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place.

Another important matter in house plants is to give them the morning sun. Windows, where flowers are kept. should therefore, face the East. The reasons are not known, perhaps, but the fact is patent to all those whose business it is to dearlow healthy growth in plants.

one observes this, and it may be owing to some increased electrical action at that time.

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

HOT-BEDS AND COLD-FRAMES. jected to the changes of temperature, as a uniform state can be maintained, no matter what the weather may be. The bottom heat of the hot-bed warms the soil, and enables the grower to put in his seed early, and obtain plants of good size before the soil outside is warm enough to receive the seed. Care, how.

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BY THE REV. L. STERNBERG, D. D.

but little reaction from the property of the Massachusetts the statute of the property of the

faith in the Bible or in prayer. There may The State cannot afford to let go its hold

results, while a defective implement will waste the time and labor of both. How many times the cost of a plow-point is often lost by using a poor thing all worn out, which tries the pasted is care after cutting—avoid-time cof the plowman, and does noor work at the best. How a farmer has to make a trip to town, in the midst of busy work, to get a trip to town, in the midst of busy work, to get an ew point for his plow, or some other trifling matter which he should always try to keep on hand.—Husbandman.

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State District the sum of the constitution are persisted in, it will be easy their independent in the kitchen. The ladies may, and if you take them in ciaiming exemption from the school tax, or in demanding a share of such tax for their sectarian schools. By withdrawing their in assisting at the work but the farmer can be under the school than the proper head of the union, for they are inconsistent with our American and do much of the work so easily and expeditundamental idea of entire separation between rious injury, while they are weakening the in assisting at the work. But the farmer can do much of the work so easily and expeditundamental idea of entire separation between rious injury, while they are weakening the in assisting at the work in assisting at the work in assisting at the work so easily and expeditundamental idea of entire separation between rious injury, while they are weakening the interaction are persisted in, it will be easy them in ciaiming exemption from the school tax, or in demanding a share of such tax for United States to shut down on all such appropriations in every part of the Union, for they are inconsistent with our American and complete the kitchen. The ladies may, and if you take the ket constitution of the work is constituted.

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PLANTING BY SIGNS.

It is frequently amusing to listen to people subverted, the education of our children ple's absurd notions about the signs in which

Devotional services performed in the pres- larger sacrifices, from hundreds of thousands the habit of doing, used to sow and plant her

have been in that army all sorts of religion- upon the young. It must educate them. To ists. Were any one's rights of conscience neglect this duty would be suicidal. There is By being protected at the sides and ends with boards, and covered with glass, they confine the moisture which arises from the earth, and thus the atmosphere is kept humid and the surface moist, and the plants are not subjected to the changes of temperature, as a uniform state can be maintained, no matter what the weather may be. The bottom heat is the right to open or close of propriety and duty, and if as a part of these services he may what the weather may be. The bottom heat is There is disregarded by the order of Washington on that day? They paraded. They stood review the torter of Washington on that day? They paraded. They stood review the total day is the voluntarily joined in the service it was their act no more than though they had been so many statues. If the rights of conscience was made a portion of scripture, then, if the vertical disregarded by the order of Washington on that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day is the yould be suicidal. There is disregarded by the order of Washington on that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day is the yould be suicidal. There is disregarded by the order of Washington on that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded is the yould be suicidal. There is duty would be suicidal. There is disregarded by the order of Washington on that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded is the total day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review that day? They paraded. They stood review that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review that day? They paraded. They stood review that day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review to the total day? They paraded. They stood review that day? T duty, and if as a part of these services he may so many statues. If the rights of conscience be made compulsory. The law of self presread a portion of scripture, then, if the ver-can in this manner be trampled on, then pub-ervation require it. It is a painful reflection sion to be used comes in question, the teacher lic prayer can never be safely offered. Even that in this centennial year of our Republic, family prayer must in justice be dispensed when our free school system has spread over

subverted, the education of our children ple's absurd notions about the signs in which Though it is clear that the question of the must be thrown entirely upon the voluntary this, that, and the other seed should be

suncient to bring about healthy growth, and is sometimes injurious. What is wanted for many kinds of plants and flowers, is moist them. Within the last few years we have personated the roots and fibres, where growth earns are not their developed by fruit and ilowers above.

Our lady friends accompliab this by filling the saucers of her flower-pots with hot tear. This is, of source, aboved and and flowers above. Until the demand for them continue, why the roots and fibres, giving the required bottom heat. Until the plant is, she places on a mantle-plece over the kitchen range; keeping them, of course, well wanted—at the roots—and the benefits marked. It supples heat where it is most fast the top, and the coldest near the floor, where the pots are. This is, of source, aboved to the roots of a plant the coldest near the floor, where the pots are. This is sometimed and the demand for them continue, why of the roots of a plant the coldest near the floor, where the pots are. This is sometimed in the presence and hearing of others are not their deviced in the presence and hearing of others are not their deviced in the presence of the subort of the shoot fload, not a cent would be realized to in them. It is impossible to force them upon the school fload, not a cent would be realized. Not only would there be a great falling off in any one as the shoot fload, not a cent would be realized. Not only would there be a great falling off in any one as the shoot fload, not a cent would be realized. Not only would there be a great falling off in the minity of the mean. Not only would there be a great falling off in the minity of the mean the shoot fload, not a cent would be realized. Not only would there be a great falling off in the minity of the mean the shoot fload, not a cent would be realized. Not only would there be a great falling off in them. It is impossible to force them upon the mean them. It is impossible to force them upon until the shoot fload and the shoot fload and the shoot fload and the shoot fload and the shoo sacres. The hills should be four or five feet apart, four or five seeds in a hill. If the cuttwo two stalks in a hill. The yield is about twenty bushels to the acre— Jbid.

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Same experiment repeatedly, afterwards, with like success, my mother at once abandence. It is measured and the masses of the masses of the masses of the second than it is in religion?

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ed a parade of the army and the several were generally well yeducated, the masses old and long cherished moon-gardenic ig influences as foolish and groundless f angles. where newers are app, should therefore, lace the East. The reasons are not known, perhaps, but the fact is patent to all those whose business it is to develop healthy growth in plants and flowers, that an hour of morning sun is worth three hours of afternoon sun. Every

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Clay Centre. Kannes.

Karm Stock.

CATTLE DYING IN STALK FIELDS.

BY F. DWIGHT COBURN.
Since the publication in the FARMER of my article on Blackleg, I have received a postal card reading as follows:-

ABILENE, KANSAS, February 19, 1876. Sir: You wound up a good article in the KANSAS FARMER, on Blackleg with a promise to tell about stock dying in stalk fields. Good! I think of planting 400 acres in corn for fodder think of planting 400 acres in corn for lodder to keep my work cattle on next winter; won't they do well on that diet?

Yours Truly, JAS. B. SHANE.

Yes, Mr. Shane, they will do very well on trotting gait.

this diet if properly managed, but it is a comravenous appetites to gorge themselves with that would excel in the trotting gait. corn, dry corn blades and shucks until nearly ready to burst. Water is generally scarce in looked after he probably finds one or more dead or some down, stretched out with their heads thrown back, and suffering great misery ended in a few hours by death. Thousands of cattle are lost in the first winter months of every year from these causes and the farmers wonder and anxiously inquire why their stock dies when supplied with so much to eat. Veterinaries call it "Impaction of the stomach."

As being of great value I will quote here from a veteran observer and farmer, the Hon. Elmer Baldwin of Ills., some experience written by him in 1870.

He says:-It is nearly sixty years since first witnessed a post mortem examination of an animal that died under such circumstances, and have witnessed such examinations fre-quently since—probably in all more than one hundred cases, and in every instance the condition of the internal organs were the same and such as to leave no doubt as to the cause

The second stomach, commonly called the "manifold," was in every instance packed with the masticated corn husks, so dry and hard that the point of a common butcher's knife would only, with considerable effort, be made to penetrate its substance, while the coats of the stomach were disorganized and separated, showing that a violent and fatal inflammation had supervened. The cause, evidently, is too rapacious and full feeding of the dry material, without sufficient water. So well was this understood in New England, in my boyhood, that before turning cattle into a cornfield they that before turning cattle into a cornfield, they were salted and watered, and, in addition, full fed as a necessasy precaution, and even then, they were allowed to remain only an hour or two at a time after the first day or two. Treated I never knew any injury to follow.

Several years since, a man came to the neighborhood where I resided, with a team of nine or ten yokes of oxen; it was about the last days of November. He had been breaking prairie with his oxen and they were thin and gaunt. Wishing to recruit them, he bought a field heavy with corn stalks, where there was a very scant aupnly of water. He turned was a very scant supply of water. He turned the oxen in, and at the end of one week, six of them were dead. There was considerable excitement about it as it was believed they died citement about it as it was believed they died of "milk sickness." With two other gentlemen I made an examination of each dead ox. In each case, the stomach exhibited the appearance above described. We advised him to drive his cattle to running water, at least twice a day, and sait freely, which advice he followed. One ox, already sick, died, the others continued well.

The onition that smut is a cause of disease.

The opinion that smut is a cause of disease is, I think, erroneous, for the cattle seldom eat smut, and I have never been convinced that it does any injury when they do eat it.

With the precaution I have described, there

is no danger from turning cattle into stalk fields.

For a number of years, I have wintered my cattle almost exclusively on corn stubble, taking no precaution after providing plenty of water, except for the first three or four days, and I havenot lost one animal; and they have done better than when fed with hay.

One of our best known scientific authorities cattle becoming gorged with too much poor hay, cornstalks &c., that "It may be taken as a rule that any food which does not contain nutriment in proportion to its bulk is almost sure to bring on disease in one or more of the stomachs, from these organs having to do extra work for an inadequate result.

Treatment to be successful must be energet ic. It is a dangerous affection and any treatment is of little avail if the disease has progressed far, and the animal is once down and delirious. Our sheet anchor consists in strong and repeated purgatives. Take of boiling water six ounces, powdered aloes six drachms, common soda six drachms; mix and dissolve. Add to this twelve ounces epsom salts and one ounce ground ginger. Give the whole in one dose in a large quantity of thin gruel from a horn or strong bottle. If purgation does not take place in ten or twelve hours, repeat this dose ; meanwhile give linseed oil in pint doses every three hours. If inflammation should have set in it will be necessary to proceed more energeticly.

The animal should be bled from the jugular vein until an impression is made on the pulse, and to a dose like the above should be added half an ounce of powdered opium, and to each successive (three-hourly) dose of linseed oil may be added one drachm of chlomel and half a drachm of opium.

While perhaps the above is as good as any prescription that could be given. I think few will have occasion to use it where the cattle are handled as Mr. Baldwin suggests.

Those who may find it necessary to use purgative on any of their cattle can make it act much quicker if the animal can take considerable active exercise in the way of walking or trotting about, than if it is down and unable ons, Kansas, March 10, 1876.

TROTTING STALLIONS.

RACING BLOOD.

were trotters before that time, and some whose ness of our national trotting horse. Imported ss ten sons, at least, from which came desendants showing a ready adaptation to road service, and some of them a strong and speedy ting horse. He originated in a breed or fam-

Bellfounder was imported in 1823, and Abmon practice with many after taking their dallah was foaled in 1825, or about that time; cattle from the range or pasture in the fall, to and from that period it may be said the atten- of using the horse, and hence the two elekeep them on a scant supply of torage until tion of breeders, in certain districts where the ments of adaption and use have led us to our such time as the corn field is cleared, when road-horse was becoming popular, was directed present stage in the great American trotter. they are turned in with empty stomachs and to the production and development of horses

Messenger was a thoroughbred; and it may ilies go back to the same original, there is a as in a gallop, although they could gallop. constant demand on the part of many, and 2. A horse whose hind leg, from the point rence to the blood of the race horse, or techniand, for its length, also has a proportionally cal thoroughbred, for something to reinvigorate, as it is styled, our trotters. Many, also, the effort of making a trotter from a thoroughbred by dint of education and practice.

accurately, more is said and written with an imperfect understanding of the subject, on this development in the hind quarter, comes in to matter of the resort to the blood of the thoroughbred in the raising of trotting horses of the trotting action. -than on any to which my attention is often directed. Many have vague and fanciful fection as a trotter is so far dependent en his theories on the subject, but have not studied it in the light of experience, or the history of they incline to exaggerate this development. the trotting turf.

If I am asked why, on principle, I select blood that has come through a racing sire rather than a racing dam. I answer: that the blood and mental traits or habits of a mare of a family type that has been bred and used for ten to twenty generations for galloping, and that alone, is of such fixed and obstinate character as to refuse to yield to the impress of a sire lower than herself in quality, or less fixed and positive in his standard of blood. On the other hand, the part-bred or low-bred mare does yield, and the offspring of such mare and the thoroughbred sire affords a more pliant and yielding field on which to engraft trotting tendencies. Reason and philosophy suggest that such should be the rule, and actual results prove that such should be the practice.

In nearly every great trotter in the land, we have lines of blood coming through or from some thoroughbred stallion; while of the horses that can trot in 2:25 or faster, not one runs back on the dam's side to a thorough bred

THE TROTTING QUALITY-WHAT IS IT? In what does the trotting quality consist? the widest-gated Hambletonian I have seen. What is it ?—Instinct or habit ?—The result of acquired or inherited nerve or mental quality? from all of the Hambletonian family, and his Or is it the necessary working of a certain offspring are like him to a degree that affords physical conformation ?-Or is it the joint pro- a surprise even to those who know him best. duce of both?

ting quality is partly dependent on both men. the Hambletonian family. tal or nerve organization, and physical conformation. The same may be said of the element called speed. Unless the horse has Mambrino Chief family that any others of that form and physical adaption to a trotting action, horses produce. One of the best-known and and also to speed, he can not trot or go fast. most popular writers of our day recently said Unless he has a mental or nervous habit of to me that, of all the families of trotters, he body, inclining him to trot, he will not choose liked the true, even, and steady gait of the and tenaciously adhere to that gait; and un- Mambrino Patchens. An inspection of their less he has a quick temperment and a highly measurements will readily explain this; for, organized nervous composition, he will not go while Lady Thorn is 43 inches from centre of fast at any gait. All of these qualities are, hip joint to the point of hock-very long into some extent, acquirable, and when acquired deed—she is only 23 inches from stifle to hock are transmissible and inheritable.

these words, brain and nerve system, are often Thorn trotted with such even steady stroke, and correct truth of science. Properly speak - is commonly called "big action." The measnervous system that propels the entire mach- she ought to trot with an even, steady stroke, with the brain, and is a continuation or exten- preserving perfect poise of body. They say general statement, these limits not allowing But it must not be inferred that the anato-

But while all this is so, it must be borne in | tiou to natural trotting action. There is a gen- | Written expressly for the Kansas Farmer. THE BREEDING PROBLEM - INFLUENCE OF mind that this matter of habit or inclination eral harmony in all the operations of nature of mind comes first of all, and in great part, and other parts of the frame, including the For the space of about half a century, it may from a state or form of body that suggests the be said, attention has been given to the breed-inclination, and induces its gratification and ing of the trotting horse in America. There growth, until simple inclination becomes positive and confirmed habit; and this habit of names and performances have come down to mind leads to growth and further development us to indicate the lines of blood that, at that of the form that is most adapted to the way of early period, gave promise of the future great- going, thus chosen and practiced. And thus, each of these elements reciprocally lead to the Messenger, having died in 1808, left as many growth and development of the other. And so we have seen it in the last fifty years, in the growth and higher development of the trot ly of all others perhaps best calculated to produce trotters. He originated also in a locality where trotting in harness was the favorite way

A passing word on physical adaption may not be out of place here:

1. A horse otherwise of vigorous physique, be noted that, in all our efforts to improve the with a preponderance of weight of bone, will the field or inconvenient and the farmer too quality of horses, recourse in this country is incline by nature to trot rather than to gallop. much occupied with something else to see that always had to the thoroughbred in the first in If all his extra weight is placed on his back they are driven to it, and when the cattle are stance. We are never satisfied to begin with properly, he may prefer to gallop; but if it is a low animal of any kind, and breed upwards distributed all over his frame, and a good share by selections from others of the same type. No of it in his extremities, he will incline to trot. intelligent and successful breeder of any kind I have seen the statement that Sampson, the of animals would ever begin in that way. sire of Engineer, the grandsire of Messenger, Hence it is that in all parts of the United measured 81/2 inches in the circumference of States where horses have been much used, his hind cannon bones. Messenger Duroc, whether for driving or for saddle purposes, the one of the largest and heaviest sons of Hamaim has always been to get back to the bletonian, only measures 81/2 and 93/4, respecthoroughbred as the one sure fountain of good tively, in the same places. This would make blood from which to found and breed the style Samson, for a thoroughbred, a horse of extraof horse suited to the wants of the particular ordinary weight of bone. All accounts agree district. This being true, then, that the orige that Sampson. Engineer, Mambrino, and Mesinal excellence of our American horses runs senger had an excess of bone weight, and also back in most instances, to some thoroughbred, that in like degree they exhibited an inclinaand it is also being true that, in the main, our tion to go at a gait that did not pound the well bred and highly developed trotting fam ground and jar their weight of bone so heavily

particularly of amateur horsemen, for a recur- of the hip to the point of the hock, is long, long or extra-long thigh bone or length of limb between the stifle joint and the point of have given years of labor and much money to hock, can not readily go at any other gait than a trot. This physical conformation of inself goes far to compel a trotting action; while I will say here that, in my opinion, more is depth of flank, or the distance between the said and written, and less understood—or, more hip joint and the stifle joint, or upper end of the thigh bone, together with ample muscular secure and regulate the perfection and power

> It is supposed by many that a horse's perexcelling in length of the thigh bone, that It is true that great length here does secure natural tendency to trot in preference to another gait; but the truest and most perfect trotting action does not result from the greatest length of this organ. Those horses who measure comparatively most here, show the widest open action by nature.

The Norman family, Blackwood, and Swigert, and most of the Mambrino Chief family, and Almont and the Pilots, crossed with Mamcure. For the second and third stages he re-brinos, \$11 show the longest in this particular. Their length is from 24½ to 25½ inches from the point or knuckle of the stific to the outside point of the hock. The Hambletonian family average 23 inches, those of the Star cross being, for their length of limb, a little longer, except Jay Gould. Their extreme length from centre of hip joint is about 37 to 39 inches, and 23 to 281/2 in the thigh, and 17 from the point of the hock to the centre of the ankle joint. Jay Gould is 62 inches high, and measures 38 inches from centre of hip to point of hock, 21 from stifle to hock, and 17 from hock to ankle. mare; and, of the number that can trot in 2:30. Aberdeen is 63 inches high, and measures at mare; and, of the number that can trot in 2:30, same places, respectively, 39, 23 and 18—only and full of ova. The males are fewer in number that can trot in 2:30, same places, respectively, 39, 23 and 18—only and full of ova. The males are fewer in number of the can be a same places, respectively, 39, 23 and 18—only and full of ova. one inch greater from inches more in the length of the thigh, and Before going further, it may not be out of one inch greater in the length of the lower place to consider this question, which is at the canon. The result of this anatomical differthreshold of the breeding of trotting stock : ence is apparent in their gaits. Aberdeen is

Volunteer has a measurement that different I suppose it will be admitted that the trotting Without devoting a large space to this gait of the Volunteer family is peculiar, and branch of the subject, I may say that this trot not exactly like that of any other branch of

It has often been said that Lady Thorn had less of the wide, open, or sprawling gait of the by growth, education, practice or blood, they (the average Hambletonian measurement), and 18 below; and Mambrino Patchen is reported It may be proper here to say, in passing, in to me at 41, 24 and 18, not having been measorder, that I shall not be held unscientific, that ured by myself. This explains why Lady used without intending to be held to the strict and so little apparent effort or display, or what ing, while the brain is the seat of intellect, the urements of Lady Thorn incline me to say that inery of animals similarly organized has for without sprawling, but sending herself a great its seat the spinal marrow, which connects length at each stride, and at the same time

muscles, tendons and ligaments, are generally more or less adapted to the grade or other qualifications of the particular animal or family. It is only when the efforts of man are interposed in attempting to promote changes by cross breeding, that these proportions are disturbed-sometimes with good results, but not

When I come to consider the several families, and the great representative animals of these families. I shall take a closer view of the anatomy and physical organization of each, and then will our most important lessons be drawn out. It is sufficient here to say, that this inclination to trot comes both from mental organizations and anatomical structure and adaptation, and that each, by constant use, reciprocally tends to the harmony and more perfect and complete development of the other. But more of this hereafter .- H. T. H. in National Live Stock Journal.

DISEASES OF SHEEP AND THEIR REME-DIES.

Dr. N. S. Townshend of the Ohio Agricultural College at the meeting of Sheep Breeders at Cadiz, Ohio, during the latter part of February addressed the meeting upon the above topic, from which we take the following as reported in the Ohio Farmer :

He said that to arrive at a correct diagnosis of diseases, or in other words to understand what diseases are—is the first importance. He strongly disapproved of the too common custom of treating diseases by receipts, as from different causes and at different stages all dis-eases properly require different treatment, and that it was very necessary to ascertain both of these before a remedy can be safely given. That the symptoms should be carefully studied and also the constitutional condition of the and also the constitutional condition of the sick animals, before prescribing medicine. That the way of breathing, the kind of cough, if any, the expectorations, the pulse and the evacuations were all sources to look to for symptoms. That lung diseases were in great symptoms. That lung diseases were in great variety, and without close scrutiny were quite similar, still they needed far different medicine; for instance, the proper remedy for pleurisy would be bad treatment for inflammation, and that both diseases were very common to sheep. That a preventive was of much more value than a cure, and what a farmer wanted to know and practice first, was how to prevent diseases, and second, what was a cure. That judgment should be exercised in applying remedies, as a remedy that would prove beneficial at one stage of the disease would often prove disastrous at another.

He took up the disease of toot rot, and han

He took up the disease of toot rot, and handled it at considerable length. He said that this disease in England and Scotland differed materially from what we have in this country, consequently the English writers who describ consequently the English writers who describes dand gave remedies for this disease, gave us nothing of value for the kind that we have in this country. That it was contagious here but was not in England or Scotland. That the disease in this country may be divided into three stages. 1st. A feverish flushy appearance, with no lameness. 2d. Lame and odorous with a watery discharges. 3d. Mattery discharges, ulceration, and the horny substance of the hoof coming off, and maggots follow. That in its first stage it was easily cured by washing in a week solution of carbolic acid, or a cheaper remedy, and he thought quite as effective, was chloride of lime, That one application was in almost all cases a cure. For the second and third stages he recommended blue vitriol; the worse the case strong as it can be dissolved. That for some-thing stronger he recommended the butter of antimony as a good and safe remedy. He gave it as his opinion that the genuine foot rot was certainly contagious and never comes from any other cause. He considered the disease strictly local, and at no stage at all constitu-tional. He then took up the disease of white skin or lung worms more property called. skin, or lung worms, more properly called. He described these worms which infest the lungs of sheep in large numbers, as follows. The females are white and about as thick as B Aello color, and only about four inches long. This was a description of these worms as found in a sheep sent to the college some two years ago, that had died with them. He said he had not had an opportunity to observe these worms at other asons, and could not fully state their natural history—so far as his examination went there were no young strongyli in the sheep, but all were matured. What might have been if the examination had been made at other seasons, he could not tell. It is probable that the eggs or young worms are coughed out of air passages in the spring, and live for a time on grass or in the water to which the sheep have access. In ponds and streams in early streams in early summer we may find immense numbers of little nematoid worms, evidently numbers of little nematoid worms, evidently in an early stage, for they are sexually imperfect—we find what appears to be the same worms in the larve of several aquatic insects, such as Libellula, Agrion, Ephemera and Phryganæ. We find the worm in fish and birds, and particularly in meadow larks. Still, how they get out of the sheep and how they get in again and where and how the blaze of the sheep and how they get in again, and where and how the balance of their life is spent, he could not tell, and said so far as he was concerned this is a miss-ing link. That trouble from them in sheep was always at one season of the year. As a remedy he recommended, first fumigating in a close room by burning sulphur, which caused violent coughing, and then give tupentine in teaspoonful doses once a day for several lays. He then spoke of catarrh in sheep, said it was caused by too close packing of sheep in pens or barns in winter. Did not recommend any remedy

He said that grub in the head was caused by a small fly that lay its eggs in the nostrils of sheep, and from which small worms hatch and crowd up into the head. He said that he thought it seldom proved any injury to the sheep. Recommended as a remedy to blow tobacco smoke up the nostrile. He then spoke of the frequent and analysis. tobacco smoote up the nostrils. He then sport of the frequent and annoying dying of lambs at about one month old without any apparent disease. He thought it was caused by coagulation of milk in the second stomach of the

WEEDS, WORMS AND BUGS ON OUR NATIONAL FARM.

Where Did They Come From and How Shall We Get Rid of Them?

AN INQUIRY.

BY JOHN G. DREW.

uthor of "Our Currency as it Is and as it Should be;" "Our Money Muss;" "A Financial Catechism;" "Repudiate the Repudiators;" "Exhaustive Power of Usury," Etc.

CHAPTER XV.

INFLATION-WHERE IT LIVES AND HOW IT GROWS

GROWS.

I looked from out the grating
Of my spirit's dungeon cell,—
Where the harvest wealth was blooming
Over smiling plain and dell,
And I saw a million panpers'
With their foreheads in the dust,
And I saw a million workers
Slay each other for a crust!
And I cried, "O God above!
Shall Thy people always die;"
Said the World, "This comes from Heaven!"
Said my soul, "IT IS A TIE!"

We have seen in an earlier chapter that the greenback was, on the 3d day of March, 1863, repudiated in the interest of the bullionists. Twenty-two days later,-that is, on the

25th day of March, 1863, the National Bank Act became a law. Although the vote in the Senate was 32 for the repudiation bill and 4 against it, the vote on the National Bank Act was 23 for and 21

against it. The changing of one vote from the affirmative would have tied it; the Vice President would then have cast an affirmative vote, and thus carried the bill.

But two votes changed from the affirmative to the negative would have stamped out this devastating iniquity.

What a fearful responsibility was that for man "halting between two opinions." What a terrible temptation for the expectant oligarchs to offer imperial bribes for their hoped for endowment!

What an overpowering temptation to the legislator to "only this once" betray his constituency by uttering but one little syllable, and thus endow himself and family with imperial wealth!

Larger gratuities were offered in the wilderness but were refused with, "get thee behind me Satan."

A smaller bribe was accepted by Judas, who betrayed his Master for the miserable pittance of thirty pieces of silver.

But it must be remembered that Judas had the decency to at once terminate his earthly existence A smaller bribe was accepted by Benedict

Arnold, who did all in his power for £10,000 -British gold, to deliver the key of our military position to the enemy.

But Arnold never for a moment dreamed of retaining his American citizenship after his treason.

Our modern traitors, while clearly convicted of as vile betrayal of their trusts as either of those antetypes, with brazen faces yet pollute our soil, and dare to advocate from the rostrum and press farther abrogation of our national prerogative to privileged classes of this Nation and Europe.

Dare to advocate, did I say? Their conduct has been worse and more unblushing than that.

Not content with the perpetration of the nfamy above recorded, which pillaried the American Nation to the scorn and execration of the civilized world, in the month of Janu ary, 1875, they unblushingly advertised to

ALL HOLDERS OF GOLD BONDS that the American Nation would, on presentation of the same, loan 80 per cent. of their face value, with no charge for rent, use or interest, upon this one, sole and solitary condition, to wit:

That they should organize themselves as National Bankers, and form a constituent portion of the oligarchy, which now numbers 2100 organizations, with its array of well paid presidents, cashiers, clerks and tellers, and the innumerable army of dependants, who rely upon them for losses and discounts. The acceptance of this proposition means

thus:

By the official statement of outstanding gold obligations, Oct. 1st, 1875, the amount is shown to be.....\$1,703,431,850. Say now hypothecated to gov-

ernment for free loans..... 403,431,850

Free as a basis for proposed

loans.....\$1,300,000,000 Eighty per cent. of this is \$1,040,000,000, which is the exact figure now offered by our Nation as a free loan, on the very easy condition that the borrower shall be identified as one of the National Bank ring.

If the tools of the parasites who have diected, are directing and intend to direct our legislation for the parasites and against the producers, are mildly expostulated with, and it is suggested that something should be done for production, and not all for gambling, the response is not the frank, honest and truthful expression of their inner sentiments, by ejaculating.

"DAMN PRODUCTION!"

but they mildly assure us that such would be with the bull the second stomach of extension of it. But this must be understood as a general statement, these limits not allowing me to enter more definitely or particularly upon the subject.

They say lation of milk in the second stomach of the lamb, produced by having taken too much milk. Recommended turning the ewes on to a thinner pasture to reduce the quantity of the milk, and if discovered in time, give the lambs ble national and personal horrors upon our heads, but that the addition of the present heads, but that the addition of the present National Bank inflation of say .. \$ 350,000,000 and the proposed 1.040,000,000

Total.....\$1,390,000,000 being issued to the national banks, is not only entirely harmless but promotive of the most admirable results!!!

A perusal of the arguments in the discussion of the original legal tender bill shows a a most remarkably nice series of mathematical statements demonstrating that any increase of the legal tender circulation over about \$400,000,000.00 would result in inevitable ruin to the finances of the Nation, but when it was proposed to give to the national banks the use of a similar amount in addition, with the chance of increasing the same by constructive deposits based on discounts.

INFLATION LOST ITS HORRORS.

And it has been invariably so in all our re cent legislation-all legislation for the people and production has been ruthlessly stamped

Suggestions of legislation for ring monopolies and favored classes have not only been received with cordial hospitality, but with enthusiastic avidity.

Let the bloated and unexplained sudden fortunes of many of our Congressmen, chairmen of committees and ex secretaries of departments suggest the cause.

Although the national bank act became a law March 25th, 1873, although they were established nominally to aid the Nation in its then great struggle, no currency was issued until about January, 1864, and six months after-July 1st-the aggregate only reached \$25,825,695!

In fact, April 22d, 1865, two years and a month after they were born, shortly after the surrender of General Lee, the whole amount was but \$146,927,975.

Thus it will be seen that not only did the "sphere of usefulness" of the bonds terminate with the first occasion for its exercise, but they voluntarily remained in abeyance until all chance of their doing any good whatever had passed.

Then they emerged with great enthusiasm and alacrity from their long repose, with the war cry of

"DOWN WITH INFLATION."

It is said that the Roman soothsayers and augurs could not meet without laughing in each others' faces.

It would seem equally impossible for our national bank men and bullionists to preserve a serious demeanor when in each others' com-

Zatrons of Husbandry.

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SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION.

The Executive Committee of the Wisconsin State Grange suggests the following among other questions for discussion in the subordinate granges of that State, and they are equally subjects of interest in our State. If the members would always agree on some topic to inter-change their views and experience upon, at the coming meetings, they would find it very profitable :

1. The best agricultural implements for general use, such as the plow, reaper, mower, &c., &c.

The best plan of crop rotations, with a view to profits and saving the lands from de-terioration.

3. The value of sheep raising, poultry raising, and bee culture.

The best plan of educating children. The best methods of land fallowing and

land preparation for crops. 6. The best method of seeding the various

The best method of cultivating and

plowing various crops

8. How to prepare various crops for market.

9. Gardening and fruit culture.

10. Stock raising-blooded stock. 11. The social, intellectual and pecuniary benefits of the Order.—Indiana Farmer.

By private letter we are informed that Bro. Paddock, of Liberty, Indiana, has been making a tour through Kansas and was so much pleased that he purchased a farm, and will probably remove his family to that State. We should not like to lose our Worthy Chaplain of State Grange.-Hoosier Patron.

EDITOR FARMER.—Belvoir Grange, Douglas county, is a little in advance of your suggestion in fine stock co-operation.

This Grange has bought the thorough bred Short-horn bull, known as 2nd, Grand Duke of Kansan. Yours truly, G. B. PETEFISH.

TENNESSEE STATE GRANGE,

At the meeting of this body at Jackson, last week, these officers were elected :

Master, A. B. Haynes, of Shelby : Overseer Henry B. Clay, of Hawkins; Lecturer, J. W. Hughes, of Wayne; Steward, John Lytle, of Rutherford; Assistant-Steward, W. A. Simpson, of Roane; Chaplain, J. K. Hancher, of Sullivan; Treasurer, A. H. Sharp, of Davidson; Secretary, J. H. Currey, of Davidson; Gate-Keeper, G. W. Wynne, of Tipton; Ceres, Mrs. M. E. Currey, of Davidson; Pomona, Mrs. N. B. Clay, of Hawkins; Flora, Mrs. Mary Clark, of White; Lady Assistant-Stew.

ard, Mrs. M. V. Price, of Lauderale. A resolution favoring the repeal of the ten per cent. interest law was adopted; one advising Patrons to plant less cotton and diversify their crops; and one fostering the interest of wool growers and protesting against the repeal of the dog law .- Rural Sun.

The Ohio Grangers appear to be in a remarkably prosperous condition, and abundant ly satisfied with their arrangements for the purchase and exchange of commodities. From the second annual report of their business agent we learn that their transactions during the past year amounted to nearly a million of dollars, and are wonderfully increasing as the members of the Granges become acquainted with the working of the system and the economy of doing business through it. A year ago the State Grange placed five thousand dollars at the disposal of the agent, but in transactions amounting to nearly a million of dollars he found it was not necessary to employ more than forty-five hundred!

The Grangers started the cheap transportation movement, broke the power of monopolies in California, began the legislation against railroad discriminations and compelled the improvement of the Mississippi. It has taught the farmers to avoid debts, money lenders and mortgages, and is teaching them to appreciate co-operation.

The State Grange of Massachusetts have resolved unanimously to ask the Legislature to tax all property equally-including that of safety fund banks, churches, charitable institutions and all other classes now exempt. This has been done in the State of Rhode Island, and the Grangers elsewhere have been discussing the subject, with the view to have justice done to the working man in tax-paying. All exemptions work so as to relieve the rich, who sit in silk-cushioned pews, while the poor have to foot the bill.

EDITOR FARMER.—Please to give the folowing a place in your paper.

Bro. Fuller, a worthy member of Sherwood Grange, No. 457, was visited by a sad calamity on the 5th of February, his dwelling house and its contents being consumed by fire. His Insurance Policy had expired only a few days previous to the fire, which fact he did not ascertain till after the calamity. So there is no alleviation, but the loss is absolute. This calamity coming right on the heels of a protracted spell of sickness renders his situation still more deplorable. The loss is about \$1,400 or

The brethern of the Order here are doing what they can to help Bro. Fuller, but most of us are poor and can not do much. In view of these facts Sherwood Grange, at its last meeting adopted the folowing:

WHEREAS, Bro. Fuller has met with a sad calamity in having his house and its contents burned :

Therefore, Resolved, That our Secretary be instructed to notify the Secretary of the State Grange of said calamity and request him to appeal to Subordinate Granges of Kansas in Bro. Fuller's behalf.

T. White, J. Welchhans, J. A. Oliver, were appointed to assist the Secretary in working the matter up into a practical shape, and we know of no better way to start it than to publish the foregoing facts.

Fraternally,

THOS. WHITE, JNO. WELCHHANS. J. A. OLIVER, Committee.

EDITOR FARMER.—Judge Hanway's article on tame grass is true, and yet it ought not to be, and I believe would not be if farmers would sow in the spring and never in the fal or on clean land.

I have sowed four out of five past years and always got a good stand. I first sowed 14 acres on oats raised 45 bushels of oats and the next year cut 3 ton of grass per acre. The next two years out good crops, but not so good as at first on account of spring pasturing. In 72 sowed 24 acres on wheat, raised 27 bu of wheat per acre and the next year was dry but cut a fair crop of grass, threshed 10 acres and sold \$100 worth of seed. Last spring sowed 45 acres of clover and timothy on wheat and oats, never saw a better stand.

I was fixing up my prairie plow to finish breaking all my prairie. But the red legged devils plaid havoc with all my plans by destroying my tame grass, leaving me glad to fall back to prairie grass.

Judge Hanway speaks of the spotted fields of timothy sowed last fall. We believe fall sowing will fail 9 out of 10 times. We believe it is exactly the reverse if sowed in the spring, on wheat, oats or stubble ground. If sowed on oats a good rain will put the seed in deep enough, but if the rain does not come, run over with a light harrow or brush. If sowed on wheat it ought to be sowed the last of February or the first of March. But would expect a good stand sown yet, on stubble ground the same as on wheat.

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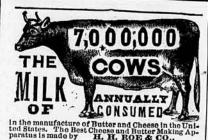
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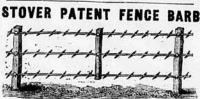
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Like hundreds of bright young men from the East, he demands from the community he locates in, light, "respectable" employment, at high wages.

We say to young men who want to come West to grow up with the country, get large wages for little work, and have a pleasant time while they accumulate a competence with little exertion, that there are no vacancies of that kind. The professions, clerkships and ornamental places of all kind are full and overflowing. Young men, well-dressed, with gold watch chains, are offering themselves for any positions except those requiring ablebodied, hard work-

Young men in the East who are coming West, trusting to luck to secure a place, without a trade or any special knowledge of any kind beyond a good general education, will find it more difficult to find such positions here than in the East. If young men bring plenty of common sense and a willingness to take off their coats and go to work and dig up, they will make apenings anywhere in the West. The conditions of success do not vary greatly in different parts of the country. so far as we have observed. The cheap, ferpromise good homes to those who will give the time and labor necessary to make them. We have heard young men, and older ones too, abuse the West, the lands, the people climate and soil, because they had not found the Eldorado where large pay was given for little labor. Saloons and gambling houses secure large numbers of recruits and permanent patrons from the disappointed who have come West to grow up with the country and failed.

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PATRONS COMMERCIAL AGENCY.

Patrons visiting Topeka should not neglect to call at the office of the County Agency, South-east corner Kansas Avenue and 7th St Alfalfa Seed .- Attention is called to the advertisement of Mr. Trumbull of San Fran-

cisco, California. His Catalogue is sent free to all applicants. Correction .- Col. True's Short-Horn Bull, Duke of Ellington, advertised last week as a five year old, is a four year old. See Adver-

tisement. Col. True is one of the Kansas

breeders, our people will no doubt encourage with their patronage. He is reliable. Some little body, boy or girl, living at Sharon, Allen Co., forgot to give their name in sending a subscription to the Young Folks.

The letter was dated March 10th. From Wilson County.

March 17.-Fall wheat looks well. Our farmers are plowing and sowing oats. Wheat 690@\$1.15c, corn 15@20c, oats 25c, potatoes 15c bushel, eggs 8c per dozen, butter 121/c, from 6%@7c per lb. grees. Weather The Secretary's friends say that had he been deg cold. NATHANIEL WILSON.

TOPEKA LOTTERY SWINDLE.

Topeka Library Aid Association ased the fore the character of the swindle was discovered and fully realized by the directors of the Library. At a meeting of the directors of the Library various opinions prevailed as to the best plan to pursue to show to the public that there was no connection between the Lottery and the Library. After much discussion it was deemed best to accept \$5,000 as "liquidated damages" to the good name of the the institution had already been compromised second, because the Association needed the money to sustain the Library.

Five hundred dollars of this sum was paid follows: One thousand dollars February 29th; Five hundred dollars May 1st; One thousand worth of books to be given to the Library at the same date, making in all \$5,000.

Thus the good name and character of a noble institution was loaned to a set of swindling lottery gamblers, to enable them to better deceive the public into buying their tickets. A part of the contract between the Library directors and the Lottery men was, that a public statement should be printed, emphatically denying any connection between the two. An injunction, restraining the managers of the Lottery from using the name of the Library, was held over the managers to Library having accepted a portion of the ill-Lottery were in position to dictate their own terms. A portion of the directors waited upon the responsible head of the Lottery and demanded the publication of the denial agreed

to. This was refused, upon the ground that should such a publication be made there was danger that the Legislature, then in session would wipe out the whole concern. A promise was then and there made, however, that as soon as the Legislature adjourned the publication would be made.

Has this denial been published?

It may have been done in the advertising circular of the Lottery called the Topeka Herald, but as they are not circulated in this community, citizens of this county have not yet seen this promised publication.

The above facts have been given the writer by the directors of the Topeka Library, and we presume their truthfulness will not be questioned. What the public should know is. that there are three distinct organizations mixed up in this ingenius swindle. First, the TOPEKA LIBRARY, which has for years been a source of pride among the people of this shall yet see some of the finest herds of the young Capital. Second—The STATE CAPITOL BANK, which was simply created to assist the notice of the approaching sales of importance. management of the Lottery in better deceiving people of other States as to the responsibility of the Lottery. Third-The TOPEKA LIBRA-RY AID ASSOCIATION, which is the lottery itself, using the good name of the first, and the supposed responsibility of the second, to help fool the people. The officers of the bank part of this scheme are simply salaried clerks, who are used the same as the Library has been, by a set of sharpers whose real names do not appear at all, and who will no doubt prove themselves able to get away with the money of the deluded fools who buy the tickets of this concern.

The principal argument used to prevent an exposure of the true status of this gambling concern is, that the money is coming from other States, and that considerable sums will tile lands of Kansas and other Western States | be disbursed here for labor, printing, postage, etc., etc.

The pitiable part of all this is, that a whole community should be used to assist in swindling people of other States for the benefit of a few sharpers, and that so excellent an institution as our Library should be prostituted in aiding and abetting the lottery gambling in stitution known as the "Topeka Library Aid Association."

THE BELKNAP DISGRACE.

As a trusted Cabinet Officer occupying one of the most important offices of the Government, Mr. Belknap disgraces in his downfall not only himself but the nation represented in his office. The attempt to cast the odium of the Secretary's crime and weakness upon his and the courage to adapt themselves to the wife is indeed a sorry attempt to defend the fallen officer. Whatever may have been the extravagant and fashionable habits and tastes of Mrs. Belknap, there can be little excuse or palliation of the man in prostituting so exalted a position to secure money to sustain the fashionable dissipation of Washington Society. If it is impossible for officers of the Government to sustain themselves upon their salaries without resorting to robbery, society at our republican capitol must certainly need reconstruction upon some more economical basis. To excuse and forgive such criminal conduct because there is great temptation, and because the salaries of such officers is not sufficient to maintain the style of living that society demands of them, is not going to give us anything better. It does not appear to us that the officers of a republican government must necessarially be paid salaries that will enable them to entertain such a retinue of people as the late developments of Washington society tell as they do entertain, continually and sumptuously. No salary that this country could be "educated" into bestowing could pos sibly pay for such royal[extravagance.

cognizant of the nature of the transaction be, & Halm at Topeka, Kansas.

SOME FURTHER FACES CONCERNING THE tween his wife and Mr. Marsh, he would not have insisted upon the latter remaining to tes-The lottery gambling concern known as the tify before the committee; but that view is certainly inconsistant with his hasty resignaname of the Topeka Liorary one month be- tion and incoherent excuses to the President. On the other hand a statement published by Don Piatt, is pretty good evidence, if true, that Mrs. Belknap was engaged in the bribe taking business before she became the wife of the late Secretary. The lawyer to whom he refers is understood to be Gen. Pendleton

The Bower estate, of Cincinnati, had a claim against the Government for transportation during the war over the Cincinnati & Lexinginstitution, for two reasons: First-That ton Railroad. Stanton rejected the claim as not based on equity. Schofield, his successor. in having its name used for a month; and did the same. Rawlins followed the same example. But a prominent attorney and a Democratic candidate for the Presidency when Belknap came in was employed by Mrs. Bower. down in cash, and the balance to be paid as then Belknap's sister-in-law, and the Secretary promptly allowed the principal and interest of the doubtful demand. The amount dollars June 1st; and two thousand dollars paid Mrs. Bower for her services varies, as told by different people from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

It is further stated that the whole thing came out because of a quarrel between Mrs. Belknap and Mrs. Marsh, and that Marsh himself was held in utter contempt by all who knew him, and that while he only did his duty in giving testimony, he does not deserve any credit for the virtue which permitted him to steal but not to lie. The most discouraging feature to the whole business, whatever may have been the cause of bringing it to light, is that Belknap's fellow officers don't force them to publish this denial. But the act as if they were going to impeach him. Since Marsh has fled the country they say it gotten gains, the shrewd managers of the cannot be done, but if Marsh was the only damaging witness why was he allowed to flee? It cannot be possible that such a course was accidental, and whatever excuse the representatives of our Government may give for allowing a criminal of this kind to go unpunished, the reople " zer generally conclude that & Gare not proceed with an investigation of the charges against Belknap, for fear of implicating others in similar transactions.

Our only hope lies in the fact that the exposing business is contagious, that one quarrel and one exposure inside a ring, leads to others, and we trust that before our next Presidential election, the rottenness of our civil service system will be shown up and that it will lead to areform in earnest.

GREAT SALES OF SHORT-HORN CATTLE.

To the many readers of the FARMER interested in the improvement of stock the approaching sales of Short-Horn cattle will be of more than ordinary interest, and we hope to see some of the best from the herds offered transfered to our Western prairies, where we country. From time to time we shall give

On the 11th day of April, the first of the great series of stock sales occurs at the Gales burg stock yards.

MRS. E. BYRAM'S HERD will be offered. In her announcement she

I beg to state, however, that beginning fourteen years ago with animals judiciously selected from the herds of such veteran breed ers as John A. Gano, John Hill, Jere John and Lewis Cunningham, R. H. Lindsay B. B. Marsh, J. M. Vanmeter and others, of Kentucky, and George Murray and E. P. Brockway, of Wisconsin, and using such sires as Young Bourbon 6317, Henry Clay 6875, Filligree's Oxford 6736, Invincible Duke 8384, Mayflower's Duke of Airdrie 10470. Duke Clifton 11672, 19th Duke of Goodness and Poppy's Duke of Airdrie, I have succeeded in

continent. To those contemplating beginning the lucrative and agreeable business of Shorthorn breeding, I beg pardon for saying, I offer a rare opportunity for securing desirable stock as the herd I am now offering is not an incongruous mixture, bought of irresponsible breeders, peddlers and speculators.

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Mr. Dunlap's sale will take place at the stock yards at Galesburg, Ill., April 12th. The herd embraces the most fashionable strains of flood which have been carefully bred and handled. Among the noted animals offered are the bulls lately in use upon the herd-the fine young bull Geneva Duke 19841, 18th Duke of Airdrie 11678, Queen's Airdrie 8884, and Highland Duke 5780.

On the day following, at the same place will be offered

MR. DAVIS LOWMAN'S HERD. The Catalogue, which is another fine specimen of typography from the office of the Stock Journal Company, presents the pedigrees of 63 fine animals. In the announcement we

and the following : The continued ill health of my family renders it necessary for me to retire from business at present, to a great extent. I will therefore sell, at public auction, on Thursday, April 13th, 1876, at the Galesburg Stock Yards, Knox Co., 1876, at the Galesburg Stock Yards, Knox Co., Ills., the entire "Green Lawn Herd" of Shorthorn cattle, which I have been, for many years past, collecting at great cost. The animals comprising the herd are all comparatively young, and in fine breeding condition; about 20 head of the females being 2 year-old helfers, and 13 head of good young bulls, just ready for service, being included in the offering.

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Minor Mention.

We notice with pride the growth of the Live Stock Commission trade in Kansas City, Mo. As an illustration of the magnitude of the same we see that the sales of Messrs. Barse & Snider. Live Stock Commission Merchants, for last six menths, 1875, reached the enormous sum of one million, fifty eight thousand, six hundred and sixty five dollars and seventy nine cents (\$1,058,665.79.). Their deposits at the Mastin Bank for January, the present year, were little over \$185,000. Their business is so systematically conducted that it is impossible to crowd them as they attend to all sales in per son. They have in their employ, one of the best accountants in the West, who is always ready to answer all correspondence promptly, and remittances are speedily made on completion of sales. We wish the house of Barse & Snider success and advise our readers who are dealing in Live Stock to correspond with

The Regents of the State University have resolved to open the NORMAL DEPARTMENT, Monday, April 3, for a session of ten weeks. Besides instruction in the regular college classes, teachers are to have the benefit of reviews, lectures on methods, school discipline, and school laws. The course for the spring is designed to especially benefit common

Shawnee Co. Agricultural Society.—The Annual meeting of the Shawnee County Agricultural Society wil be held at the Court House on Tuesday, April 11, at one o'clock P. M. All members and all who desire to become mem bers are requested to be present.

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XANTIPPE.

It seems that the memory of this woman, like that of her renowned husband, is likely to be kept alive to the end of time. She is said to have possessed a very irritable temper, and her name has become a supremental temper. to be kept alive to the end of time. She is said to have possessed a very irritable temper, and her name has become a synonym of "vixen," or "scold." It is more than possible, however, that the judgments passed upon her by mankind has been too severe. A more charitable disposition would doubtedly have discovered in her, many good qualities, and have attributed her failings more to physical infirmities than to moral obliquity. The party most intimately acquainted with her, and therefore best able to form a correct opinion, gives her credit for many domestic virtues. It is now well known that many of the diseases to which women are subject, have a direct tendency to render them irritable, peevish, cross, merose, unreasonable, so that they chafe and fret over all those little ills and annoyances that a person in health would bear annoyances that a person in health would bear with composure. It is fair to infer that most of the tantrums of Xantippe were due to these causes alone: and could Socrates, as he return ed from the Senate, the Gymnasium, or the Atheneum, have stopped at Pestle & Mortar's Drug Store and carried home a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, now and then, Poppy's Duke of Airdrie, I have succeeded in raising a first-class herd of Short-horns.

I refer with pride to the records of many fairs, both in Iowa and Illinois, where I successfully contested with the best herds on the continent. To those contribute of the second world-wide, and eternal notoriety it has attained. Thousands of women bless the day on which Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was first made known to them. A single bottle often gives delicate and suffering women more relief than months of treatment from their family physican. In all those derange ments causing backache, dragging-down sensations, nervous and general debility, it is a sovereign remedy. Its soothing and healing properties render it of the utmost value to ladies suffering from internal fever. congestion, inflammation, or ulceration, and its strengthening effects tend to correct displacements of internal parts, the result of weakness of natural supports. It is sold by druggists.

From Franklin County.

Farmers are rushing their plows and hundreds of acres are ready for the marker and planter. Oat sowing just begun, and the late rain is causing the wheat and rye to push forward rapidly and look well. No grasshoppers to be seen. Flour is worth \$3@3.50, bran 50c per cwt., corn 20c, cats 20 to 25c, native lumber from \$15.00@25.00 per M., rails \$3.50 @4 50 per hundred. Messrs. Milliken & Smith of Ohio are stall feeding 200 head of ti and four-year-old-steers here (Pomona) on corn, and \$2.00 hay, and they are become very fat, and point out to farmers a good to pack their corn for shipment.

Franklin county will be a good place r fall for hog buyers who want something er good. A good many tramps passing lately T. D. CORUR

From Osborne County

March 10.-Condition of stock first re Winter grain injured by dry weather. Rec abundant rains and snows insure what is already killed from further injury, and p the ground in good condition for spring. tent of past injury not yet ascertained. Ex thing farmers have to sell is cheap. Corn 20c, wheat 50c, potatoes 85c. I have heard reports of young grasshoppers, but have not observed APPLES-Per,bu.....

them. The present wet, cold weather will help fix them. R' B. FOSTER

From McLennon County, Texas.

March 10 .- Plenty of rain and warm weather, have had no winter at all, All small grain boking well, a fair prospect for an abundant harvest. Stock of all kinds doing well, very good grazing on the range. Farmers are behind hand in their crops. There has been considerable corn planted in the last week, some up, and growing nicely. Interest on money 121/2 per cent. Wheat is worth from \$1 to 1.15c, corn 60@80c, oats 70c per bushel. Good opening for a flouring mill and cotton gin in this settlement. E. P. RINO.

From Bourbon County.

March 15 .- Are having rain to-day. Wheat looking splendid, but a small amount sown There will be more land in cultivation this year than ever before; the largest proportion will be corn, the balance in oats, flax and castor beans. Will have a large amount of rough feed left to be burned. Corn worth 20@25c per bushel at Osaga Station. Farmers better rigged out with farmer's implements &c., than ever before. SUBSCRIBER.

From Jackson County. March 17.-Stock fine. Stall fed cattle very fat, will turn out 600 in May that will average 1,500. Hogs scarce. Wheat prospects flattering. We have had a very severe West storm for cattle the past few days. Fat cattle 4@416, fat hogs 61/2@6%c. corn 25c, oats 25c, wheat \$1.10. A. L STEVENS.

EDITOR FARMER .- The frost of the 10 of March, killed at least 75 per cent, of the peach buds on the bottom lands, it will exceed this.

Winter wheat never looked more favorable than it does in this locality and the neighboring counties of Miami, Anderson and Linn. Although the acreage is quite limited, on occount of the annual average loss of the last few years from the ravages of the chinch bug.

At Garnett, Auderson county, last week they were paying 20c per bushel for corn. At Ottawa, 24c, and Paola 28c. The L. L. & G. R. R. cannot supply cars sufficient to take away the surplus-corn at Garnett. The railroad is doing a great freight business. In consequence of selling off dry cows during the summer months, which was so general throughout the country, they are now commanding a high figure and are in great demand. In fact all kinds of neat cattle are bringing good figures.

Cattle have come out of winter quarters in excellent condition; a wonderful change for the better, from the years 74 and 75.

We have had a delightful, mild winter, perhaps the winter of 57 and 58 might be compared to it, with this exception, it has been the most pleasant winter for farm work and stock. ince the settlement of Kansas.

Emigration is pouring in, but the majority re bound for the lower counties. Some few of our old settlers are going to try their "luck" in Colorado. Lands encumbered with mortgages here are compelling farmers to seek new homes in the far West. Yet, our money loaners tell me they are doing a "brisk business." Our Eastern counties have been surfeited with railroad bonds, but our Western counties are anxious to go through the same ordeal, our Legislature proceedings prove this.

JAS. HANWAY. Lane, Franklin County, Kausas, March 15, 1876

REPORTS FROM MILLS.

March 13.—We are selling flour at this date at \$1.50@3.50 per cwt. Buckwheat flour at \$2. per cwt. Rye flour at \$2 25 per cwt. Corn meal at 60c per cwt. Bran 30c per cwt. We use, alone, 2 cars per week of No. 2 red fall wheat that we get by railroad. Growing wheat looks well at this date.

J. W. SPONOBLE, Pagla, Kansas. March 10 .- Buying price of wheat No 3. 90c, No 4, 80c; corn no grade 20c; oats No 2, 20c; barley No 3, 75c; rye No 2, 30c. Selling price wheat No 3 \$1, No 4 90c; corn no grade 25c; oats No 2, 25c; barley No 3, 85c; rye No 2, 37c. W. H. ARMENTRONT, Peace, Kan. March 15.—Buying price of wheat No 3, 60 @85c; corn No 4, 23c; oats No 4, 25c; barley No 4, 30@50c; rye No 4, 33c.

E. B. PURCELL, Manhattan, Kansas. Kansas City Live Stock Market, Corrected Week-

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Market Review.

Topeka Grain Market.	
Wholesale cash prices from commission me ed weekly by Keever & Foucht.	n, correct
WHEAT-Per bu: Spring	.8
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OATS—Per by No.1	2
BVP Des be	25 @ 3
RADIEV Des bes	.60
FLOUR-Per 100 lbs-Fall, No. 1	8.78
	8.50
	2.7
	8.50
CORN MRAL—Per 100 lbs.	2.40 2.78
Corn Chop	1.00
Rye Chop	1.00
Wheat Chop MILLET SEED	1.75
MILLET SEED—per bu.	.25
HUNGARIAN—per bu	. 25

Grocers retail price list, corrected weekly by J. A. Lee Country produce quoted at buying prices.

COWS

	BUTTER—Per lb—Choice Medium CHERSE—Per lb EGG8—Per doz—Fresh HOMINY—Per bbl. VINEGAR—Per gsl. POTATOES—Per bu POULTRY—Chickens, Live, per doz Chickens, Dressed, per lb Turkeys, "" Geese, "" Chickens, ""
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	Corn
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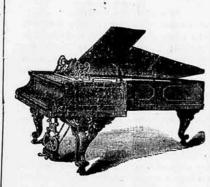
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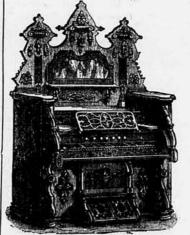
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LITTLE GIRL'S DRESSES.

The little dresses were crowded out last week but there is plenty of time yet for spring styles; although it is desirable for those who can get the material when they choose, to have their summer sewing done as early as possible, it is desirable, also, to delay putting on light garments as long as possible for several reasons It is easier to keep children well and free from colds during the changeable weather of spring if they wear woolen garments as long as they are not uncomfortable; dark colors and woolen fabrics make much less washing than light colors and cotton goods, and until the weather is quite settled into summer time the former are in better taste.

Little girls are very apt however when the first warm bright day comes, to say "O may ma, do let me put on my pink calico, I am so warm and all the girls have calico dresses on." And mamma often lets the little coaxer have her own way sooner than she should too.

First, when you go to buy calico for school dresses don't let the clean, fresh looking spring patterns charm you so that you again break your resolution to buy only dark colors for every day wear. What mother who has little girls has not done that again and again, for who among us does not enjoy buying pretty light calico. Why, we even met the wife of the Chief Justice of Kansas in a store a few days ago, and when we paused beside a pile of newly arrived delicate looking prints, she remarked, "why, have you a passion for looking at spring calicoes too,"and we rejoiced to get a hint that she was like akin to common mortals while we had thought her absorbed in patriotic works and sweet charities. Very dark calico will not wear well, but a style that shows very little pure white and no plain ground work will be found serviceable in all respects, so far as calico can be called so. Gingham is much better and very much cheaper in the end.

After the material for summer, every day dresses is secured, be it what it may, do not be so foolish as to ruffle and plait and shirr it, it may not take a great while to make it, but think of the time that must be consumed in either plaids or stripes a very pretty way is to trim both skirt and over skirt with a bias piece, sewed on in a seam at the bottom and turned up and stitched on the upper edge; for girls from 12 to 15 the under skirt should consist of two straight back breadths, two side gorses, and a gored front breadth : the over skirt should be just like it except with one back breadth less. The waist a nice fitting blouse waist with belt and three box plaits before and behind, a little collar on the neck, coat sleeves trimmed with a bias piece at the wrist. Another has a box pleated basque waist, skirt with six inch flounce gathered on the bottom, and the seam covered with an inch wide bias piece of the same or a plain piece of the color prevailing in the dress pattern. No overskirt. Polonaises will be popular again in all materials, but as long as there is so much choice in styles this garment should never be put on a girl who has no "figure." A young girl who has no rotundity of hips and who is flat and straight as a pickett has no business with a polonaise; its great charm

at the hips and tied behind, the sash is either ribbon or the same material as the dress.

Larger girls will have pique dresses made with princess polonaise, buttoned behind and trimed with open work embroidery. One or two white dresses, plenty of cambrics, ginghams or calico for every day changes, and s debege or worsted dress of some kind that is always ready for cool or damp days, or riding, make an outfit for any young girl during the summer season. Dresses of this latter kind are very often trimmed with wide woolen braid, and the skirt is trimmed with a loose box plaited founce instead of knife plaiting. Both the pracess polonaise and the plain princess dress an pretty styles for this mater

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I have just read of the fall of that memorable old Elm on Boston Common. Full two hundred and fifty years has it withstood the storms of land and ocean breeze. For more than two centuries, has it sung vie songs of the winds, that set its branches all is tune. It ures. was an aged witness of Boston's struggle for freedom; and had lived to see a nighty city gather round its roots. We well remember when we first saw the sturdy Chronicle of ancient days. It was on a pleasant November

to touch it as we had wished, but we stood under its shade and called to mind the many those branches had sheltered years ago. The trunk was wrapped with a rubber cloth and iron bands encircled it to prevent its falling

But the most pleasing feature to us was the number of bird-houses that nestled among the branches. Tiny brown cots, snug little, white houses, and miniature churches with spires, were securely fastened to every limb. It was a scene of activity, as the merry brown birds flew in and out, chattering their gay gossip, and in no wise disturbed by the throngs of people constantly passing beneath their busy village. We noticed one little boy feeding a flock that picked and chirped at his feet, like so many little chickens-they were so tame: while others were hopping here and there gathering the crumbs scattered by school children, on their way to school. We at once thought of these pretty creatures, when we read of the destructive gale that occurred on the night of Feb. 15th. Those neat little cottages must have been entirely demolished, and their sleeping inmates rudely wakened to their death

Great must have been the dismay of the whole Bird Nation in the Common next morning, when they discovered the downfall of their capitol city, and learned the untimely fate of their most distinguished representatives. We can imagine the sorrowful and grave consultations held over the terrible ca

Where again can they find so renowned s site for their Metropolis?

HASH. That's right, laugh Every one does when hash is mentioned, yet every one likes it when properly prepared and duly certified to established as it is by pledges of public confidence—and nearly everybody eats it. Hash is a yastly abused dish. It is made the scapegoat for about all the gastronomic sins in the kitchen calender, not to say culender.

There are not many of us who boarded at home, when home meant a superintending mother in the kitchen as well as elsewhere, but can recall the delight we felt, in those days of innocence and a sinless stomach, when we discovered there was hash for breakfast. Was there anything superior to that rare combination of minced corn-beef and potatoes as the course of a sesson to iron such work. For it came steaming from the kitchen; and have your noses ever enjoyed a more savory treat than that which emanated from the maternal hash? What is a home without a mother? And what is a mother unless she can make good hash?

> But the average boarding house hash is a different affair. It is often either not half chopped or else it is chopped so much that it is mashed into a sticky, ugly looking compound that nobody could consider palatable Hash like sausage, needs to be cut not ground, and to be good it should be prepared over night and stand with the seasoning in it, and that seasoning is the rich point, it must not be so hot as to burn the palate, but it must have a good sharp taste of pepper and be as salt as possible, not to taste salty. If any other seasoning is added we prefer a little sage. It should be put on to cook in a hot vessel in which a little butter or drippings has been melted, cover closely, stirred often and only enough water added to steam it thoroughly, not enough to make it soupy.

ure of mind. A ready power of conjuring up possible contingencies makes some people shirk very obvious, and what to most men. seem easy duties. The possibility of some thing disagreeable happening is a much great er terror to many, perhaps to most, than the actual calamity would be; and if, instead of doing a thing that has to be done, a man once sets himself to consider all the possible difficulties and embarasements that may attend the performance, he will never do it at all. All the people we know as shirkers are all. All the people we know as shirkers are persons who have a very keen appreciation of of the disagreeable, and find many things intolerable which active working minds disregard. They are even disinterestedly alive to the dangers and horrors of certain lines of action. They cannot understand going ahead against a nameless fear, and would shirk for others as they do for themsalves.

others as they do for themselves. E WAY SHIRKING IS MANIFESTED.

Shirking manifests itself in various ways "Every temperament has its natural and appropriate scene of slipperiness—the idle, the busy, the sullen, the amiable, the selfish, and even the self-denying. Some shirk trouble, some responsibility, some bodily labor, some mental; some the care of their health, some; their accounts, some attention to dress and manners, some distinct obligations, some the demands of honor or gallantry, some recognize duties, some supposed pleasures. There is often something whimsical in the display of this evasive power. Thus, some are alive to the demands of personal intercourse who shirk writing an ordinary letter wito an insane persistence; some are good at "Every temperament has its natural and wito an insane persistence ; some are go letters who cannot be brought to the sticking-point of writing a necessary note of ceremorning, when the sun shone brightly on the fallen leaves, and the yet green grass.

We walked slowly down the broad paths straight to that one prominent tree and found its base surrounded by an iron railing so that we could not get near enough

some who are truth, strength, and honesty itself in all that concerns others, shirk for themselves, and are cowardly, weak, and treacher-ous in their own interest. There are men who cannot be brought up to the point where their own advancement and benefit is involv-ed, and who, just at the last, are stranded and left behind by their own inveterate habit of failing themselves and those who care for them, when the moment of action and decision comes. And there are lines of unconscious shirk where neither the man himself nor those who observe him use the word or see the thing. Where a man is not in the position in thing. Where a man is not in the position in which his standing and powers ought to place him, and nobody knows why, failure is almost certainly due to a habit of small shirking, so constant and natural that it is never recogniz-

The essays in this volume embrace quite a variety of subjects, and are distinguished by the equal delicacy of analysis and originality of thought.

THE FLOWER GARDEN.

As the season of winter will soon disappear, and the joyous spring, with its warbling birds and modest flowers, will soon arrive, the thought occurs to me that some preparation will shortly be necessary for helping nature to adorn our gardens with floral treasures col lected from other lands. Although the winters throughout some of the States are generally pretty severe, our summers are so genial that we can, by a little forethought, enjoy around our dwellings some of the treasures of the tropical world. The great moral influence of flowers upon mankind has been so often referred to by our ablest literary men, that most thinking persons must be more or less impressed that such is the case. I would therefore suggest to every one possessing only'a few feet of land, to have a flower garden; and to any one not having such an advantage, but who may have control of a window, I would say have one also. The question will naturally come from some, how one can have a flower garden with nothing but a window. It is easily done. There are thousands of window flower gardens in London, and some of them are to be seen in the dingiest parts of the city at all times of the year, with plants suitable to the season. Those, therefore, who have nothing but a window, can get a box as long as the breadth of the window, about eight inches deep, and as broad as can be easily secur ed on the sill outside. If the sill is narrow, have a couple of brackets fastened underneath to support it. Into this box put good fresh soil, and plant seeds or plants of a dwarf habit in it, and the little trouble will be amply repaid by the beauty of the flowers during summer. A person feels more delighted with a flower grown under his own care than he would with a dozen grown by another. To observe anything in its various stages of development becomes, as it were, unknowingly part of oneself.

Flower beds should be thoroughly dug previous to planting, and not have a little manure spread on the surface, and then dug carelessly over. Beds which are to be filled with geraniums, cannas, Caladium esculentum, &c., should be dug over two spadings deep and the soil well pulverized during the process. Plenty of good fresh manure should be applied and put well down, so as to attract the roots as far from the surface as possible, which greatly aids the plants from being affected by the drouth during the months of July and August. Geranium roots will penetrate the soil to a great depth in search of food, and unless such plants as cannas and caladiums are supplied more you fit such a figure the worse it will color, while a plump, rounded form, is beautiful in a polonaise, and consequently a nicely fitted polonaise is pretty on such a form.

For better dresses for little grits, pluque will be very fashionable again, and deservedly so wethink, nothing is prettier, more service we think, nothing is prettier, more service whethink, nothing is prettier, more service the waist and skirt of the front cut all to the waist and skirt of the front cut all to gether, fitted to the form with darts and buttoned all the way down, the back is a smoothly fitted bacque, with the skirts set on the edge in either kilt or box plaits, and the place of joining covered by a sash, which is fastened at the hips and tied behind, the sash is either is and the behind, the sash is either in the sask is either in the sash is either in the sask is either in the sask is either in t with plenty of nourishment they will never necessary for supplying suitable support to the plants which are to be grown on the soil. Best and Cheapest SEEDS in America or the plants which are to be grown on the soil. can we expect to see full development in those particular plants. Such plants as caladiums and castor-oil beans require a large supply of food to bring them to perfection. A large quantity of manure into the soil will not benefit them however if it does not get air and moisture to convert it into a suitable condition so the roots can absorb it, and these are best maintained in the soil by deep digging and

thorough pulverization. As soon, therefore, as the weather will permit, get the beds well dag. Previous to digging beds on the lawn, cut the edges with an edging iron. Do not, however, take much off the grass, as then the beds would be yearly increasing and the lawn decreasing, but just enough to cut all pieces of grass which may be running into the beds. When it is cut evenly round, take a spade and throw out all weeds which are making their way from the grass into the bed. Another point of importance which ought to be attended to at the annual digging of the beds, is leveling the grass edges of them, as during summer, when the work necessary for the keeping of the bed is being performed, the edges are apt to be trod down in some places, making it very uneven. This leveling up, can easily be done by thrusting the spade underneath the sod where it is low, and putting in some soil, then beating with the back of the spade to the proper level -Country Gentleman.

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COLT—Taken up by J M Watt, Jackson Tp, Feb 28, 1876, nie mare colt, mouse color, 1 yr old last spring, no marks r brands. Valued at \$15.
FILLY—Taken up by Phil Masterson, Lincoln Tp, Nov 5, 1875, one fron gray filly, 2 yrs old last spring, bluze in acc, lett hind 100t white, no other marks or brands.

Chautauqua County .- E. B. Hibbard, Clerk. STEER—Taken up by Renny Martindale, Center Tp, eb 15, 1876, one spotted steer, 1 yr old last spring, some filte in forchead, lett fore leg white, other legs white om knees down to feet, no marks or brands. Valued at 12.

Cherokee County,-Ed. McPherson, Clerk. COLT—Twken up by Ira Kasterling, Crawford Tp, Feb 16, 1876, one bay mare colt, 3 yrs old, black mane and tail, right hind foot white, small white spot on nose, about 15 hda high. Valued at \$35.

Douglas County-T. B. Smith, Clerk. COLT—Taken up by Benj Ulrick, of Willow Springs, ch 12, 1376, one bright or light bay mare colt, supposed by be 2 yrs old last spring, small wart on left hind leg bove the knee joint. Valued at \$25.

Greenwood County-W. S Reece, Clerk, STEER-Taken up Feb 14, 1876, by H J Willis, Eureka Tp, one small white steer, 2 yrs old past, no marks or brands perceivable. Valued at \$20.

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COLT-Taken up by David Carter, Jefferson Tp, one light bay mare coit, 3 yrs old past, black itegs, black mane and tail. Valued at \$50.

COLT-Also, one light bay mare colt, 2 yrs old past, black mane and tail. Valued at \$50.

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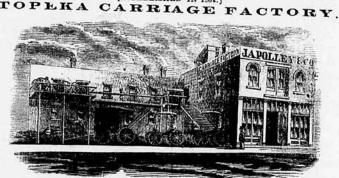
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The mackerel is not exactly a cod-fish; but he comes so much nearer being a cod-fish than a fresh fish that he is for the pressent classed with the former.

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Fish exist in sizes to suit the purchaser, from minnows to whales—which are not fish, strictly speaking. Neither is the alligator a fish; but if we attempt to tell what are not fish this article will exceed its intended limits.

The herring is not absolutely a fish; he is a suggestion of departed fish. But the strongest suggestions of departed fish are smelt. The herring sustains the same relation to the finny tribe as the Egyptian mummy to the human race.

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Fish are caught by measure and sold by weight—that is, they are caught by the gill and sold by the pound. But they are sometimes caught by weight—wait till you get a

Contentment is the chief requisite to the Surveyors are apt to be good fishermen, because their lines and angles are apt to be all

right.

The mermaid and fishwoman may also be mentioned in this connection. The former is a good illustration of what is meant by the ideal, and the latter as fitly represents the real

real.

Many land animals are produced in the sea.

Thus we have the dog-fish, the cat-fish, sealions and sea horses, but no sea mules. None of the above have hind legs and any manner of mule without hind legs would be a con-

spicuous failure.

The cedfish is the great source of all salt.

The saline qualities of the codfish permeate and percolate the vasty deep and make the ocean as salt as himself. Weighed in his own scales, he is found wanting—wanting considerable freshening. He is by nature quite social, his principal recreation being balls—fish balls. spicuous failure.

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Small fish are usually harmless, but parents cannot be too careful about permitting their children to play where large fish abound, since it is an established fact that the big fish frequently eat up the little ones.

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