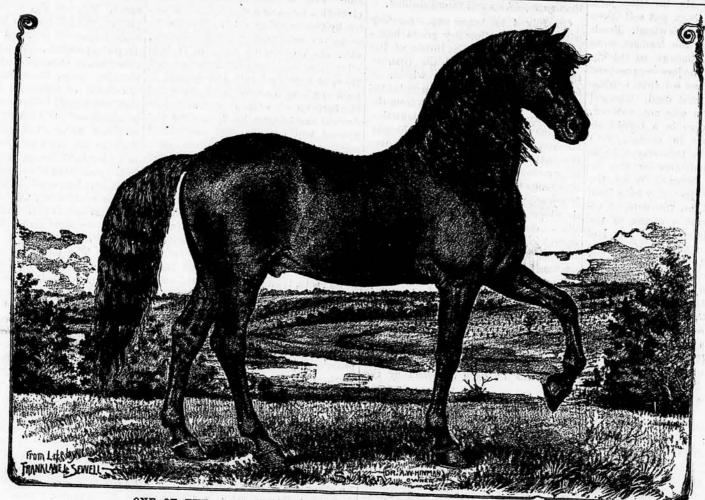
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Agricultural Matters.

OHINOH BUG EXPERIMENT STATION

Prof. F. H. Snow's seventh monthly report of the Chinch Bug Experiment Station, includes a portion of the laboratory researches upon the two fungus diseases of the chinch bug. Investigation has also extended to bacterial diseases, which will be given in detail in his annual report. The experience of the past summer, Mr. Snow says, proves that the white fungus (Sporotrichum globuliferum) and the gray fungus (Empusa aphidis) are capable of producing fatal and rapidly spreading disease among chinch bugs.

On May 23 he began his experiments with sporotrichum. He distributed some fungus-covered bugs from the field of Mr. M. F. Mattocks, of Wauneta, Chautauqua county, in six infection jars. Into the jar had been put soil taken from the yard, and green wheat. Fresh chinch bugs sent by the farmers were put into the jars, enough to thickly cover the bottom. The jars were covered with cheese cloth and set into a glass case containing moist sand. The soil in the infection jars was not watered, so that the bugs were in a humid atmosphere, but not in contact with water. He was in this way able to secure the best conditions for the development of the fungus. When the bugs died in the jars new bugs from the field were put in, the date of restocking being also a record of the time when the bugs in the jars had nearly all died. The following is the memorandum for the five jars started May 23: (1) May 23, June 4, 20. (2) May 23, 27, June 4, 15. (8) May 23, June 4, 15. (4) May 23, 27, June 4, 15, 20. (5) May 23, 27, June 4, 15, 20.

Seven jars were started May 25, the record of which is as follows: (1) May 25, June 4, 19. (2) May 25, June 4, 15. (3) May 25, June 4, 15. (4) May 25, June 4, 15. (5) May 25, June 2, 20. (6) May 25, June 4, 15. (7) May 25, June 2, 11, 19.

Four jars started May 27 have the following record: (1) May 27, June 6, 15. (2) May 27, June 11, 20. (3) May 27, June 6, 15. (4) May 27, June 6, 15, 21.

Thirteen jars started June 2, each jar being infected with four funguscovered bugs from the preceding jars, are recorded as follows: (1) June 2, 11, 20. (2) June 2, 11, 19. (3) June 2, 11, (4) June 2, 7, 15. (5) June 2, 11, 15, 20. (6) June 2, 11, 19. (7) June 2, 11, 19. (8) June 2, 11, 20. (9) June 2, 15. (10) June 2, 11, 19. (11) June 2, 11, 19. (12) June 2, 11, 15, 20. (13) June 2, 11, 15, 20.

One jar started June 4, ran: June 4

One jar started June 5, ran: June 5,

Five jars started June 6, are recorded: (1) June 6, 15, 20. (2) June 6, 15, 19. (3) June 6, 19.

The bugs put into the jars on the several dates were from all parts of the chinch bug district of the State. They were for the most part just rece from the mail and were in vigorous condition. They were kept supplied with green wheat. While the bugs in the infected jars were dying at intervals of five to ten days, bugs in isolated check jars remained alive and vigorous.

By June 20 the demand for infected bugs was so large that the jar method of infection required more attention results of the separate lots were so uniform and the sporotrichum so vigorous and ever present that the further watching of separate lots seemed useless. Accordingly, June 20, a large glass case was arranged with damp sand three inches deep all over the bottom. About ten dead bugs covered with from the field were put in, with plenty vents the undue evaporation without depth, but be careful not to turn up lils.

of green wheat. In nine days the bottom white fungus-covered bugs and in thirteen days only a few live bugs remained and the case was restocked. The infection continued to work so rapidly in this case that he found no moisture in the air is condensed by the trouble in filling from it twenty-five to one hundred orders daily. Vast num- face, naturally drawing the roots to the bers of young red chinch bugs were put extreme surface and frequently into into the case together with the adults, and they, too, were an easy prey to the disease. Minute points of white made larger flecks of white where the adult fore planting and very shallow and in the fall or in spring causes the soil bugs lay covered with sporotrichum. On June 28, empusa aphidis was first noticed in the infecting case. Up to this date it had not made its appearance in the laboratory. From this time until the middle of August it multiplied its victims in the infecting cases. For a short time it became more conspicuous than sporotrichum and then subsided.

On July 4 he began experimenting with common shallow dry goods boxes for infecting cases. The inside of the boxes was sprinkled and the bottoms thickly covered with green wheat. A few fungus-covered bugs were sprinkled over the wheat and new bugs from the field were put in in large quantities. Within a week the white funguscovered bugs were thickly spread over the bottoms, and in places the white bugs were literally in heaps. Continued experiments showed that damp wooden boxes offered the best conditions for the development of the fungus, and the glass cases were no longer used. Sporotrichum, like most fungi, thrives best in a moist atmosphere, but an excess of water, such as occurs in a wet soil or along the sides of a glass where the vapor often becomes condensed, is detrimental to its development. In the wooden boxes the atmosphere was abundantly humid; but water that was sprinkled in from time to time or that became condensed on the sides of the boxes, was at once absorbed by the

During July and August sporotrichum continued to be spread through successive lots of fresh bugs from the fields. Empusa was always present, but not so conspicuous in its ravages as sporotrichum. In the first weeks of September the disease began to subside, and at the present date neither sporotrichum nor empusa is spreading further. Nor is it at all probable that the diseases are lost. The observations on the life history of the fungi which follow show that provision is made for a period of rest.

In his report for November Mr. Snow will continue the subject of laboratory investigations upon the two fungus diseases, reserving a complete summary of the field and laboratory work of the season for the annual report of the experiment station in December.

Proper Cultivation to Prevent Drought

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-In your issue of October 21, Mr. T. C. Moffatt as a consequence they are getting their cracks in the ground with sand to head off the evil effects of drought. My idea is that, as with all other evils we have to contend with, prevention is better than cure. Why should we go to the expense of a cure when prevention is better and cheaper, as in this case?

As an experimenter and observer for near three-fourths of a century, lished to the same extent that they than Mr. Snow was able to give it. The I have never seen cracks come in ground that was so tilled as to keep much experimental work is done, as it the surface loose and fine, and that is cheaper and produces much better results than filling cracks deep enough and large enough to hold a coal hod to give very good results, is to select a full of sand, and it would conserve the moisture and distribute it better.

A light fine surface of the soil is the

cooling the surface. Thus the soil is more than an inch or so of new soil of the case was thickly sprinkled with in good condition to receive the air from the bottom of the furrow, for with all the moisture and nutrition it though the soil is black and rich much contains to a depth as far as it has been properly worked. But litter mulching up in a sort of granulated condition, keeps the surface cool, so that the cool soil and retained right at the surthe mulching. There is no good reason on the ground, as their mechanical why any ground planted to any crops, action is not needed on light prairie needing summer tilling, should bake and crack. Thorough preparation belevel cultivation after planting to keep the surface fine and light will prevent cracking and promote capillarity, so ing leave the land alone until it is that a failure of the crop by drought sufficiently dry and warm in the spring would be a rare exception. And I think Mr. Moffatt would find it so with his as soon as the frost is out). Then hitch

Few, very few comparatively, consider what a small portion of the precipitation by snow and rainfall is taken up by the growing crop. With such crops as corn, sorghum and broomcorn, etc., not one-tenth. Most of it falls when the crops are not growing, and then, as a general rule, the ground is plowed a long time before planting and the furrows left without harrowing to dry out and become hard, so that the ground will be loose and lumpy and some of the seed covered deep and some shallow, and all without being packed in fine soil. Then the cultivation is such that the roots are torn off and the ground is thrown up in little ridges, leaving depressions so that a few hours sun and wind dries the moisture all out, and in a few days this process is repeated. In this way the crop is doubly robbed. First, by depriving it of its roots, then of moisture and nutri-D. J. BISSELL.

College Springs, Iowa.

Potato Culture.

There are a few localities in Kansas, sections of the Kansas river valley, where, owing to the nature of the soil being peculiarly adapted to the growth and development of the potato, this crop is grown extensively; in fact a number of the farmers between Kansas City and Topeka are specialists in this line, and are shipping large quantities to other parts of the country. The station of Edwardsville, a few miles west of Kansas City, is reported to have shipped 248 carloads during June, July and August of last year. Outside of these limited districts, but comparatively few farmers depend upon potatoes as their main crop, most of them in fact only raise a sufficient amount for their own family consumption. In writing to the Practical Farmer upon potato culture in Kansas, Mr. Geo. T. Pettit, of Nemaha county, says:

"There were occasional instances during the past season of farmers who by planting just the right variety, at just the right time and in just the right condition of soil, succeeded in producing a nice surplus for market, and bringing together of all these favorable conditions was of course a 'happens,' in many cases at least, and yet it is a forcible demonstration of the wisdom of a more diversified system of farming than is generally practiced in the West As the country is yet comparatively new, methods have not become estabhave in older sections of the country; constipation. There is none of the griping is only by this means that the best methods will finally be ascertained and generally adopted. A plan which seems piece of land that has been cultivated long enough to be well tamed. A slight northerly slope is desirable. Manure best mulch one can have for his crop. heavily in the fall with well-rotted

deeper, it will be noticed that it turns and must be acted upon by the elements before it will do its best; and too much of it is liable to prove an injury to the succeeding crop. Coarse weeds or stalks should not be plowed under, but burned soil. My experience has been that any coarse, dry material plowed under late removed before plowing. After plowto plant, (this will generally be about three good horses on the lister and list as deep as the plowing was, making the rows about three and one-half feet apart. The soil will be very loose and enough will fall back in the furrow to make a splendid seed-bed on which to drop the potatoes. As to the use of the subsoiler, as attached to the lister for planting corn, there seems to be a difference of opinion. I have never used one myself in preparing land for potatoes, and yet I am sure it would do no harm to put it on, and let it run as deep as the team could well handle it, and it might be an advantage in the better retention of moisture in time of drought. The leading varieties of early potatoes are Early Ohio and Burbank; these are cut to two eyes and dropped twelve or fourteen inches apart in the bottom of the furrows made by the lister. The covering is done with a two-horse walking cultivator, the two inside shovels being removed and the beams set well in, same as for cultivating listed corn first time through. The cultivation can begin as soon as the weeds start, or before, by running a light smoothing harrow over the prominently among which are certain ridges, which will sift the fine soil down in the furrows. This can be continued until the land is nearly level, when the two-horse cultivator should be used often enough to keep the land clean and mellow until blossoms begin to appear. If this is done very little hand-hoeing will be necessary. Last spring we planted our early potatoes April 5, on a piece of rich clover sod well manured. This, as the season turned out, was a mistake, for the sod not being rotted became so dry and hot during the scorching days of July, that the vines were stunted beyond recovery. Late potatoes can be treated in the same way, only they should not be planted till about June 1, so that the fall rains will come in time to make them. We planted a small patch of Peachblows last summer on old land which had been well manured the previous season. When dug last fall the yield was estimated to be at the rate of about 100 bushels per acre, of fine, smooth tubers. On this patch I tried the experiment of running the lister about two inches deep, once to a row, on the first day of August, using one suggests the propriety of filling the pockets comfortably lined. But the horse and of course removing the subsoiler. This ridged the rows cons ably, and yet it was shallow cultivation without running close to the plants. The result was very satisfactory and did away with hand-hoeing."

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The Stock Interest.

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No one disputes the remarkable precocity of the English breeds. A Hampshiredown lamb, on its native grass near Salisbury, has increased eight-tenths of a pound daily for a good many days together. But the breeding of early market lambs is an exceptional, extravagant and necessarily suicidal industry. Only one man in a thousand can afford to eat spring lamb. The vast majority of mankind who eat mutton at all must be content with mature flesh; and for nearly half the year mutton cannot be made more profitable in the large way (body and fleece taken together) from English breeds than from

We want the English breeds near our cities to furnish spring lambs and long, combing wool, and root-fed or grass mutton; but the Merino will never cease to supply most Americans with their corn and hay-fed mutton. The assertion that first-class chops and roasts cannot be cut from any but an English carcass is old and worn out, and, moreover, wholly unwarranted. There is only one genuine mutton sheep worth considering, and that is the Southdown, whose wool is comparatively fine. The coarser the fiber of the fleece, the coarser the grain of the mutton. The heavy, loose-wooled Cotswold and Sh:opshire produce mutton, as Lord Summerville says, "fit for such markets as supply shipping and collieries"ham-fat and thick on the rib.

The native American Merino, with its fine-grained flesh, when it has been properly fed and butchered, yields chop, boil or roast second only to Southdown, if, indeed, it is at all inferior. The superiority of the Southdown, if it has any, consists less in the sweetness and tenderness of the flesh than in the thickness of the hams and the "marbling" of the distribution of fat among the lean.

The idea that the wool gives taste to the flesh, either by its growth before butchering or by its touch in butchering, or after, is a very old one, but it is erroneous. The flesh of the sheep partakes of the flavor of its feed more than does that of the steer or the hog; and the milk still more, perhaps. But all the apparatus of glands and tissues for the manufacture of wool is situated in the skin, and all its deposits are made there without affecting the flesh.

The disagreeable "sheepy" flavor is imparted to meat by age, by bad feeding (or no feeding at all), and by delay in the removal of the viscera. Let a sheep be properly managed from birth to butchering, and the entrails be taken out with neatness and dispatch, and the carcass may be wrapped in the skin without detriment, barring the uncleanliness. From the enormous preponderance of the breed, the much-decried "Merino taste" is the scapegoat for all the bad feeding and worse butchering of the country. A sheep may yield the best flesh of all the domesticated animals or fowls-or the

A cry comes up from the Territories and from Texas that they must have a larger carcass-"more mutton and more wool on fewer legs." These men do not correctly perceive what is wrong with their Merinos. It is not the size they lack so much as the quality. The sheep of Texas "kill red," about 130 pounds of corn, or 28 per cent. of red;" they will not brown in the oven; they are the despair of the French chef. The sheep that "rustles" is muscular. He is gamey, though not necessarily "sheepy." He is never fat enough for good eating, even when feeding on the best Montana bunch-grass, or the famous grama of Texas. And when he is forced to live awhile on the black sage of Nevada, or the nopal cactus of Texas, or the broomsedge of Georgia, what can we expect?-Stephen Powers, in American Sheep Breeder.

The Foot and Mouth Affection of Cattle. The widespread prevalence of diseases affecting mainly the mouths and feet of cattle (sometimes sheep and deer) has occasioned considerable unwarranted alarm among cattle-owners. Dr. Williams, the

make critical examinations of cattle thus affected, both in Illinois and Indiana, and has treated them with abundant success, and the following consideration of the disease and its treatment is offered by himself.

This disease has been confounded with the contagious foot and mouth disease of Europe which does not prevail and has not recently existed in America. The form of foot and mouth disease now quite prevalent in Indiana was first noticed in 1890 in Missouri and Illinois. It is characterized by stiffness and soreness of the limbs, rendering some animals almost unable to walk. The muzzle and lips become hard and swollen, ropy saliva dribbles from the mouth and the jaws are moved in a spasmodic, jerky manner. The lining membrane of the mouth is colored bright red or scarlet; the pad (gums of the upper jaw against which the front teeth of the lower jaw press) and the gums along the front teeth slough off, leaving a raw surface extremely sore, which bleeds easily. The nose and lips suffer similarly, but not to so great an extent, and the teats are also frequently

Post mortem examination shows the stomach and intestines to be inflamed in patches throughout their entire extent. Constipation is usually present, ending frequently in diarrhea. It has none of the characteristic symptoms of the contagious foot and mouth disease of cattle, and all efforts to transmit it from one animal to another have so far failed. Last year it prevailed for a few weeks only in late summer and autumn, and it is quite probable that it will again cease very shortly. It is possibly due to some acrid or irritant substance contained in the food. The irritation of the bowels and slight constipation should be overcome by giving one quart of raw flaxseed oil and following with one pint of it twice daily until the bowels move freely. The mouth should be bathed twice daily with a mild astringent wash, such as the following: 1/2 ounce tannic acid; 1 ounce powdered borax; 8 ounces glycerine, mixed together with enough water to make one quart Soft, sloppy food only, should be fed and plenty of good water given for drinking.

Live Stock Husbandry.

Texas Live Stock Journal: No line of farm animal industry has made the substantial, marked progress in the last six years that have sheep. No more money has been made by handling any stock than has been made handling sheep. Who are the successful men? As a rule they have not been farmers or ranchmen, but they have been shrewd, keen men, who saw their golden opportunity and had the nerve to improve it.

The Western Agriculturist wisely says that improved stock is the highest achievement of American agriculture. Meat and wheat is king of the farm. Stock on the farm enriches the soil and gives the most profitable market for the farm crops, reaps the fat of the land from our broad pastures. Good stock brings prosperity by utilizing the intelligence and skill of the best breeders for the past century, and now that we have all the best improved breeds of the world let us improve our herds and flocks.

According to a bulletin sent out from the Wisconsin station, feeding bone meal and hardwood ashes to hogs confined to an exclusive diet of corn and water gives the following results: Where ashes and bone meal were fed the effect was to save as the butchers say. Then they "cook the total amount fed in producing 100 pounds of gain, live weight. It about doubles the strength of the bones and 50 per cent. more ash was found in the bones of the hogs getting bone meal and ashes than those that did not receive it.

> It becomes more apparent every day, remarks Western Resources, that some provision should be made for the registration of grade draft fillies, to the end that there may be a way to correctly trace their descendants in case any of them should at any time arrive at that point in the blood they carry which will entitle them to registration, in other words carry enough of the blood of full-blood ancestors to make them full-bloods. As the matter now stands grade fillies are left out in the like quality." cold, and be they ever so valuable as individuals, or should it ever transpire, as it

the valuable history of the breeding of Interest 2:29%. The stallion Rutger now noted trotting horses, was preserved Alcantara 1494, his sire Alcantara 729, by means of the non-standard department of the Trotting Register, and the same result would certainly follow in the wake of the adoption of a grade register for draft fillies. This is a matter which should command the serious attention of draft horse breeders, and steps should be taken before many days to provide for the grades. It is not known that the number of grade animals registered would be large, but it does not follow for that reason that the departure suggested is any the less important. It is to be hoped that those in authority will be prompted to do something in line with the suggestion offered.

During the present winter the breeders of all classes of improved stock should lay the foundation for increased business by organizing county breeders' clubs. Let some representative breeder at once make up a list of every man who is breeding pure-bred stock of any kind in his county and send them a note asking them when it will be convenient to have a conference, and after hearing from them set a date for a meeting and proceed to organize a county association or club without delay. The annual meeting of the Kansas Improved Stock Breeders' Association meets at Topeka in January next, and every county should be represented.

At Rutger Farm.

A few days ago the writer had an opportunity to visit Rutger farm, a Western breeding establishment, a general frontier establishment, so far as location is concerned, but in all other respects modern and creditable to any State. When the proprietor, Wm. B. Sutton, of Russell, Kas., ventured to locate, it was generally regarded as a risky proceeding, and failure was predicted, but in spite of the very adverse period, he has successfully passed the critical period, and western Kansas has a grand fine stock farm that the people are patronizing and sustaining fully as well as any other in the West, comparatively, which fact is one of the most striking evidences of the foresight and enterprise of the citizens of western Kansas.

Mr. Sutton describes his location and declaration of purposes as follows in his stud circular:

"Rutger farm is located within one and one-half miles of the depot of the Union Pacific railroad at Russell, Russell county. Kansas. It consists of 3,700 acres of fertile, well-watered land. The buildings are mainly of stone, are commodious and convenient. Special attention is given to breeding the highest type of the American trotting horse. Our ideal horse has size, soundness, style, sense, speed, breeding and finish, and we aim to produce such. The most profitable horse to the professional breeder, the amateur breeder and the farmer is the American trotter, about 16 hands high and weighing 1,100 pounds and upwards. Horse-raising is a fascinating business. It is a science strangely mixed with chance and uncertainty in individual cases, but as absolutely certain in the aggregate as the tables of mortality and expectation of life. The owner of a plainly bred mare may procure the services of an intensely bred sire and soon discover that he is the owner and breeder of a Sister Wilkes, 2:23% (or the hundred others in the 2:30 list out of unknown dams), worth more cash than all the stock he had raised before with years of care, toil and expense. While the certainty is that he will raise a colt which will readily sell for a handsome profit above all cost. The owner of the stoutly-bred dam who mates her with the richly-bred stallion may reasonably expect the produce to win him fame and money and finally enter horse heaventhe 2:30 list. The day has gone by wherein the common horse, with nothing special to recommend him, will return to his breeder the cost of raising. We invite the attention of all classes of breeders to our stallions. We have selected them according to our ideal without regard to cost. Few farms can present such a list. Money will not buy better breeding or individuality. Our motto is "top or nowhere." Our prices are fixed to invite patronage, and are far below those of other farms for

The trotting-bred stallions in the stud on this farm are, first, Blizzard 3751 by often does, that they figure in the pedigree Onward, dam Little Fortune by Scott's Veterinarian of Purdue University Ex- of an animal entitled to registration, all Thomas 919, with a record of 2:21. She is periment Station, has had occasion to trace of them is practically lost. Much of also the dam of Attraction 2:281/4 and sions.

The stallion Rutger with a record 2:23; dam Pledmont Maid by Piedmont 2:1714. She was also dam of El Capitan, record 2:30. Another stallion in this stud is Rutger Alcyone 14939, sired by Alcyone 732, with a record 2:27; dam Abbess by Albion. Abbess is also the dam of Solo 2:28%, Steinway 2:25%, and Soprano, the dam of C. F. Clay, 2:18, Eminence 2:18%, and Strathbridge 2:28%. The young stallion in this stud named Rutger Wilkes was sired by Sable Wilkes 8100, with a three-year-old record of 2:18, and son of Freedom, with the champion yearling colt record of 2:29. The dam of Rutger Wilkes is Lindale by Sultan, Jr., 12771. This brief mention of the Rutger farm stud is sufficient to show the high character of the stallions. Mr. Sutton also has a three-year-old filly by his stallion Rutger Blizzard, out of the dam Carlotta, by Fear Not, Jr. Carlotta is also dam of Tom Rolfe 2:2214, Barney A. 2:27, Mamie 2:401/4, and Peter Curan 2:45. This filly is now at High Lawn farm, Lee, Mass., in foal to Alcantara 729.

To show that Rutger farm stud is well appreciated is satisfactorily demonstrated by the business of 1891. Rutger Wilkes with a book of ten mares at \$75 is filled and overflowing. Rutger Alcyone with a book of thirty mares at \$50, filled full. Rutger Alcantara, out of a book of thirty fillies, filled twenty-three at \$35. This stud was patronized from a circuit of one. hundred miles. There are now in the pasture mares that heretofore have been bred to noted stallions, but now find here

something fully as good.

But the trotting horse does not monopolize all at this farm, as other breeds of pure-bred stock equally representative are to be seen, such as Berkshire swine, Holstein-Friesian cattle, Aberdeen-Angus cattle, and Percheron horses. The Holstein-Friesian cattle are strong in the Aaggie strain and a choice herd of twenty pure-bred females are headed by Aaggie Rosa Neptune, sired by Smiths, Powell & Lamb's Neptune, dam Aaggle Rosa, an in-bred Aaggie. The herd of Aberdeen-Angus is headed by Erica Boy and are strong in the Erica strain of blood. At the head of the draft horse stud is Delapierre (1303), sired by Old Brilliant 1891 (756), a full brother of Brilliant, the famous Percheron stallion at the head of Dunham's famous establishment.

Details of this creditable establishment are given, not with a view to advertising Rutger farm, but to impress upon our readers in western Kansas the possibilities of what may be done and to encourage similar establishments in the line of improvement and the raising of more profitable stock.

Deafness Can't be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that we cannot cure by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75 cents.

The Way to Go.

You have seen California frequently mentioned in newspapers and magazines. Perhaps a friend has been there, and writes enthusiastic letters back home about the climate and the fruits. It makes you anxious to see the country for yourself.

The time to go is in the Fall and Winter. Then work here is less pressing and California climate is most pleasing. The way

fornia climate is most pleasing. The way to go is via Santa Fe Route, on one of that line's popular, personally conducted parties, leaving Chicago every Saturday evening, and leaving Kansas City every Sunday morning.

Special agents and porters in attendance. Pullman tourist sleepers are used, furnished with bedding, mattresses, toilet articles, etc. Second class tickets honored. Write to G. T. Nicholson, G. P. & T. A., Santa Fe Route, Topeka, Kas., for copy of folder describing these excursions.

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We want some members of every farmers' organization—Grange, Alliance or F. M. B. A.—to regularly represent the KANSAS FARMER and help extend its fast-growing circulation and usefulness. Please send name and address at once.

Governor Martin on Mortgages.

In his last message Governor Martin said: "The laws concerning mortgages need revision and radical improvement. It should require something more than a mortgage to steal a man's farm, either in this or any other State. Appraisement of property before its sale under foreclosure should be surrounded with the most stringent limitations to protect the interests of the debtor, and the right of redemption should be not only extended but made secure. Our chattel mortgage laws invite outrages on property rights that are as flagrant as grand larceny, and the wrong done under the shield of these laws is a disgrace to civilized government. Our mortgage laws shouldbe generally remodeled, so as to protect the interest and rights of debtors against the greed and inhumanity of creditors and morttgagees."

Land in the United States.

The following table is taken from the book entitled, "Millions or Slaves, Which?" The total number of acres of land in the United States is 1,823,126,387. The land unavailable for productive purposes-Alaska, 399,520,600 acres. Indian and military reserve, 157,000,000 acres. Mountainous and untillable, 400,000,000 acres. The remaining portion of the land is divided as follows: Owned by States, 60,000,000 acres. School lands, 70,000,000 acres. Swamp lands, 70,000,000, acres. Military and naval bounty, 61,000,000 acres. Canals, roads, etc., 6,000,000 acres. Railways,

85,000,000, acres. All readers and students of reform, preserve the above table and take it to your organization when you discuss the land planks of the People's party platform.

172,000,000 acres. Private and State claims,

Tit for Tat.

Our debts stand for our investments and not for our losses. They represent our enterprise and not our misfortune, our property and not our poverty.-Kansas Republican League.

If the above is true, why do these same Republicans howl so when Peffer and Simpson tell the facts about our indebtedness. They are only advertising our property and enterprise and not our poverty. Is it possible that our Republican friends don't want the outside world to know how enterprising we are and how much property we possess? I object to all in his 86th year.

this abuse that is heaped upon Peffer and Simpson, simply because they are advertising our vast wealth and wonderful enterprises. If "debt represents property and enterprise," then the greater our debts the better off we are. Surely it is no discredit to us to be enterprising or to possess a vast amount of property.-W. D.

Free Silver.

In discussing the subject of free silver, Bob Ingersoll says: "I do ask for the remonetization of silver. Silver was demonetized by fraud. It was an imposition upon every solvent man; a fraud upon every honest debtor in the United States. It assassinated labor. It was done in the interest of avarice and should be undone by honest men. The farmers should vote only for such men as are willing to advance and guard the interests of labor. We should know better than to vote for men who deliberately put a tariff of \$3 a thousand upon lumber, when every farmer in Illinois is a purchaser of lumber. We We should protect ourselves. We ought to have intelligence enough to know what we want and how to get it. The real laboring men of this country can succeed if they were united. By laboring men I do not mean only the farmers. I mean all who contribute in some way to the general welfare. They should forget prejudices and party names and remember only the best interests of the people. Let us see if property cannot be protected alike and taxes alike, whether owned by individuals or corporations. Where industry creates and justice protects, prosperity dwells."

Land Loans.

The idea of using real estate as the basis for the issue of an increased amount of government money for the use of the people, grows in favor as it becomes better understood. Not only will it supply the \$50 per capita of circulation now demanded by all the farmer and labor organizations, but by enabling farmers and others to refund their mortgages at lower rates of interest it will enable them to pay for and keep their homes. In addition to other evidence before given as to the practicability of the plan, says Mortimer Whitehead, the well-known granger and writer, I will offer one more item, not as yet generally known. Within a few days word comes to us from across the water that one of the large land owners of Ireland has concluded to divide up his large estate, valued at nearly \$2,000,000, and sell it to his tenant farmers under the new land law of England. This was one of the most important measures which passed the last Parliament, being a plan to enable the Irish tenant to purchase his home. It passed in the House of Commons, June 15, by a vote of 225 to 96, or a majority of 129.

The measure provides that the British government shall advance the money needed to buy out the landed estates, and allows the tenants to purchase their holdings by paying annual installments. To this end \$165,000,000 is to be appropriated. The purchasing tenants will be required to pay such installments as will complete their payments in forty-nine years. As fast as installments are paid the money is to be used in other purchases.

In payment of the lands the government is to issue to the owners stocks or bonds at 2% per cent. and payable in not less than thirty years.

This is to all intents and purposes a might not the United States make similar loans to free the American farmer from Shylock?

National Farmers' Alliance Meeting.

All Kansans who expect to attend the national meeting, at Indianapolis, November 17, and desire reduced rates, should send their names, to J. B. French, Secretary, Topeka.

The New Nation, Boston, says: The work which the Republican party accomplished was a great one, but it was small compared with the industrial and social transformation which will be the outcome of the new political forces now marshalling under the new party.

Robert Milne, an extensive breeder of Hereford cattle, at Lockport, Ill., died at that place, from an amputation of a leg,

Publishers' Paragraphs.

KANSAS FARMER

Many of our readers will be interested in the advertisement of N. J. Betzer, of Stockton, Kas., who has 100 farms for sale on reasonable terms.

Geo. H. Stahl, the pioneer manufacturer of the Excelsior incubators, at Quincy, Ill., protests against the action of rival factories in his city claiming their make as "the only reliable incubator made, etc.," as decidedly unfair, and says that it has a tendency to ruin one of the most promising industries now in successful operation.

The Knabe piano, which has such a wide popularity, is considered by many experts to be superior in every way to any other plane in the world. The success of this piano has only been attained by years of careful study, and the Knabe, with its excellent singing qualities, its great power, the elasticity of touch, and superior workmanship, is justly the favorite.-Boston Traveler.

Our readers will notice in another column the advertisement of the Buckeye Churn Co., Sidney, Ohio. This company are large manufacturers of churns and washing machines, and their reputation for producing "best goods" is an enviable one. Our Chicago manager visited their factory recently, and reports a large and well established business. Our readers should write them for a catalogue giving full explanation of both their churn and washing machine.

For over twenty-five years Tutt's Pills have been before the public, and each succeeding year their valuable properties become better appreciated. They now stand second to none for the relief of that much-abused and overtaxed organ, the liver, and for the removal of that cause of so many ills, constipation. They are used in every civilized country, and carry with them voluminous testimonials of their safety and efficacy. Tutt's Liver Pills should have a place in every household.

CORN SHOCK LOADER.—Every feeder in Kansas who has handled corn shocks will find it to their advantage to communicate with our friend, D. H. Good, Canada, Marion county, Kansas, who has one of the best devices for loading a shock of corn on the wagon readily without delay and without loss of fodder. It is a wonder that inventive genius had not long ago thought of devising such a fodder loader as the one invented by Mr. Good. It will pay our feeders to write him for particu-

HAVE YOU TIMBER TO SAW?-If so you will save both time and labor by buying the folding saw now being advertised in our paper. Write to the Folding Sawing Machine Co., 303-311 So. Canal St., Chicago, and get a free catalogue which contains thousands of testimonials from men in the United States and Canada who have sawed from five to nine cords of wood in a day, and explains trial terms. The machine weighs only forty-one pounds, and can be carried folded on the shoulder. One man with it can saw more wood in a day than two men with a cross-cut saw.

A consolidation of the interests of Popular Gardening Publishing Co., of Buffalo, N.Y., and Rural Publishing Co., of New York city, has lately been effected, by which Popular Gardening and The American Garden will be merged into one horticultural journal. Beginning with the November issue the new magazine will assume the new name and dress, and will be issued from the New York officegovernment loan on real estate, and if Times' building—and will make the Great Britian can make such loans to free the Irish tenantry from landlordism, monthly in existence. The price will be continued at \$1 per year. Popular Gardening had already absorbed seven other publications in different parts of the

How to Co-operate.-A manual for co-operators, by Herbert Myrick, and published by the Orange Judd Company, of New York, is upon our table. The book is a twelve-mo, containing 349 pages, neatly printed, liberally illustrated and durably bound in cloth. Prominent among the frontispiece group of leading co-operators is a very fine picture of our friend H. C. Livermore, manager of the Johnson County Co-operative Association. While the manual is primarily designed for farmers-producers and consumers in country districts—the wants of the toiling masses in town and city, factory, store and mine have also been kept in view. To be thoroughly practical, within the grasp of those whom co-opera-

tion will most benefit, and a true friend and prudent adviser to the masses who must manifestly find their way out only through co-operation, is the high aim of the book.

The coming year will be crowded with events of absorbing interest. Congress will be in session, with a large Democratic majority in the House, and a Republican majority in the Senate. The national conventions will meet to nominate candidates, for President and Vice President, followed by one of the closest and most hotly contested political campaigns in the history of the country. During this time, every citizen must take some live and progressive newspaper. Any of the metropolitan weeklies may be had for \$1 a year, but why subscribe for one of them when you can get the St. Louis Republic twice every week for the same price. It is issued every Tuesday and Friday, and gives the news half a week ahead of any weekly in every State of the Union. Subscribe now, and get it from the beginning of the pending session of Congress, until after the election of 1892. Sample copies will be sent free on application to the Republic, St. Louis, Mo.; or will be sent in connection with the KANSAS FARMER for \$1.80.

"One touch of Nature makes the whole world kin." Diseases common to the race compel the search for a common remedy. It is found in Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the reputation of which is world-wide, having largely superseded every other blood med-

The New England Homestead says that it would like to know how good crops and fair prices are going to remedy unjust taxation, extortionate transportation and growing monopoly? No, there is a grand work still for united effort among farmers. Let Grange, Alliance and League be made stronger than ever.

No More Sickness After Using Steketee's Hog Cholera Cure.

So says R. M. Boyd, of Tecumseh, Mich., in a letter to Mr. Steketee, September 29, 1891: "Last fall I had trouble with my hogs; lost quite a number. Steketee's Hog Cure was recommended. I used two packages on the balance I had left, and since then have lost no more nor had any more sickness."

Mr. D. P. Anthony, of the same place, writes: "You will not have any sickness with your hogs if you use Steketee's Hog Cure. I used it on my sick hogs last fall and it worked like a charm."

Farmers, now is the time to have it on hand, in case of sickness. Don't let the druggist bluff you by saying, "I have something better," because it is only to get rid of some worthless stuff. If they have it not send 60 cents in stamps and I will send it by mail. Address.

G. G. STEKETEE, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Attend the Topeka Business College, 521 and 523 Quincy St., Topeka, Kas.

Memphis Route--New Fast Train South. On Saturday, November 7th, the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis R. R. Co. further improved its passenger train service to the South and Southeast by the addition of a FAST TRAIN running through solid, Kansas City to Birmingham with through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Car Kansas City to Atlanta, making a saving of nearly twelve hours over old schedule to Birmingham, Atlanta and

points beyond. The fast train will leave Kansas City monthly in existence. The price will be daily, at 6:15 p. m., arriving at Hoxie 7:30 a. m., Memphis 11:30 a. m., Birmingham 10:15 p. m. and Atlanta via Georgia Pacific Railway at 6:30 a. m., at which latter point sure connections will be made with the through trains of diverging lines, thus making but one change of cars Kansas City to Jacksonville and other points in Florida.

Day mail trains leaving Kansas City will run only as far as Springfield, Mo., connecting closely at Nichols for points on the Frisco line.

Night express leaving at 9:05 p. m., will run through to Memphis, connecting with K. C., M. & B. through Sleeping Car line for Atlanta and carrying through Buffet Sleeper Kansas City to New Orleans, as heretofore.

For map of route and time table folder, address J. E. LOCKWOOD,

Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agt., Kansas City.

Morgan Horses.

A visit to the Morgan Horse Company's barns, at Dundee, Ill., by our Chicago manager, enabled him to give us a report on this great family—the Morgan horse, also an illustration on our first page this

The history of the Morgan horse, an American family, dates back to the famous Justin Morgan, who was foaled in Springfield, Mass., in 1793.

From the catalogue of the Morgan Horse Company, we get a very concise report of the pedigree of Morgans, and it would be well for our readers to secure one of these catalogues, if for no other reason than to look up this very interesting bit of horse history.

Justin Morgan is said to have weighed 950 pounds, and from "Linsley's Morgan Horses," we learn that he was a horse of great strength, and could out-pull the largest horse of his day. Linsley says: "The Morgan horse cannot be beaten where strength and endurance are the

The same traits that were displayed in Justin Morgan may be observed in the greater part of his descendants. For beauty, style, vigor and untiring action he attracts universal attention and challenges admiration.

It was recently reported that Secretary Redfield Proctor bought a pair of beautiful Morgan horses for President Harrison. They were shown at the State fair, at White River Junction, where they attracted much attention by their style and action, and by their close matching.

Among the famous stallions that preside at the Morgan Horse farm, are Col. Ethan Allen, Sultan, and Winnebago Chief. Col. Ethan Allen is by Ethan Allen Jr., son of the famous Ethan Allen, who was the most noted son of Blackhawk. Col. Ethan Allen is a horse of the Ethan Allen type, and is now twenty-four years old. He is active as a colt, and is admired by all. Sultan is a horse of the finest Morgan type, weighs 1,000 pounds, was foaled in 1882, is a superior horse, and a beauty. Winnebago Chief is a stallion of considerable note as a speed-producer.

The Morgan Horse Company have a good stock of well-bred stallions, mares and fillies. To fully appreciate the family of Morgan horses, one needs only to see them, and the sight inspires admiration.

The Old Reliable.

Go to Denver on the Fast Vestibuled Express of the Union Pacific and partake of the elegant meals served in the Pullman Dining Car running on this train.

Spokane is reached by the Union Pacific direct. It is the center of the Palouse country, one of the richest sections of

Cheyenne, the capital of Wyoming and the center of the cattle industry of the United States, is reached best by the Union

Take the Union Pacific and its Oregon Short Line to Portland.

The Union Pacific is the only road running through the famous Alpine Tunnel, 11,596 feet above sea level.

Bear in mind, that the Union Pacific takes second-class passengers through on Fast Express trains. Through Pullman Palace Sleepers be-

tween Denver and New Orleans via the Union Pacific only.

Round trip excursion and tourist tickets on sale to all points west and south.

For further information as to rates, time of trains, etc., apply to A. M. FULLER, City Ticket Agent, 525 Kansas peka, Kas.

Cheap Rates to Denver.

Those desiring to visit Denver will soon have a splendid opportunity.

The Mining Congress will be held in the "Queen City," November 18 and 19, and it is expected a great many will visit Denver and other Colorado cities about this time.

For the especial accommodation of these visitors the Union Pacific has made a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale November 16 and

will be good for return passage until and including December 6.

For further information regarding time of trains, etc., apply to A. M. FULLER, Agent Union Pacific System, 525 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kas.

Attend the Topeka Shorthand Institute, 521 and 523 Quincy St., Topeka, Kas.

Gossip About Stock.

The Smoky Hill Poultry Association will hold their next annual meeting at Abilene, Kas., December 10, 11 and 12, 1891.

One of the solid farmers of Lakin township, says the Halstead Independent, is J. W. Stewart, breeder of thoroughbred hogs.

Receipts at the Kansas City stock yards this year to date, compared with same period last year, show a decrease of 211,228 cattle, 315,937 hogs and 137,192 sheep.

Special rates have been granted by the Trans-Missouri Passenger Association of one and one-third fare for round trip for the annual Poultry Association show at Topeka, December 16.

J. H. Sands, of El Dorado, Butler county, is one of the men who have made money out of sheep. He crosses Southdown rams with Merino ewes, but advises to go back to the Merino ram after the first cross.

George Eaton, says the Russell Journal, has been on the trail with about 11,000 sheep from New Mexico this summer, They are now in the vicinity of Ellis. He intends wintering some of them on his father's ranch near that place.

J. W. Smith, breeder of fine Norman horses, three miles from Leavenworth, Kas., was found dead in his room in the Phillips house, at Kansas City, on the afternoon of November 3, probably the re-

For the month ending October 31, there were received at the stock yards of Omaha, Neb., 78,339 cattle, 97,733 hogs, 25,945 sheep, and 1,415 horses and mules. Disposed of during the month, 78,821 cattle, 97,909 hogs, 22,546 sheep, and 1,416 horses and mules.

W. B. Sutton of Russel, Kansas, recently sold to J. H. Packard, New Windsor, Colo., one of the best breeders in that State, the Holstein-Friesian cow, Esprit 4881, sired by Sir Henry 2d of Aaggie 1451, dam Seraphim (2888); also Nema 4901 sired by Anton 463, dam Klara (129). The sale was a creditable one at long price.

D. Trott, proprietor of the Ash Grove herd of thoroughbred Poland-China and Duroc-Jersey swine, at Abilene, Kas., in writing us, says that his stock is healthy and doing well, and that he is sending out some very fine pigs, both to home and distant customers. He still has some that are very choice, to supply further demands.

We repeat, with emphasis, that a flock of good sheep is one of the farmer's best friends. No other class of live stock will show a larger per cent, of profit than that of sheep. Improved blood, improved feed and care is certain to make the industry profitable. All owners should see that their sheep enter the winter in the best possible condition.

From an exchange we learn that there was a hog on exhibition at the Lexington, Ky., fair, thirty-seven months old, which weighed 1,508 pounds. It was from Alabama, and its owner refused \$5,000 for it. This is a very little larger than one shipped to the Kansas City market about this time last year, which the packers would not buy because it was too large to go through the packing house scrapers.

Some idea of the enormity of the cattle movement this fall is had on reading the following from the Chicago Drovers' Journal: "October cattle receipts, estimating 11,000 for Friday and 4,000 for Saturday, will be 372,000, or less than last October, which was the heaviest on record. There have been only six months in the history of the trade when cattle receipts exceeded 300,000. September receipts were 358,000, and the offerings for two months past have reached the unexampled number of 730,000 head. Of this number 450,000 head were from the ranges."

The great dispersion sale of the Inter-State Galloway Cattle Company, held at Kansas City, Mo., November 5 and 6, was indeed a bonanza for the numerous purchasers. To the old breeders of Galloway cattle, it is needless to say that this herd has won more honors than any other of the breed in America. The animals catalogued for this sale contained some of the choicest blood of this "premium herd." Ninety-five head sold as follows: Four at \$25 per head; two at \$35 per head; twelve at \$40 per head; fifteen at \$45 per head; twelve at \$50 per head; three at \$55 per head; eight at \$60 per head; two at \$65 per head; four at \$70 per head; three at \$75 per head; three at \$80 per head; two at \$85 per

head; one at \$90; three at \$100 per head; four at \$105 per head; one at \$115; one at \$115; one at \$125; one at \$130; one at \$140; one at \$165; one at \$190.

Robert Holloway's catalogue of purebred Ciydesdales, to be sold at public auction, Wednesday, November 25, at Alexis, Ill., is before us. Mr. Holloway's plan of disposing of the annual increase of his large breeding stud is to have an annual fall sale of coming two-year-olds. The coming is his eighth annual sale, and will comprise thirty head, all pure-bred and registered. This will be an excellent opportunity for those wanting mares and stallious of pure breeding, good quality and large size. See Mr. Holloway's advertisement elsewhere.

One day last week a representative of the FARMER called on M. F. Tatman, the enterprising proprietor of Kaw Valley herd of select Poland-China hogs, at Rossville, Kas. He was found still "on top," where he says he intends to stay "as long as he is able to carry a basket or a slop pail." Kaw Valley herd is headed by three great boars, viz.: Kaw Chief, Dock's Choice and Dorsey's Glory. Kaw Chief is a full brother to the invincible Free Trade 4420, the greatest winner of 1890, at the greatest hog show ever held in the world, at Des Moines, Iowa, who sold for \$800 at Jessup, Iowa. Kaw Chief is the peer of his famous brother, and some think him superior. Dock's Choice was added last May. He is a fine animal and a great breeder of very fine pigs of fancy colors. Dorsey's Glory is a young hog of great promise, bred by Dorsey & Sons, of Perry, Ill. This name is a guarantee of excellence. These boars are all low-down, heavy, blocky fellows, black with white feet, white in face and white flag on tail. All are extra fine in head and ears, and so docile that any ten-year-old boy can handle them. The brood sows, forty in number, are all of the best Poland-China blood in existence. Mr. Tatman states that, owing to the immense demand for his pigs, his spring stock is entirely exhausted, but will be prepared for the spring trade with seventy or more fine fall pigs of both sexes-some old enough to ship now While in this vicinity he also enjoyed a very pleasant visit with Mr. J. E. Guild, proprietor of Capital View stock farm, four miles northeast of Silver Lake. He reports the sale, a few weeks since, of ten yearling colts at \$75 and two two-yearolds at \$100 each to W. L. Ellwood, De-Kalb, Ill. The purchaser knew the quality of the stock he was getting, from the fact that only three years ago he sold Mr. Guild the stallion and three mares with which he began breeding Percherons at Silver Lake. This sale did not include his best, Mr. Guild says, he having retained that class for his own future use. He has a fine stock of Percheron horses, and intending buyers will do well to watch our columns for announcements. Among his stock he has a fine black high-grade (15-16) three-year-old Percheron stallion which he offers for sale at a reasonable price. Parties wishing to buy such a horse will consult their own interests by corresponding with J. E. Guild, Silver Lake, Kas., mentioning the KANSAS FARMER.

Broomcorn Market.

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The Autumn of Life.

We, too, have autumns when our leaves Drop loosely through the dampened air, When all our good seems bound in sheaves, And we stand reaped and bare.

Our seasons have no fixed returns; Without our will they come and go; At noon our sudden summer burns, Ere sunset all is snow.

But each day brings less summer cheer, Cramps more our ineffectual spring, And something earlier every year Our singing birds take wing.

As less the olden glow abides, And less the chillier heart aspires, With driftwood beeches of past spring tides We light our sullen fires.

By the pinched rushlight's starving beam We cower and strain our wasted sight, To stitch youth's shroud up, seam by seam, In the long arctic night.

It was not so—we once were young— When spring to womanly summer turning, Her dewdrops on each grass blade strung, In the red sunrise burning. We trusted then, aspired, believed, That earth could be remade to-morrow; Ah, why be ever undeceived? Why give up faith for sorrow?

Oh, thou whose days are yet all spring, Faith, blighted once, is past retrieving; Experience is a dumb, dead thing; The victory's in believing.

-James Russell Lowell.

The Sweetest Things of Earth.

What are the sweetest things of earth?
Lips that can praise a rival's worth;
A fragrant rose that hides no thorn;
Riches of gold untouched by scorn.
A happy little child asleep;
Eyes that can smile though they may weep;
A brother's cheer, a father's praise;
The minstrelsy of summer days.
A heart where anger never burns;
A gift that looks for no returns;
Wrong's overthrow; pain's swift release;
Dark footsteps guided into peace.
The light of love in lover's eyes;
Age that is young as well as wise;
An honest hand that needs no ward;
A life with right in true accord.
A hope bud waxing into Joy;
A happiness without alloy;
A mother's kiss; a baby's mirth—
These are the sweetest things of earth.

—Emma C. Dowd. What are the sweetest things of earth? -Emma C. Dowd.

TAKING COLD.

One of the most important points in the care of the system is the keeping of the feet warm and dry. This lesson has been taught over and over, but it is to be feared that a good many persons read solemn warnings, born of tragic experiences, and give them no second thought. Our climate, with its sharp, sudden changes, calls for the exercise of prudence in the matter of dress, to a degree that may be unknown in other regions, where a more equable and favorable condition exists. Warm, comfortable underclothing is indispensable, and should be borne even during a brief "warm spell" as a guard against danger from climatic changes. A person having become heated, either by active exertion or by an excessive temperature, should not suddenly plunge into a chilling temperature, or sit either in a damp place or in a cool breeze. The checking of the perspiration too suddenly lays the foundation of a severe cold in every instance. Gentle exercise should be continued till the system has regained something approaching a normal condition. And so the list of cautions might be extended; but the remainder would be as hackneyed as those already given. Carelessness or indifference gives the result, for her baby's welfare will keep woolen with adult people, nine times out of ten, though it is little cure for the ill to say, when the mischief is wrought, "I might have known better."

Still it often occurs that with the utmost care cold will be contracted, and the sufferer be wholly unable to even suggest the time, place or circumstances which gave the unfortunate exposure. A catarrhal congestion, dull headache, or some of the other familiar signs will be experienced, and the victim simply realizes that the time of precaution has passed. Much the greater part of the sickness of winter comes directly or indirectly from taking cold. The list is very long. It embraces colds proper, coughs, hoarseness, sore throat, influenza, catarrh, neuralgia, rheumatism, with bronchitis and consumption as direct results. It is not, therefore, in good taste to say "only a cold," as giving clothing—flannel night-dresses and shirts, the impression that the difficulty will be and knitted or crocheted worsted nightgone in a day or so; but the fact should caps, for very many old people are made

always be recognized that even an apparently slight cold may be the beginning of a serious and possibly fatal illness.

Do not lose any time in attending to a cold. It is not always possible for a person to give adequate treatment to a cold during the day-time. Duties which cannot be postponed may interfere. But, generally speaking, when the evening comes remedial measures are in order. There are so many ways of treating a cold that one is almost perplexed to know which to recommend; and perhaps it is as well that something should be left to individual judgment, to be determined by circumstances. One general principle may, consequently, be laid down-cold being the manifestation by congestion of the abnormal checking of the perspiration, or in other words, the result of a chill of some portion of the system, the first remedial measure should be the re-establishing of the deranged action. It matters comparatively little, therefore, by what ordinary means the perspiration is started along with renewed vigor, only so that the entire body be included. A favorite method with the writer is simply to take an adequate dose of some "herb tea" or similar preparation, going immediately to bed and covering with something more than the usual amount of bedding. A perspiration will set in, lasting for some hours, but before morning the system will have recovered its normal tone, and in most cases there is no necessity of further treatment.

But this is on the supposition that there are no serious or threatening complications. Possibly there may be a severe headache in connection. In that case the head is probably heated, while the feet and lower limbs are cold and clammy. This is simply an indication that the blood is being forced to the head, and should, if possible, be persuaded to resume a more equal movement. This will be best facilitated by placing the feet in hot water, rubbing the nether limbs briskly. It will aid in the result if the head be also freely bathed in warm, but not hot, water. As this cools, it cools also the excessive temperature of the head, and is a better method of reaching the result than the direct application of cold water. The lower limbs should then be wrapped in a dry, warm blanket, and the patient should retire as before. The internal treatment is not to be overlooked, and any of the favorite herbs may be employed .- Good Housekeeping.

Wool and Protection.

Don't be alarmed, this is not a political matter about to be discussed, and has nothing to do with protective tariff or the 'McKinley bill" which lately became a law by action of the Fifty-first Congress and further sustained by the recent election in Ohio. What we wish especially to call attention to is the necessity of wearing woolen undergarments next to the skin. Another article on this page-"Taking Cold"-from that excellent magazine, Good Housekeeping, contains some suggestions on this subject. In colder climates than that of Kansas, people have very forcible reminders of the need of woolen underwear: but in our own State too many are apt to consider that we are too far south to need it.

The sudden climatic changes for which Kansas is noted, render protection by woolen underclothing a matter for careful consideration. Old people and young next the child's body till it is two years old. Often mothers, not fully educated to the necessity of it, will commiserate the poor child in pitying tones for its longsuffering endurance, when ordered by the physician to so dress it, not knowing that the baby, as well as every one else, suffers far less from heat when dressed in this manner than when wearing gauze, muslin or linen, especially when one perspires easily or freely. Softness and fineness of texture have far more to do with warmth of woolen goods than their thickness and weight.

It is almost impossible for either a young or healthy middle-aged person to appreciate the heat actually required for delicate old persons' comfort. "Better give the old folks fewer tombstones and more blankets." Yes, and warm woolen under-

restless and wakeful because of their heads being cold.

But while the very old and the children need to be dressed carefully, the "middleaged" are not exempt from taking cold. Often we will notice the rugged farmer even in summer with woolen shirt on working in the harvest field. He seems to suffer from the heat less than others who are burdened with light cotton clothes. He has accustomed himself to keep his body warm always-both winter and summer, and by so doing he has added years of usefulness to his life. The graveyards of our land could tell of more deaths occasioned by "sudden cold" than perhaps from any other cause. But graveyards don't speak loud, and it is just as well for us to keep our bodies warm with good

Something About Coffee.

Every reader of the "Home Circle' cannot fail to be interested in anything pertaining to such a common article in daily domestic use as coffee; and yet, very few of us know a great deal about it, so that a few facts and thoughts at this time concerning this beverage of the world should interest all our readers.

The use of coffee by civilized people began in the fifteenth century, not so much at first as a beverage or table drink, but as an occasional stimulant. The first historical reference to its introduction and use is that the Mufti of Aden, a city of Felix, Arabia, noticed that some of his countrymen when fatigued or indisposed used it when traveling; and being in ill health himself, he concluded to try the merits of the same, and began its regular use and as a result regained his health. He also observed that it relieved headache, prevented drowsiness, and also had a tendency to enliven his spirits. From its use by so important a personage having great influence, it came into general use in that locality, and finally became quite popular throughout the country.

The next we hear of it is its use by Mohammedans for religious purposes, and in due time came into use by nearly all of that faith. In 1554 it came into use in Constantinople, and from there drifted into use in other countries, but was not introduced into England until 1652, when a Turkish merchant introduced it. The first mention of coffee in the statute books of Great Britain was in 1660, when a duty of 4 pence was levied on every gallon made and sold. Coffee houses were opened first in London in 1663, where at certain hours of the day coffee could be served. In 1695 Charles II, of England, attempted by a proclamation to suppress its use, because "it nourished sedition, spread lies and scandalized great men; it might also be a common nuisance."

The plant is a native of Arabia, but at the present time is extensively raised in India, Java, Ceylon, Brazil, West Indies and Mexico. The berry grown in these countries, however, is thought not to be equal to that grown in Mocha.

The consumption of coffee at present has reached large proportions, and from recent statistics on the subject, we find that the amount consumed was 131,604 pounds in 1850, while in 1885 the annual consumption amounted to 530,127,400 pounds.

Coffee was admitted free until the years up to 1861, when an import duty of 4 cents a pound was levied, but in 1870 was reduced to 3 cents, and in July, 1872, coffee was admitted free once more. The highchildren, especially, should have this kind est price for coffee in bond for the period of protection not less than six months in from 1846 to 1886 was in the year 1874, every year. A mother who has due regard when it was worth 21 cents. The lowest price for coffee was in 1848, when it wa worth 6.63 cents per pound.

The first general use of coffee in this country was at New Orleans as early as 1750, and was then quoted at 20 pence per pound. On New Year's day, 1790, Mrs. Washington served her guests with coffee tea, plums and plain cake.

To-day coffee is in general use throughout the civilized world as a table beverage. In this connection it may be of interest to note that on the very borders of Kansas there is located an extensive establishment known as the Midland Coffee and Spice Co., of St. Joseph, Mo., which has turned out a million pounds of roasted coffee during the present year, to say nothing of the large amount of coffee in bulk. This one establishment has a daily capacity of 125 cases of 125 pounds each, and a thousand pounds of bulk coffee. This will give some idea of the magnitude of the coffee trade.

The writer recently had an opportunity

What is Scrofula

It is that impurity in the blood, which, accumu lating in the glands of the neck, produces un-sightly lumps or swellings; which causes painful running sores on the arms, legs, or feet; which developes ulcers in the eyes, ears, or nose, often causing blindness or deafness; which is the origin of pimples, cancerous growths, or many other manifestations usually ascribed to "humors." It is a more formidable enemy than consumption or cancer alone, for scrofula combines the worst possible features of both. Being the most ancient, it is the most general of all diseases or affections,

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of a hasty survey of this mammoth establishment, and noted the interesting process of preparing "the best package coffee in the world," so called because scores of letters are received daily from the people who have tried the Midland brand of roasted coffee, and send in glowing testimonials of its merits.

The coffee, after being mixed from the best sorts, is placed in the large roasters, where it is properly roasted under the supervision of an expert. It is then placed in cooling vats, after which it is thoroughly winnowed until nothing but pure berries of coffee of uniform size are left, when it is ready for the packages.

The receiving of the coffee into packages, by automatic scales on which the paper receptacles set, is very unique and interesting. When a pound of coffee has been delivered into the package, the flow of coffee (which is fed from the floor above) stops until that one is removed to another scale, where it is weighed once more to insure that the package is full weight. The machine for making the packages to contain an exact pound of coffee is a new invention of recent make and is a novelty worth seeing. Space forbids further notice of the many interesting things seen in the preparation of roast coffee, which has become the popular way of securing coffee, because few households have either the skill or facilities for roasting coffee properly; hence the growing demand for such brands as the Midland, which our lady readers are invited to test at the first opportunity, to see whether they can indorse the judgment of the writer on delicious coffee. insure that the package is full weight.

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Sea Drift.

See where she stands, on the wet sea sands, Looking across the water; Wild is the night, but wilder still The face of the fisher's daughter!

What does she there in the lightning's glare, What does she there, I wonder? What dread demon drags her forth In the night and wind and thunder?

The sea it means over dead men's bones, The sea it feams in anger; The curlews swoop through resonant air With a warning cry of danger.

O, who is she that stands by the sea, In the lightning's glare undaunted? Seems this now like the coast of hell By one white spirit haunted!

The night drags by and the breakers die Along the rasged ledges; The robin stirs in its drenched nest, The hawthorn blooms on the hedges.

Still she stands on the wet sea sands; The morning breaks above her, And the corpse of a sailor gleams on the rocks-What if it were her lover?

-Thomas Bailey Aldrich.

A SPOOL OF THREAD.

Only a spool of white cotton thread, yet through what a wonderful series of adventures it has passed since it was merely a tiny black seed which was put in the ground by the cotton-planter. After it had received a sufficient amount of heat and moisture, the little germ within began to unfold, and the seed finally bursted. The tiny pale green sprout, which grew very rapidly, pushed its way through the ground. From this time until it was a full-grown bush it was carefully tended. Then the little green pods appeared, and, nestled safe within their walls, were bunches of snowy cotton clinging to the seeds. When the cotton was ripe, it was gathered into huge baskets and carried away to have the seeds separated from the fiber. This was, at one time, the most tedious and expensive part of cotton culture, but thanks to Eli Whitney, who, in 1793, invented a wonderfully ingenious machine called the cotton-gin, the seeds are now separated from the fiber with great rapidity and at a trifling cost.

When the cotton had passed through the gin, it was taken to an immense cottonpress and pressed into bales, which were sent to the manufactory. After the bales reached this place, the cords which bound them were severed and the cotton was

ready for the opener.

It was spread uniformly on a feeding table, from which it was taken by a pair of feed rollers and subjected to the action of a beater. A strong draught of air was made to play through the newly-opened cotton, carrying away all dust and other foreign substances. It was then further cleansed by being carried in laps through two peculiarly constructed machines called slutchers, and passed to the carding engine by which the fibers were straightened. A vibrating comb drew it from the carding engine into a funnel-shaped fleece which was passed through a pair of rollers into cans set into a drawing frame where the process of elongation was carried on through successive pairs of rollers. It was then wound on bobbins and placed in the slubbing machines which twisted four threads into one. These threads were in turn passed to the roving machine, where they were again doubled and wound on rover bobbins. This was the last step required before the operation of spinning really commenced. It was next taken to a machine called the mule, which doubles and twists the fibers and winds the varn (the name given the cotton after it has passed through the mule) on bobbins called "cops."

The thread manufacturer bought the "cops" of yarn and wound them on bobbins, which were taken to a twisting machine. When finished it was taken from the frame and wound on a large bobbin, from which it was wound into hanks and bleached. After bleaching it was given out to the hank-winder, who wound it on a large bobbin, and in turn handed to the spooler. When it was wound on the spool, which was labeled on each end, it was put in a box with other spools of thread and sent to market.

The best medical authorities say the proper way to treat catarrh is to take a constitutional remedy, like Hood's SarWilliam Cowper.

Born November 26, 1731, in Herefordshire. When but 6 years of age his mother died and he was sent to a boarding school. There being reason to fear that he would lose his eye-sight, he was placed in the home of an oculist, where he remained two years. At the age of 10 he was sent to school, where for seven years he endured the tyranny of older boys who chose this timid, sensitive boy as a mark upon which to vent their meanness. After graduating there he was sent to study law, but his time was spent unprofitably, as is shown by a letter which he wrote to his cousin, in which he said: "We spent the time from morning until night in giggling instead of studying law." At the age of 21 he attempted practicing law, but became mentally deranged and suffered from this for a number of years.

His first poems were not published until he was fifty years of age, and his style at first did not attract much attention. He died in the year 1800, aged 69.

Experiments.

A cunning little trick, which is an amusing diversion, and a lesson in chemistry as well, is that called the magic poat.

"Procure a little wooden boat, such as can be purchased at any toy store. Take a clay pipe and fill the bowl with a little bicarbonate of soda and tartaric acid mixed into powder. Close the top of the bowl of the pipe with a piece of fine cotton fabric, and tie it on with a thread attached to the lower part of the bowl. Fasten the pipe (with bowl down) to the bottom of the boat with a few wire clamps, and place the boat in a basin or tub of water. As soon as the water penetrates the cloth and dissolves the carbonic acid, the gas begins to escape through the stem of the pipe. This causes the boat to move in the opposite direction from that in which the gas

Quotations.

Our lives, discolored with our present wees, May still grow white and shine with happier hours. —Joseph Addison.

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-Joseph Addison.

Vice is a monster of so frightful mien,
As, to be hated, needs but to be seen;
Yet seen too oft, familiar with his face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace.

-Alexander Pope.

Questions--No. 10.

[The boys and giffs who read this paper are invited to contribute to this department.] 1. When was the great French Revolu-

2. Where is the center of population in the United States? 3. Give names of President Harrison's

4. How long is the Presidential term in Chili?

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS NO. 8 — OCTO-BER 28.

Mozart, Mendelssohn, Beethoven and

1. Mozart, Mendelssonn, Decembers and Schubert. 2. They should, because they help to re-tain the moisture and promote the agri-cultural and manufacturing interests of

the country.

3. They were heathens and sacrificed human victims upon their altars.

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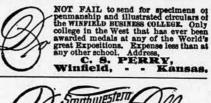
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A great many letters are received at this office for Senator Peffer. The Senator arrived in Washington on the 1st inst., and his address will be at that place until Congress adjourns.

The Atchison Champion, in a paragraph on the late election, says: "The result of Tuesday's election does not indicate the final overthrow of the Alliance in Kansas. The issues were purely local and the result cannot fairly be said to be a test of the actual condition of that party. The Presidential election next year will tell the story."

The National Farmers' Alliance meets in Indianapolis on the 16th and 17th of this month, and the Western Passenger Association authorized one fare for the round trip over all lines of that association. This will make a big scalp on tickets from Western points to Indianapolis by way of Chicago and St. Louis, and in order to prevent inequalities in rates, occasioned by this scalp, the Alton puts in a rate of one fare between Kansas City and Chicago and Kansas City and St.

The implement dealers of Kansas have had a great run on wheat drills this fall. Wheat has been going into the ground up to this date, and the estimates of many observers place the acreage of this year at fully as high a figure as that of last year. The warm weather of the latter half of October and of the first third of November, has brought the earlier sown wheat forward rapidly. The fields present an attractive appearance. If rains shall now be seasonable, the crop will go into the winter in remarkably fine condition.

The Irrigation Age for October 15, is one of the brightest numbers yet issued, and contains matter of special interest to the residents of the prairie States. One very strong feature therein contained is an article by Hon. J. W. Gregory, of Garden City, Kansas, in which the "Underflow of Rivers" is considered in the most able and practical manner. A perusal of this article cannot fail in being of practical benefit to the agriculturist of Kansas and Nebraska, where the question of utilizing the underflow is one of paramount impor-

The members of the Shawnee County Alliance tendered a reception and banquet to Senator Peffer and family, and Congressman Otis and family, on Tuesday the 10th inst., at Lincoln Post hall, this city, prior to their leaving for Washington. The reception was largely attended and proved to be one of the happy events of the season. Mr. D. I. Furbeck was master of ceremonies and presided at the sumptuous banquet prepared by the best cooks in Shawnee county. After the feast the following toasts were given and responded to: "Our Representatives," Dr. S. McLallin; "Lawyers and Reform," Medical Association, and one of the oldest W. H. Bennington; "Clergymen," Jesse veterinarians in Kansas.

"The People," J. H. Lathrop; "Citizens" Alliance," S. W. Combes; "The Women of the Order," L. T. Yount; "Women in the Order," Mrs. D. I. Furbeck and Mrs. R. H. Clark; "The Interests of the Laborer and Farmer," C. W. Marsh; "The Women's Alliance," Mrs. I. W. Pack; 'Political Experience," D. G. Jones 'Farmers' Alliance," H. R. Clark; "Good Will," Wm. Owen; "Patriotism," A. B. Smith; "The Congressman's Wife," Mrs. Otis; "In Behalf of the Guests," Hon. J. G. Otis; "The Hour Has Arrived for Opening Our Ranks and Letting Our Congressman Go," D. I. Furbeck, master of ceremonies. Senator Peffer sent a telegram from Washington, expressing regret at his inability to be present.

RECENT ELECTIONS.

The results of the recent elections throughout the country were spotted, but not a matter of any great surprise to those who have carefully surveyed the field or watched events. New York elected a Democratic State ticket, with Flower for Governor, and the Republicans have a majority of members of the Legislature Massachusetts re-elected Governor Russell, a Democrat, and the balance of the State ticket Republican. Ohio elected McKinley Governor and the whole State ticket and have a majority of members of the Legislature. Iowa re-elected Governor Boles, a Democrat, and the remainder of the State ticket, and the Legislature is Republican, and in Nebraska the Republicans elected a majority of the offices.

In Kansas the result is generally satisfactory to all parties. Each party realized all reasonable expectations, hence all is serene and everybody happy. In this State there was no State or national questions at stake and only a few county officers to be elected and nine Judges. Generally speaking there never was a better class of men put on the various tickets for office than this year. Each party seemed to vie with the others in selecting candidates having a special fitness for the place. The principle of having the office seek the man rather than the man the office, was the popular idea this fall. Another fact of special significance this year was that the farmer was "in it" on each party ticket. It was amusing to note how carefully studious the party managers were not to ignore the farmer, and henceforth the "hayseed" will continue to be an influential factor in Kansas politics and have his legitimate say.

The vote throughout the State was not heavy, there being nothing of general interest to bring out a full vote. The only contest of importance was the united and determined effort of the leading parties to break the strength and growth of the Alliance because that organization has caused a relaxation of party discipline, and Alliance men have contracted a habit of voting with the utmost independence. The party whip has ceased to be a terror to the Kansas farmer. He does his own thinking and voting, and men and principles are paramount to party with him.

The contest in the State was mainly between the People's party and the Republican party; the Democratic vote was mainly a passive quantity except where fused with the Republicans, especially for Judges. The exact returns are not all compiled for the whole State, but the Republicans and Democrats combined have about two offices to the People's one. They also elected seven of the nine Judges.

Another result of the recent election is the beneficent effect on the Alliance organization, ridding it of an element that was calculated to breed discord and leaving it absolutely free from any political entanglements. The Alliance in Kansas to-day is strictly a farmers' organization and absolutely free from any political embarrassments, notwithstanding the efforts of the old parties to make it appear that the Alliance and the People's party were one and the same, for had that been the case they would have captured at least 80 per cent. of the offices. The People's party and the Alliance are as distinct and independent of each other as the G. A. R. and Bepublicans or the Knights of Reciprocity and the Democratic party.

W. D. Epperson, V. S., has removed from Ottawa to Topeka, where he expects to remain permanently. He is the President of the Kansas State Veterinary

Stone; "The Press," J. R. Detwiler; FOOD PRODUCTION AND POPULA-TION.

At the time of the discovery of America the question of land, wheron to grow food for the ever increasing populations of the countries then known, was a serious one in the minds of philanthropists and thinkers. The opening up of half a world of fertile lands which had previously been productive of little but game and such vegetable foods as grew with scarcely any cultivation, and inhabited by a people which disappeared rapidly in the face of civilization, provided an outlet for surplus populations, and at the same time a source of supply of products of the soil which postponed for many generations the realization of the inevitable crowding of population upon production.

The extent of the productive capacity of America was not realized until a tolerably strong stream of population poured over the Alleghanys and brought into cultivation the fertile lands of the great Mississippi basin-as geologists call the vast country from the western base of the Alleghany mountains on the east to the foot of the Rocky mountains on the west.

Nor was the old world farmer aware of the competition he had to meet in the markets of his own as well as other countries until the plows began to turn the fertile prairies of Illinois, nor was the full measure of this competition realized until the great grain-producing States of Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas poured their seemingly interminable surplus of breadstuffs into the world's markets.

By the middle of the period during which the prairie States were converted into farms the European farmer found below what it cost him to produce them; his farm was unprofitable, and he, instead of being the independent lord of the soil, found himself getting into debt; instead of a fierce competition for the products of the farm, the farmer was driven by a flerce competition from his own markets; instead of prospering the farmer and all dependent upon the prosperity of the farmer were brought face to face with the paradoxical situation of so great a production of food that they were unable to be well fed, so great, a production of clothing that they were unable to be well clothed.

Strangely enough the same situation prevailed in the very States and Territories whose overabundant productions had brought to the brink of ruin the old world farmers, and only the prevalence of war or some other great calamity by which consumption and waste of the good things of the earth were enormously increased was there found relief from the anomaly of "overproduction." The consideration of the facts, that, at all times there are millions of people who are underfed, poorly clothed, and indifferently housed, and that their wants liberally met would consume all the surplus productions which ever encumbered the markets of the world, will not be entered upon here. These belong to a discussion of the subject of distribution rather than to that of production.

Will the tide ever turn?" is a question which has been asked a million times by farmers and farmers' wives, as brave men and women as ever faced and fought adversity. "The tide will never turn in our day," have answered the farmers' sons and daughters as they have left the farm to crowd into other avocations.

Mr. C. Wood Davis, a Kansas farmer whose work has heretofore been noticed in these columns, takes a more cheerful view of the farmers' prospects.

In a paper entitled "The Farmer in the Coming Change," he makes use of official statistics from every civilized country in the world. The care and honesty with which these statistics are considered contrasts so strongly with the methods of the 'political statistician" that it is a relief to turn from the shystering methods of the latter to the straightforward work of the farmer statistician.

From this work it appears that the very rapid increase in the world's production of food staples, consequent upon the rapid opening of the great States which constitute the western part of the Mississippi basin, culminated in 1884 and that for several years prior to that time a surplus of products had been accumulating. The crops, considering the world's aggregate, St., Chicago, and mention this paper.

but the accumulations of former years were so great that prices continued to decline. But now population is increasing more rapidly than new lands are being brought under cultivation, and the demand for the products of the farm is fully up with the present productive capacity. Neither is it possible, according to Mr. Davis' views, for new lands to be opened in the future as rapidly as populations increase. In other words, the world has reached the point in its history when the demand upon the productive capacity of the soil is a little greater than that capacity as now developed. The accumulations of past years of overabundance are being consumed, and on account of widespread crop failures in Europe even the superabundant crop of 1891 in the United States will not be sufficient, with the remnant of the reserves of former years, to properly feed the people of the world.

That this condition will be permanent appears from the showing that at present the average annual increase in acres in cultivation in the United States is 1.4 per cent., and the annual increase in population is about 2.5 per cent., while as above-noted population was crowding upon the productive power of the old world many years ago.

A consideration of the probable increase in cultivated areas in the world and of the results of better cultivation everywhere under the stimulas of pressing demand develops the first appearance of interested motives as an influence in Mr. Davis' otherwise almost perfect work. In this he allows himself to drift into the position of a special advocate of the proposition that the American farmer is himself striving against a competition very soon to enter upon an era in which which impoverished him. Grains and he is to be the most prosperous member very soon to enter upon an era in which meats were sold in his markets at prices of community. And yet after making every allowance for the partiality of the advocate the conclusion is irresistible that the workings of natural causes, if not perverted by the schemes of speculators, and the greed of numerous other parasites upon industry, will very soon place the farmer who owns his land in a position far more desirable than that he has occupied during the period when the production of farm products has exceeded the demand for them.

The picture of the condition of poor people who must buy what they consume in a market in which there is not enough to supply the demand is one to be looked upon sooner or later, and its shadow already cast before in reports of destitution and starvation which darken the pages of the daily press, appeals pathetically to humanity.

NEBRASKA WINTER CORN EXHIBIT.

The Nebraska State fair management, which is ably conducted by the State Board of Agriculture with the co-operation of the agricultural department of the State University, announces a winter corn exhibit to be held in Grant Memorial hall, Lincoln, commencing on the third Tues day in January, 1892. It is the aim of the board to make this the grandest corn exhibit ever held in the United States, or anywhere else, and to hold such an exhibit annually.

The specimens collected this year are to be retained intact for the World's Columbian fair at Chicago.

The following quotations are made from the directions of the board: "Do not think of average specimens, search whole fields with a view to secure maximums. Let each ear be perfectly typical of its kind in size and symmetry, well filled and rounded out at both tip and butt."

"Exhibits must be grown in Nebraska, the growth of 1891, and have been grown by the exhibitor. Statements as to soil, manner of saving, preparing seed, and time of planting, mode of culture, and period of maturity to accompany each

"Premium corn to become the property of the board for distribution, or such other disposition as it may determine."

Kansas can rival her sister State as to corn; can greatly surpass her as to wheat; can equal her as to sugar, and can make exhibits of cotton and other products of the farm unsuited to Nebraska's latitude, and of course she will one of these days get about it.

Those of our readers who have a good quality of butter and desire to ship to Chicago and have the same sold to the best advantage should communicate with seasons of 1885 and 1886 yielded short the Durand Commission Co., 184 S. Water

SECRETARY RUSK'S REPORT.

Secretary Rusk in his third annual report, as secretary of agriculture says that notwithstanding the abundant yield of crops this year, values are well sustained, and estimates that the increase in the value of agricultural products over last year will not be less than \$700,000,000. He states that during the first three months of the present fiscal year our exports in cereals alone have aggregated \$760,000,000, adding that indications now are that the sales abroad will during the present year exceed those of any previous year. He notes the increase by some \$28,000,000 in the imports of agricultural products during the first ten months under the present law, by comparison with the same period during the last year of the old law, but emphasizes the fact that the increase is confined largely to articles not competing with home products, such as sugar, tea and coffee. At the same time he states the change in rates checked the importation of products which may be produced at home. He notes a decrease in tobacco from \$17,000,000 to \$6,000,000, a falling off in foreign barley of nearly \$3,500,000; in eggs, \$1,250,000; in horses, a falling off of nearly \$1,500,000, and a gradual decline in the imports of all live stock. Referring to the import of hides, admitted free of duty, he states that this causes a great depreciation in prices realized for hides of home production and earnestly recommends that the duty provided for in section 3 of the tariff act approved October 1, 1890, be imposed in all cases where the countries from which hides are shipped have not granted equal concessions in regard to the admission of the agricultural products of the United States.

In speaking of the inspection of meat for exportation, the secretary says:

"Our people demand something more than protection from communicable diseases. In most, if not all, European countries inspectors, according to their reports, freely pass for consumption the meat of animals affected with foot and mouth disease, pleuro-pneumonia, tuberculosis, actinomosis and similar diseases which, according to the views and customs of this country, must be condemned. But all the meat for foreign markets is inspected the same as that for home consumption. In this respect, as in others, we have met the objections which have been raised to American products and have not only removed the cause, but have gone beyond what was asked by our

"Up to the 1st of October there has been a total of 1,016,614 animals inspected, both before and after slaughter; there were 63,672 carcasses of hogs examined microscopically and the total number of animals condemned and sent to the fertilizing tanks was but 1,976. The cost of the work has been within the anticipated limit and is being considerably reduced as the work proceeds.
"I am of the opinion that the inspection

of animals and their marking for identification, may be accomplished for a sum not exceeding 3 cents per head, and that the cost of microscopical examination of hogs will not exceed 5 cents per head."

He earnestly recommends that Congress be asked to make an appropriation sufficiently large to extend the inspection to all applicants.

He estimates that the losses to our pork raisers during the past ten years, owing to the prohibition by foreign countries, aggregate over \$260,000,000. Pleuro-pneumonia he regards as quite under control and limited in territory to two or three counties on Long Island and in New Jersey, over which a thorough quarantine is exercised. Inspection by American veterinarians of cattle landed in Great Britain has been continued, as well as inspection of such animals before shipment. Since the beginning of this work there has been inspected, altogether, up to October 1, 1891, 326,519 head of animals. A very slight decrease in the number of cattle exported s noted, which is attributed to the increase in price, cattle being in June, 1889, from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per head more than in June, 1890. The inspection of imported animals has been rigidly maintained. The result of the inspection of vessels carrying export cattle has been to materially ventilation, overcrowding and weak fittings. The total number of vessels examined since July 1, 1891, has been 215.

movement of Southern cattle has involved Texas. The following was the population per cent. There are small decreases in Burlington, Ok.

the separation and keeping distinct transportation over 40,000 cars containing 1,000,000 head of cattle. While the results of this work have been highly beneficial, he asks for further powers to enable him to compel a strict compliance with his regulations in the movements of Southern

The Secretary points out the fact that for more than a year there has been no well authenticated case of pleuro-pneumonia in American cattle exported to foreign countries and adds that the condition of the United States trade and the vigilant supervision of our government, justify the strongest presentation to the British government of the grievance which our cattle raisers suffer unjustly by reason of its arbitrary regulations enforced against American cattle coupled with an urgent demand for their removal; adding that they have been clearly shown to be useless, and that their maintenance can only be regarded as an evidence of unfriendliness. He concludes that "Justice as well as proper self-respect demand such a course," and adds that he shall, in the absence of the removal of such unfriendly restrictions, feel it his duty to suggest the rigid enforcement of the law now in existence prohibiting import into the United States of all live animals, but at present suspended as a matter of friendship to foreign governments.

He regards it as highly desirable that the people of foreign countries should be informed of our resources and facilities for supplying their wants, and refers to the work done in Great Britain during the past year by the special agent of the department, charged with introducing Indian corn and its products to the attention of Europeans as an economic and nutritious substitute for other cereal foods, and highly commends the work already done in this direction.

The Secretary deems it the duty of his department to keep the farmer fully informed of the market value of his wares, in order that he may know before he markets his goods just what their value is.

He congratulates the country upon the success of the experiments in the extraction of sugar from sorghum. "There seems to be no reason," he says, "why we should not look forward with confidence to the day when the \$100,000,000 paid by Americans to foreign producers for sugars should be turned into the pockets of our own people.

In reviewing the work of the division of chemistry with reference to the adulteration of foods, the Secretary emphasizes especially the adulterations of coffee, which are found to extend to a very large percentage, not only of the ground coffee, but of the coffee bean, wholly artificial beans having been introduced into the market, of which samples bought on the open market were found to largely consist. These artificial beans are sold to the trade at 4 cents a pound. In large measure they are imported and the Secretary urges that such importations, as well as their manufacture and use in this country be absolutely prohibited.

Touching the experiments in producing rain, he states briefly that they have been made but that he has no data yet at hand which would justify him in expressing any conclusion on the subject.

In concluding his report Secretary Rusk states that from the time he assumed the reins of office he has given his personal attention to the general enlargement of the scope of the work of the department in the interest of practical agriculture, especially the extention of a market for the disposal of the surplus of our great staple crops. He points out that to fully carry out his views will unquestionably involve liberal expenditures, but he says that within twenty years the efforts of the department on such lines as he has laid down will have increased the value of our agricultural products from between \$3,000,000,000 and \$4,000,000,000 to at least twice that enormous sum.

Oklahoma's Population.

A Washington dispatch says: "The Census office has completed the compilation of the returns for Oklahoma. It is found that the total population of the Territory on June 1, 1890, was 61,834. As reduce the losses resulting from lack of this Territory has been organized since 1880, no comparison can be made with the tenth census. 'The total of 61,834 includes 5,338 persons returned for Greer county, which is in dispute, being claimed by

by counties: Beaver, 2,674; Canadian, 7,158; Cleveland, 6,605; Greer, 5,338; Kingfisher, 8,332; Logan, 12,770; Oklahoma, 11,742; Payne, 7,215.

The population of the four cities having over 1,000 was as follows: Oklahoma City. 4,151; Guthrie, 2,788; East Guthrie, 2,141; Kingfisher, 1,134. The population for other towns was as follows: Frico, 654; Elreno, 570; Reno City, 234; Lexington, 223; Norman, 787; Mangum, 202; West Guthrie, 404; Edmond, 294; Stillwater, 480."

THE CHEROKEES' SIDE.

The late election in the Cherokee Nation resulted in the choice of Joel B. Mayes for Chief. In his annual message to his nation's Council, he summed up his people's views on the Cherokees' rights to the strip of land lying just beyond the southern boundary of Kansas in the following words:

"We have had the peaceable and un disputed possession of the so-called 'Outlet' for a period of over half a century. Our title to it, which is by patent in fee simple, now a matter of record in the General Land Office at Washington, D. C., and which original document remains among the archives of the Cherokee Nation with the personal signature of Martin Van Buren, President of the United States, thereto attached, and it was never disputed by any department of the government from the days of Andrew Jackson down to the present administration when, in order to buy it, our tenants were forcibly ejected, our finances thrown into confusion, our credit impaired, our institutions of learning closed, and our children deprived of the means of education, and all for no other reason, that I can see, than that we were unwilling to part with that which is ours for less than its value. A proposition to buy the 'Outlet' will in all probability be submitted again to you during your present session. If such a proposition is entertained at any time it certainly must be done at a fair valuation of this property. I do not believe that the power exists anywhere to take these lands from the Cherokees without their consent, unless by an act of robbery. The Cherokees cannot afford to lose sight of their treaty stipulations with the United States government, which define the status and ownership to these lands.

"If the sale is made to the United States it must be done through a revision of the treaty of 1866, by which the land may be conveyed to the government for other purposes than the settlement of friendly Indians, which contract for the sale to friendly Indians is thoroughly understood, and has been partly carried out. Then let our relations with the United States be more accurately defined, and let every right that belongs to the Cherokees be permanently secured. Let many objectionable and oppressive features of the treaty of 1866, that were forced upon the Cherokees at the close of the war, be stricken from it as a condition of the

The Chief has failed to notice, in this message, the mournful fact that in all history civilization has found means either just or unjust of obtaining for the use of the strongest every tract of valuable lands as rapidly as needed, and that it is therefore not to be presumed that this Outlet, which is equal in fertility and value for cultivation to the rich counties of Kansas which bound it on the north, will be much longer left as a range for half-wild cattle. There appears to be some difference of opinion botween the United States and the Cherokee Nation as to the status

corn, barley, half cured meats and lard. Sales of clothing, dry goods and shoes are largely in excess of last year and money in fair demand. At other western points reports are invariably very encouraging, trade being brisk and improving, with money easy, the only city reporting monetary pressure being Omaha.

In the south, too, the condition of business is very satisfactory.

Speculation has lifted wheat 1%. Corn has declined a 1/3c, cotton 1/3c. Oil, pork products and hogs are lower, but coffee is

The general average of prices is a shade lower for the week and markets are less embarrassed than usual by cliques maintainig artificial prices. In the main labor is well employed with few controversies about wages. Collections were fair throughout the country and gradually improved.

Business failures number 266 against 256 the preceding week and 215 same week last year.

The New Southwest.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - Oklahoma needs no introduction to Kansas people, for in fact your surplus population seems to predominate, and we have hardly found it necessary to inquire as to the State, but only as to county, where Oklahomians came from, though every State and nationality is represented. But we shall try to introduce the KANSAS FARMER more fully to its people, as perhaps at the present time coming nearer "filling the bill!" than that of any other farm journal published, and shall be pleased to receive and forward subscriptions or requests for sample copies. We have on our table over twenty papers, almost exclusively farm journals; and while in various ways we are deeply interested in Eastern journals, with their able writers of long years of experience, and with those of the great interior which we read with much profit, yet there are local questions connected with farming in every section that necessitates the State or local farm paper. So while not detracting anything from the others, for whose columns we give our best thoughts and practical experience, we urge every farmer to take his home paper and give it the results of his experience whenever he has anything that will do him good in the telling and his neighbors in hearing. And to go still further, we urge the use of the columns of your county papers. We know the KANSAS FARMER will agree with us in this. For many years its columns have been freely open to

years its columns have been freely open to us, and in many ways it was profitable to writer, press, and from expressions given, also to the people. By and by we may have something of practical experience from this new Southwest, and in the meantime will give some impressions as to the country, its people, and their farming as it appears to us, and will gladly welcome that of others.

Many farmers do not feel the need of farm journals; they have never learned to appreciate them. We are not going to say you cannot be successful without them, for some of you have been very successful; but we do say that they, giving as they do the results and experiences of others like situated, will without doubt enhance that success or make it easier. Neither do we say that those who read one or many are as a rule even more successful than you; they might not otherwise have been nearly as successful as they have been. But that many of our best farmers of todifficulties in starting, but now stand in the front rank and are the peers of men of any other business or profession, are the greatest readers and writers of the farm press, is well known, and they on every occasion urge the same upon every farmer press, is well known, and they on every occasion urge the same upon every farmer who is striving after the best things. The farmer of to-day must be well posted. The competition in life's race is sharp;

and the Cherokee Nation as to the status of the ownership of the Outlet. These differences will be adjusted, justly, it is hoped, and the beautiful prairie of the Outlet will ere long be converted into beautiful farms of the State of Oklahoma.

Last Week's Business Review.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "Crops are moving freely, so that it seems scarcely probable any important monetary disturbance will arise at present. Reports from all parts of the country show business, although interrupted by elections, has been large in volume. Trade is good in the east. Western reports show the effects of the phenomenal grain movement at Chicago. Receipts of wheat and rye are three times larger than last year's. The increase in dressed beef is a hundred per cent., in oats and wool 33 per cent., and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and larger than last year's. The increase in oats and wool 33 per cent., and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and larger than last year's. Business and larger than last year's. The increase in oats and wool 33 per cent., and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and status and you may do. Little by little we farmers are improving in every direction. When one gets up a little, let him help year year there times larger than last year's. The increase in larger than last year's. The increase in dressed beef is a hundred per cent., in oats and wool 33 per cent., and in flour 11 per cent. There are small decreases in larger than last year's. Business and the stance of the son and the post of the saturation and to the editor for hints, says: "That is just the office of a good

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Those Condemned Grapes.

The spraying of fruit, says the Farm and Fireside, has received an advertisement that will result in making known its merits far and wide. The New York City Board of Health recently condemned grapes on the market that showed signs of poison on the stems, and had tons of them destroyed. The hasty action of the board caused a graps panic. An investigation showed that the grapes had been sprayed with a solution of the Bordeaux mixture, and that traces of the sulphate of copper remained on the stems. The matter was referred to the Department of Agriculture, which has for several years been recommending the spraying of grapes with this mixture, as a preventive against fungus diseases. The department officially replied that over a ton of grapes, sprayed eight times with the mixture, would be required to furnish a single poisonous dose. After consumers understand it, they will not hesitate to purchase perfect fruit because of the means used to make it so, as long as they are harm-

Spraying of fruit trees, plants and vines for the prevention of the ravages of insects and fungus diseases is no longer an experiment, but a necessity, in order to get large crops of perfect fruit. In this connection we will add, for the benefit of those wishing information on the subject of spraying, that William Stahl, manufacturer of Excelsior spraying outfits, Quincy, Ill., will send them free a full and complete treatise on the subject.

Autumn Care of Roses.

Notwithstanding the fact that roses have numerous enemies, it is not so difficult to succeed with them as many seem to think. S. A. Little, in the American Garden, says most insect pests yield to sprinklings of hellebore in water, or kerosene emulsion. Rose bugs are not very troublesome on a clay soil, and such a soil is well adapted to their (the roses) needs.

We never take our roses from the ground to protect them, having learned that it can be done much more effectually where they stand. What is called an "open' winter is much more severe upon roses than is steady cold, even though it be below zero. Our method of protection for winter is to draw the earth up around the base of the plant for perhaps six inches. A quantity of leaves is then put over it, and the whole is covered with bagasse, the refuse from an amber cane mill. Evergreen boughs are equally good over the leaves, and I have no doubt but that corn stalks might answer if there was no grain to draw mice.

There is a Perle des Jardins in our collection which is eight or nine years old, which has several times frozen off to the earth, but it always sprouts again and has never failed to yield a generous number of roses every season. The old Caroline Marinesse failed to come up at all one summer and we thought it entirely dead, but the next season it sent up a few shoots, and it is strong and vigorous now. It is not safe to remove all the covering from the bushes at once in spring, as a cold, dry wind does them as much injury as a freeze. We throw the coarse litter from the top, remove the leaves and throw back the litter, leaving it till the branches have time to dry off and harden. Then all the covering is removed, the bushes are pruned, the earth levelled and cultivated and a generous coating of stable manure is worked

Roses should not be covered until the approach of real winter. On tha last dayt when the ground freezes a little all day put them into their winter overcoats, and the chances are that their sleep will be sweet and their awakening joyous. We rarely lose more than one bush in a dozen, and that is not discouraging.

There are four roses in our garden which are sure to be replaced whenever one is lost. These are the Princess Vera, Safrano. Papa Gontier and Catherine Mermet. Safrano is the least hardy of the four. Princess Vera and Catherine Mermet Princess Vera and Catherine Mermet have exquisite buds, and are very full and perfect when fully opened. Papa Gontier and Safrano have long, lovely buds, but the opened rose is semi-double. La France does not do well in our clay loam, and Madame Louis Henry, though exquisite, is but a shy bloomer.

Roses are not greatly injured by light frosts, and the ever-bloomers will yield a handful of buds almost until snow flies.

Trees Set in Autumn.

Autumn transplanting of fruit and other trees is still practiced by horticulturists, and undoubtedly there are many advantages in doing so. As an exchange says, the trees that were set last autumn now require a little special attention, and it should be given to them before any new trees are set. The soil around their roots has become solid and compact, and in order for the tree to grow freely this crust should be broken. Many fruit trees show signs of dying from drought during August, but such disaster can be averted by mellowing the ground around the trees, which will act the same as a mulch and prevent the roots from becoming dry. The soil should be stirred frequently, so as to keep the surface soil moist and prevent the growth of weeds and grass. If the plow and harrown are sed in the orchard the harrow should be of the kind with short teeth, which will mellow and pulverize the soil and not tear up the roots.

Horticultural Notes.

The peach was originally a very poisonous fruit, but by cultivation the poison has disappeared.

Time will be gained by setting out currant and gooseberry bushes in the fall. They are perfectly hardy.

There is a pear tree near Jefferson City, Mo., the fruit of which one man has bought for twenty years, and during that time has paid \$800 to the owner of the tree.

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Western Call: E. A. Taylor brought to our office, last Monday, the last compliments of the season, as he termed it, in the way of peaches. But these peaches were grand specimens of what Mr. Taylor has raised on his farm this year. Large, melunder the sun ever raised better fruit than Mr. Taylor, has raised this summer, no matter what variety or kind you speak of. We thank you most heartily for your compliment, Mr. Taylor.

The Cedar Vale Star says that an eightyfive acre peach orchard near Severy afforded a few pointers to farmers this year that they can profit by if they will. A three-fourths interest in this year's crop was sold in the orchard for \$4,000, the purchaser to harvest the entire crop and have control of the orchard. The first thing done by the experienced fruit men who were the purchasers was to go through the orchard carefully and thin out the fruit. They didn't thrash it off with poles, either, but hand-picked it, removing the may compete-first prize \$6, second prize imperfect and too crowded fruit. When shipping they did not send their shipments | \$6, third prize \$4. In Classes 12 and 13, to such points as Kansas City, fruit centers, to be sacrificed, but touched such \$2. In Class 14, shown in pairs, male and points as St. Paul and Minneapolis, Omaha, female—first prize \$6, second prize \$3, Denver and western Kansas towns. Do except Guinea fewls, for which prizes are: you see the points? Large orchards bring purchasers. Growing fruit needs attention. Judgment in shipping.

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Poultry at the World's Fair.

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regulations governing the poultry exhibit, and the system of judging to be adopted, will be issued hereafter.

Section 34 says: "Numbers alone will designate stock on the exposition grounds prior to the award of premiums." The classes are numbered and named as follows: Class 1, American; Class 2, Asiatic; Class 3, Mediterranean; Class 4, Polish; Class 5, Hamburgs; Class 6, French; Class 7, English; Class 8, Games and Game Bantams; Class 9, Bantams other than Game; Class 10, Miscellaneous (which is comprised of the Russians, Silkies and Sultans); Class 11, Turkeys (entries single specimens, adult fowls only); Class 12, Ducks (entries in pairs, male and female;) Class 13, Geese (entries in pairs, male and female); Class 14, Ornamental (Pheasants, Peafowls and Guinea fowls). In Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, excepting Game low and of a delicious flavor. No country Bantams, specimens are to be shown singly, viz.: cock, hen, cockerel and pullet in each variety:

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In the Dairy.

Making Butter on the Farm. By Mrs. Anna Clark, read at one of the Wisconsin Institutes.

I do not think that in discussing the above subject it will be out of place to speak about milking the cows and setting the milk; for both must be done before we can make butter. I think I know how to milk, and I have always obtained the best results in milking the same cows all the time and drawing the milk as quickly as possible. In other words, let the cows have their regular attendants. We have two boys on the farm, and I have noticed that some of the cows will come to them in regular order to be milked when they are in the yard. We milk the cows in regular order and at regular times. Some farmers claim that if a person is in the habit of singing and whistling they should sing or whistle to the same cow every time, and that it wouldn't make any difference if they whistled "Old Hundred" if they did not get "forty-five" out of it, in order to get the same results from the cow every time, but it does not seem to make any difference with our cows. The only difference I notice is when they are driven out of the pasture on the run, with a dog

I think as soon as a pail of milk is obtained it should be carried to the milkhouse, strained into the cans and put into the cooler immediately. We have a good rock well; this water is about 40°, and I don't think the water in the tank has ever been warmer than 54° or 55°.

I always leave the milk in the cans twenty-four hours before I skim, and then I skim it in a stone jar and keep it in the tank as cool and as sweet as milk, until I get the amount that I want to churn. I generally churn about five gallons in an eight-gallon churn. When I have the amount desired I lift it out of the tank, and leave it till it ripens or begins to thicken. If it should get too warm before I commence to churn, I cool it down until it is about right to churn, i. e., about 60°. When I commence I churn steady, with a regular motion, until the butter comes. I don't think it is a good plan to read and churn at the same time, for if you do, you will forget you were churning at all, and when you realize what you are doing, you will start like a steam engine, and in that way of churning it takes a long time, and I don't think the butter is as good as when

churned with a regular motion. My idea of washing the butter is this: As soon as it is churned I drain off the buttermilk and leave the butter in the churn. Now the butter is in small particles, just the right condition to salt. My way of washing butter differs from that of some of the farmers. I make a weak brine and wash it three times; then I add nearly an ounce of salt to the pound, then I rock the churn back and forth until I am satisfied that the salt is well worked into the butter. Then I take the butter out into my butter-bowl and press it into a mass and leave it about twelve hours. By this time the salt is all dissolved and I work it over and drain off all the brine. If there is any butter in the tub I drain it off before I pack again, by tipping the tub upon its edge. Butter never should be rubbed with a ladle; it should be pressed together to get the brine out, and should be pressed when packed in the tub. When the tub is within half an inch of being full I put on a clean white cheese-cloth, not out of the rag-bag, fill the tub even full with fine salt, put the cover on tight. I will guarantee if this butter is put in a proper place it will keep from June to June. I want you to remember that I have no machinery for making butter. I have a revolving barrel churn and the Fairlamb milk can. I do not call that machinery. It is all done by hard work. I am not kicking about hard work, but the price we get for the butter. There are hundreds of pounds of what is called butter, that is made of cream set in cellars and old milk safes, and left until it is sour and thick and blue on top, before it is skimmed; and then it is churned and they call that butter. Now they pay for that butter from 10 to 15 cents a pound. That seems to be the price for the butter. Now, ladies and gentlemen of this association, is it fair that I should sell a No. 1 article of butter and sell it for the same price as grease? I think when any person makes a No. 1 article they should have a No. 1 price for it; but it does not seem to make much difference in this market. It seems strange that people don't know any better in this enlightened age of the world than to make wagon-grease and call it butter; they should have wagon-grease prices for it—10 cents a box, or three for a quarter. June. I want you to remember that I

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HOGS—Receipts 5,648. An active but weaker market was had. Range of packers' hogs, 83 50 a4 00; bulk of sales, 83 60a3 90.

SHEEP—Receipts 855 A slow market. Muttons, 83 40; Colorados, 83 90.

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CATTLE — Receipts 18,000. Market steady.
Good to choice natives, none; top prices, \$5 00a
5 60; others, \$3 50a4 50; Texans, \$2 40a2 90; rangers, \$3 15a4 25; stockers, \$2 10a2 45; cows, \$1 50a

325
HOGS — Receipts 38,000. Market steady. Rough and common, \$3 60a3 75; mixed and packers, \$3 80a3 90; prime heavy and butcher weights, \$4 00a4 05; light, \$3 50a3 75.
SHEEP — Receipts 6,000. Market steady. Native ewes, \$2 50a4 25; mixed, \$4 25a4 35; wethers, \$4 50a5 25; Texans, \$4 40; lambs, \$3 75a5 25.

St. Louis.

November 9, 1891.

CATTLE—Receipts 2,100. Market stronger.
Good to choice native steers, \$4 90a5 50; fair to good native steers, \$2 90a5 00; Texas and Indian steers, \$2 20a3 30; do. cows and canners, \$1 10a

240. HOGS—Receipts 2,700. Market lower. Fair to fanoy heavy, 83 75a3 90; mixed grades, 83 00a 3 80; light, fair to choice, 83 30a3 50. SHEEP—Receipts 100. Market firm. Fair to good, 82 30a4 60.

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Kansas City.

WHEAT—Receipts 162,500 bushels. No. 2 hard, 83c; No. 3 hard, 79c; No. 4 hard, 74a75c; No. 2 red, 87c; No. 3 red, 87c; No. 4 hard, 74a75c; No. 2 red, 87c; No. 3 red, 87c; No. 3 mixed, 83½c; No. 4 mixed, 36c; No. 2 mixed, 38½c; No. 3 mixed, 37c; No. 4 mixed, 36c; No. 2 white, mixed, 49c.

OATS—Receipts 42,000 bushels. No. 2 mixed, 27½c; No. 3 mixed, 28½c; No. 2 red, 28½c.

No. 2 white mixed, 28c; No. 2 red, 28½c.

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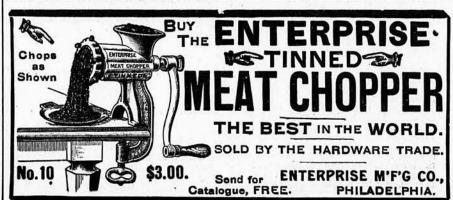
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STEER-Taken up by William H. Welf, October 6, 1891, in Blue Mound tp., one roan stee; 1 year old past, smooth crop off right ear, and two silts in same valued at \$12. Linn county-H. A. Strong, clerk.

FOR WEEK ENDING NOV. 11, 1891.

Marion county-W. H. Evans, clerk. COW-Taken up by Sophonia McIntosh, in Clark

Cherokee county-J. C. Atkinson, clerk. MARE—Taken up by T. W. Hull, three miles north of Galena, October 18, 1891, one bay mare, 9 or 10 years old, 18 hands high, branded O on left hip and B en right hip, left front foot and right hind foot white, small white spot in forehead, long mane and tail, three shoes on when taken up; valued at \$25.

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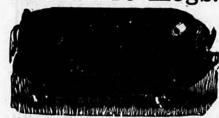
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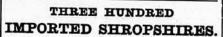
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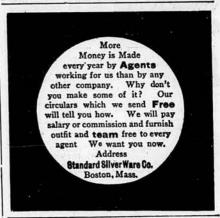


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