.

We sowed six acres on our poorest land—what the farmers here call "that poor white land." The ground was planted to cow-peas in the spring of 1901, but they failed, so we let it lay idle, as we wanted to work and manure it. Nothing grew on the ground except some small crab-grass and a five-fourths stand of bull-nettles. The ground was manured the last of July and played about four implies and plowed about four inches deep August 9 and 10. We harrowed it once and dragged it both ways as soon as plowed. Dry weather prevented anything more until September 9, when we had a rain, which made the ground too wet to work for several days. On September 20 we harrowed the ground both ways, and on the 21st we drilled thirty pounds of seed per acre one way. have no record of when it came up, but I think it was about ten days after seeding. It looked nice, but rather thick. and went into winter from an inch to two inches high. The plants look well this spring and are now growing nicely. A big hedge along one side of the field however, did what big hedges have been repeating for the past quarter of a century on thousands of acres of Kan-sas soil. The plants are puny and the stand thinner for three or four rods next to the hedge. There is a part of it that we did not manure and the line marking the limit of manured ground is easily perceptible a quarter of a mile away.

M. F. TATMAN, ROSSVILLE, SHAWNEE COUNTY.

sowed twenty-six acres of alfalfa last fall, in four different lots about equal size, which I shall designate by numbers. All were plowed after the rains the latter part of July; all were gone over first with an Acme harrow then rolled and harrowed with a smoothing harrow; all were sown with a Hoosier press drill with an alfalfa at tachment; the seed being sown through the spout. Piece No. 1 had been in timothy for several years, but the tim-othy was mostly killed out. Pieces No. 2, 3, and 4 had been in wheat for several seasons. Piece No. 1 was sown August 20, but the ground was so dry that I stopped sowing and did not commence again until September 10. The ground was still dry and hot, but I thought I would chance it and I finished up on the 13th. In a few days after we had a very heavy rain and hail, which beat the ground hard. It then turned very hot and dry, and formed a crust so hard that I went over most of the field with a harrow to break up the crust, and the alfalfa soon came up on piece No. 1 and on a portion of

The drill was sowing too deep. I told my man so, but he said it could not be changed to sow any shallower; but before we got through we found a way to make it sow shallower from then on. (The attachment was new to us, which none of us seemed to understand.) There was a fine stand last fall, and there is a good stand now. The third day of October I sowed a part of No. 2 broadcast, harrowing with the teeth set back so as not to scratch any of it out. Of the first sowing about half a stand came up at once and grew about three inches high before winter cam on. Most of the first sowing got about six or eight inches high that season. In the same time all that sown broadcast October 3, winter-killed. Nineteen pounds of seed was sown on Nos. 1, 2, and 3, and fifteen pounds on No. 4, but there was the thickest stand on No. 4, where only fifteen pounds of seed was

Now as this land is about all alike, and as conditions were about the same it looks as if sowing too much seed might be detrimental. I have found out that in getting a stand alfalfa is a very erratic and peculiar plant. Mr. Fred McCollough, manager of the Mulvane ranch, recently told me he sowed a piece of alfalfa last spring and got a stand, and cut quite a quantity of hay last fall. It was apparently all right when winter came on, but it is dead er European countries, that a mixed ce-

now, while a piece he sowed last fall

My drill sowed five different fields after it was regulated to sow shallow and on four of them there was a good stand and only a part of the fifth was a failure. It sowed four before it was regulated and all of them were failures. Not many used the drill here and what few that did sowed too deep and made failures. There was a strip through No. 4, about sixty rods long and five or six rods wide, that the snow blew off of, and there I think not a stalk was killed by the winter. This looks as if the snow might have smothered it out. My observations are and conclusion is that the drill-sown alfalfa stood the win-ter best, and that that is the proper way to put it in; besides about one-half the seed is sufficient as to broadcast it the ground should be almost as firm as the road when the seed is sown. All loose places in the field will be fatal to the

Nearly all the alfalfa which was killed out last winter has been sown over this spring. I sowed mine just as soon as the snow went off, without harrowing it. The first has been up some time and has had several hard frosts on it. Another mistaken idea many of us have had is thinking that early frosts would kill young alfalfa. They have not seemed to hurt mine. Still, I have no confidence in spring-sowing, as I have failed time after time.

C. L. HOLLINGSWORTH, COFFEYVILLE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Last fall I purchased 200 pounds of alfalfa seed and proposed to sow it on ten acres, but the seed ran through the drill so fast that it was all gone when six acres had been sown. I found that twenty pounds or more would run through with the feed shut clear off; just the revolving of the smooth plate was enough. Following are answers to the questions asked in your paper: Wheat was on the ground the year

before. 2. I plowed the ground the last week

in July.
3. I harrowed the ground after a light rain the last of August, then harrowed again about September 10.

I sowed September 16 without further preparation of the ground.

5. I sowed with a press drill with shoes six inches apart. To start with, I set the drill, by the millet gauge, a little less than one-half bushel per acre. After going one round I found it was sowing too fast, so I began to shut the feed off and by the time I had sowed three acres I had the feed all shut off and found I was getting twenty pounds or a little more per acre then. I sowed an average of thirty-three pounds per acre, though I think the first acre got

about fifty pounds.

7. The plants began to show in six days, and all that was covered was up in ten days. When winter came it was from two to four inches high.

I have not pastured it at all. Now it is from three to six inches high and I think there are a plenty of plants for fifteen acres of land.

A neighbor, Mr. Ingmire, sowed six acres. He plowed and worked the ground about as I did and sowed thirty pounds to the acre broadcast by hand, about a week later, and covered by harrowing lightly. It looks about the same as mine, only mine is in drill-rows. I want to sow some more this fall, but am not sure that I will use a drill. want to see those two fields cut first. It looks as though the seed ought to be even over the ground, not in rows. I would not sow alfalfa in the spring; it is too uncertain, and you loose the use of the land one year.

"Succotash" as a Crop for Kansas Farmers.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-In your issue of April 3, Mr. A. B. Dille has an interesting article on "What to Do With Thin Wheat." Mr. Dille has certainly given advice which if acted upon by the majority of Kansas farmers would add many thousands of dollars to their income for 1902.

In Minnesota and Dakota the practice of growing "succotash" is familiar to most farmers. This consists of a mixed crop of wheat and flax, wheat and oats, or wheat and barley. Flax is peculiarly adapted to grow successfully in mixture with wheat, because it is so easily separated at threshing time. A flax screen can be put into any ordinary threshing-machine separator for \$5. All the mod-ern threshing-machines on the market in the spring-wheat regions contain a special arrangement by which mixed grain crops may be separated from each other at the time of threshing.

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real crop will give a higher yield per acre than will be received by sowing the two grain crops separately. If I had a thin wheat crop, I would certainly debate the question a long time before deciding to destroy the wheat. If half a stand were still alive, I would give the ground a good thorough harrowing, and would sow about twenty pounds of flaxseed to the acre, and would expect seven or eight bushels of flaxseed and twelve or fifteen bushels of wheat per acre. Wheat ripened with another crop is always superior in quality, because the associated crop keeps down the weeds and prevents the scattering wheat plants from growing too much straw.

If it is found necessary to destroy the wheat, soy-beans would probably give a fair return if properly planted and cul-tivated. I would not plant corn or Kafir-corn on wheat land, because the chinch-bugs are likely to destroy either one of these cereals. Chinch-bugs never attack soy-beans. Wheat land is especially in fine condition to receive a seeding of alfalfa. The land should be disked thereughly to destroy what disked thoroughly to destroy what wheat plants are left and about twenty pounds of alfalfa-seed per acre should be sown broadcast and harrowed into the ground with a light smoothing har-Although one farmer has reported success in seeding alfalfa with wheat where the grain crop was harvested yet the experiences of hundreds of others have long ago proven that this meth-od is very uncertain. It is possible that the alfalfa could be sown with the wheat if the latter were mown off as soon as it began to head out, but nine times out of ten, a crop can not be grown on the same land with a young stand of alfalfa without sacrificing the young plants.

One farmer, some time ago, in your columns advocated letting the wheat land lie and rest a year. This is the worst advice that could be given. No land ever gets "tired." Fallowing a Kansas soil is the surest way ever devised for wearing it out. There is enough leaching in a single season from an ordinary fallowed field to grow five or six wheat crops of thirty bushels per acre. The best way to restore and retain the fertility of the soil is to seed it down to alfalfa. Let the tubercles on the roots of the alfalfa plants with their inhabiting miscroorganisms do the work of building up the soil. This is an ideal season for Kansas farmers to strike for that five million acres of alfalfa which will insure a yield of digestible feed stuff equivalent to two hundred and forty million bushels of corn per annum, whether the season is a dry one or not To sow the quantity of alfalfa that ought to be grown in Kansas, each farmer would need to add fifteen acres to every acre he now possesses of this crop.

Alfalfa and not wheat should be the watchword of every Kansas farmer. Geo. L. CLOTHIER.

Formaldehyde for Smut.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I noticed an article in the Lyndon People's Herald written by Professor Moore of Wisconsin, on smut in oats, giving the way to prevent the same, as follows:

"Smut spores do not live over in the ground, being unable to survive the winter. They are carried only in the seed. This seed may be made safe by soaking in water and formaldehyde. The combination should be one pound of formaldehyde in fifty gallons of water. The oats should be put in sacks and dipped in the solution, being left there for twenty minutes or more—an hour will not hurt them."

Now the question arises, If the spores of oat smut do not live over, do the spores of corn and cane, and if not, will the same treatment be beneficial? The thought originates from the following facts:

Smut on corn is on the increase. will put it at a very small estimate. We will say that in 100 stalks 3 are ruined by smut. This is the least possible. I examined a field that was one-fifth smut; have seen cane and Kafir-corn that was nearly one-half smut. What can be done? I do not believe there is any field of corn, cane, or Kafir-corn entirely free from smut. I am an interested reader of your valuable paper.

W. H. SEEVER. Vassar, Osage County.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - With respect to the inquiry of your correspondent from Vassar, Osage County, Kansas, regarding the use of a solution of formaldehyde for killing smut spores, I will say that the method has been reported from several quarters as entirely successful and as being less dangerous to the vitality of the seed than the Jensen hot-water treatment. A 1 per cent solution of formaldehyde in water has been found sufficient to kill corn and oat smut. Your correspondent quotes an authority who says to take one pound of formaldehyde to fifty gallons of water. Since formaldehyde is a liquid, let us put it in this way: A 1 per cent solution would be two quarts formaldehyde to forty-nine gallons two quarts water. word of caution is necessary. formaldehyde should be bought of a re-liable dealer. It is frequently dilused and sold in very weak solutions. The commercial formaldehyde can be obtained of any wholesale drug house. The time for soaking the seed need not be more than fifteen or twenty minutes. H. F. ROBERTS.

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Borticulture.

FUNGICIDES, INSECTICIDES, AND SPRAYING CALENDAR.

GEORGE E. STONE, HENRY T. FERNALD. SAMUEL T. MAYNARD, HATCH EX-PERIMENT STATION, AMHURST, MASSACHUSETTS.

Many of the mixtures given herewith can be obtained already prepared from reliable dealers, which saves much time and trouble in mixing them. The following precautions should be taken into consideration:

1. - Care should be taken to keep all substances employed in spraying where they can not be gotten at and used by mistake. All substances should be correctly labeled.

Solutions and mixtures containing copper sulfate, corrosive sublimate, and arsenate of lead should be made in wood, glass, or earthen vessels.

Arsenical solutions should not be applied to fruits, etc., within two weeks of the time when they are to be used as food.

4. Trees should not be sprayed when they are in bloom, as the bees which necessary to fertilize the flowers, may be destroyed.

Fungicides.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE.

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4 pounds copper sulphate (blue vitrol).
4 pounds lime (unslaked).
25-50 gallons water.
Dissolve the copper in hot or cold water using a wood or earthern vessel. Slake the lime in a tub, adding the water cautiously and only in sufficient amount to insure thorough slaking. After thoroughly slaking, more water can be added and stirred in until it has the consistency of thick cream. When both are cold pour the lime into the diluted copper solution of required strength, afraining it through a fine-mesh sleve or a gunny cloth and thoroughly mix. The standard mixtures are:
(a). 25 gallons (full strength solution, or 4-4-25 formula).
(b). 50 gallons, (half strength mixture, or 4-4-55 formula).

It is then ready for use. Considerable trouble has frequently been experienced in preparing the Bordeaux mixture. Care should be taken that the lime is of good quality and well burned and has not been air slaked. Where small amounts of lime are slaked it is advisable to use hot water. The lime should not be allowed to become dry in slaking, neither neither should it become entirely submerged in water. Lime slakes best when supplied with just enough water to develop a large amount of heat which renders the process active. If the amount of lime is insufficient, there is danger of burning tender foliage. In order to obviate this the mixture can be tested with a knife blade or with ferro-cyanide of potassium (one connected on the knife blade, while a deep brownish-red color will be imparted to the mixture when ferro-cyanide of potassium is added. Lime should be added until neither reaction occurs. A slight excess of lime, however, is desirable.

The Bordeaux mixture is best when first pre-

pared. Stock solutions of lime and copper can be made, and mixed when required.

2. The following, known as the 6-4-50 formula, is in very general use:
6 pounds copper sulphate.
4 pounds lime.
50 gallons water.
3.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE FOR PEACH FOLIAGE.

The Bordeaux mixture as ordinarily applied frequently injures to some extent the foliage of the peach, etc., causing a shot-hole effect on the leaves. This injurious effect has been shown to be largely obviated by the use of the following:

3 pounds copper sulphate.

5 pounds lime.

50 gallons water.

This is known as the 3-6-50 formula. Some experimenters have also recommended the following for peach foliage:

(a). 2-2-50 formula.

(b). 3-9-50 formula.

The latter contains three times as much lime as copper sulphate.

4.

BORDEAUX RESIN MIXTURE.

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5 pounds resin.
1 pound potash lime.
1 pint fish oil.
5 gallons water.
To make resin solution place resin and oil in a kettle and heat until resin is dissolved. Cool slightly and then add lye slowly and stir. Again place the kettle over the fire, add the required amount of water, and allow the whole to boil until it will mix with cold water forming an amber-colored solution. Take 2 gallons of the resin solution and add to it 10 gallons of water. Mix this with 40 gallons of Bordeaux mixture. Recommended for asparagus rust on account of its adhesive properties.

5. SACCHARATE OF COPPER.

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4 pounds copper sulphate.

4 pounds lime.

4 pints molasses.

25 gallons water.

Slake 4 pounds of lime and dilute the same with water. Dissolve 4 pints of molasses in a gallon of water and mix with the lime. Stir thoroughly and let it stand for a few hours. Dissolve 4 pounds of copper in 10 gallons of water and pour into it the lime-molasses solution while stirring briskly. Allow the mixture to settle. Draw off the clear greenish solution for use. Recommended in France as a substitute for the Bordeaux mixture.

6.

6. AMMONIACAL COPPER CARBONATE.

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5 ounces copper carbonate.

3 pints ammonia (25 degrees Beaume).

50 gallons water.

Dissolve the copper carbonate in ammonia.

This may be kept any length of time in a glass stoppered bottle and can be diluted to the required strength. The solution loses strength on standing.

7.

EAU CELESTE.

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(Blue Water).

2 pounds copper sulphate.

1 quart ammonia.

50 galions water.

Dissolve the copper sulphate in 6 or 8 gallons of water, then add the ammonia and dilute to 50 or 60 galions of water.

8. COPPER CARBONATE MIXTURE.

1 pound copper carbonate.
40 gallons water.
Mix the copper carbonate with a small quantity of water to make a paste: then dilute with the required amount of water. For fruit-rot of the peach, etc.

COPPER ACETATE.

6 ounces copper acetate (Dibasic acetate).

50 gallons water.

First make a paste of the copper acetate by adding water to it, then dilute to the required strength. Use finely powdered acetate of copper, not the crystalline form. For the same purpose and of the same value as the preceding formula.

10.

COPPER SULPHATE SOLUTION. (Strong Solution).

1 pound copper sulphate.
25 gallons water.
Applied only on trees without foliage.

- 11. COPPER SULPHATE SOLUTION.
(Weak Solution).
2-4 ounces copper sulphate.
50 gallons water.
For trees in foliage.

12.

POTASSIUM SULPHIDE.
3 ounces potassium sulphide.
10 gallons water.
Valuable for gooseberry mildews, etc. 13.

POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE.

1 part potassium permanganate.
2 parts soap.
100 parts water.
100 parts water.
100 the grape, etc.
14.

14.

IRON SULPHATE AND SULPHURIC ACID.

Water (hot) 100 parts.

Iron sulphate, as much as will dissolve.

Sulphuric acid, 1 part.

Prepare solution just before using. Add the acid to the crystals and then pour on the water. Valuable for treatment of dormant grapevines affected with Anthracnose, application being made with sponge or brush. . 15.

CORROSIVE SUBLIMATE.

(For potato Scab).

2 ounces corrosive sublimate.

15 gallons water.

Dissolve the corrosive sublimate in 2 gallons of hot water, then dilute to 15 gallons, allowing the same to stand five or six hours, during which time thoroughly agitate the solution several times. Place the seed potatoes in a sack and immerse in the solution for one and one-half hours. Corrosive sublimate is very polsonous, consequently care should be taken in handling it, nor should the treated potatoes be eaten by stock. The solution should not be made in metallic vessels.

16.

FORMALIN.

(For Potato Scab).

8 ounces formalin (40 per cent solution).

15 gallons water.
Used for the same purpose as corrosive sublimate, but not poisonous. Immerse the seed potatoes for two hours.

Insecticides.

17.

PARIS GREEN.—DRY.

1 pound Paris green.

20-50 pounds flour.

Mix thoroughly and apply evenly; preferably when dew is on the plants. 18.

PARIS_GREEN.—WET.

1 pound Paris green.

1-2 pounds quick lime.

200 gallons water.

Slake the lime in part of the water, sprinkling in the Paris green gradually, then add the
rest of the water. For the peach and other ten-

Punishment.

Social progress has done away with a great many forms of punishment once administered under the laws of enlightened people. But nature never changes or modifies her penalties. She still has



2 the same punishment for the man who neglects or abuses his stomach as she had in the far off days "when Adam delved and

Eve span."

The physical discomfort, dullness, sluggishness, irritability, nervousness and sleepless ness which are visited upon the man who eats carelessly or irregularly have been from the beginning the evi-dences of disease of the stomach and its associated organs of digestion and nutrition.

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tion are cured also.

"I was taken sick nine years ago with fever." writes Mr. M. M. Wardwell, of Linwood, Leaven-worth Co., Kansas. "Had the doctor and he broke up the fever all right, but I took diarrhoes right away; he couldn't cure it and it became chronic, and then he gave up the case. I got so weak with it and had piles so badly I couldn't lie down, nor hardly sit up. Was that way two or three months; thought I would 'never be well again,' but picked up one of Dr. Pierce's Memorandum Books one day and saw your description of catarrh of the stomach. I thought it hit my case. We had a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery in the house that was got for mother. You recommend it for catarrh of the stomach, so I went to taking it. The one bottle nearly cured me. I got two bottles next time gad took one and one-half and was well. I haven't been bothered with diarrhoes since."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure biliousness.

der leaved plants use 300 gallons of water. Keep well stirred while spraying. 19.

ARSENITE OF LIME.

I pound white arsenic.
2 pounds fresh-burned lime.
1 gallon water.
Boil together for forty-five minutes and keep in a tight vessel. Add one quart of this to a barrel (50 gallons) of water for use.

This insecticide has been recommended by a number of experiment stations, but has not as yet been sufficiently tested at the Massachusetts Station to receive an endorsement.

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SPRAYING CALENDAR.

0 0		RAIING	CALENDA	AR.	
PLANT.	FIRST APPLICATION.	SECOND APPLICATION.	THIRD APPLICATION.	FOURTH APPLICATION.	FIFTH APPLICATION.
APPLE (Scab, codling-moth, bud-moth, tent caterpillar, canker worm, plum curcullo, San Jose scale.) ASPARAGUS (Rust.)		curculio just before blossoms open, No. 30 or 31. After cutting use No. 1, b, or	When blossoms have fallen repeat second.	Eight to twelve days later, No. 1, b, 30 or 31. For scale, No. 23, 15 per cent every two weeks, up to October 15.	Ten to fourteen days later No. 1, b. Use dilute No. 11 so lution in September for scab is season is wet.
BEAN (Anthracnose, leaf-blight.)	according to weather. When third leaf expands, No. 1, b.	Ten days later, No. 1, b.	Fourteen days later, No. 1, b.	Fourteen days later, No. 1, b. Spraying with No. 1, b, after the pods are one-half grown will injure them for market.	
CABBAGE (Worms, club root.) CARNATION (Rust and other fungous dis-	of from one to two weeks ac-	Seven to ten days later, repeat No. 29 dry.	Seven to ten days later, repeat second.	Repeat in ten to fourteen days, if necessary, second.	
eases.) CELERY (Rust and blight.)	cording to weather. Spray in seed-bed with No. 1, b, every two weeks.	Dip plants in No. 1, b, before planting.	Use No. 1, b, until banking begins, every two weeks.	· ·	Freedom from disease depend largely upon good cultivation and an abundance of plant foo- in the soil.
CHERRY* slug, plum cur-	As buds are breaking, No. 1, b, when aphides appear, No. 23.	When fruit has set, No. 31 and if slugs appear, dust leaves with air-slaked lime or hellebore.	Ten to fourteen days if rot appears, No. 31, for plum curculio.	Ten to fourteen days later, No. 11. For scale treat as for apple.	Reneat after every rain who
culio, black-knot.) CURRANT GOOSEBERRY (Worms, leaf-blight, mildew.)	Spray bushes with No. 1, b, before leaves start. At first appearance of worms, No. 28.	Ten days later, No. 1 and 28. For mildew, No. 12.	If worms persist, No. 28.	Two to four weeks later, if any disease appears.	After fruit is gathered, No.
ELM(Leaf beetle.)	As soon as leaves are formed use No. 20.		Repeat a month later.	Two seasons needed to extin- guish this pest.	
GRAPE (Fungous diseases, rose bug. etc., leaf hopper.)	No. 1 and 14.	Just before flowers, unfold No. 30.	When fruit has set, No. 30. For leaf-hopper, No. 22, 15 per cent.	Two to four weeks later, No. 11.	No. 11, as fruit is coloring.
NURSERY STOCK(Fungous diseases.)	When first leaves appear, No. 1, b, and No. 30 or 31. As the buds swell, for plum	Ten to fourteen days, repeat. For scale treat as for apple. When fruit has set, No. 3 and	Ten to fourteen days, repeat.	Ten to fourteen days repeat. For scale treat as for apple.	peat.
PEACH, APRICOT, NECTARINE (Rot, mildew, scab, leaf curl,	curculio, No. 3 and 20.	31 for curculio.	When fruit is one-half grown, No. 3, a or b.	Five to seven days later, No. 12.*** For scale treat as for apple.	Ten to fourteen days later No. 11.
:urculio.) PEAR(Leaf-blight, scab, psylla. :odling-moth, blister-mite, slug.)	As buds are swelling, No. 1, b.	Just before blossoms open, No. 30, when leaves open for psylla, No. 23.		Eight to twelve days later, re- peat third. For scale treat as for apple.	
(Curculio; black-knot, leaf- blight, brown-rot, San Jose scale.)	When buds are swelling, No. 1, b. Before buds swell, No. 23	When blossoms have fallen, No. 31.	Ten to fourteen days later, No. 31:	Ten to twenty days later, No. 31. For scale treat as for apple.	
QUINCE (Leaf- and fruit-spot.)	No. 1 and No. 30.	When fruit has set, No. 30.	Ten to twenty days later No.	1, b.	
RASPBERRY BLACKBERRY DEWBERRY (Rust, anthracnose, leaf-		Just before the blossoms open No. 20.	(Orange or red rust is treated best by destroying the plants at- tacked in its early stages.)	Spray after fruit is gathered with No. 1.	Ten to twenty days later, repeat.
blight.) ROSE Rose-mildew, red spider.)	No. 33, whenever these pests				
STRAWBERRY (Rust, Black Paria, etc.)	As soon as growth begins, with No. 1, b. Dip plants in No. 1, before setting.	When first blossoms open spray both young and old plantation, No. 30.	AND THE STREET	Repeat third if weather is moist.	
TOMATO(Rot, blight, flea-beetle.)	1, b.	formed. Fruit can be wiped if disfigured by No. 1, b.		Try weak solution*** of copper sulphate as fruit begins to ripen.	
blight and rot, scab.) VIOLET	one-half grown. For scab, No. 15 or 16. Use No. 33, on first appear-	Repeat before insects become too numerous.	Repeat for blight, rot, and in- sects as potatoes approach ma- turity.		
(Spot, red spider.)	ance of spot or insects.		>7/	£	249

Paris green can not be used on foliage of cherry, peach, Japanese plub, apricot and nectarine without injury.

**Black knots on plums or cherries should be cut and burned as soon as discovered.

**Elf a pailful of lime wash, well strained, be added to each barrel full of copper solution—4 ounces to 50 gallons—delicate foliage like that of the peach, etc., will not be injured.

20.

ARSENATE OF LEAD.

ounces arsenate of soda (50 per cent

strength).

11 ounces acctate of lead.

150 gallons of water.

Put the arsenate of soda in 2 quarts of water in a wooden pail, and the acetate of lead in 4 quarts of water in another wooden pail. When both are dissolved mix with the rest of the water. Warm water in the pails will hasten the process. For the elm-leaf beetle use 25 instead of 150 gallons of water.

21.

WHALE-OIL SOAP.

2 pounds potash whale-oil soap. 1 gallon hot water. For winter use only.

KEROSENE EMULSION.

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½ pound hard soap, shaved fine.
1 gallon water.
2 gallons kerosene.
Dissolve the soap in the water which should be boiling; remove from the fire and pour it into the kerosene while hot. Churn this with a spray pump till it changes to a creamy, then to a soft butter-like mass. Keep this as a stock, using one part in nine of water for soft-bodied insects such as plant lice, or stronger in certain cases.

23.

23.

MECHANICAL EMULSION.

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24.

RESIN-LIME MIXTURE.

5 pounds pulverized resin.

1 pound concentrated lye.

1 pint fish or other animal oil.

5 gallons water.

Place the oil, resin, and 1 gallon of hot water in an iron kettle and heat till the resin softens; then add the lye and stir thoroughly; now add 4 gallons of hot water and boil till a little will mix with cold water and give a clear, amber-colored liquid; add water to make up 5 gallons. Keep this as a stock solution. For use, take

1 gallon stock solution.

18 gallons milk of lime.

14 pound Paris green.

The object of this preparation is to obtain an adhesive material which will cause the poison to adhere to smooth leaves. It has been highly recommended by the New York State (Geneva) Experiment Station.

25.

LIME, SALT, AND SULPHUR.

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(Oregon Formula.)

50 pounds unslaked lime.

50 pounds flowers of sulphur.

50 pounds common salt.

Slake the lime in enough water to do it
thoroughly; add the sulphur and boil for an
hour at least, adding water if necessary. Then
add the salt and boil fifteen minutes more. Add
water to make 150 gallons and spray hot
through a coarse nozzle.

26.

LIME, SALT, AND SULPHUR.

(Marlatt's Formula, from Smith.)
pounds unslaked lime,
pounds sulphur,
pounds salt,
gallons water,
with steam for four hours and apply

1 pound hard soap shaved fine.
1 pallon water.
1 plnt crude carbolic acid.
Dissolve the soap in the water, boiling; add he carbolic acid and churn as for kerosene mulsion. Use one part of this with 30 parts f water.

28. HELLEBORE.

1 ounce heliebore.
1-2 gallons water.
Steep the heliebore in a pint of water and gradually add the rest of the water. Heliebore may also be dusted over the plants, either pure or mixed with flour or plaster. 29.

INSECT POWDER. PYRETHRUM.
Mix with half its bulk of flour and keep in a
tight can for twenty-four hours; then dust
over the plants. Or,
100 grains insect powder.
2 gallons water.
Mix together and spray.

Combined Fungicides and Insecticides. * 30.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE AND PARIS GREEN.
4 ounces Paris green.
50 gallons Bordeaux mixture.

31.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE AND ARSENATE OF LEAD.

1 gallon arsenate of lead (made by formula No. 20).

50 gallons Bordeaux mixture.

32.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE AND ARSENITE OF LIME. 1½ quarts arsenite of lime (made by formula No. 19).
 50 gallons Bordeaux mixture.

33.

IVORY SOAP.

1 bar Ivory soap (10-cent size).
15 gallons water.
Apply warm, as it thickens on cooling.
ecommended for rose mildew, red spider,

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Range Cattle and Horses.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: -In a recent issue of your paper I noticed a statement by Mr. John A. Davidson concerning the inferiority of range horses and range cattle. The writer says that range cattle are "razor-backed, flatrange cattle are "razor-backed, hat-ribbed, narrow-contracted, and mullet-headed," and he hits the range horse still harder saying that they are "little, gnarly, knotty" animals "that have no more intelligence than a Texas steer" and that they are not worth \$36 per dozen.

Now let me say something about the range steer and the range horse. Mr. Davidson advises the farmers of Brown County to buy high-grade beef cows and thoroughbred bulls. Now we are ahead of Brown County farmers, as that is just what we have been doing ever since eastern Colorado settled up with small ranchmen. I know of only a few ranchmen that do not keep registered males and high-grade females. There are a few of the long-horned Southern cattle in Texas and Arizona, but the ranchmen there, for the most part, use good males and send out fairly good steers. cattle here are as good as are raised anywhere, although it is true we depend mostly on the grass. Our horses are of Eastern blood—the

offspring of stock shipped here from the East. The elevation or altitude is high, and this gives our horses excellent lung power. They are raised on the plains, and have good muscular power, good eyes, and good feet—are better horses for endurance than any Eastern horse. Where they are raised in large numbers and not handled much they are a little wilder at first, but break just as easy as the Eastern horse and are just as gentle after they are broke. I have 100 head and am raising and breaking them continually and I never had a balky horse of my own raising and breaking. My son, 12 years old, can take many of my horses and work them after I have worked with them two hours. He can harness them and unharness them alone the second time they are used. Our horses compare well with Eastern horses for size and style, and are as in-

telligent as any horse.

The gentleness of a horse depends a great deal on how he is handled in the start. The first impressions that a horse gets when being broke have a great effect on him. A colt should not be allowed to get the advantage of his

The Angora Goat for the Ozarks.

Millions of acres of land in the mountain and hill districts of America are covered with brush and weeds. Nature has provided an agency for their reclamation, in the goat, which not only destroys the weeds and undergrowth but assists in the introduction of nutritive grasses.

R. C. Johnson, of Lawrence, Kans., ad 200 acres of pasture-land. It was had 200 acres of pasture-land. overrun with buck-bush and sumac, which had killed out the blue-grass. Mr. Johnson purchased a flock of Angoras and turned them loose on his waste land. To-day this 200 acres forms one of the finest pastures in Douglas County. C. B. Bailey, of California, who has recently sold more than \$8,000 worth of the uncertainty of a broker's life. The your minds, like the mist of a May morn-

mohair, says, "Farmers owning brushy land can make no better investment than in buying a few head of Angoras. They will thrive on what other animals will not eat, and will increase the value of the pasturage by consuming that which hinders the growth of the grass.

Goats are browsers; sheep are graz-ers. Goats live on leaves and weeds. They kill the brush by cropping the leaves and branches, and the plant soon dies for want of nourishment. Mr. Wilson, of Taney County, Missouri, in a country entirely free from contagious sheep diseases, with a mild and genial climate, located a hilly homestead near Forsyth. He had barely money enough to buy 40 head of sheep and to pay \$14 for his homestead. In seven years, beside supporting his family and improving his farm from the surplus, he had ing his farm from the surplus, he had 290 sheep, an increase of over 700 per cent for the seven years. He further declares that he can make 100 per cent on every dollar invested in sheep in Taney County.

If sheep are profitable in the Ozarks, goats are far more profitable, for the following reasons: Because they clear the ground from weeds and undergrowth, and convert rough brush land into fertile pastures. They are more hardy and not liable to contagious sheep discourse. diseases. The milk is valuable as medicine. They are more courageous and will protect themselves from dogs and wolves. They require little or no feed. A breeder of Angoras in northern Ar-kansas says, "I do not feed my flock at all. They run out upon the hills and keep fat all winter. They drop their kids in the woods and I seldom lose one. Give the flocks the freedom of the woods and they will take care of themselves." Failure of crops does not affect them. Drouth that dries up the pastures does not destroy the weeds and brush and things upon which they subsist. They can be sheared twice a

Mr. Brooks, of New Mexico, sold 8,000 pounds of mohair from two clippings from 1,325 Angoras, in Boston, for 40 cents per pound. The cost of keeping is nominal. The animals range for themselves and two herders suffice to care for them. The skin is valuable for morocco, the pelt brings from \$1.50 to \$3.50 for rugs and robes and the flesh is superior to mutton, having the taste of venison. The Texas Stockman says, "There is no meat on earth better or more palatable than that of a good fat kid, as can be testified by any one who has ever lived in Texas."

Any timbered or brush country from the sage brushes of the Western plains to the pine-clad hills of New England is suitable for Angoras. Western breeders are utilizing the woody lands of southwest Missouri because of the mild climate and the fact of the existence of 150,000 acres of Government lands—too rough for tillage, but a paradise for goats—that can be homesteaded at a cost of \$14 for 160 acres or bought at private entry at \$1.25 per acre.

driver. He should be made of the could not help but mind. If he is inclined to kick, he should be fixed so he can not kick; if he wants to run away, fix him so he can not run away; if he is nervous, be gentle but firm with him, is nervous, be gentle but firm with him with him, is nervous, be gentle but firm with him with h ra's proclivity. He likes hills, rocks, brush and babbling springs. When furnished with these the Angora takes care of himself. Until recently vast areas in southwestern Missouri and northern Arkansas which have lain unnoticed, are now being purchased and turned into goat ranches. The climate being adapt-ed to the Angora, the mountains, valleys and plateaus to the best range requirements, winters short and summers cool, free feed in abundance: the texture of the mohair among the best, why should not the Ozarks soon become the center of activity in the Angora goat move-ment of America? I know of nothing which can offer more to the rich man or the poor man than the Angora goat

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poor man can buy a hilly forty-acre tract for \$1 per acre. He can hew his house from the timber, get his fuel free, his water pure and everlasting, and enough tillable land to raise feed for his family. Ten head of common goats can be purchased at \$1.25 per head, and one fair grade Angora buck for from \$15 to \$30. He thus can have for \$65 a forty-acre goat ranch, with a start in goats which will enable him, in the course of a few years, to get more land, more pleasure, more wealth, better buildings, and take rank among the eminent goat-breeders of our day.

MAJ. J. E. BURBANK.

Sheep.

JOHN A. PECK, TECUMSEH, BEFORE THE BERRYTON FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

When your president asked me to prepare a paper on sheep, coming as it did so close on the heels of the great drouth of 1901, with its short pasture, it brought vivid recollections of my wanderings as a shepherd in search of the lost sheep that had crept through the hedge fence or barbed-wire, or scaled the highest stone wall, and seemed determined to exterminate the remaining corn and cane plants that were struggling so heroically during that drouth stricken season to fulfill the promise of seed time and harvest. When they made such de-When your president asked me to preand harvest. When they made such de-termined raids on the peach- and appletrees, and strawberry beds, garden produce seemed such a necessity. So soon after those trying conditions, when it almost seemed that Satan had discarded the roaring lion and had taken possession of the sheep in order that he might vex our souls the more, it seemed that I could not come to you and talk in favor of sheep. Then I remembered that the pastures were very short and dry. I tried to think what it would mean to be really hungry. A vision of those mild, pleading eyes came before me. My stony heart was softened, and I forgave their wanderings. During those moments it seemed to me the fault lay at my own door. I had been guilty of the sin of omission, in that I had listened to the siren voice of the salesman, that any kind of fence would turn sheep, and I had neglected to provide against the evil day.

ing, I would concentrate the result of four years' experience of sheep culture into one sentence and strive to impress it upon your minds. If you neglect my advice I promise you there will come a time some day when you will remember what I say. Do not engage in sheep culture unless you are willing to invest a reasonable amount in sheep fence. Next provide a good shed, where the sheep may keep dry. They do not take kindly to water.

Kansas, with her abundance of sun-shine and dry climate, certainly can not be excelled for sheep culture. Do not get too many to start with, and grow in get too many to start with, and grow in knowledge as they grow in number. Sheep are so different in their habits from other farm animals. Fifteen or twenty would be plenty to begin with. The question of breed is not important. Get the kind that suits you. I prefer a mutton sheep, with the idea of producing ag much obean mutton as possible. ing as much cheap mutton as possible, not forgetting the matter of wool. The wool should pay the cost of keep. The lamb, or two in case there are twins, should bring from \$2.50 to \$5 apiece, accoring to care and price. The common estimate is that ten sheep will live on the food consumed by one cow, so you have anywhere from \$35 to \$50 for the milking. I believe the early lamb is the most profitable, as he goes on grass better and is best fitted to throw off the stomach worm, which is the worst enemy they have. It has not proved

England supports one sheep on each one-half acre of her valuable soil, while Kansas supports one sheep to each 250 acres. When Kansas begins to support a reasonable per cent of sheep, then we will begin to understand the meanwe will begin to understand the meaning of that old proverb that has come down to us through the ages, "The sheep is the best manure cart in the world." Farmers of Berryton, I believe that sheep are destined to become one of the mighty pillars in that grand structure." ture, "improved agriculture," which has made Kansas famous the world over, and covered her people with glory.

Indigestion is the direct cause of disease that kills thousands of persons annually. Stop the trouble at the scart with a little Prickly Ash Bitters; it strengthens the stomach and aids diges-

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pounds from other cane-sugar countries; and 599,774,613 pounds from the beet-sugar countries of Europe.

beet-sugar countries of Europe.

Of the 985,568,640 pounds of sugar produced in the United States, about one-third was from beets and two-thirds from cane. Of that withdrawn from the insular possessions, all was from cane, as was also all of that from Cuba and from the other tropical territory; while of the 599,774,613 pounds of beet-sugar imported, 484,344,004 pounds came in the unrefined condition, and 115,430,609 pounds refined.

The following table shows the total

The following table shows the total sugar-consumption of the United States, stated in tons, from 1880 to 1901, and the quantity supplied by beet and cane production in the United States:

	Total Con-	Domestic	
Calendar	sumption.	Cane.	Beet.
year.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1880		88,822	357
1881		127,367	629
1882		76,372	446
1883		142,297	536
1884	1 309 383	135,243	737
1885	1 208 380	100,876	600
1886		135,258	754
1887	1 221 714	85,394	255
1000	1 510 909	167,815	1,640
1888	1 410 474		2,400
1889	1,470,977	153,909	
1890	1,000,071	136,503	2,800
1891	1,888,801	221,951	5,400
1892	1,853,370	204,064	12,000
1893	1,906,758	235,886	16,000
1894	2,012,714	271,336	20,443
1895	1,949,744	324,506	30,000
1896	1,960,086	243,220	40,000
1897	2,070,978	310,537	39,684
1898	2,002,902	252,812	34,453
1899	2,078,068	160,400	62,826
1900	2,219,847	174,450	82,736
1901	2,372,316	292,150	124,859



At the head of H. O. Tudor's herd of Scotch and Scotch-topped Shorthorns. See advertisement on last page of H. O. Tudor's sale of Shorthorns at Holton, Kansas.

serious with us. We have lost only one or two lambs a season from that cause. The lamb should have access to a small trough outside the mother's pen, in which to find shelled corn. In August the lambs should be weaned by placing them in the corn-field. It would do your hearts good to see them go after the crab-grass and weeds. They will not ing them in the corn-field. It would do your hearts good to see them go after the crab-grass and weeds. They will not hurt the corn except to eat the lower blades. Last year we placed our corn in the shock and still let the lambs run. They are not wasteful like other stock.

They made a splendid growth in that

with cockle-burs, sunflowers, ragweed, and velvet weed. I had mowed it frequently, but the weeds thrived. We have kept the sheep confined in this field a portion of the time since I have kept them, and I would be safe in of-fering \$10 apiece for each cockle-bur,

Dogs and wolves have not bothered us yet. We yard the sheep every night. I believe sheep have a place in our farm economy, just as swine or poultry have. They convert waste products into choice mutton and wool. I would say to the farmers of Kansas, keep sheep, wear good woolen underwear, keep warm, and quit growling about blizzards. Wear good clothes to town, feed the balanced ration, and the word "hayseed" will soon be an unknown term.

Sugar.

Public interest in the sugar problem —the share of the enormous consump-tion of that article supplied and likely to be supplied by the United States— They made a spicial to growth the butcher.

The question most frequently asked is will sheep eat cockle-burs? I have an old orchard fenced hog-tight containing six or seven acres that was well seeded six or seven acres that was well seeded with excelled the sugar consumption of the United States—the sugar consumption of the United States—the sugar consumption of the United States, the amount produced in this could be the sugar consumption of the United States—the sugar consumption of the Unite country of cane and beet, separately stated; the amount produced in its insular territory, Porto Rico, Hawaii, and the Philippines; the amount imported do for her? from Cuba, the amount from other tropical territory; and the amount from the beet-sugar producing countries of Eurefing \$10 apiece for each cockle-bur, sunflower, or ragweed found. If the sheep have range they will not clean the weeds up. They have such a roving disposition that they will take a bite of grass here, nip a weed there, and keep going.

Does and wolves have not bothered or more than one-sixth were produced. or more than one-sixth, were produced in the United States; 852,205,760 pounds, or about another sixth, were produced in the insular possessions, while the remainder, amounting to 3,476,213,440 pounds, or about two-thirds of the total consumption, represented in product for consumption, or the consumption of the consumption. sented imports for consumption. Of the total imports during the calendar year 1901, 1,302,860,514 pounds were from Cuba; 686,676,954 pounds from the East Indies, chiefly Java; 1,122,803,887

The Beterinarian.

We cordially invite our readers to consult us whenever they desire any information in regard to sick or lame animals, and thus assist us in making this department one of the interesting features of the Kansas Farmer. Give age, color, and sex of animal, stating symptoms accurately, of how long standing, and what treatment, if any, has been resorted to. All replies through this column are free. In order to receive a prompt reply, all letters for this department should give the inquirer's postoffice, should be signed with his full name, and should be addressed to the Veterinary Department, Kansas Farmer, Topeka, Kans.

Leucorrhoea.-I have a mare that two years ago lost control of her female organs. I gave her sulphur and she appeared to get all right until this winter, when she commenced to have a discharge. She kept getting worse till now the discharge resembles butter-milk in color and consistancy. What can I do for her?

J. J. MULLIKIN.

Answer.-Give her one dram of sulphate of iron twice a day in her feed Wash out the womb every other day with two teaspoonfuls of carbolic acid one dram of tanic acid, and two quarts of warm water, using five feet of half-

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inch rubber hose and a funnel. Place the hose into the womb a few inches with the hand.

Injury.—My three-year-old mare kicked in the barn about three weeks ago and got her hind leg over the partition and probably hung there all night. She got badly bruised in her hock joint. It was not sore at the time, but now it is a large sore. Her leg is quite badly swollen and it cracks in the cords when she moves. I have been using Volcania. she moves. I have been using Volcanic-oil linement. I also used linseed-meal poultice, and now I am using burn alum.
But she is not getting any better. Can
you tell me what to do for her?

OSCAR BLOMGREN.

Randolph, Kans.

Answer.—Take two ounces of ticture of benzoin and two ounces of petroleum. Mix and apply twice a day.

Exzema.—I have a 6-year-old bay mare due to foal in about two weeks. She has been running on the corn-stalks all winter and has been fed corn so she is in good condition. A few days ago I noticed a big patch of hair was gone from her left side and hip. She seems to bite her hip and pull the hair out. I notice that the hair is beginning to come out on her right hip and the skin is rough and lumpy. What is the matter?

Chas. O'Connor.

Atchison, Kans.

Answer.—Wash the effected parts with a mixture of 1 part of creolin and 100 parts of warm water. Feed bran and cut short the grain feed. Bed deep with straw.

Catarrh.—What can I do for a 4-year-old horse that has had catarrh for about four months? He looks well and seems to feel well. I am almost compelled to use him. D. M. Johnson.

Mayetta, Kans. Answer.—Give a desert teaspoonful of Fowler's Solution twice a day. Examine the teeth carefully on that side above.

Worms.—What can I give to stop cough in hogs weighing about one hundred pounds each? The cough is worst when they are getting out of bed in the morning. They seem to be wormy and their hair looks rough..

D. M. Johnson.

Mayetta, Kans. Answer.—Give a teaspoonful of dried sulphate of iron to each once a day for

Be strong!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift.

We have hard work to do, and loads to to t.

Shun not the struggle; face it. 'Tis God's gift.

Be strong.

Say not the days are evil—who's to blame?

And fold the hands and acquiesce—O, shame!

Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name.

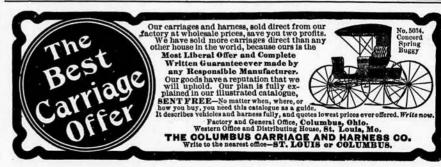
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It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong, How hard the battle goes, the day, how

long,
Faint not, fight on! To-morrow comes the song! -Maltbie D. Babcock.

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The Tudor, Low, Walker Sale of Short-horns.

The greatest public sale of Shorthorns ever held in Kansas will occur at Holton, ever held in Kansas will occur at Holton,
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are men of hard business sense who
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Rich Quality of the San Rafael Herefords.

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Hundreds of men have attended Hereford sales this year and though wanting cattle badly have not purchased, because prices ranged too high for them. In our polon the values pravailing, though determing buyers, have not been too high for them. In our polon the values pravailing, though determing buyers, have not been too high for the fords of good quality and valued blood. This is about the last sale of the spring season, and all transactions along cattle lines point to increased values at the fall sales. The offering from the noted Cameron Hereford here from the noted Cameron Herefords grown under more favorable circumstances is expected to make purchasers discriminate smewhat against them in price. Another thing, these cattle all (except the calves) bear a small brand on the hip, the owner's private herd record number, adopted to secure absolute certainty of identification. The prejudice against branded cattle, which causes buyers to discount the private herd record number, adopted to secure absolute certainty of identification. The prejudice against branded cattle, which causes buyers to discount the private herd record number, adopted to secure absolute certainty of identification. The prejudice against branded cattle, which causes buyers to discount the private herd record number, adopted to secure absolute certainty of identification. The prejudice against branded cattle, which causes buyers to discount the prejudice of the herd from the herd from



In the accompanying illustration is shown the spot that marks the center of population of the United States. This spot is situated four miles east and two miles south of Columbus, Ind., very near the residence of Mr. Henry Marr, which, together with his barn, is shown in the photograph. Having just purchased a new McCormick binder, Mr. Marr consented to have himself photographed on his World-Center machine at the spot marking the center of population of the United States. The machine owned by Mr. Marr and shown in the illustration is fully illustrated in a beautiful book entitled the "World-Centre" which will be mailed free upon application to

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the very forefront, as an individual and sire preeminently great, as every tyro in Hereford breeding kncws. His blood was sought and used in this herd in connection with that of Fowler, Garfield, Lord Wilton, The Grove 3d, and the Anxietysevery one marking an epoch in Hereford history. The pedigrees of the ninety head to be sold—see advertisement page 446—May 7 and 8, in the Fine Stock Pavillon, Kansas City, are tabulated, catalogues printed, and they can be had by inquiry from Mr. C. R. Thomas, 225 West 12th St., Kansas City, Mo. Write for one.

Combination Hereford Sale.

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The sale, on April 8 and 9, at Kansas City, of 135 Hereford cattle comprised consignments by twenty-five Kansas and Missouri breeders, most of whom appeared for the first time in the Kansas City sale-ring on this occasion. Many of the animals sold were from small or new herds never before represented there. The larger number of the animals were too young to realize strong prices and the presence in the offering of so many young bulls served to reduce the general average of the sale. The prices for bulls ranged from \$50 to \$500, though the latter was a sale made by a son to his father who knew the special qualities of the animal, and this, perhaps, might not be thought of as a representative sale. The latter animal is Columbus Chief 91371 consigned by T. F. Burwell, Colorado City, Colo., and purchased by his father, M. T. Burwell. Some of these bulls were high at \$75, while others were cheap at \$300.

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The cow that topped the sale was Miss Marla 94157, by Earl B. 77135, out of Sarah C 2d 73834, by Monarch 50127. She was bred by P. E. Spelman, Clark, Mo., and, with heifer calf by Regulator at foot, sold to S. H. Godman, of Wabash, Ind., for \$600. The 135 animals brought \$21,900, an average of \$162.22. Of these 105 were bulls and bull calves which sold for \$14,475, an average of \$137.85. The 30 cows brought \$7,425, averaging \$247.50. Taken as a whole the sale was considered a satisfactory one in spite of the small crowd in attendance.

The purchasers were as follows: S. H. Godman, Wabash, Ind.; O. Harris, Harris, Mo.; C. A. Stannard, Emporia, Kans; Mitchell & Thompson, Whitewood, S. Dak; I. W. McGrew, Durango, Colo.; B. A. Hathaway, Chicago, Ill.; J. J. Evans, Hartford, Kans.; Louis Duehn, Clements, Kans.; I. A. McNully, Fairfax, Kans.; F. G. Oxshere, Fort Worth, Tex.; Geo. Minor, Chillicothe, Mo.; S. M. Shattuck, Maquoketa, Iowa; M. T. Burwell, Colorado City, Colo.; N. B. Henry, Kansas City, Mo.; J. Rhinehardt, Holt, Okla.; Cattle Investment Company, Miami, Tex.; S. W. Cunningham, Fortescue, Mo.; R. O. Dening, Oswego, Kans.; Jesse W. Monk, McFall, Mo.; John Hutson, Canon City, Tex.; C. L. Fricket, Laredo, Wis.; Wheatley & Ward, King City, Mo.; John Gosling, Kansas City, Mo.; U. S. White, Mulberry, Kans.; T. W. Carmichael, Odessa, Mo.; Odessa, Mo.; John Gosling, Kansas City, Mo.; C. H. Emdorf, Santa Fe, N. Mex.; J. W. Morrison & Son, Liberty, Mo.; C. G. Comstock, Albany, Tex.; Willard Friesker, Meadville, Mo.; M. G. Oakley, Millersburg, Ill.; T. F. Burwell, Colorado City, Colo.; J. M. Carnahan, Riverton, Neb.; S. L. Standish, Hume, Mo.; Herington Bros., Frankfort, Kans.; A. B. Matthews, Kansas City, Mo.; F. W. Scheile, Duran, Iowa. come from a family preeminent for extra constitutions and early maturing qualities, and that the individual must be of the deep-bodied, thick and even fleshed, lowdown kind, extra well developed in heart and chest, as well as having the typical Anxiety 4th hind quarter. The second requirement no less important than the first was that the immediate ancestors, sires and dams, must measure up to this same standard and trace to the conceded best individuals of the breed.

The short grasses of Arizona and the trying climate have not abated one jot, of their original fine Hereford quality and character. Arizona can not raise on the range cattle as large as some other sections of the country but the Cameron Hereford cattle show that no State in the Union can beat them for quality. Here is furnished an object-lesson in Hereford thirlft that will be a revelation to the oldest breeders who have never visited the range country and who consequently are uninformed as to its possibilities. This demonstration can never be seen so far East, except annually at Kansas City at the Cameron Hereford sales. For this reason, whether buyers or not, all breeders should attend this sale.

The entire San Rafael herd is permeated one might say saturated, with Sir Richard 2d stands in the herd-book. Sir Richard 2d stands in

you will see what the Security Stock Food Company have to say about their calf food. It is worth looking up.

Many complaints are heard about hogs being paralyzed in hind quarters, coughing and generally doing no good. This condition is supposed to be due to worms. Look up advertisement of Security Worm Powder for hogs in another column and if your hogs have any trouble of this kind, write them for pamphlet.

Geo. Groenmiller & Son, of Centropolis, Kans., have a few nice young Red Polled buils for sale. The Coburn herd of Red Polled cattle owned by them have become well known, and parties desiring well-bred stock, of this line of cattle, will do well to call on Groenmiller & Son or write them for description and prices.

water, Mo., has been having a large number of orders lately for his bred gilts. The excellence of his stock has been demonstrated to his satisfaction by receiving many second orders from customers who had been pleased with the first shipment. Edward Rogers, of Winchester, Kans., ordered a second gilt after he had received cne from Mr. Thornton, with which he was well pleased; while Mr. Lesures, of Lexington, Mo., ordered three more after receiving his first one. Mr. Thornton recently sold a choice sow, bred to Missouri Prince \$477, to Mr. Morgan, of Chicago, and four gilts with one boar to Mr. Cone, of Memphis, Tenn., for foundation stock. Mr. Thornton has some very choice gilts, bred for April, May, and June farrow, also a number of very fine boars for sale. He writes that his Rose Hill herd is prepared to supply anything in the line of finely bred Duroc-Jersey swine.

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Undoubtedly the beat time to dehorn is when the calf is from 2 days to 2 weeks old. he old way was to gouge out the horn-button. While this latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective most men dislike the latter operation is wholly effective men and the latter operation is wholly effect the latter operation is w

Brange Department.

"For the good of our order, our country and man kind."

Conducted by E. W. Westgate, Master Kansas State Grange, Manhattan, Kans., to whom all correspondence for this department should be addressed. News from Kansas Granges is especially solicited.

NATIONAL GRANGE.

Master.....Aaron Jones, South Bend, Ind Lecturer.....N. J. Bacheller, Concord, N. H Secretary.. John Trimble, 514 F St., Washington, D. C.

KANSAS STATE GRANGE.

Master E. W. Westgate, Manhattan Lecturer A. P. Reardon, McLouth Secretary Geo. Black, Olathe

Macedonian cries are coming from Marion, Barton, Stafford, and Pawnee Counties and the state organizer, Ole Hibner, is now at Larned, where Bro. A. B. Lovett has been sowing Grange seed since last August and there is good prospect for two granges in his vicinity.

More later.

E. W. W.

We like to have it shown that it pays to join the Grange and to continue to work in it and through it to make money and to save money. But we do not like to see men lose sight of the fact that the best part of cooperation has nothing to do with money. All acts of neighborly kindness to which good men and women respond by others acts of neighborly kindness are in perfect harmony with the spirit and teaching of the Grange; they are of the very essence of coopera-tion, and yet they are unprofitable from the point of view of the money-maker. In the larger and truer sense, however, they are the most profitable acts of hu-man beings; they make life endurable, worth aving, a very blessing and bene-diction to all men.

The National Grange has formulated demands to be made upon Congress. State, Pomona and subordinate granges must enforce them. It will be apparent to those who reflect for but a moment that the National Grange will seem very distant to the member of Congress from any particular district; but if the granges which are composed of his own constituency express positive convic-tions, he will appreciate the nearness and power of those who appeal to him for support. Resolutions, petitions, and memorials have weight in proportion to the known number and the known character of the men who present them. Sometimes a single letter from an influential man who is well known to your representative in Congress or State Legislature will have more influence than a petition signed by a hundred men un-known to him. But if the petition and the letter go together, they will have double weight:

The Farmer Must Look After His Own Interests.

Reports from various points indicate a remarkable activity among the farmers of central New York. The reader has only to look over the columns of this paper for some time back to find a demonstration of this fact. Almost daily there have been accounts of farmers organizing and cooperating to bring about some end calculated to be beneficial to them. That this is as it should be, no one will deny. For too long has the farmer been content to do nothing but complain and find fault with the times. He now, evidently, has come to the con-clusion that if farming conditions are to be improved, he must do something himself to bring that about, and not wait for changes in tariffs and administra-tions, to which hitherto he has attached vastly too much importance. There is no doubt that the farmer has many difficulties to contend with, difficulties that possibly would appall his urban brother if confronted with them, but it is also true that he has been rather backward in individual effort along right lines. He has not adopted as rapidly as he should, the new methods and new systems which changed conditions have made essential to success and which would have greatly eased his labor and made his vocation a more profitable one. He has expended physical force and worked hard, forgetting that these are factors in these days, relatively speaking, of lessening importance in all spheres of effort, and this applies to farming no less than to other pursuits. The farmer to-day must do something besides "get up early" and work hard from early morn

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to dewy eve. There must be method, calculation and intelligence in his operations, which necessitates that he be not the hayseed which the caricatures portray him, but a brainy, active, educated man, conversant with subjects once thought important only in the case of professional men. The farmers themselves are apprehending this fact and the apprehension is not only stirring them to greater activity in their own behalf, but it is lending a dignity to the business of farming which hitherto, for at least many years, it has not possessed in the estimation of the masses.—Utica (N. Y.) Press.

Reflections.

The longer the Grange lives the deep-er hold it takes upon the farmer and the higher he appreciates it, and consequently it should grow easier to enlist the farmers in the Grange cause.

The Grange aims to harmonize the

farmers' views as much as possible on laws that are essential for his welfare. and anything that will have a tendency to prejudice one against the other should be carefully avoided.

The reason that more has not been at-tained by the farmer through the Grange is on account of the farmer's indifference toward it. Not that it did not af-ford him proper facilities or opportunities. The opportunities are as great today as ever for the Grange to do him good, and with his higher education, improved surroundings and better disci-pline it ought to secure for him equal privileges everywhere. The secret of success in the Grange is in availing our-selves of its opportunities, not one but

With proper association comes desire for improvement. The Grange affords the farmer's sons and daughters opportunity for the best association and their improvement never fails to follow. two principal sources through which we are molded are our associates and our reading. With good associates will come the desire for reading only that which is good.

Business Education of the Farmer.

No farmer in this enlightened age can afford to measure himself by the stan-dard of muscle. Education furnishes the mental force which is the most productive capital in a business life. The farmer is dealing with all the laws in natural science. He is dealing not only with the complication of the laws which govern plants and animals, but he is dealing with men who have minds sharpened in the keen contests of business life and broadened by education and culture. The Grange is gradually bringing the farmer out from the isolation of his fields to have a broader conception of his business, and it is also teaching him that he can get more out of life in this age if he devotes some of his time to social enjoyment and récreation, and does not develop his muscles at the expense of his brain and mental growth. The Grange is inculcating ideas of raising more and better crops that will bring a more remunerative price, and thus give him more to spend in the enjoyment of those beauties of art and literature, which tend to broaden and elevate the mind and make our agricultural homes so attractive that our sons and daughters will love their homes, and their home lives, more than the gilt and tinsel of city life. Grange is exerting all its influence in behalf of agricultural schools, the church and the press, public libraries, free rural mail, the telephone, the electric trolley, better roads and to extend the usefulness of our experiment stations. In short the Grange stands for improvement that has for its object the elevation of the human race to a higher social, religious, moral and po-litical life.—E. B. Norris, Master New York State Grange

Publisher's Paragraphs.

are still shipping seed-corn to various parts of the country. They can yet supply their customers with excellent seed from both their yellow varieties—Cattle King and Early Reed. They propose to keep their advertisement standing till the corn-planting season is well through so that planters may be reminded where to send for seed that grows. See the advertisement and snd your order early.

The Value of Experience.

"Experience is by industry achieved, And perfected by the swift course of time."—Shakespeare.

time."—Shakespeare.

Experience is the garnered grain gathered from the field of life, and is valuable in proportion as we use it to avoid repeating mistakes. The farmer who has had experience knows that it never pays to use cheap machines or tools of any kind. He appreciates better than anyone else the necessity of owning those machines which long experience has taught him are the best for the farmer. On page 413 of this issue will be found a picture of a farmer who gives his experience relative to harvesting machines. Our readers should write for "The World-Centre," mailed free to all mentioning this paper.

HAUNTED!

An Apparition Which Has Frightened Many Women.

There is a certain horrible fascination about stories of haunted houses, in which the presence of an unseen and un-earthly guest makes itself strongly felt. There may be a merry-making, a wedding or a christening, and while laughter echoes from the walls and happiness is at flood tide, a sudden chill falls on the heart. The flesh feels as if a cold wind blew upon it. There is a constitution wind blew upon it. There is a sensation as of some evil influence near, and a shiver shakes the shrinking body.

Some such fear as this falls on many a woman in the very hey-day of her hap-piness. She has been so strong, so perfectly healthy that life has been a conand gave them perfect and permanent

"A little over a year ago I wrote to you for advice," says Mrs. Elizabeth J. Fisher, of Diana, W. Va. "You advised me to use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescriptions of Colden Medical Discovery." tion and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' which I did, and with the most happy result. I was troubled with female weakness and bearing-down pains. Had a very bad pain nearly all the time in my left side, nervousness and headache. Was so weak I could hardly walk across my room. Could not sit up only just a little while at a time. My husband got me some of Dr. Pierce's medicine and I began its use. Before I had taken two bottles I was able to help do my work. I used three bottles in all and it cured me. Now I do all my housework. It is the best medicine I ever used."

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The steps of every woman are dogged by disease. And one may well shudder when the shadow of this evil presence falls across the life. Disease can steal the color from a woman's cheeks, the brightness from her eyes. It can make her life creep along on broken wing, sunless and songless. It can wither every flower of happiness in the garden of girlhood and blase every joy of wife or mother. It is doing such things as these constantly. The woman who does not suffer from womanly disease is the exception, not the rule. The woman who does not know the meaning of periodic pain headache, backache and female weakness, is a wonder to the majority of her sex.

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The Bome Circle.

The Blue Juniata.

Wild roved an Indian girl;
Bright Alfarata,
Where sweep the waters
Of the blue Juniata.
Swift as an antelope,
Through the forest going,
Loose were her pretty locks
In waving tresses flowing.

Gay was the mountain song
Of bright Alfarata,
Where sweeps the waters
Of the blue Juniata.
"Strong and true my arrows are,
In my painted quiver;
Swift goes my light canoe,
Adown the rapid river.

"Bold is my warrior good,
The love of Alfarata;
Proud waves his snowy plume
Along the Juniata.
Soft and low he speaks to me,
And then his war-ery sounding,
Rings his voice in thunder loud
From height to height resounding."

So sang the Indian girl,
Bright Alfarata,
Where sweep the waters
Of the blue Juniata.
Fleeting years have borne away
The voice of Alfarata;
Still sweeps the river on,
Blue Juniata!
—Marion Dix Sullivan.

The Farm Telephone.

MRS. C. A. NEEDHAM, BEFORE TONGANOXIE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

What is the value of the telephone to the farmer? Let us look at it from a financial, as well as social point of view. will make the statement which I think all farmers can understand, that it is a labor-saving and money-making machine, and proceed to prove my point by a few simple but practical illustrations.

Our neighbor, Mr. Cox, who is a generous, whole-souled fellow, and, to use his own language, will lend a friend anything he has got-except his wife-owns a seed-drill which we wanted to borrow, as we wished to sow some grass-seed So we just stepped to the phone and this message went over:

"Can I get your grass-seeder this afternoon?" The reply came: "It is not at home, but you can have it when it comes." A short time before this the "It is not same neighbor wanted to borrow a postdigger. He had no phone in at the time, and so was compelled to trudge over to our place, only to find that the implement which he sought was in use. He

had his long tedious walk for naught.

When he returned home, two-thirds of the afternoon was gone. Now he has a phone, and I fear we shall no more be gladdened by the sight of his cheer-ful countenance on fruitless borrowing excursions. Since time is money, in these days of push and hurry the farmer can not afford to be without all the conveniences possible to facilitate his

And now ladies, here is one that you can readily comprehend. A friend of mine in town asked me over the phone about some chickens I had for sale. They were just nice broilers and are considered quite a luxury this time of year. She offered me 10 cents per pound for them, and said that more than that would make them pretty expensive eating. I said I thought so too, but said I would let her know later. So I wired down to one of our commission mer-chants to know what they were worth and the reply came back, "All the way from 17 to 20 cents per pound." Now this would make quite a difference in the price of a dozen chickens. In this instance one can easily see that both time and money were saved, and all through the telephone.

This institute was arranged almost entirely over the telephone, and during the past winter the young people of my family issued invitations and got up If I wish to have a little social event in my home it is not half the trouble to

engineer it and invite my guests, as it used to be.

I gleen from various sources that the telephone is repidly pushing itself into the rural districts, and the isolation of farm life is fast becoming a feature of the past, and at the low price of \$1 per month the farmer can talk with his neighbor, with his city cousins, and even converse with those in distant towns and cities without leaving his own

In Idaho the progressive farmers are utilizing the long stretches of barbed-wire fences for telephone service, and find them Juite satisfactory as conductors of electricity. One of the longest stretches is twenty miles.

It has been said that the wealth of the world must be taken from the earth which is beneath our feet, and the farm-er must needs dig it out. So it is neces-sary for him to have all the appliances and help which the world affords, not only to make his toil easy and profitable, but to make him more free from drudgery, his life happier, and his social and public life as compared with other professions, higher and more on a level with theirs. And if we, as farmers and farmer's wives, study-to make our home surroundings more attractive and pleasant, we shall have made a great stride toward keeping more of our boys and girls on the farm. I contend that they have the average intelligence of their city cousins, and they should have the same opportunities for education, recreation, and amusement. In a family of young people, the telephone can be made a great source of amusement and diversion. For instance, last Friday evening when the orchestra was prac-ticing at Mr. Peter's, we called up cen-tral and she kindly opened our phone and gave us connection with their number and we all enjoyed an instrumental concert, as it were, without being on dress parade, or leaving our own home.

The young folks frequently sing solos, duets, and even quartets to each other over the phone. And then, we are oc-casionally treated to the spectacle of catching some love-lorn swain whisper-ing very confidentially to his best girl at the other end of the line, and the obliging little hello-girls at central seem to be especial favorites. The young gen-tlemen of my family go to the phone when they come in if only for a few minutes conversation with Central; they say it relieves the monotony of her situ-ation. She is so lonely, etc. Disinterested kindness you know, and very thoughtful and kind of those young men! How all the boys and girls can readily appreciate the advantage of the phone, for such purposes, and methinks many of our confirmed old bachelors, who were too bashful or timid to make protestations of love to the one whom they adored above all others, in the old way, might long e're this have joined the ranks of the benedicts and hen-pecked husbands, if they could only have been encouraged a little by a telephone.

I read not long since, of a couple living hundreds of miles apart being married over the telephone. Just think of that, ye bashful ones, who are already quaking in your boots, and dreading that trying ordeal, when every man is expected to make a fool of himself. I hope that these suggestions will cause some of our laggards to take courage and be up and doing.

And right here, I want to say that we are under obligations to some kind friend who plays the french harp beauti-fully—the sweetest of all music, I think —for a rare treat on Tuesday night last. Mrs. Bullard and I were conversing over the phone and every little while this player would cut in on us, and we would have to stop and listen. His music was really exquisite, and much appreciated by us.

And here is a case or two which I will suppose, by way of argument. And these cases are constantly occurring, and to be a "hired girl" at \$3 and get her are familiar to all living in isolated farm board, that is her business. I infer from districts. Suppose, then, that John Smith lives several miles from the nearest village. John's baby, on a dark and tempestous night, suddenly develops unmistakable symptoms of croup. What did John do? He had no tele-phone. He left the baby with its ter-rified mother and hitched the old horse to the road-cart, and plunged through the storm and darkness after the doctor, and then back again three hours later, wet and weary, only to find his baby beyond the help of human aid. Or suppose his house caught fire, or was broken into by burglars. Again he had to ride mile for assistance. Of if John had an important business engagement which he could not keep that day in the city, something about paying off the mortgage, or reducing the note, or any of those little matters which farmers some times find themselves forced to grapple the people of Kansas doubt that a with. He had either to trust to the "hired girl" is as good as the ones she

mails or take the train to town just to

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clined to fault finding.

That was in the old days. What does he do now? Just steps to the phone and calls up Central and in a minute is connected with whomsoever he desires to converse.

return again.

The doctor comes on the jump; the grocer sends the flour; the lawyer, receives the explanations about business matters, and all for a small expenditure.

I have found upon investigation, that there are scores upon scores of independent telephone companies which supply service for certain districts, generally in the neighborhood of a large, central city, from which radiate in all directions, like the threads of an immense spider-web, these smaller lines, making connections with small villages, which in turn connect with the farmhouses in their vicinity and in many cases this system is extended by a scheme of cooperation whereby half a dozen independent companies combine their lines so that the service may stretch half way across the State. By this system the condition of the rural districts is rapidly changing, the people are becoming more closely knit in their relations, and little by little the old-time isolation of the farmer and his family is disappearing.

Foreign Immigration.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: -I noticed in the Kansas Farmer of March 6 the articles by O. M. Rice, of Agricola, Kans., and by F. B., of Cottonwood Falls. If you will kindly give me space I will say in answer to Mr. Rice's letter that I do not think any one would prefer Chinese labor to American, or that even the ones that employ labor want to see wages depressed; but when you have work that has to be done and can not get Americans to do it, what are you going to do? Your cooperative plan might work in thickly settled districts and villages, but I fear it would not do over the most of Kansas. Even if it would, some poor person would have to be doing all the hard, warm work in the kitchen and laundry.

I do not think there is a State in the Union where women are treated any better than they are in Kansas, and yet many of them are overworked; some because they can not raise the paltry sum of \$3 per week to hire a girl, and others because they can not get girls at any price. I think too many girls are raised in idleness and taught to look with awe and disrespect on honest la-

Now, F. B., of Cottonwood Falls, I do not blame any girl for doing that which suits her best. If she would rather clerk your letter that you think they are overworked and not treated well enough. Do you know of a woman that does her own work that always has time to stop and rest when she feels tired, or can go calling or driving just when she likes, and can the majority of them have the "paltry sum of \$3" at the end of the week just to spend for clothes for herself or family?

I have been in Kansas nearly twenty years and have been with "hired help" all the time, part of the time have been "hired help," and I know that what alls "hired help" is that they do not, as a general thing, try to earn the money they get. The majority of the girls expect a woman to do all of the hard work and help with the most of the easy, and if any one sits down a few minutes it

works for, but people do not usually hire help unless they have work to do.

No doubt there are plenty of Americans to do all the work, but is it a fact that they are not as good to work, as a general thing, as foreigners? I have always been told that when a Chinaman learns to work like Americans he expects the same wages. I think we can well afford to drag our American laborers, or rather Americans that will not labor, gown to a level with Chinese, or any other foreigners, until they are willing to work for living wages. Nineteen men out of twenty, who hire help to till their farms, do not have as much clear money at the end of the year as their help can have if they will save their money like the man they work for has to.

We have thousands of Americans in the East, and I expect the West too, who live as low, degraded lives as any China-man could live, and yet you could not hire them to come and work at any price. They would rather live in dirt and beg on the streets than to work and have plenty to eat and wear. Now, for my part, I have always got work to do and can not always find help enough to do it; and while I give the preference to Americans, I would often be glad to hire any foreigner who would be honest and do right, to get my work done, rather than have it go undone and some of my crops spoil for lack of sufficient help to care for it.

E. A. DRUMM. Eskridge, Wabaunsee County.

The official train for the sixth biennial convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs will be known as the "Kansas Speconvention of the Federation of Women's Clubs will be known as the "Kansas Special" and will go over the great overland route of the Union Pacific to the destination at Los Angeles, Cal., and the trip has been so planned that it will leave the Missouri River points and arrive at destination, both in daylight, starting from Kansas City at 10 o'clock on April 24 and passing up the valley of the Kansas River, the train will arrive at Denver at 7 o'clock the next morning, where the day will be spent in sightseeing until 6 o'clock p. m., when the journey will be renewed over the Rocky Mountains toward the "Land of the Setting-sun." Salt Lake City will be reached at 3 o'clock p. m., and a stop made for sightseeing in and about "Zion." This will occupy the time until noon the next day, when the trip will be continued over the magnificent Sierra Nevada Mountains in daytime and Sacremento and Oakland will be reached, the bay crossed, and San Francisco gained in time for supper. A day is to be here spent in sightseeing and the trip to Los Angeles is to begin at 5 o'clock the next evening. This is probably the most magnificent excursion that could be planned in the United States and the whole cost for the round trip, for railroad fare from Kansas City to Los Angeles and return, is only \$45. Add to this \$5\$ more and you can secure a double berth in a Pullman tourist sleeping-car for the trip one way. This berth will accommodate two persons and divide the expense. Tickets may be bought at any of the prominent railway stations on the Union Pacific from April 21 to 27 inclusive. Mention the Kansas Farmer and ask your ticket agent about it.

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Oh! don't you remember sweet Alice, Ben Bolt;
Sweet Alice, with hair so brown?
She wept with delight when you gave her a smile,
And trembled with fear at your frown.
In the old church-yard in the valley, Ben Bolt,
In a corner obscure and alone

In a corner obscure and alone, They have fitted a slab of the granite so And sweet Alice lies under the sod.

Oh! don't you remember the wood, Ben

Bolt,
Near the green sunny slope of the hill;
Where oft we have sung 'neath its widespreading shade,
And kept time to the click of the mill?
The mill has gone to decay, Ben Bolt,
And a quiet now reigns all around.
See the old rustic porch, with its roses so
sweet.

Lies scattered and fallen to the ground.

Oh! don't you remember the school, Ben Bolt.

And the master so k.nd and so true,
And the the little nook by the clear running brook,
Where we gathered the flowers as they
grew?
On the master's grave grows the grass,
Ben Bolt.

And the running little brook is now dry,
And of all the friends who were schoolmates then.
There remains, Ben, but you and I.

A Son of the Soil. XI.

NEAR THE END OF HIS FRESHMAN YEAR. According to his promise, John accompanied the baseball team on their trip, and, as he told the Doctor, had the "time of his life."

He came back with a store of jokes to tell that lasted till the end of the term; there was the dinner at the swell hotel where the only things on the menu which he could call for with certainty were water and tooth-picks; there was the time when Drake, who had earned the name of "Preacher" by the extreme correctness of his behavior, mistook a joint for the board-house at which they were stopping en route, and entering was received with open arms by a tipsy bystander, who hailed him as his longlost brother; it was in this same town also, that they all rushed into the room where "Cap" was peacefully snoring at midnight and told him his room was aftre. Each one drenching him the while with a pitcher of water to convince him of their zeal in his behalf, while the poor fellow sputtered, and shivered, and dripped, and threatened vengeance. The other boys were fond of telling how when the conductor came to the door of the car in which they were riding and called the name of the town, "Solomon! Solomon!" John said courteously to him, "He isn't here, I don't think."

Among the twelve who went on the trip were representatives of almost every class of young men. Dickinson, handsome, fascinating, dissipated; John's former room-mate, Carl, who was fast losing his former innocent verdancy and becoming a swearing, smoking, swaggering, mimic of Dickinson's toughness "Cap," the boy's alert, efficient leader on the ball-ground, the stupid, stammering dunce in the class-room; "Sleepy" Jamison, who, John said, would catch a ball if it fell into his hands, but deball it it fell into his hands, but decidedly objected to moving rapidly for any purpose whatever; "Preacher" Drake, for whose piety the boys had more respect than they would admit, for "his eternal preaching did make them tired"; and so on through the team, most of them rebust, manly fellows, each with his failings and foibles, yet for the most part kind-hearted and for the most part kind-hearted and full of pranks and fun. Among tuem all John, I think, was the favorite. He was so uniformly good-tempered, so honest, so ready to lend assistance and sympathy to friend or foe, yet so abundantly able to take care of himself his father's book-store in the summerwith and so ready to take the lead in any lark, that he could not fail to be popular. Being rather lacking in the virtues of kindness and long-suffering, tell his mother how homesick he somevircues of kindness and long-suffering, he lost his temper once or twice, quarrelled with his captain before almost every game, and once very forcibly told the umpire his opinion of him, but he generally owned up with a good grace when he was wrong and he never was guilty of "explaining" about the loss of a game—a failing which, I am sorry to say, was quite evident in some of his colleagues on their return home. In John's opinion, if they were beaten it John's opinion, if they were beaten it

was because they were out-played and the less said about it the better.

They had their "ups and their downs," as John said, but on the whole the trip was very successful, and they were met at the train on their return by a great crowd of the students, who took them in triumph through the streets in a ner of this, but mothers can read between the lines, and one day she wrote tween the lines, and one day she wrote him a letter and all that day he went absently about his duties, with a troubled meditating look on his face.

Now, why should a boy whose heart is all right, look troubled and worried over a mother's letter? Why, indeed?

(To be continued.)

wagon draped in the college colors and drawn by the college mules, while the college band marched before them and a cheering, yelling, enthusiastic crowd of their friends brought up the rear.

And so closed Jonn's first and only season with the college baseball team; for he saw that with the numerous other things which necessity compelled him to do, he could not afford to induse

in the sport, much as he loved it.
One day, when the close of the year
was about six weeks distant, one of the
seniors came to him, saying that he had heard John wished to purchase a paper route, and offering him his own, one of the best, for \$400.

John looked at him thoughtfully, then said that he would think of it. Four hundred dollars was rather more than he had calculated on borrowing, but Dr. Brown said, "If it's worth the money, buy it. A good route pays for itself quicker than a poor one."

So John arose early for several mornings thereafter, and went over the route with the boy while he carried his papers. He found that it was a large route and taking notes shrewdly but silently, he thought it was capable of growing and so becoming more valuable. When he had made sure that the route was worth the price asked for it, he paid for stated, was their principal street, for it with the money that Dr. Brown ready laid out for them. leaned him for that purpose, and at once set to work to make it pay. He gave up forever his seat on the grocery wagon. It had been his salvation, once, but now he had risen to something higher—an independent business of his own, in fact! Indeed, John felt very proud at his step up in the lusiness

But, oh, the things John learned while carrying papers! For a while he grew cynical—everybody seemed ready to heat a fellow out of a penny. It seemed to him that the women in the fine homes on his route must watch for his coming when his collecting day came and then tell their maids to inform him that they were out. The smallness, the petty dishonesty, the rudeness of some of the people with whom he came in contact, astonished him. But the doctor laughed him out of his cynicism. "My dear boy, the people in this world are not all noble and upright—you may as well make up your mind to that. But they are not all dishonest and low either—and that is a fact you'd better hang on to. No, no, a fact you'd better hang on to. No, no, dcn't get sour—that's cheap, and besides it doesn't pay! Pshaw! You'll come out all right on this business—most of them will pay all right when you learn how to go at them. Bless my soul! If I got out of heart whenever people didn't pay up, I'd he out of heart all the time. People pay everybedy else, then if they happen to have body else, then if they happen to have anything left they may pay their doctor! Keep at them, John; keep at them, and don't act the baby!'

So John braced up and he found that it was as the doctor had said—people weren't nearly so bad when you learned how to get at them, and his good cheer returned, and it helped him in more ways than he knew.

One thing that he found very pleasant, though he had rather expected the opposite, was that one of his "subs" was Mr. Samuel R. Blake, the father of his rival in the algebra class, the pretty class president. And very frequently she was studying on the porch when he brought their paper, or playing croquet in the yard with some of the young people of the neighborhood, and very frequently John was late to his supper and came home looking as if he had been having a good time.

Soon after his purchase of the paper route, John wrote home to his mother that he could not afford to come home the following summer, since his father never paid him anything for his work, and here in Shilling he could earn a good deal by carrying his route himself instead of renting it, which he would have to do if he went home. Be-sides which his friend McLain had told tell his mother how homesick he some-times felt; how he longed to see her, and to eat some of her cooking; how he pined for the free, wide country, the budding, growing green things; the lowing of the cows; the sound of the horses stamping in their stalls; the cackling, noisy hens; the downy little chicks; how he dreamed of following the plow over the fields and of the smell of the fresh-ly-turned, moist earth. He did not tell her of this, but mothers can read be-

A Bit of Kansas History.

It is difficult for boys and girls of this generation, living out their safe and peaceful lives in happiness and plenty, to realize the danger, the privation, and constant excitement of the early days, when their fathers and mothers were

conquering the wilderness.

An incident in the history of Scandia, a little town in northwestern Kansas, was recently told the writer.

Scandia was settled by Scandinavians, who called their new home New Scandinavia, which afterward was contracted to the shorter Scandia.

The situation of the town was unique. At the foot of a bluff was a fertile plain, cleft by a wide ravine and bounded on the side opposite the bluff by the Re-publican River.

When the settlers came in they chose this ravine for the principal and, in fact, only street of their town, making their dug outs in its sides. The situation was ideal. The bluff served as a fine vantage ground to watch for the approach of their enemies, the Indians; for one standing upon its top could overlook the en-tire valley in all directions. The wide, rolling plain served as pasture for the cattle and horses, and the ravine, as be-

They had been keeping a watchman on the bluff most of the time to give warning if any signs of Indians should appear, for they had heard that their stealthy foes were prowling near; but one day having seen nothing of them for several days, in a feeling of false securi-ty, the men called their watchman home, and all went off some distance for provisions, leaving the women in their little dug-out homes, while two boys stayed in the plain with the cattle.

But scarcely had they gone, when the Indians appeared. A signal, which had been decided upon beforehand, was instantly given, and the men turned back arriving just in time to see a sad and thrilling thing. The savage red men had ridden off with one of the boys, leaving the lifeless body of the other whom they had scalped, lying upon the

ground, a gastly souvenir of their call. Think of the horror of the helpless women in the valley below, watching the destruction of their boys, not know ing what fearful fate might lie in wait for them!

It lends a brighter tint to the story to learn that the men pursued the wild men and recovered the boy whom they had stolen.

The little town has since moved up from its position in the ravine, and doubtless some of the people are living there now who remember the terrors of their pioneer days, and who could tell us stories of adventure, of hardship, of courage and of final victory, that would hrill us with their heroism.

QUESTION BOX.

Cecil Rhodes.—Was Cecil Rhodes an Englishman? What part did he have in the Boer war.

He was an Englishman, an ardent admirer of the Americans, and a believer in the reunion of the Englishspeaking race. In his will, as perhaps you know, he directed that his fortune of \$10,000,000 be expended in scholarships to Oxford University, England, the will providing that scholarships go to every State and Territory of the United States, and to every English-speaking

colony in the world.

As to his part in the South African war—by many it is claimed that he was the instigator of the war, the persecutor of the Boers. At any rate, he was the representative of the commercial and mining interests of the English, and therefore opposed to the Boer's occupations. tion and possession of the Transvaal, wherein are the great Kimberley diamond mines

In County Mayo, Ireland, a wooden boat believed to be nearly 2,000 years old was recently dug up by some la-borers. The boat, beautifully carved from the trunk of a tree, is of oak, fortysix feet long, and in a perfect state of preservation. So hard is the wood that the hatchets of the men scarcely left an impression. Provision will be made to receive the relic in the Dublin Museum. -Scientific American.

"It's the 'well done' we're all a-hopin' to hear at the last day; an' the po' la-borer that digs a good ditch 'll have thess ez good a chance to hear it ez the man that owns the farm."—Ruth McEmery Stuart.

Men of action are creatures of the moment, but men of thought fashion unborn generations.



FOR THE LITTLE ONES

The Foolish Frogs.

In a tank at the foot of a hill
Lived Mr. and Mrs. Frog,
At the head of a sparkling rill,
By the side of a queachy bog;
And they had chidren ten—
All Froggies as yellow as gold,
Who loved to play on the fen,
But they often were over-bold.

Now it fell out one day.

As it never had done before,
When Father Frog was away,
A stickleback salled to the door.

"Oh, Mrs. Frog," said he,

"Your sister is very ill;
And much she wishes to see
You down at the water-mill."

Then Mother Frog showed her grief In such tears as you never saw; And, having no handkerchief, She wiped her eyes with a paw. Said she, "Now, Froggies dear, You must not go to the fen; There is no danger here, And I'll soon come back again."

So down the sparkling rill
She paddled her own canoe;
But what she saw at the mill
Is nothing to me or to you.
Said her Frorgies, "Now for some fun—
Away, and away to the bog!"
All but her eldest son,
A sensible little Frog.

He begged them not to walk
Abroad in the light of the sun;
But they laughed at his earnest talk,
And they were nine to one.
With angry croak and skip,
He stood in the portico;
And he would have cracked his whip,
But he had no whip, you know.

Said he, "I will climb the bank,
Their dangerous pranks to see;
And I'll leap into the tank
If anything frightens me."
So he sat on a ledge aloft,
And saw his brothers at play,
Till a gnat with its curfew soft
Proclaimed the close of day.

Then a duck, which had lazily swurn For hours in a reedy pool, Seeing the shadows come, And feeling the air grow cool, With a "Quack, quack, quack!" came She meant, "It is time to sup!"
So, finding the Froggles about,
She gobued them quickly up.

Then the true little Frog on the bank was so overcome with affright
That he tumbled into the tank,
And he slept not a wink that night.
Now all wise Frogs go out
In the light of the stars and the moon.
When there are no ducks about
To hear mem croak and croon.

So Mr. and Mrs. Frog,
By the peeping stars made bold,
Came back by the queachy bog,
To their Froggies all yellow as gold.
They never saw them again;
Alas, that it should be so!
They were told not to go to the fen;
But they did not obey, you know.



-Selected.

The Poultry Hard.

An Infant Industry.

The poultry business is yet in its infancy in this country, says C. W. B., in the National Stockman. That may seem a strange assertion to make about an industry that produces \$281,178,035 in eggs and meat in a year, but it is

There are comparatively few raisers of live stock who have not done something to improve their product. Many of them have done the wrong thing, but they were looking for something better. They have bred for the purpose of improvement. If you do not believe it go out and look for the old-time penny-royal brindle steer, the razor-back hog, or the naked-bellied stilt-legged sheep. You will not find many of them-nearly everything shows some trace of improved blood. Take the average and it is so far ahead of the average fifty years ago that comparison is merely a contrast. And the quality will be much better by another half-century.

But what about poultry? Has it been improved in the same way and to the same degree? No. Eighty per cent of the farmers who raise poultry have made little improvement in their stock or their methods of handling it over those of their fathers or grandfathers. They breed no better, they raise no more in proportion to their facilities, they produce no cheaper—that is the majority do not. The poultry business is yet in its infancy from the standpoint of breeding.

The fattening industry is yet an infant one. The great slaughterers who dress cattle, hogs, sheep, and lambs for market, have entered the field of poultrydressing-and can not get fat chickens enough to run their plants. One of these firms has taken to feeding chickens for its use in order to get the quality. It now kills about 10,000 a day and expects to multiply this number a good many times in the next few years. It is located in the heart of the corn-belt, but can not get fat chickens. The finishing of cattle, hogs, and sheep is a great industry there, where fattening poultry for market is almost unknown. When this is studied and practiced as are other branches of feeding the poultry industry can no longer be called an infant.

The economical and systematic marketing of poultry is another branch of the business that is still in swaddling clothes. The man who sells his inferior cattle alongside the superior product of his neighbor realizes the difference by the proceeds as expressed in his draft. He sees where the other fellow made the money and he did not. It is not so in the poultry business. A chicken is a chicken too often. Exceptional is a chicken too often. Exceptional merit does not command its just re ward nor the lack of it its just penalty. When poultry is judged better, is graded better, and is paid for according to its merits, there will be a great improvement. The present system of marketing is cumbrous and expensive, and the producer "pays the freight" as usual.

Saying nothing about the egg pro duct—which might be vastly increased by a little better care and more feed —it must be admitted that the American poultry industry is still among the

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infants in development. But it is developing and another census should tell 'another story."

Cost of Feed.

We always keep an account of the feed the hens consume during November, December, January, and February If we have a fair margin of profit for those four months we conclude that poultry pays. As all feeding-stuff was very high last fall we concluded to adopt the theory, so freely advocated by many, to feed less corn and more nitrogenous food.

We wintered fifty old hens and thirty pullets. The following is the total amount of food consumed during these four months: two hundred and sixty pounds middlings and bran, fifty pounds oil-meal fifty pounds navy beans, 100 pounds animal meal, five and one-half bushels of wheat, eight bushels of corn. The above feed cost \$16, or 20 cents per hen.

In 1897 and 1898 we also fed eighty hens during the above period. They ate sixty pounds oil-meal, 250 pounds bran, fifteen bushels corn, eight bushels oats, one-half bushel wheat. This amount of feed cost them \$8, or 10 cents per hen. In the winter of 1897-98, for every dollar of feed we got \$3.60 of eggs. The present winter, for every dollar's worth of feed we received \$1.40 of eggs.

Comparing the two amounts of feed for the two periods we observe that last winter we fed only half as much corn as usual. Since corn was very high we concluded to feed more of richer articles—wheat, meat-meal, and beans. This rich food did not produce as many eggs per hen as we received five and six years ago when we fed more corn. The eggs we received the present winter were larger than common. Also, since the snow is gone and the hens are outdoors and receive less feed the eggs are beginning to get considerably smaller. The hens were very healthy during the past winter. Only one became suddenly sick and died. Never had we a flock of hens that had such a ravenous appetite. They actually began to eat scalded clover leaves. They eagerly ate soft cabbage, leaving nothing but the solid stalk.

Some may surmise that the hens are in poor condition because they are so hungry and did not produce the num-ber of eggs as formerly. They are heavy and fat. The real cause no doubt is because they had no free access to ear-corn. Let a hen have the privilege to pick off a grain of corn now and then, and she will be contented and not consume nearly as much other feed as she will if corn is only given her in the evening. If the feed had been the same price as five years ago last winter's ration would have cost \$2 more than the ration five years ago.

The comparison seems to indicate that it is not practical economy to feed too much nitrogenous food. Poor policy to feed protein to produce fat and heat. Corn at 75 cents per bushel has its place in economical feeding. Perhaps it would have been economy for us to have fed less wheat and bought some oats at 50 cents per bushel. There is oats at 50 cents per bushel. There is no doubt that many a flock of hens was kept at a loss last winter. The high price of eggs saved us.—A. Shirer, in National Stockman and Farmer.

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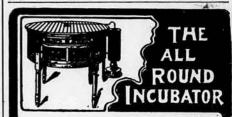
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Miscellany.

Wheat-production in Kansas.

FROM "KANSAS WHEAT-GROWING," SECRE-TARY F. D. COBURN'S MARCH QUARTER-LY REPORT OF THE KANSAS BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

Forty-one years ago the Kansas area sown to wneat of all kinds, winter and spring, hard, medium, and soft, white, and otherwise, was less than 10,000 acres. For ten years ending with 1901, the average has been 4,436,435 acres, and the yield per year, counting the good with the bad, was more than 49,450,000 bushels, while in the year 1901 there were harvested 5,248,547 acres of winter wheat alone, yielding grain grading as high as any preceding crop grown. The largest area previously sown to winter wheat was 4,909,972 acres, from which the crop of 1893 was harvested, and the State's largest product was 90,045,514 bushels, in the year 1901.

The following table shows the acres, product, and value of Kansas winter and appring wheat for the last five years:

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Years. Acres.	Bushels.	Value.
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18994,988,952	43,687,013	22,406,410.00
19004,378,533	77,339,091	41,974,145.00
19015,316,482	90,333,095	50,610,505.75

That Minnesota is a great wheat State all the world concedes, and, according to the Year-book of the United States Department of Agriculture, Minnesota had, in 1900, a considerably larger acreage in wheat than Kansas; but the year-book gives on the same page the Kansas yield as greater by more than 60 per cent, and its value greater by 40 per cent.

As it becomes more widely and better known, Kansas wheat is in constantly increasing demand, and her breadstuff output successfully competes with the best from all other places. While wheat may be grown in every county, about may be grown in every county, about 79 per cent, or 71,406,076 bushels, of the tremendous output of 1901 was grown in thirty counties, namely, in order of their rank in production, Sumner leading, with 6,819,266 bushels: Barton, Rice, McPherson, Reno, Stafford, Sedgwick, Harper, Saline, Ellsworth, Pratt, Russell, Mitchell, Ottawa, Dickinson, Osborne, Kingman, Harvey, Ellis, Cowley, Lincoln, Marion, Montgomery, Pawnee, Rush, Cloud, Rooks, Smith, Marshall, and Clay, none yielding less than one million bushels. Their total 1901 area in wheat was 3,862,375 acres, or 72.65 per cent of the State's acres, or 72.65 per cent of the State's entire wheat-field. Thus it will be seen that in the chief wheat-growing region of Kansas the increase in sowing has been phenomenal.

Spring wheat is a diminishing and not prominent item in Kansas agriculture, and its growth is given little or no attention outside a few northern or extreme northwestern counties, bordering Nebraska. The area sown to this crop in the last decade has averaged but about 157,000 acres annually, and the annual yield has been about 982,000 bushels. Winterwheat farmers have an antipathy to the growing of spring wheat in their territory, as they claim that it affords a breeding and nursery ground for chinchbugs, which later spread and do much injury to other crops.

It is believed that fully 40 per cent of

Kansas' wheat is made into flour within her own borders, while probably another 35 or 40 per cent is marketed at Kansas City, Kans., and Kansas City,

COST OF GROWING WHEAT IN KANSAS.

consensus of the detailed statement of 120 representative Kansas winter-wheat growers, representing fiftysix different counties, as to the cost to produce and put in the bin or car an acre-crop of wheat, yielding twenty bushels, is, itemized, as shown below:

Average cost of plowing (or disking) .. \$ 0.96

from those furnishing the 120 most care fully made reports quoted, are as fol-

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A digest of the same items of infor-

mation, taken from the interviews with eighty growers, in the thirty counties constituting what is known as the "wheat belt," which produced 79 per cent of the ninety-million-bushel crop harvested in 1901, gives averages thus:

Total cost per acre, or twenty bushels..... \$ 7.65 Other averages derived from reports of the thirty wheat-belt counties are as follows:

Average number of years each of the eighty reporters has raised winter wheat in Kansas.

Average number of acres raised by them annually during each of these years.

Average quantity of seed sown per acre (pecks).

Average yield per acre (bushels)......

Average value of wheat land per acre. 613

From the total cost per acre, as shown in both the foregoing computations, there can rightly be deducted the value of the pasturage and straw, which amount to considerable sums, and frequently to more than one-third the cost of producing the crop of producing the crop.

THE HARD WHEATS OF KANSAS.

Kansas is virtually the only portion of America producing the famous hard red wheat in considerable quantities, in which, as in many other things, the State is unique. The seed was first ex-perimented with in some of the central counties nearly thirty years ago, being brought by Mennonite immigrants from southern Russia, near the Black Sea, who apparently understood much better than Americans its hardy productiveness and real value. For years fol-lowing its introduction it was dispar-aged by American millers and grainbuyers, who claimed that its flinty character made it so difficult to grind as to materially lessen its market value. The farmers, however, persevered in sowing it and the production steadily increased, although they were compelled to accept in the markets from 10 to 15 cents per bushel below what buyers and millers were willing to pay for the softer and much better known varieties yielding considerably fewer bushels per acre. They persistently argued that it was more profitable to raise a wheat that would reliably yield them, one year with another, from eighteen to forty bushels per acre, even though selling for but 70 cents per bushel, than to raise a crop selling for 80 or 85 cents per bushel and yielding perhaps only twelve to fif-teen bushels. This, in the course of a few years, compelled millers to devise ways and means for more successfully and economically converting this hard wheat into flour, and there were brought into use devices and processes for softening the grain by steaming and moistening before grinding. These are now in general use, and are considered indispensable wherever the hard wheats

The best of this wheat is perhaps most largely grown in the central third of the State, from east to west, and in altitudes ranging from about 1,250 feet in Marion and Sumner Counties, to 2,100 feet in Edwards, an average close to or slightly below 1,600 feet. The four largest wheat-producing counties, Sum-ner, Barton, Rice, and McPherson, have an altitude for each, respectively, averaging about 1,250, 1,900, 1,700, and 1,450 feet. These wheats do not retain their peculiar characteristics so well when grown in the extreme eastern or southeastern counties, showing a tendency to assume more the qualities of the soft sorts; it is claimed by many intelligent observers that this is true, but to a much less extent, elsewhere, wherever are grown in Kansas has for some time suggested the desirability of procuring fresh seed, from time to time, from its original home in Russia, and in the year 1901, through the concerted efforts of the Kansas grain and milling interests, an importation of 15,000 ushels of choice seed was tion of 15,000 bushels of choice seed was distributed at cost in time for the fall sowing. Farmers are rapidly leaguing that profit comes from sowing the best obtainable, and that sowing the same wheat continuously on the same ground is not always satisfactory. A change of seed, such as from one county to an other, or even from one neighborhood to another, and from northern localities to those more southern, is excellent, and preferably the latter, rather than from

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EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: -I fear I am treading on dangerous ground, as I have the Experiment Station, Secretary Co-burn, and many farmers for opponents on the opinions I expect to express. I wish to give more my opinion than to contradict any one else's opinions, which probably are reached in the same manner as my own. At the time the impetus for this article was given I was attending an institute picnic in August of the past summer, when the drouth was fully on, in which I met Professors Cottrell and Cowgill, and the answers given to questions of how to guard against such a shortage of feed another ear was "Plant drouth-resisting crops. The answer as to what are drouth-resisting crops was, "alfalfa, soy-beans, Kafir-corn, and sorghum."

to fifteen bushels of corn per acre. Then on Kafir-corn I stated my experience of that season. Having read all bulletins on the subject obtainable and hardseason I had \$30 to pay and I had not year out. enough Kafir-corn plants living to swear The fact is, if I would have carefully gathered the crop I question if it would have made a load of feed. Now I had fifty acres of corn, and my latest planting made fodder, while the earliest planting made some few small nubbins. Again, I had twelve acres of millet and sorghum mixed, half and half, and there was nothing left a few weeks after coming up and I had planted a strip of soy-beans, thirty steps wide, between the feed and the wheat-field. I planted this field in alfalfa September 15, and now have a good stand of alfalfa, which

the chinch-bugs did not and will not kill.
In 1900, I had a plenty of sorghum,
and I thought I had certainly struck THE crop for producing plenty of feed, so when the pastures got a little short in July and August I thought now I would keep those fifteen cows up to

their full milk, but alas, the more sor-ghum the steadier the decline in milk, so I thought the cured stuff would be the thing. It had been sowed broad-cast and bound with a wheat binder, and certainly was about as fine feed as I had ever seen. I could give a cow one, two, or three bundles and she would fill up, but I am afraid I would have gotten very little milk if I had not fed alfalfa, bran, and corn. It is a rule with me that what will not cause a cow to give milk will not cause growth in another animal. The fact is, I was bauly disappointed in the seemingly small amount of nutrition to be found in my

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I offered to take the gentlemen a quarter of a mile and show them that sorghum would have to be cut out of that list. A field of forty acres of sorghum had barely a living stalk on it and none of the dead ones more than two feet high, while corn-fields adjoining were green and would yield from ten to fifteen bushels of corn per acre. Then

the experience above mentioned? I can not. Why should we fool with either Kafir-corn or sorghum when we can raise alfalfa on the same ground and ly believing statements by neighbors, who never in the best years raised more than twenty to twenty-five bushels per acre, I rented thirty acres of fair upland at \$1 per acre. At the end of the states of the same ground improved instead of times as much. Though it may not yield as many tons in some seasons land at \$1 per acre. At the end of the

> The assessor in his list of questions, asked me how many acres of Kafir-corn and sorghum I would put out this coming season. I told him none. He asked me why almost all of the farmers would not plant any. I told him because their experience probably coincided

> As to the chinch-bug I think it is like the poor mentioned in the Scriptures. "We have them always with us."

pecially in dry seasons.)

Hoping that I have expressed the opinion of many a fellow farmer, I will close by saying, give me alfalfa, corn, wheat, and oats, but no Kafir-corn or wheat, and oats, but sorghum in mine, please.
F. W. MUENOH.

Gypsum, Saline County.

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WEEKLY WEATHER CROP BULLE-

Weekly weather crop bulletin for the Kansas Weather Service, for the week ending April 15, 1902, prepared by T. B. Jennings, Station Director.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

A fine week for farm work, but much too cool for crop growth, the temperature averaging from 2 to 7 degrees below normal. Light showers have fallen across the State from the southwestern counties to the northeastern, though they generally amounted to but a trace. Better rains occurred in the southeastern and northwestern counties.

RESULTS.

EASTERN DIVISION.

The ground is in very good condition but the subsoil is dry. Wheat continued in good condition in the outhern and central counties, except that the fly is reported in early sown wheat in Geary, and that some of it is being plowed up therefor in the northern counties wheat is not in as good condition as it is farther south. Oats are mostly sown and generally up, and with one exception are doing well. Corn is being planted in all parts of the division, though but little was planted in Crawford, Cherokee, or Labette this week, ground too wet; it is coming up in the southern and central counties. Pasturegrass has not made much growth this week, but in the south it is supporting the stock. Flax-sowing is nearly finished, and the flax is coming up. Forest- and shadetrees are backward, but fruit-trees are doing well; peaches, apricots, and plums are blooming in the southern and some of the central counties. Early cherries and strawberries are beginning to bloom. Alfalfa is looking well.

Allen County.—Wheat, oats, and rye doing well; flax coming up; trees leafing out; corn being planted.

Anderson.—Good week for farm work; nights too cold for vegetation; flax-seeding completed; some corn planted; earliest corn coming up; pastures backward; ground in good condition.

Atchison.—A cool, dry week; neither grass nor small grain making much growth; wheat in need of rain; trees budding slowly; pastures backward; a splendid time to prepare corn ground, and that work is progressing rapidly.

Bourbon.—Good growing week for all crops, every kind doing well; flax. oats, EASTERN DIVISION.

general; ground in good condition; alfalfa starting nicely, but fall seeding seems to be killed; wild-grass pastures start slow-ly; many cattle turned out, but grazing

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poor.

Jackson.—Ground dry; wheat making littie or no growth; cats coming up slowly;
nights very cool.

Jefferson.—A cool, dry week, with some
frosty nights; vegetation coming forward
slowly; some corn planted; peach buds
winter-killed; early apple-trees nearly
ready to bloom.

Johnson.—Good week for farm work;
corn-planting progressing; flax nearly all
sown; wells and springs low, and subsoul dry; grass starting very slowly; peach
buds mostly killed.

Labette.—Wheat, cats, and rye looking
well; peaches in bloom and promise a fair
crop; cherries also full; considerable rain
this week, and ground too wet for cornplanting and general farm work.

Marshall.—A cool, dry week; rain would
do much good; cats all up, except very
late sowing, are a good stand, and look
well; grass coming slowly; some corn being planted.

Miami.—A remarkably cold week; fine
wheat weather, and wheat doing nicely;
coats all sown; corn being rapidly planted.

Morris.—A cool, dry week, with some
frost and ice; grass and all vegetation retarded in growth; no corn planted yet.

Osage.—Peach— and apricot-trees in
bloom; no planting yet, except garden
fruck, which is doing well.

Riley.—Cold and dry, with frost nearly
every night; almost no growth in vegetation.

Shawnce.—Wheat prospect fine; cats coming up well; corn-planting not begun; grass
starting; cattle in fine condition.

Wilson.—Oats and wheat in good condition; corn practically all planted; garden
stuff coming up well; stock generally in
good condition.

Woodson.—Good week for farm work;
planting of corn general; considerable flax
being sown; feed scarce; grass has started
to grow.

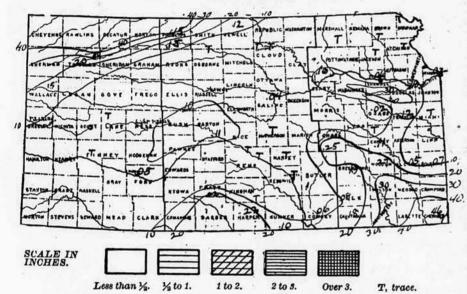
Wyandotte.—Weather favorable for treeplanting and plowing for corn; no rain
during the week, but ground is sufficiently moist to insure growth.

MIDDLE DIVISION.

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Wheat is doing well in some of the southern and northwestern counties; in many of the counties it has made but little if any growth, while in a few it has been injured more or less. Wheat that was sown last fall for winter pasturage

Rainfall for Week Ending April 12, 1902.



and wheat doing well; ground could not be in better condition for all kinds of seeding; plums and peaches beginning to blossom, with good prospects for fair crop; 20 per cent of corn planted.

Brown.—Weather too cool for wheat and grass; wheat doing well, and pastures not making much growth; rain needed; preparation of ground for corn-planting well advanced; oats-sowing completed, some up, showing good stand.

Chase.—Wheat improved some during past week; alfalfa looks fine; prairiegrass starting slowiy; corn-planting commenced; flax and alfalfa seeding in progress; very little oats sown; cherries and apricots in bloom; rain needed; stock in good condition.

Chautauqua.—Conditions fairly good, but

good condition.

Chautauqua.—Conditions fairly good, but temperature too low for best results; a good shower on the 9th; wheat and oats doing well; corn planted; gardens growing slowly; early frut in blossom, with prospects for full crop; most of cattle on pasture; growth of grass slow.

Cherokee.—Cool week, favorable to wheat, oats, and grass, but unfavorable to planted corn; too wet for general farm work.

Coffey.—A cool, dry week, favorable for farm work; oats and flax making good growth; some early corn coming up; wheat continues in excellent condition; ground in good condition to a depth of eighteen inches, but subsoil is dry. Early plums and strawberries in bloom.

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Crawford.—Two heavy rains during the week; spring work retarded by wet ground; but little corn planted yet; oats doing well, a good stand; wheat in excellent condition; peaches and plums blooming abundantly; many cattle on grass, and doing well.

Doniphan.—Winter wheat doing well, but needs rain; plums budding; peach buds killed farm work progressing rapidly; weather excellent for clearing off stalks.

Douglas.—Wheat looks well, considering the cold weather; other crops, such as flax and oats, being planted; good week for planting.

Elk.—A good week for work; corn-planting up; week too cool for rapid growth of vegetation.

Franklin.—A good week for farm work, and farmers have sown much flax and planted some corn; growth retarded by cool weather; subsoil dry.

Geary.—Cool weather unfavorable for growth of spring crops; fly in early-sown wheat, and some being plowed up for corn goddition; pastures getting green; stock doing well.

Ellsworth.—But little advancement made into some wheat ground; grass starting; wheat; barley and oats being drilled into some wheat ground; grass starting, but needs rain; oats look fine; ground works easily; corn-planting; commenced; cattle wintered well.

Harper.—Wheat not advancing; oats doing well; wheat; rain needed; corn about all planted; orn planted; alfalfa making slow start on account of dry subsoil.

Jewell.—Oats up and doing well; wheat and rye needing rain; grass starting; some corn planted; alfalfa making slow start on account of dry subsoil.

Kingman.—Wheat growing nicely; cornplanting in progress; oats about all in, or planting in progress; oats about all in, or planting in progress; oats about all in, on the planting in progress; oats about all in, or planting in progress; oats about all in, o

is now being plowed up for spring crops. Oats are up or coming up, and generally doing quite well. Corn-planting is progressing in all parts of the division, except that in the north part of Russell the ground is too dry. Barley is coming up in many counties; it is fine in Edwards, and promising in Kingman. Grass is starting nicely in Phillips, growing well in Harvey, and green in Edwards, but is backward in all parts. Peaches are blooming in the south, but the buds were mostly winter-killed in the north. Plums are blooming in the south, nearly in bloom in the north. Pears are blooming in Cowley and cherries in Kingman. Stock is doing well.

Barton.—Wheat not improving: alfalfa seeding begun; oats and barley coming up; grass growing slowly; trees leafing; peach buds killed; rain is needed.

Clay.—Considerable wind, and only a trace of rain; wheat needs rain; growh of oats slow; some corn being planted.

Cloud.—Wheat in critical condition; vegetation made slow growth during week; plum and cherry blossoms nearly open.

Cowley.—Coo!, damp week; wheat, oats, and alfalfa growing rapidly; corn acreage half planted; paririe-grass growing slowly; apricots injured by frost; peaches, pears, and plums unusually full of blossoms.

Edwards.—Fine growing weather; prospects for wheat good; eats and bard berty increase.

soms, Edwards.—Fine growing weather; pros-

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well; potatoes all planted; early gardens up; grass starting nicely; peaches badly injured. Corn-planting will commence next

Pratt.—Appearance of growing grain improved; some frost, but no damage; cornplanting well advanced.

Reno.—Wheat growing well; oats all up; corn-listing progressing rapidity; ground in good condition, though wheat and oats would be benefited by a good rain; plumtress in bloom; apple leaves unfolding, showing plenty of flower buds; early grass growing nicely.

growing nicely.

Republic.—A cool, dry week, with strong winds; wheat needing rain; growth retarded by cool, dry weather.

Russell.—Wheat on plowed ground badly killed; much sown to oats or will be planted to corn or other spring crops. Wheat sown in corn-stalk and on newly broken sod will make a fair crop, if the remainder of the month is favorable. Grass starting slowly.

Saline.—Dry, cool week; heavy frost morning of the lith; wheat doing well, but in need of rain; corn-planting will begin next week.

Sedgwick.—Wheat growing well, killed in

next week.

Sedgwick.—Wheat growing well, killed in spots; some wheat plowed up, leaving acreage below last year's; oats coming up; not much corn planted so far; grass is starting; peaches not yet in full bloom.

Smith.—Wheat in fair condition; cornplanting commenced; early gardens look well; grass starting; rain needed, subsoil very dry; oats up; potatoes planted; peaches killed; other fruit all right.

Stafford.—All growing crops doing nicely; rain needed.

Sumner —Peaches and plums in bloom.

Sumner.—Peaches and plums in bloom; corn-planting in progress; early-sown oats up; some oats being sown; pastures backward; large quantity of alfalfa-seed sown this spring.

WESTERN DIVISION.

Western Division.

Wheat is improving, in some counties rapidly, in others slowly, the latter condition owing to the coki nights. Rye, oats, and barley are doing well. Grass is starting nicely in the central and northern counties while cattle are on pasture in the extreme south. Peaches, apricots, and wild plums are in bloom in the central and southern counties. Alfalfa is green in the south and starting in the central and northern counties. Corn-planting has begun in the northern counties. Cattle are doing well.

Decatur.—Winter wheat and rye in good

Decatur.—Winter wheat and rye in good condition; oats and barley in prime condition; prairie-grass starting; alfalfa making good growth.

Finney.—Ground in fine condition; alfalfa fields quite green; spring crops coming up in good condition; range-grass getting green.

green.
Ford.—Wheat improving rapidly; heavy frost on the 7th, 9th, 10th, and 11th.
Greeley.—Grass starting nicely; some rain falling.
Haskell.—Ground in excellent condition; early-sown wheat looking well, late-sown backward; rye never looked finer; prairie-grass starting.

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Kearney.—Moist foggy weather, but not much rain.
Lane.—Crops in good condition; white frost on the 10th.
Morton.—Peach-trees in full bloom; cattle living on new grass and weeds, hay and fodder an used up; warm weather needed.
Ness.—A couple of light rains this week, improving crop conditions; heavy frost and thin ice night of the 10th, but no noticeable damage done; wild plums, apricots, and early peaches in bloom; alfafa starting; barley seeding finished; potatoes nearly all planted, and garden-making in progress; early gardens up and doing nicely;

too cold for grass; stock doing well, calf crop large.

Norton.—Cool week; vegetation making little growth; wheat improved by light rain; alfalfa starting; a large acreage of alfalfa is being sown; worms doing some damage to alfalfa.

Thomas.—Wheat making slow growth; spring sowing all done, but ground too dry for germination; grass starting slowly.

Wallace.—Dry and windy; wheat not improved; barley and alfalfa looking well; range-grass getting green.

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In the Dairy.

Conducted by D. H. Otis, Professor of Dairy Husbandry, Kansas Experiment Station, Manhattan, Kans. to whom all correspondence with this department should be addressed.

How the Dairy Herd is Fed at the Kansas Agricultural College.

The Kansas Agricultural College and Experiment Station is trying to per form a double mission in feeding milch cows; first, to carry on experiments to ascertain facts and figures that will be of benefit to the dairy farmers of the State. This kind of experimenting is sometimes expensive. For instance, last summer scores of inquiries reached us in regard to what to feed. In many places wheat and wheat straw were the only feeds available. To intelligently answer these questions a part of the dairy herd was taken from a sorghum pasture, where the cows were being fed successfully and economically, and drafted into an experiment to ascertain the possibilities of maintaining the milk flow on wheat straw, ground wheat, and cottonseed-meal. Isolating these cows from the rest of the herd and keeping ac-curate records of feed consumed was not as profitable as leaving them on sorghum pastures, but the results obtained before the winter season set in and published in bulletin form for the benefit of the dairy farmers more than justified the extra expense to the station. Again numerous inquiries ask for the best breed of dairy and dual purpose cows. The department of dairy husbandry at the college is milking every pure-bred cow that freshens on the college grounds in order to ascertain the possibilities of the different breeds in milk-production. Several cows are being milked at a loss in order to complete the experiment.

Second, the Agricultural College is endeavoring to develop common, grades, and pure-bred cows to the highest notch of economical production, and it is along this line that this article deals especial-To accomplish this purpose it is necessary that the cows be supplied with those feeds that will enable them to produce the largest amount of milk and butter-fat at the least possible cost for feed consumed. This calls for a knowledge of the relative value and cost of different feeds. The following table has been used by the Agricultural Col-lege as a guide in the selection of feed-

COMPARATIVE VALUE OF FEEDS. Value per 100 pounds, when corn is worth 10 cents per 100 pounds.

		Protein
		Nutri-
Feed.	ents.	
Concentrates: Barley	Cents.	
Barley	10	11
Broom-corn-seed	8	9
Corn	10	10
Corn-and-cob-meal	7	8
Cow-peas		23
Cottonseed hulls	2	3-10
Cottonseed-meal	28	47
Flaxseed		26
Chicago gluten-meal	21	40
Kafir-corn-seed		10
Linseed-meal		37
Millet-seed		11
Oats		12
		12
Rye		9
Sorghum-seed		38
Soy-bean-meal		13
Wheat		16
Wheat bran	10	
Wheat middlings	12	16
Wheat shorts	11	15
Milk:		
Whole milk	3	4
Skim-milk	2	5

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Value per ton, if alfalfa were valued at \$1 per ton. Feed. Dry Roughage: ow-peasodder-corn

The roughness in this table is figured on the basis of alfalfa hay selling at \$1 per ton for ease of calculation. When alfalfa is worth \$6 per ton the other rough feeds are worth six times the amount indicated in the chart. When alfalfa sells for \$8 then the other feeds are worth eight times as much, and so on. The same principle applies to the grains with corn at 10 cents per hundred pounds as the basis. In years of abundant crops we usually have plenty of feeds that furnish carbohydrates and fats, but are short of protein feeds. In this case we can tell what is the cheap-est feed to purchase by consulting the second column headed, "Protein Nutri-

FEEDING ROUGHNESS.

Usually we give all the rough feed the cows will eat, although with a good quality of alfalfa hay the cows will sometimes overeat even on roughness. In comparison, alfalfa hay is selling in Manhattan at \$10 per ton. This would make the relegion feeding walks of the make the relative feeding-value of the other rough feed worth ten times the amount indicated in the chart. In comamount indicated in the chart. In comparison, red clover hay would be worth \$7 per ton, prairie hay \$5.10 per ton, corn fodder \$3.20 per ton, millet \$6.40 per ton, and sorghum hay \$4.30 per ton, all of which are sening above their feeding-value compared with alfalfa. Alfalfa and prairie hay, for instance, are commanding the same price on the Manhattan market. It is evident, then, that as far as dairy cows are concerned. as far as dairy cows are concerned, alfalfa is the more economical hay. During the month of January the college herd received an average of about thirwhile this supply of hay is large, it has been the means of reducing the amount of grain necessary to keep up the milk-flow. The college had a little Kafir-corn fodder on hand and from time to time a little of this was fed to add variety to the ration. While the weather was warm the hay was fed in the yard both day and night, but whenever the weather was cold or stormy the hay was fed in the barn.

FEEDING GRAIN.

The comparative value of the different grain feeds are also given in the above table. Since alfalfa hay is rich in protein we look not for concentrated protein grains like oil-meal or cottnseed-meal to feed with it, but for grains that contain a large percentage of carbohy-drates, as corn, Kafir-corn, sorghum-seed, oats, wheat, and wheat bran. Of this list wheat bran is the cheaper per one hundred pounds during the fall and winter of 1901-02, and although it contains more protein than the cow needs in con-nection with alfalfa, yet it is the most economical grain that we can buy. Unlike roughness the amount of grain fed is varied with the individuality of the cow. Some of our cows are receiving eight pounds per day, while others are receiving none. The aim is to give to each cow just what grain she will handle at a profit for total feed (hay and grain) consumed. 'To determine the point we have found a daily milk-record indis-

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The following table shows the variations in the quantity and quality of milk obtained from seven of the cows sent to the college by dairymen in different parts of the State. The record begins with the first milking after arrival at the college. Duplicate tests were made for nearly every milking.

Name	after	Hours	Butte	r-fat, cent.
of cow.	arrival.	Road.	a. m.	p. m.
Clover	11	22		4.2
Leaf) 2		6.0	3.6
Little	7 3		3.1	2.8
	123		3.5	3.6
Daisy	(1	12		5.4
Bell) 2		13.25	7.4
***************************************) 3		5.1	4.6
	(4		4.8	. 4.4
Rose of	(1	60		4.7
Industry) 2		8.2	5.2
*************) 3		6.6	5.7
	(4		4.7	5.5
May	(1	12	6.2	7.6
Queen) 2		5.5	5.7
57.11) 3		5.8	6.3
	(4		5.6	5.4
1988	(1	12	3.6	7.0
Cowslip	\ 2		5.5	5.1
Service of Brown	(3		4.9	5.1
Rose of	(1	12	2.5	4.3
Cunningha	m.) 2		2.8	3.7
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·) 3		2.7	3.2
	(4		3.2	3.2
	(1	12	1.2	3.0
Molly) 2		7.5	5.8
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	(4		3.1	3.8

morning to evening milking increased 57 per cent solids not fat, and 5.1 pounds in quantity of milk. The milk yield of he second milking increased 5.1 pounds over the first milking, which is in marked contrast to the records of the

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drum and I had such cramps that the sain nearly drove me wild. My feet ver cold all the time and even with a to water bag and heated bricks I could of get any relief.

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The method of vaccination with Blacklegold in the needle of the injector, selects the place of incoulation (preferably in the side of the animal's neck), and, with a slingle thrust, plunges the needle through the skin, pressing the plunger well down with a single thrust, plunges the needle through the skin, pressing the plunges the needle through the skin, pressing the plunges the needle of the injector, selects the place of incoulation (preferably in the side of the animal's neck), and, with a slingle thrust, plunges the needle through the skin, pressing the plunges the needle through the skin, pressing the skin pressing the single blacklegolds in the slide of the animal's neck), and, with a slingle thrust, plunges the needle through the skin, pressing the mill alto the single blacklegolds in the slide of the injec

other cows which decreased in milk for

the same period.

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	Solids r		Yield o			When
	a. m.	p. m. 8.08	a. m.	p. m. 8.1	8th	Normal.
	8.05	8.62	13.2	11.6	OLIL	minering.
	8.52 8.95	8.56 8.47	14.9 15.3	12.3 10.6		
		6.67		11.2	7th	milking.
	7.94	8.55 7.59	1.4 6.4	3.1 6.5		
1	8.33	8.73	6.4	6.4		
	8.64	8.91 8.41	9.4	13.9 11.3	8th	milking.
	8.57	8.51	12.8	12.2		
	9.06	7.51	12.8	12.2	0+1-	milking.
	8.99 8.99	8.79 11.01	9.8 8.4	5.0 8.4	etn	milking.
	9.16	8.86	9.5	8.6		
	8.62 9.47	8.95 8.42	9.4 12.4	8.3 9.8	7th	milking.
	8.99	8.39	12.8	11.0	10.727	
	8.88 7.55	8.34 8.73	12.9 21.0	11.9 15.0	8th	milking.
	8.45	6.53	19.4	20.1		
	8.16 8.20	7.64 7.52	19.7 20.3	18.5		
	7.99	8.22	11.8	9.0	9th	milking.
	8.42 9.00	7.78 8.14	13.5 12.2	10.9 11.3		
	0.50	8.76	13.8	12.2		

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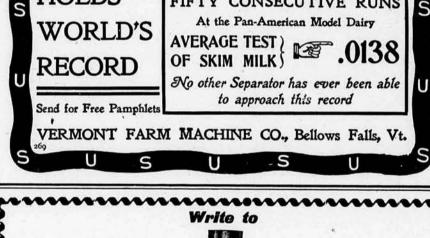


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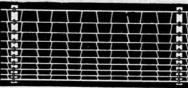
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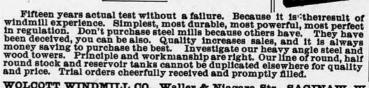
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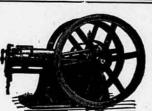
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"The human race is divided into two classes,—those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit still and say, why wasn't it done the other way."—Oliver W. Holmes.

The Mouth-piece of the Kansas Grain Dealers' Association Howls.

In the Southwestern Grain Journal, the mouth-piece of the Kansas Grain Dealers' Association, in discussing codemagogues and agitators. The grain dealers are fearful lest some advantage to taken of the forcess. They will not be taken of the farmers. They will not be able to deceive the intelligent farmers. Their purpose is to create suspicion and destroy the farmers' movement. They are howling to protect the 5-cent margin extorted from the grain-growers by the grain dealers. We clip the following so our cooperative friends may read what they say:

"But with the advent of this new business idea of cooperation, a new industry was created for the demagogue, and a new source of income established for the agitator or drone, who exists on the toil of others. Both characters had an eye to the 'main chance,' with visions of honor and riches beyond meas-

ure in the future rising before them.
"Kansas, known as the land of freaks promptly produced a sample of each of

these characters.

"The demagogue straightway wrote a bill and had it enacted into law, making all cooperative associations, except those of agricultural and labor organizations, outlaws.

"The agitator, with less brains but more gall, immediately shed crocodile tears for the down trodden agriculturists because a few grain dealers organized to compel railroads and wholesale grain dealers to treat them justly in the matter of weights and rates, for as indi-viduals they were powerless to enforce

their rights.
"Regardless of the fact that this agltator is not a farmer—not even con-structively—has no interest in the cause of the farmer either direct or implied, excepting to exploit them, his la-mentation and tears could not be stopped.

Under the plea of redressing their wrongs by organizing them into a Farmer's Cooperative Association, he succeeded in misleading some honest farceeded in misleading some nonest lar-mers to oppose a number of honorable business men organized for their own defense. In other words, this agitator, or alleged 'farmers' friend (?),' who knows as little about farming as he does about the rings surrounding the planet Saturn, began, from his office in Topeka, a system of farming the farmers.

"This agitator, like a huge drone, issues appeals from his hive strongly favoring centralization, with the drone the center figure and eating all the honey.
"On account of the industry of the

working bees, this drone is sleek and

working bees, this grone is sleek and fat without worry for the morrow."

It is well to note that the Southwestern Grain Dealer eminates from the same building in which E. J. Smiley, secretary of the Grain Dealers' Association is located. tion, is located.

Suspicion is the most contagious and fatal malady that farmers' organizations have to contend with.

The way to convince people that a certain thing can be done is to take right hold yourself and do it.

It is the man who can do things who gets to the front. The man who can not is to be pitied, for he is a failure.

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Let it be well understood that the first essential step for farmers is to become thoroughly organized. Many of the objects they wish to obtain can not be secured without a strong organization.

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The Northwestern Agriculturist, Minreapolis, Minn., contained the following pertinent paragraph in its last issue: "That is a sensible move of farmers of southern Minnesota and northern Iowa in combining to form an association for the handling of their grain. Farmers' elevators can be operated successfully and at a great saving to the

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grain-raisers. It is reported that during the last two months fourteen or fifteen new farmers' elevators have opened for business, and it is all attributed to the National Grain Growers' Association which met at Fargo last December."

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THE MARKETS.

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Last Week's Market Review.
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During to replace of grain have undergone a radical change for the better, and especially is the position wheat are radical change for the better, and especially is the position wheat are radical change for the better, and especially is the position wheat are radially considered the review of the review of

vators of Iowa and Nebraska depleted and farmers busy in the fields it will be difficult to foretell how much higher corn will go in Kansas City and other southwestern points. Exports of corn last week were only 158,000 bushels compared with 2,624,000 bushels for the corresponding week in 1801 and total exports of corn since Jul 1, 1901, have been only 25,350,000 bushels less than one-fifth of the usual exports of corn. The visible supply decreased 358,000 bushels last week and is now 7,550,000 bushels. Markets closed to-day at the following

Markets closed to-day at the following quotations:
Chicago.—No. 2 Kansas hard wheat, 74c;
No. 2 corn, 60 to 61c; No. 2 oats, 43c.
Kansas City.—No. 2 red wheat, 80c; No. 2 hard wheat, 71½c; No. 2 corn, 66 to 66½c;
No. 2 white corn, 67 to 68c; No. 2 oats, 45½c.
Topeka.—No. 2 hard wheat about 73c, demand active.

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Kansas City Live Stock Market.

Horses and mules were in liberal supply and the market was generally satisfactory as regards the movement. Prices of mules showed weakness, however, all grades selling off \$5 to \$7.50 from the high point reached two or three weeks ago. Mules sold here during the week at \$200 around, right from first hands. This is a record-breaking value. The special spring sale of horses was held during the week. A little under 300 head changed hands. Many Kansas and Missouri buyers were in attendance and secured fine animals. J. H. Jarvis, of Hoicon, Kans., paid the top price, \$625, for a black pacing stallion. Coach horses sold up to \$590, a Chicago buyer securing a team at that price. Speed horses sold better than high acting animals. The commission men and the stock yards company were at outs this week over a new order issued by the latter providing for a written letter being furnished them before they would deliver cattle to buyers. The commission men are up in arms

against this ruling and the exchange passed a motion inflicting a fine of \$500 upon any of its members who issued an open order for the delivery of cattle. The yards company did not withdraw its new rule and thereupon the exchange issued a formal notive to the patrons of its members advising them to keep away from the market until the friction was removed. On Monday of this week it was expected that receipts would be the lightest in years owing to this request, but to the surprise of all they were fully up to the normal, if not a little in excess. If they continue this way, the commission men will undoubtedly be compelled to give in to the yards company, as their most potent force will have proved to be of no avail.

H. A. POWELL.

Elgin Butter Market.

Elgin, Ill., April 15, 1902.

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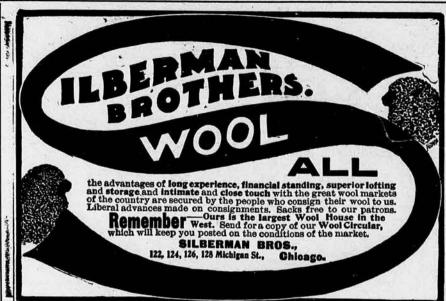
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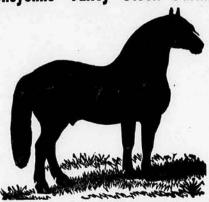


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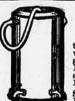
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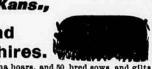


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