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Contributed Articles.

NOTES OF TRAVEL. BY MRS. CORA M. DOWNS.

WALDEN, N. Y., July 5th. I am in a tower loft, and from my altitude I ought to have an aspiring frame of mind, but alas! the perspiring state of one's corporeal existence dissipates the ethereal fine vapors of one's mental loftiness. What would you do, Oh editor! if you were seated in a lovely little nest, softly carpeted and draperied with lace, away up over the heads of the herd of humanity, and above the robins that are warbling till their little throats must ache with the perpetual melody? No wonder that editorial sanctums are generally like dens. The less attractive they are, I suppose, the better one could write.

Here at my right is the sweet face of an old time girl friend, and again at my left, the patient, serious face of one well along in years, but sanctified by all discipline and Christian faith. Don't fancy, Monsieur SPIRIT, that I am going to drink so much of wine of life and not get intoxicated. Can one dwell in Arcadia and not get dreamy, silent, idle?

Here, with folded hands, during these summer afternoons, sit we, and dreamily recall the sports and rambles of other days. The rumble and roar and heat and dust of the great cities I have left behind me, is remembered as an unpleasing phantasm in contrast with this rural peace..

ing of plates, no loud talking, but soft, pleasant pathy with the undue exercise of lower flexibles, more than half my task was already accomplished. voices in the halls, partly closed blinds with fragrant vine blossoms, shaded porches and cheerful influences. The ladies move softly down the stairways in floating robes that are strictly classic, so flowing in outline, suggestive of some undefinable charm in shape and form discoverable only to the

To-day the soft wind is fairly heavy with the odorous breath of the garden. A shower last evening has revived us, for we were nearly spent with the heat of the past week. The New York papers have dreadful accounts of sunstroke and suffering.

Last Sabbath Mr. Beecher evidently thought it was his duty to say pleasant things, for it was so hot, so sultry, the heavens were like brass, and the earth like a furnace, and there were many hundred fans moving like miniature wind-mills in Plymouth Church; and the beloved disciple, knowing that the burden and the heat of the day was terrible to bear, forgot his own discomforts and made us to laugh and feel cheery under his magic wand. He told us never to laugh at people who scalded their mouths with hot tea! Whereupon we all smiled irresistibly, remembering the occasions when we ers are, however, of some service in this busy world nearly laughed at such painful mishaps in the case of our friend, but never laughed when the individual concerned was ourself. His illustrations of a practical truth were all of the same simple, everyday nature. "Be courteous," in every-day, common things, he again and again enforced by every incident and suggestion that his inexhaustible resources commanded. The pugnacious orator, the vain man for their services. in public life, the man who was always getting insulted, the wiry man, the heavy man, each of these came in for a share of Christian advice. "When tives from slavery, could go into even a strong antiper, "that you can no longer hold your tongue tion concerning the leading agents of the U.G.R.R. Leavenworth "Times" writes: "The crops in this section against personal outrage and difficulty, then by all means, hold it?" Advice is the easiest thing to of Columbus, nearly all the active working men ducks and qualis may be had for miles and miles around." you feel," said he, speaking of hot and hasty tem- slavery town or neighborhood and obtain informa-

succumb to proper remedies and treatment, except generally employed to hunt up the fugitives. I the fault of vanity and overweening self-conceit. came across one of these shrewd strangers, by the He did not know of any cure for that form of dis- lucky circumstance of his forgetting the name of ease except death.

I like it or not. I suppose the book is intended to rect him. It was one of those little episodes in life convey an excellent moral, but I think the moral which are not often forgotten. This man-hunter, could have been dragged in without a suicide, for I must give him his proper title, had been on which turns out to be no suicide after all, notwith- an extensive northern trip in search of some halfstanding we saw the man dead in his bed! These dozen slaves who had eloped from Kentucky withstory writers do pile up the agony mountain high out notifying their friends who had for many years about events and heart histories that are every day cared for their temporal and spiritual welfare. anwritten romances in the knowledge of many of From information which had been received conus, only we have not written them out ourselves, cerning them a year or so after they had left their they have cognized, they work in a murder or two, employed at or near one of those well known antiand a denouement that in nine cases out of ten never happens along at all.

flame of love has burned in some secret heart chamer with steady and patient endurance the soul goes cerning the different points or termini of the U.G. its wonted way, till death comes along and blows R. R., that in the future the slave hunters could lay out the little lamp and hushes the beatings of a lonely heart. And there is no murder done except the murder of trust and faith in that kind of affection which spent itself in spells of midnight and hush and dew! in kisses that were like the draining of flower hearts, by robber-bees-in caresses that stole the bloom and the tenderness out of life! class of persons who were communicative, and by The early green returns not to the leaf nor the expending a few dollars in cigars and drinks, I red to the flower; still less does early purity to the gained their confidence and good wishes; and in

up my pencil with a gasp of exceeding don't-wantto-do-anythingness, and why should n't I be in this gro was always under the wood-pile. I found the mood, when every fluttering garment that was stir- old saying frequently true: 'What is in when sober, ring about this morning has gone off, left, absented, comes out when drunk.' I soon found out that the vapored, vanished, fled! In a nook here, in a cham- prejudices against the negro race were stronger a ber there, all silent and white in antique repose of hundred fold in the Free States than in the Slave robe and drapery, I should perhaps discover the States. [This looks paradoxical, but it was a living occupants of the morning's gear, but now only the fact.] This loafing class who are generally found birds and I are left to gape at each other in the around such places, waiting for something to turn tower windows. Strange how in these July after- up, were the persons whom I found most ready and noons every few seconds of time the lower and up- willing to assist me; and, what was fortunate for per jaws open on the view an extensive chasm of me, they were invariably the most bitter negrocool, quiet spaces, no banging of doors, no clatterand presently the body takes itself off into retire- Selecting one or more of the keenest sort, I informsides into somnolent ease and security.

to the Paradise of sleepy souls. The same to you, Monsieur!

> U. G. R. R. NUMBER THREE BY JAMES HANWAY.

A regular loafer is the intermediate link between thief and an honest man. He is a sort of bloodsucker, who is ever ready to give his services to anybody if he is convinced he can hold on to both ends of the single-tree. His conscience, if he has any, is as pliable as gutta-percha; it will expand or contract according to the pressure applied to it. He lives for himself, and thinks the wide world owes him a living; and his only trouble is, how to loaf off his neighbors and acquaintances without appearing too impertment. Flattery is his stock in trade, and by adroitly using it he gains many a faver. Without this he would be powerless. Loafof ours. They keep well posted in local matters, and take an apparent interest in the welfare of the community, especially in individual cases. If you have a little job that you have some delicacy in undertaking yourself, these loafers are at your service and are ready to carry out your wishes with dispatch; but you must reward them handsomely

It was always a surprise to the anti-slavery men how a stranger from a slave State, in search of fugi-

every fault and foible that a man has, he said, might were known, at least by name, to those who were the person he was after. He made a confidant of I have just finished "The Thief in the Night," by me, and before many words were exchanged I found Harriet Prescott Spofford. I don't know whether out his blunder, but thought it advisable not to corand when they undertake it, concerning the cases former masters, it was thought the fugitives were slavery stations in Northeastern Ohio. He was unsuccessful in his search, and was, at the time re-How many a little patient, faithful, unrequited ferred to, on his way home to Kentucky. He had spent several months along the lake shores, at ber year in and year out! Sometimes with tears Cleveland, Detroit and other places, for the purpose, and sobbings and passionate heart break, but often- as he informed me, of obtaining information con-

their plans and act knowingly. "But how did you obtain access to those persons who could give you information?" I inquired. "The easiest thing in the world," he replied. "I always put up at a second or third class hotel on such occasions, and thereby came in contact with a Oh, I am so weary to-day, and so idle! I took ity, I soon found a nucleus for my plans. Politics was the engrossing topic of conversation—the nement, and anon muscle and nerve and sense sub- ed them of my mission. At first they would appear somewhat astonished, but soon took hold-al-Which condition hath so captivated my fancy at ways informing me that the business was somewhat these present advices that I herewith betake myself unpopular and even dangerous. This was to draw posed to give them. A little money will go a long way with these loafers, who are too lazy to work for an honest living. It was from this class that I received a list of over a hundred names of leading abolitionists, from Cincinnati to the lake shores. I know the routes they generally take to run off the darkies, but there is one difficulty in the way; many of these starting points or stations verge off in different directions, like a fan when opened. If you start northeast, very likely they have been sent northwest, and thus you lose the trail."

Such was the outline which my informant gave me of his mission in pursuit of the fugitive slave, and the loafers who assisted him to ferret out the abolitionists who rendered material aid to the fugi-

tive on his way to the promised land. This slave hunter placed great importance on the list of names he had collected—he evidently considered it a key which would unlock the hidden mysteries of the U. G. R. R. I read the name of Dr. Jewett of Dayton, but there were two Dr. Jewetts at that time living in Dayton. No doubt, however, it was the Doctor who had been mobbed by the Democratic electors of that city a few years before, for his abolition principles (a good endorsement by the bye); and since he has left this terrestrial habitation, I doubt not his works for the downtrodden and hunted fugitive will long be remembered as the crowning record of his eventful life.

The Arkansas City (Cowley county) Correspondent of the

THE BEST.

about a good paper—says THE SPIRIT is the best agricultural paper in Kansas. Murdock is right. He might have said that it is the best paper anyway, fifth of those farmers would feel impelled by public and probably would, had he not had one eye on his beautiful TIMES. But what will he say now when we tell him, and everybody, that Augusta Moore, a novelist of almost unsurpassed popularity, has, at our earnest solicitation, written and forwarded a work all summer, and not produced at least a capstory expressly for THE SPIRIT? All we want now is more subscribers to enjoy it. Let them roll in.

The Farm.

THE MURMUR OF THE RAIN.

I am sitting by my window, And the night is coming down, And I watch the darkness settle Upon the silent town; Above, the sky is murky. And the softly-falling rain, It tinkles like these little thoughts That drip from out my brain.

Now the shadows have grown denser And the night is still around, Save that the gentle raindrops Patter slowly on the ground. And now throughout the darkness A distant echo steals. From the trampling of the horses' hoofs, And rumbling of the wheels.

Now it dies away in silence, And anon returns again; And all the time I hear the chime Of softly falling rain. While the shivering wind it murmurs With demoniac delight,-Oh, I'm sure it moans with the dying groans Of the hearts that break to-night!

There is something very mournful In this solemn, ceaseless sound; But it tells of peace that will never cease, In the cavern underground. Ah! the sweetest hope of youth is dead-'T will never bloom again! But the tears I shed for the hope that's dead, Fall like the mournful rain.

Upon the bridge at midnight I wandered to and fro, When the moon rode high in a cloudless sky, And the water moaned below. Then the north wind blew full fiercely, But I found, a wild delight. Dear one, to be thus nearer thee In the cold and bitter night.

But hark ! the clock is striking ! The morning comes again; But all the time I hear the chime Of softly falling rain. Away, ye sad emotions! As the rain sinks in the ground, So ye depart into the heart!-And silence broods around.

THE SEASONS.

Who loves not Spring's voluptuous hours, The carnival of birds and flowers? Yet who would choose, however dear That Spring should revel all the year? Who loves not Summer's splendid reign, The bridal of the earth and main? Yet who would choose, however bright, day noon without a night? Who loves not Autumn's joyous round, When corn, and wine, and oil abound? Yet who would choose, however gay, A year of unrenew'd decay? Who loves not Winter's awful form, The sphere-born music of the storm? Yet who would choose, how grand soever, The shortest day to last forever?

A SUMMER DAY.

Clear had the day been from the dawn. All chequer'd was the sky; Thin clouds, like scarfs of cobweb lawn, Veil'd Heaven's most glorious eye. The wind had no more strength than this, That leisurely it blew, To make one leaf the next to kiss That closely by it grew. The rills that on the pebbles play'd, Might now be heard at will; This world they only music made, Else everything was still.

THE FARMERS' FESTIVAL.

BY HORACE GREELEY.

As the season approaches when agricultural fairs will be holden all over the State-more, by great odds, than have ever been held before-we think we can do no better for those whom it concernsand it concerns everybody in Kansas—than to re produce an article written on this subject a few years ago by the man who has told us "what he knows about farming," and who is now engaged in the less important, but perhaps to him equally interesting, enterprise of showing what he knows about being President.]

I have been attending, during the last month, several of the county or township fairs wherewith our farmers so generally and so fitly celebrate the close of their summer's labors and the commencement of

I. Whoever thoughtfully scans one of these exhibitions must be struck with the paucity of contributors and contributions, as compared with what ering that is impervious to moisture, and the tool is as bright they might and should be. Here is a county comin the spring as when laid away in the fall. tributors and contributions, as compared with what

prising five thousand farms and, of course, five Bent Murdock-who knows how it is himself thousand farmers-each of whom, it may be fairly presumed, has grown something that might help to make up an exhibit of the county's products. It seems within reason to estimate that at least onespirit and a proper pride to contribute-even though a hill of corn, a peck of potatoes, a basket of apples, a few bunches of grapes, or a basket of beans, were the best he had to offer. One can scarcely conceive that a farmer should have been at full of grains, fruits, or vegetables, that he would be willing to send or take as his contribution to the fair. Yet, so far as I may judge from a hasty observation, there has not been so many as one thousand farmers who contributed to any county fair held this fall in our State. Decidedly the best of all that I have visited this year was that of the western towns of Oswego county, held at Fulton, on the 25th ult. Oswego is a large, rich, thrifty county, especially favored in her adaptation to fruit-culture, but well suited also to Dairying, which she prosecutes with spirit and success. I judge that five thousand of her farmers, besides their wives and children, attended the late fair at Why, I could have beaten that!" The more shame to you, then, that you did not try. Our fairs can never do the good they should do until every farmer goes home saying, "I will have something to exhibit next year—at all events, I will exhibit the they should lay for an hour or two at least, after digging, befarmers in any county shall each resolve to exhibit something, our fairs will be richly worth their cost in time and effort. As yet, most farmers go to grumble that the show is so scanty and meager, without seeming to consider that they are to blame for it—that it would have been all that need be desired had they severally recognized and fulfilled their obligation to contribute. Any fair to which half the farmers in the county contribute will be a good one.

II. It seems to me that unreasonable emphasis is generally laid on the award of premiums. Three men, passing hurriedly from pen to pen, adjudge A.'s horse or oxen the best on the ground, and B.'s only second or third in excellence. Very probably they err in judgment, through haste, or partiality, or incompetency. What if they do? Is the intrinsic value of your animal lessened by this error? Is the matter worth fretting over, any how? The popular verdict often reverses that of the committee, and fully atones for the injustice by the heartiness of its condemnation. If I were an exhibitor, and cared about the matter, I would rather have injustice done me than not. Where the appellate tribunal includes the whole county, no one need care what three men may say. And yet, exhibitors have gone grumbling away, firmly resolved never to exhibit again, because of presumed partiality or injustice in the award of some paltry premium.

III. The overwhelming, crushing popularity of the horse at some fairs marks a low stage of intellectual and moral development on the part of the assembled thousands. That men should, among many articles worth their observation and study, see only the horses on the course, and have their interest in the fair wholly absorbed in the gait of A.'s team, the stride of B.'s racer, or the time made by C. or D.'s span of trotters, is unfortunate, to say the least. Still, we must deal with men as we find them; and this passion for horseflesh doubtless draws thousands to fairs who would otherwise shun them. The study of managers should be to turn this passion to good account, by having other exercises interleaved or alternated with the show of horses on the track; while racing should be sternly discountenanced. I would never allow two horses or teams to compete, but have each horse, each team, exhibited separately, and timed independently of any other. When blacklegs get possession of our fairs, they will have them pretty much to themselves.

IV. There should be set times for the explanation of every machine or novel implement on the ground: not only for the judges, but for the public. Let due notice be given that this or that machine or new device will be operated and illustrated, say at 10 A. M.; another at 11, and so on. Much information would thus be diffused with regard to implements which are now passed by the majority in dumb perplexity or blundering misconception.

V. Finally, Messrs. Managers, be good enough to let those whom you invite to speak have at least half a chance! Let them speak before dinner always-not when the people are wearied out with gazing and tramping, and anxious to get away to. their homes. If the speaker be worth hearing, he should be heard; if not, he needs the better opportunity, so as not to be held responsible unjustly for dispersing the crowd. I move that the hour for the address be uniformly that between noon and 1

Keep constantly in the tool house a dry cloth and an oiled one. When a tool is brought in, as it generally is when the day's work is done, it is cleaned and wiped with the dry cloth. their autumn harvests. A conviction that these fairs, already useful as incitements to better and still better husbandry, may be rendered far more so in the future, prompts the following suggestions: If it is not to be used the next day, the oiled cloth is then shovels, spades, etc., are kept sharp. All this time use lard oil, but when there is no further use for ploughs or cultiva-tors, give them a good coat of linseed oil. This forms a cov-

BUCOLIC BREVITIES

English epicures have an idea that no fowl with dark or yellow legs is as delicate in flesh as those with white legs.

A neighbor of ours says that hog's lard is the best thing h can find to mix with the dough he gives to his hens. He says that one cut of this fat, as large as a walnut, will set a hen to laying immediately after she has been broken up from setting, and that by feeding them with the fat occasionally, his hens continue to lay through the winter.

Lady gardeners should observe the following instructions: Make up your beds early in the morning; sew buttons on your husbands shirts; do not rake up any grievances; protect the young and tender branches of your family; plant a smile of good temper in your face; propagate the tendrils of affection wherever they appear; and carefully root out all angry feelings, and expect a good crop of happiness.

To make tomato catsup, boil one bushel tomatoes until soft, then squeeze through a fine wire-sieve; add half a gallon of vinegar, one and one-half pints of salt, two ounces cloves, one quarter pound of alspice, one and a half ounces cayenne pepper, three tablespoonfulls of black pepper, and five heads of garlic, skinned and separated; mix and boil three hours, or until reduced one-half, and bottle without straining. The garlic may be omitted by those who do not desire its flavor, without injury.

Scribe, the French poet, hired a house in the country to pass the summer. As soon as he was fairly installed in it, he went in search of a farmer who had a milch cow. Having found one, he stated his want, "My good man, my servant Fulton. And two-thirds of them doubtless said, as they scanned this or that article on exhibition, it will be eight cents." "But I want pure milk, very pure." "In that case it is ten cents." "You will milk in the present of my servant?" "Oh, then it will be fifteen cents."

If potatoes are to be stored in a cellar, it must be either naturally dry or made so by proper drainage. The pobest I may have." Whenever the better half of the fore they are carted to the cellar. It makes them cleaner, of course, to knock all the dirt off from them while picking them up, and keep that which settles to the wagon floor from going in with them; but they will keep better in the bin if these precautions are not taken, and a considerable portion of dry earth is allowed to go in with them.

When, on examining an egg, by holding it between the eye and the light of the sun, or of a candle, the vivifying speck is seen exactly on the top, such an egg, it is said, will produce a male bird; but if, on the contrary, the speck be on one side, it will produce a hen. It is said, also, that the sex of the embryo bird may be distinguished by the shape of the egg; as, if the egg is elongated in shape it will contain a male, but if more globular it will contain a female. So that, if these indications be true, either sex may be propagated at pleasure, which is not yet known to be the case in any other class of the animal creation.

The Arabs illustrate their estimate of the different colors of horses by the following story: "A chief of a tribe was once pursued by his enemies. He said to his son, 'My son, drop to the rear, and tell me the color of the horses of our foe, and may Allah burn his grandfather!' 'White', was the answer. Then we will go south,' said the chief, 'for in the vast plains of the desert the wind of a white horse will not stand in a protracted chase.' Again the chief said: 'My son, what colored horses pursue us?' 'Black, O my father!' 'Then we will go among the stones and on the rocky ground, for the feet of black horses are not strong.' A third time the young Arab was sent to the rear, and reported chestnut horses. 'Then, said the chief, 'we are lost. Who but Allah can deliver us from the chestnut horse?"

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The Home.

HUMANITY AT HOME.

I honor and I love the mind, Whose warm and generous thoughts embrace The common interests of our kind, Through Time's long track and Earth's wide space; And, like the glorious god of day, Sheds o'er the world its living ray.

I watched with throbbing heart the zeal, Whose all incorporating plan Can teach a million souls to feel For all that's man's—for all that's Man! And every human title blend In those of Brother and of Friend.

I've travelled many a country far, Through Finland's wild, on Afric's strand,— And there went with me like a star, The glory of my native land; A star whose light, where'er I trod, Seemed blazing with the truths of God.

But sometimes sadness came and dwelt Within my heart. 'T was proud to hear My country's name; but O! I felt That misery dwelt unheeded there; That hearts were sad, and eyes were wet— Forgotten—how could I forget?

I would not check the nobly good, Who, joy diffusing, widely roam; But I would whisper, if I could, Look round, for there are wrongs at home; And voices, though but feeble, call On Heav'n—on thee—on me—on all !

Dost thou not hear their cry? To thee, Who hears the lightest plaint of wo That's borne across the distant sea, Can their appeal be vain? O no! Thou didst but want some tongue to say, Grief's sons are here, and these are they.

THE HOUSE.

There is no architect Can build as the Muse can; She is skilful to select Materials for her plan;

Slow and warily to choose Rafters of immortal pine, of cedar incorruptible, Worthy her design.

She threads dark Alpine forests, Or valleys by the sea, In many lands, with painful steps, Ere she can find a tree.

She ransacks mines and ledges And quarries every rock, To hew the famous adamant For each eternal block.

She lays her beams in music, In music every one, To the cadence of the whirling world Which dances round the sun,

That so they shall not be displaced By lapses or by wars, But for the love of happy souls Outlive the newest stars. [R. W. Emerson.

THE USES OF ADVERSITY.

Methinks if ye would know How visitations of calamity Affect the pious soul, 't is shown ye there! Look yonder at that cloud, which, through the sky Sailing alone, doth cross in her career The rolling moon! I watch'd it as it came, And dream'd the deep opaque would blot her beams But, melting as a wreath of snow, it hangs In folds of wavy silver round, and clothes The orb with richer beauties than her own, Then, passing, leaves her in her light serene. (Southey.

THE OLD LAYS.

I love the old melodious lays Which softly melt the ages through, The songs of Spenser's golden days, Arcadian Sydney's silver phrase, Sprinkling over noon of time with freshest morning dew [Whittier.

HOMES.

Recreation is a necessity of our hard-working, overstrained life. Men and women need it, and will have it. But should they go from home to find it? Is home nothing but a place to sleep, eat and drudge in ?—a: place to be escaped from, as from a prison, whenever enjoyment is to be sought? Plainly false and injurious as is such a view, it seems to be that which generally prevails among us. The members of our households seek their recreations abroad. Yielding to different tastes, or controlled by different circumstances, they seek it in different places. Husbands and wives, parents and children, thus separate from one another in their associations, the family unity disappears, and the seeds of discord are planted in the home circle. Under this false and fatal idea, that it is necessary to go abroad to seek after enjoyment, society has become a travelling association of pleasure-hunters, as if pleasure

could be found by thus hunting for it. The old, happy home-life is disappearing—we had almost sadly said, has disappeared. And with it is vanish-ing not only the truest enjoyment, but also the greatest safe-guard of our social state. Miserable or guilty is that man who quits his home to find enjoyment. Lost is that woman who does it. Unhappy is the son or daughter who does not find home the happiest spot on earth. The family circle is a misnomer, as applied to the members of households thus separate in their associations and pleasures. With them there can be no golden chain of holy affection, strengthened and kept bright by loving association and the communion of the innocent joys and sacred sorrows of the family. Home should be the dearest, happiest spot on earth to every individual. There the weary man of business should find his needed rest. There the wife and mother should find her purest, deepest pleasures. And there children should find attractions stronger than all the world can present.

We tinker away at the evils of society, and go on making new "societies" to amuse, instruct or restrain our people, when the great want is homes!

EVILS OF GOSSIP.

I have known, says a writer in All the Year Round, a country society which withered away all to nothing under the dry rot of gossip only. Friendships, once as firm as granite, dissolved to jelly, and then run away to water, only because of this; KETTLE RENDERED LEAF LARD, love, that promised a future as enduring as heaven and as stable as truth, evaporating into a morning mist that turned to a long day's tears, only because of this; a father and son were set foot to foot with the fiery breath of an anger that would never cool again between them, only because of this; and a husband and young wife, each straining at the hated leash which in the beginning had been the golden bondage of a God-blessed love, sat mournfully by the side of the grave where all their love and all their joy lay buried, and only because of this. I have seen faith transformed to mean doubt, hope give place to grim despair, and charity take on itself the features of black malevolence, all because of the spell words of scandal and the magic mutterings of gossip. Great crimes work great wrong, and the deeper tragedies of human life spring from its larger passions; but woeful and most mournful are the uncatalogued tragedies that issue from gossip and detraction; most mournful the shipwreck often made of noble natures and lovely lives by the bitter winds and dead salt water of slander. So easy to say, yet so hard to provethrowing on the innocent all the burden and the strain of demonstrating their innocence, and pun- LAWRENCE, KANSAS ishing them as guilty if unable to pluck out the stings they never see, and to silence words they never hear-gossip and slander are the deadliest and cruelest weapons man has ever forged for his brother's hurt.

DYSPEPSIA.

If a man wishes to get rid of dyspepsia, he must give his stomach and brain less to do. It will be of no service for him to follow any particular regimen to live on chaff-bread, or any such stuff—to weigh his food, etc., so long as the brain is in a constant state of excitement. Let that have proper rest, and the stomach will perform its functions. But if he pass fourteen or fifteen hours a day in his office or counting-room, and take no exercise, his stomach will inevitably become paralyzed, and if he puts nothing into it but a cracker a day, it will not digest it. In many cases it is the brain that is the primary cause. Give that delicate organ some rest. Leave your business behind you when you go to your home. Do not sit down to your dinner with your brows knit, and your mind absorbed in casting up interest accounts. Never abridge the usual hours of sleep. Take more or less exercise in the open air every day. Allow yourself some innocent recreation. Eat moderately, slowly, and of what you please, provided it be not the shovel and tongs. If any particular dish disagrees with you, however, never touch it, or look at it. Do not imagine that you must live on rye-bread or oat-meal porridge; a reasonable quantity of nutritious food is essential to the mind as well as the body. Above all, banish all thoughts of the subject. If you have any treatises on dyspepsia, domestic medicine, etc., put them directly into the fire. If you are constantly talking and thinking about dyspepsia, you will surely have it. Endeavor to forget that you have a stomach. Keep a clear conscience; live temperately, regularly; cleanly; be industrious, too, but be temperate.

Do n't keep a solitary parlor, into which you go but once a month with your parson, special guests or sewing society. Make your living room the house. Let the place be such that when your boy has gone to distant lands, or even when, perhaps, he clings to a single plank in the waters of the wide ocean, the thought of the old homestead shall come to him in his desolation, bringing always light, hope and love. Have no dungeon about your house—no room you never open—no blinds that are always shut.

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS, JULY 13, 1872.

A NEW FEATURE.

In addition to the other departments of THE SPIRIT, which have won the unanimous commenwe have the pleasure of announcing that we have passed interest, written by one of the most popular writers in this country expressly for our paper, and as our friends have had time to roll in the extra names which this announcement will naturally call

B. F. AKERS, ESQ.

A most remarkable communication appears in Wilkes' last "Spirit of the Times" concerning this gentleman, under the signature of Col. C. R. Jennison. We regret to see the Col.'s name to such an assault, because we are persuaded that it is uncalled for, and that the performances of which he complains are susceptible of a different explanation. Mr. Akers is a gentleman to whom the horse fraterprising public spirit, and for whom they, in company with our fellow citizens generally, entertain a very high regard. They will not willingly believe, unless upon the most indisputable testimony, that he has been guilty of practices cailing for what Col. Jennison calls for-his "immediate expulsion from all regular trotting courses."

It so happens that we can speak by the record Mr. Akers, and if there is nothing more serious in the others than in these, then the Col. has wasted a good deal of ammunition for very little game. The fourth and fifth charges have reference to the conduct of Mr. Akers in connection with the trotting logic the proposition will hardly carry. at the State Fair. They are utterly groundless, so far as he is concerned. The people all wanted to see Rhode Island and St. Elmo trot, and while parties owning or interested in other horses might have been glad to rule them out, the managers of know that Mr. Akers did nothing contrary to their wishes, but studiously complied with them in every respect. In regard to the trotting of Providence, he informed the managers that the horse had trotted in Lawrence on his way to the Fair, and asked if his record there should bar him at Topeka. It was decided that he should trot at Topeka, a decision that might not have been technically correct according to the rules of the National Trotting Congress, but which seemed to the managers to be the best one to make in the interest of the Fair. At any rate, if there was any irregularity or impropriety, Mr. Akers was not to blame for it. We had the honor of being President of the State Agricultural Society at the time, and know whereof we

for the improvement of our noblest domestic animal, the horse, than any man in Kansas. It is proof
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mal, the horse, than any man in Kansas. It is proof enough of this to say that the best and fastest blood on this continent—with the venerable old Ethan Allen at the head of the stud-is now in his hands, and at the demand of our stock men, in Leavenworth. We notice indeed how artfully Col. Jennison compliments Mr. Sprague in his communication the railroad from here to Topeka. We may not to the "Spirit," and his object in this is very evident. But Mr. Sprague will searcely be caught by any such cheap chaff as that. He has in Mr. Akers to throw any obstacles in its way. Some men are the best man he could have found to aid him in his magnificent stock operations.

The introduction of such horses as Ethan Allen, Rhode Island, St. Elmo, Providence, Sprague's There never was a greater mistake in the world. It Hambletonian and others we might mention, into Kansas, is the greatest event for our State that could have happened to it. There are young colts now in Leavenworth from such horses as these and out of thoroughbred mares, that can be secured and will be secured by the enterprising farmers of Kandenounce as it deserves any mean attempt to preju- to them both. dice or imperil it.

PITY THE POLITICIANS.

tempt of politicians.

OUR OTTAWA CORRESPONDENCE.

this year will be far above anything we have had for several years. Spring wheat looks fine on some farms and poor on others. I think the reason why so many do not get the large crops they anticipate, dation of our readers and our brethren of the press, is because they do not farm the land as they should. We certainly have a fine country, productive and now in our possession an original story, of unsurattention and labor. With these, an almost certain crop can be expected.

which we shall commence publishing just as soon Blackberries are now in market at 25 cents per hibition. She is the Queen of the trotting turf toquart. The worms are at work on the shade trees, just as they were last summer. In many places the other horse to uncrown her, and that is to come trees have been entirely stripped of their leaves. It out in the open air and do it. We hope not to see seems to me that there should be some remedy for another of Bonner's pious letters in answer to this affliction. It does not become serious at first, Budd Doble, but a manly acceptance of a manly out each year is too much for the trees and us too.

The great topic of discussion now-even exceedng that of politics—is the proposition to vote three hundred thousand dollars in bonds to various railroad schemes, heretofore mentioned by me. The opposition to the plan comes from certain localities which consider the proposition too indefinite. They wish to have their respective places made stations on the road. And as they are requested to tax ternity of Kansas owe many obligations for his en- themselves with a great debt, they consider themgreat an indebtedness, and believe the only need of ly backward, the people of Kansas have reason to the county is the Holden road. The bonded in- thank God and take courage. There is not a State ingly these people cannot see sufficient benefits from reward. the proposed roads to warrant this increase, and concerning two of the charges preferred against therefore it is to meet these objections, and answer each of them, that meetings have been announced at various school houses throughout the county, to less they possess a fine array of figures, facts and

he candidates are still in training, and each one is

as hopeful as the times will permit.

ings of

OTTAWA, July 11, 1872.

MAD AT TOPEKA.

"They are mad at Topeka," says the Junction City "Union," "because the Federal Courts for one term in each year have been removed to Leavenworth," Well, if this is so, we are sorry for it. We think it a very foolish thing on the part of our Topeka friends. We have noticed on several occasions a disposition to concentrate interests there which have no more business there than at Leavenworth, or Lawrence, or Junction City. We predict now that a move will be made to elect a Republican State Committee of such a local character as to in- done with the idea that the preacher is a mere sensure so small a matter as the holding of political We are satisfied that Mr. Akers has done more conventions at Topeka. We trust our suspicion is ve suggest, for the consideration of our friends up there, that too great selfishness, like vaulting ambition, sometimes overleaps itself.

town than it is for an individual. This is the way be the height of municipal meanness and madness chances are better for rising when they can pull other men down; or at least prevent their rising. s just so about towns. Live, and let live, should be their motto, as it should be and is that of all broad gauged men.

GOOD FOR HARPER.

Everybody is glad that Harper's Longfellow won sas. Who can estimate the material wealth that the great race. Mr. Harper had such confidence in You must not preach about slavery. You must not such stock will add to our State in the next decade? his favorite, and showed such nerve in bringing be a political preacher. We want no politics from And we are impatient and indignant to see any cit- him to the trial again after his defeat of last year, izen saying anything which can in the least degree that everybody is delighted at his success. Long- pleading till they would not hear a preacher that tend to cloud such an enterprise. It seems to us that fellow must be a splendid fellow. He is described touched upon the subject of this moral hydra and the press of the whole State should see it for its in- as looking almost conscious of the great things ex- political curse. Just so now, if a preacher happens terest to call the attention of the people to the un- pected of him, and of entering the race with an air to raise his voice in behalf of political righteousness paralleled facilities thus offered them for the im- and spirit that said: Here's for victory for Long- the same "klan" try to howl him down as a dabbler provement of their stock, and that they should also fellow and Harper! Long life and many victories in other men's matters. The facts in the case are

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to us that they are rather objects of pity. Just our editorial columns some two months ago, and think of the toil and tug and sweat-of the jour- which bore internal evidences of its originality, consider it an unwarrantable interference. neving to and fro-of the sleepless nights-of the has been extensively copied without credit. To hope deferred that maketh the heart sick-of the this we had nothing to say. But we have a little more plainly, on political questions-questions upunreliability of political promises—the uncertainty of political prospects—and the terrible certainty to which we refer only for the fun of the thing. expect corruption and rottenness. If the pulpit is that after all is over, and the votes are counted, not An article in our paper concerning, the secret of to be closed to all subjects but those of a theoretimore than one in a hundred of the eager, auxious making good butter was copied by one of our State cal theology, then who shall lead the people forward crowd of aspirants can be successful. Think of all exchanges without credit. A few weeks after, in in the path of political and natural truth? Not the this, farmers and mechanics! as you lie down to answer to an inquiry of a correspondent, we repubpoliticians certainly. They hold that "ignorance" pleasant dreams, after, it may be, a weary day's lished the same article, crediting it to the paper of the people "is bliss" to themselves. Let the work, and have a little pity mingled with your con- that had stolen it from us. We thought this might preachers speak. be too much for our brother to bear, and that we July 9th, 1872.

might get the "amende honorable," but instead of THE BIG DRY-GOODS HOUSE OF KANSAS. DEAR SPIRIT: Oat harvesting is now going on that, we find the same article in another exchange, broughout the county, with better results than we credited neither to us nor to the paper that stole it! and at first expected. Corn is growing nicely and All right. If you like it pass it around. It may has a good, healthy appearance. The potato crop give us better butter, even if we do not get the credit.

NO MORE OF THAT, BONNER.

Bonner can't play shy any longer. It is too thin. He is now challenged to trot Dexter and Joe Elliotwhom he claims to have beaten Dexter's time-with Let him accept the challenge or forever hold his peace. He can't take away the Maid's hard earned Fruit this year promises an abundant yield. laurels by any little side show or private family exday, and there is only one way for Dexter or any challenge. Pay or play."

THE CROPS.

We infer from all our exchanges-and the papers of Kansas almost without exception give careful attention to this important subject—that the promise of crops is splendid. The wheat crop has been badly affected, but the harvest turns out much better than was anticipated. Oats are good. And old King Corn is, as the boys would say, "bully." Poselves entitled to demand the benefits accruing from tatoes, ditto. On the whole, with a winter unprecthe road. Others, however, object to voting so edentedly long and cold, and aspring discouragingdebtedness of Franklin county is to-day \$250,000. in the American Union where well directed agri-The proposed aid will make it \$550,000. Accord- cultural industry is surer of a regular and ample

PREACHERS AND POLITICS.

The "preacher of righteousness" is supposed to be a man of one work, and many seem to think that be addressed by gentlemen from Ottawa. But un- that one work is a kind of sentimental twaddle about weeping and praying and angels and archangels, thrones and sweet fields, the blue ethereal There is nothing new in the political field. All and starry crowns; and under such a sentiment woe to the man that drags the "sacred ministerial robes" in the mire of every day practical life. Then I shall not be able to write you my usual letter he is becoming secular, he is coming down from his next week, as I leave to be absent some ten days. high calling. I am one of the kind that believe in the Fair tried to satisfy the popular demand. We The week after I shall resume the uncertain gossip- using common sense in weighing and examining religious matters as well as other things. Religion is, to us, nothing if it is not an every day reality. It is not putting on a long face on Sunday, singing psalms and drawling prayers. It is rather a spiritual force that equalizes, harmonizes and adjusts our life-not the soul, but the entire life. A religion that affects the soul and does not regulate the body is worthless. It always ends in either open infidelity or devoteeism.

My definition of preaching as the work of the ministry is a proclaiming of the good, the true, the beautiful, the useful, as they may touch and affect the lives of men. The true minister, like his Master, goes about "doing good." The sooner we have timentalist, the better for all concerned.

Has the preacher, then, any "rights" that politia true citizen he has an interest in everything that Such a spirit is no better, in the long run, for a affects his citizenship—that affects his country. Shall men who make office-hunting a trade, who we have talked to our people at home concerning look upon the field of politics as a market place where prizes are bought and sold, rule the preacher feel called upon to give anything to it, but it would of truth out by saying that he is "dabbling in the dirty pool of politics?" Suppose there are parties, is he necessarily a partisan if he sees the more good got up on so small a scale that they think their on one side and so proclaims it? In the sense of finding an opposing party the preacher, like the Christ, is a partisan. The devils said, "Let us alone. What have we to do with thee?" So says the demagogue to the preacher, "Let us alone; this is our fight; we can attend to this without clerical help; we don't want to see clerical robes dragged in the mire of party politics." This was the great cry in slavery times. "Let us alone. This is a political institution. You are a preacher of morals. preachers." People were misled by such specious that all our political economy is an outgrowth of moral truths. Governments are instituted for the benefit of the governed, not the governors. But We pass by many chances to complain of our the corrupters and demagogues know no politics It is customary to speak of this class of our fel- neighbors for not giving us credit when they copy but such as result to the benefit of the governors. low citizens in terms of contempt. It has occurred from THE SPIRIT. An article which appeared in The people are their servants: the spoils of office their lawful prey. If the preacher says a word they

If the pulpit does not speak out more radically, A. S. PARSON.

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AN ORIGINAL STORY.

We have succeeded in securing an original and magnificent story from the pen of AUGUSTA MOORE for THE KANSAS SPIRIT. We have read it and can guarantee that it will constitute one of the most attractive features of our paper. We desire to delay commencing its publication until there is an opportunity for new subscribers to send in their names. The story is worth more than the \$2.00, and you will say so.

Telegraphic Summary.

In the Stokes trial on Monday last, Stokes testified in his own behalf. He stated that the meeting at the hotel was accidental, and that he shot Fisk in self defence, Fisk having first drawn his pistol with the evident intention of shooting him (Stokes). The line of defence in the case is justifiable

Wm. A. Saunders, a colored elector on the Republican ticket of Maryland, publishes a letter decilining the nomination and stating that a profound sense of duty to his race compels

It is reported that Mura Halstead of the Cincinnati "Comhim to support Greeley. mercial" will soon renounce Greeley and Brown and give his

support to Grant and Wilson. A Washington dispatch of the 8th says the best information both from civil and military sources, is to the effect that fears of a general Indian war in the southwest portion of the Indian Territory and the borders of Texas, are without foundation. General Pope believes the reports were circulated by renegades, and says all the depredations of a recent date were committed by small bands.

The great trot for a purse of \$5,000, between Goldsmith Maid, Lucy, American Girl and Henry, came off on the 9th, at Fleetwood Park, in presence of 5,000 spectators. American Girl won the race in three straight heats. Time, 2:21-2:191-2:24. After the second heat it was found that Goldsmith Maid had cut her left quarter, and the judges allowed her to be withdrawn. The excitement during the race ran high, and at the end of each heat American Girl was received with cheers. She won the first heat by half a length, the second by two lengths, and the third by one length.

On the 8th inst., three young men, charged with the violation and murder of a young girl named Mary Jane Secore. were taken from the jail at Celina, Ohio, by a mob of 3000 citizens, and two of them hanged near the place where the outrage and murder were committed. The third and youngest of the three was spared on the appeal of a brother of the murdered girl, who expressed doubts as to his participation

The National Democratic Convention met at Baltimore on the in the affair. 9th. James R. Doolittle of Wisconsin was chosen permanent President, with the usual list of vice-presidents and secretaries. The Cincinnati platform was adopted without amendment, and Greeley was nominated for President on the first ballot, with a very near approach to unanimity. The Convention was a very full one, and included many prominent names in the Democratic party. The adoption of the Cincinnati platform and nominees seems to have been hearty and

ly attended. Resolutions of disapproval of the action of the other Convention were adopted, and a call issued for a National Convention to be held at Louisville, Kentucky, September 3d.

Peter H. Watson, of Ashtabula, Ohio, has been elected to the Presidency of the Erie railway. He is said to be one of the best railroad men in the country.

KANSAS AGRICULTURAL NEWS AND NOTES. The Humboldt "Southwest" has an able and interesting

agricultural department, and "would be pleased to receive brief reports of farmers' clubs in Allen, Wilson, Woodson, Anderson and Labette counties." From the "Southwest" we learn that the farmers of Owl

was organized and a constitution and by-laws adopted, David Divinny is secretary. Also that the Farmers' Club of Perry Township recently

discussed the herd law question, some of the farmers being for and others opposed to a herd law. The present law upon our statute books was universally condemned."

In the same department a "farmer" sensibly says: "Farmers' clubs can be made beneficial if some system is adopted by which experiments are made, according to the direction and judgment of the club; and notes taken of planting, manuring, cultivating, of wet and dry weather, and the result of these experiments given to the club at its meetings, but if speeches be the order of the club at its meetings, and no actual work, no experimenting, they will soon die, and the benefit that might be derived, will be lost."

From a column of interesting "local farm notes" in Frank Roots' wide awake paper, the Holton "Express," we select

"Jacob Hixon informs us that he has a Concord grape vine the following: on his place, less than one mile east of this city, set out two years this spring, which now has 360 bunches of fruit. Some time ago a dog bit off one of the branches about eight feet long, otherwise he says he would have had over 400 hunches. Altogether he has about 30 vines, some of them five or six years old. Of peaches and apples, he says he will have a large

"C. J. Cowell has fifty-five acres of Mediterranean (winter) amount." wheat which he is now harvesting and says will yield fully twenty bushels to the acre, and J. F. Wyatt, one of the best farmers in the county, corroborates his statement. In a radius of three miles around Holton, Mr. Cowell says he is sanguine there will be fully four thousand bushels of winter wheat. Mr. Cowell has 200 acres of corn five feet high, and 100 acres of oats four feet high."

The Oskaloosa "Independent" says: "An insect is preying upon the apples in this region to a very considerable extent, causing large numbers to fall off the trees. In some instances more than half the crop will be destroyed. The insect bores its way in or out at the blossom of the apple, and so effects the fruit that it falls. Some say the insect was deposited in the egg state in the blossom of the apple, and after coming to proper age gnaws its way out; others think that it bores its way from without into the fruit. Whichever theory is correct, the pests are doing a great deal of damage to the apple

J. S. Peevy, Secretary of the Big Creek Farmers' Club, writes to the Tioga "Herald": "Our corn crops are looking finely, being blessed with a fine rain every week or two. Oats are splendid, but I fear the chinch bug will injure some fields before they mature. Wheat is a failure, Potatoes are good.

There will be a large crop of peaches this year."

The Topeka "Commonwealth" has the following encouraging "note" upon farming in Kansas: "Hon. W. Wells, who lives just east of Manhattan, on the line of the Kansas Pacific railroad, has one of the finest orchards in the State. It is sur rounded by a wind-break of forest trees twenty feet wide and a hedge fence, not only outside of the forest trees, but a second one inside of them. In the enclosure he has 3,000 fruit trees, and will, this year, have not less than five hundred bushels of apples, about the same of peaches, besides pears, apricots, cherries, etc. He has already harvested and sold some "early harvest" apples. In 1861 Mr. Wells was a journeyman shoemaker in Leavenworth. He had previous to that pre-empted 160 acres of land near Manhattan and his family at that time were on his 'claim.' He came here from Leavenworth in the fall of 1861, and ran and was elected to the legislature from Potawatomie county; since that time he has increased his farm till he now has 400 acres under a good state of cultivation, with good buildings, out-buildings, etc. He again represented his district in the legislature of last winter, and will probably be the Republican candidate for re-election at the coming election. In ten years Mr. Wells has risen from almost abject poverty to be the owner of one of the finest farms in the State, and has done it by hard work on his farm, having engaged in no outside speculations. This shows what a man can do by farming in Kansas. He is now sixty-two years old, hale and stout, and one of the most progressive and liberal men in our State."

The Osage Mission "Transcript" notes a serious accident a a late race in that city: "Last evening, on the Jockey Club track, a very serious accident occurred. There is no railing around the course, and during the races it seemed to be impossible to keep the lookers on off. At the first race the horses came up to the line in a rapid manner, and the crowd made a rush upon the track to see the start. The result was that an old man named O'Brian, a little son of Aug. Coveller and a stranger were jumped upon by one of the horses, and very severely injured, although not fatally. The horse and rider were thrown several feet, and much grand and lofty tumbling was then indulged in. No blame can be attached to the drivers."

The Eureka "Herald" has a local item about a splendid horse: "Mr. James Stewart has a two-year old stallion which is worth going to see. We have seldom seen a better built animal. Mr. S. always has a number of fine horses and colts of his own raising. Scrub stock he do n't believe in. He is a thorough farmer, and always aims to raise the best."

Town Talk.

FLIES.—It is said that there was an object in the creation of everything. But it certainly is one of the unsolved problems of this mysterious economy, what flies were made for. They are the bane of our summer existence. They bother us the most at the most annoying times. If a man ever wants to be at peace it is at his meals. Physiologists declare it necessary to his digestion. But when flies are as thick and desperate as they are now, gentlemen may cry peace, peace, but there is no peace. Grant would never have said, "let us have peace," it flies had been as thick about him as they are about us at this writing. And in the morning, when you want to take that indispensable morning nap, O horrors! what a torment are the flies. You fight them vaguely at first, then desperately, until, in spite of yourself, you are wide awake, and of course awake in a very unamiable tempera Then you draw the sheet up over your head only to let them Greeley was held at Baltimore on the 10th. It was very slimin about your legs. You get half asleep, and wake up again, gusta (Butler Co.) "Republican." weary, suffecated, savage. Then you get up. What will you do next. Why, if you are a wise man you will go straight to Yates, and invest in some of his incomparable fly paper. Deposit it plentifully around your rooms, and the flies next morning will be cursing Yates, and you will be blessing him, instead of cursing the flies.

NEAT, TASTY AND APPROPRIATE.-The title of THE KANSAS SPIRIT has been changed to THE SPIRIT OF KAN-SAS, and the paper has a new ornamental head-very neat, tasty and appropriate; a decided improvement on the old. THE SPIRIT OF KANSAS is a good family paper, and we recend it to such of our readers as desire to take a weekly published at Lawrence.—Salina "Herald."

IMMIGRATION.—The question of immigration is one that No. 26, for the purpose of forming a Farmers' Club. A club has engaged the attention and enlisted the efforts of the best with more or less success to stimulate it. Governor Harvey's practical recommendation will be remembered. Col. Chanute together with all efficient and provident railroad men, are exceedingly solicitous that the tide should not stop, but, on the contrary, receive a fresh impetus. With similar interest, the popular General Freight Agent of the Galveston road, C. B. Peck, Esq., has been turning his attention to the question, and the result is not only pleasing to him, but a subject of the profoundest congratulations among his many friends,—a girl.

"ONE OF THE BEST."-Kalloch has reversed the name of his paper. Instead of THE KANSAS SPIRIT, its issue for June 29 comes to us, with a new and beautiful head bearing the name of THE SPIRIT OF KANSAS. We admire the change, for Kalloch gets up one of the best family papers in the State. It is published at Lawrence, and the subscription price is only \$2.00, in advance.—Holton "Express."

COLD.—Not the weather. Not by no means. We have heard it remarked several times of late that the weather is warm. It is warm. There is no doubt about it. Warm is no name for it. It is hot. Red hot. What is there then that is cool? Why, Matt. Shaw's refrigerators, of course. They are the coolest things in the mountains. The big one just bought for the Eldridge House cools everything within a hundred feet of it. It cools folks just to look at it. Old Mark, turns away from his cooking range and takes a glance at it to keep the breath of life in him. Alf. leans his portly form against it and smiles again. Poole's beef keeps in it as well as in Poole's own mammoth cooler. In short, Matt. is a public benefactor. We see by one of our dailies that he is going to the mountains to cool off. We don't see any sense in that. Let him just get into one of his refrigerators.

A BEAUTIFUL NEW HEAD,-THE KANSAS SPIRIT has a beautiful new head, and has changed its title to THE SPIRIT OF KANSAS, which we think is more appropriate.) Mr. Kalloch is getting, up one of the very best agricultural papers published in the West, and deserves the support of every farmer in Kansas.—Tioga "Herald."

GUIDE BOARD WANTED .- There is a place in this city where the roads fork in such a manner that no one unaccu tomed to them can tell which to take. It is a little beyond Judge Banks' house just across the ravine—on the Topeka road. It is our opinion from actual observation that an average of five teams a day take the wrong road, and are serious ly inconvenienced at that point. We think a decent regard to the rights of the travelling public ought to induce the proper authorities to indicate to wayfarers at that point the way to get to Topeka.

CARNEY. Governor Carney is announced as being at home again after a long absence.

RECEIVED .- We have received "Rules and Regulations and List of Premiums of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture, for the eighth annual exhibition, to be held at Topeka, Sept. 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, 1872." A number of new special premiums are offered, among them \$300 will be awarded to the bands that furnish the best music at the fair. The list of premiums and other matter relating to the fair covers 40 close

ly printed pages. The "Premium List of the Northern Kansas District Fair to be held at Woodland Park, Atchison, commencing on the 10th, and ending on the 14th, of September," is received. It makes a pamphlet of 40 pages. We notice that Isaac S. Kalloch is booked for the oration.—Lawrence "Journal."

A LIVE PAPER.—Kalloch's KANSAS SPIRIT has become THE SPIRIT OF KANSAS, with a new and improved head, which has still rather too much "gingerbread" for true beauty. THE SPIRIT is a live paper, and will not fail to make its mark.—Oskaloosa "Independent."

AT HOME.—It is pleasant to see the colossal form of the portly and popular President of the Savings Bank at home once more. With such a President, and such a Cashier as Rankin, it is not surprising to learn that the Savings Bank is doing a splendid business.

ABSENT.—Our enterprising and public spirited citizen, J. W. McMillan, President of the 2nd National Bank, is absent a few weeks on business of great public as well as private importance. Our people know that what Mac. undertakes he does, and does well.

A FIRST CLASS PAPER.—THE KANSAS SPIRIT appeared with a new head last week. It is a first-class household and agricultural paper, and we recommend it especially to our farmers.—Olathe "News Letter."

FROM OTTAWA.-Mr. Tefft and family, from Ottawa, have been looking over our city for several days. They are the guests of Under Sheriff Stow. Mr. Tefft is the joint proprietor of one of the best livery establishments in the lively city of Ottawa.—Burlington "Patriot."

A MEDAL.—In Lawrence, last Wednesday, a man was fined \$11.50 for beating his horse. Our old friend Police Judge Christian should have a medal for this.—Junction City "Ilnion."

THE NEW ATCHISON HOTEL.—Messrs. Eldridge and Slos son, the builders and proprietors of the new hotel, arrived in the city yesterday. They will reside here permanently in the future, and superintend the erection of the hotel building. -Atchison "Champion."

WANTED .- A few loads of dirt on one of the Winthrop street crossings. The city may thus be saved from paying for some buggy springs, though it will be a good thing for Learned to let it alone.

"HUNKEY-DOREY."-The Leavenworth "Call," noticing Mr. Kalloch in that city the other day, says he is a "hunkeydorey" fellow. Joe-you're another. THE STATE FAIR.—We shall devote a good share of space

next week to a condensed statement of the premiums offered for the next Kansas State Fair. "Bob."-Bob Wilson is proprietor of the Davis county asy

lum, according to the Junction City "Union." AN IMPROVEMENT THE KANSAS SPIRIT has had a new

head put on it which is a great improvement on the old one. -Topeka "Times." LOCATED.—A. C. Speer of Douglas county has located a claim near this city. He is delighted with our county.—Au-

Lawrence Wholesale Markets for Farmers' Produce Bacon and Sugar Cured Hams are scarce and in demand, and have advanced in price, both at the East and in this mar-

ket. There is a slight advance in Butter and Eggs. Corn and Oats are dull and lower. Potatoes, Beets and Onions have also declined. We quote:

Beef Cattle—native steers, 3@31, gross; native cows, 22@3. Veal Calves, \$5 @ \$7 each.

Sheep, \$21 @ \$3 each. Hogs, 3 cts. per pound, gross. Cut Meats—Bacon sides 8 cts.; shoulders, 5½ cts; hams, ugar cured, canvased, 13 cts.; uncanvased, 11 cts.

Lard in tierces, 81 cts. Hay—best upland, new, \$5.00; second bottom, \$4.00 @ \$4.50. Hemp and Broom Corn-none offering.

Corn-white, 30 cts.; yellow, 30 cts. Oats, 25 cts. Corn Meal, \$1.15 per 100 lbs.

Ground Feed, \$1.15 per 100 lbs. Barley and Wheat-none offering. Potatoes—new 50 cts. @ 75 cts. per bushel. Butter, 15 cts. per pound. Eggs, 15 cts. @ 20 cts. per dozen.

Beets, 50 cts. per bushel. Onions, 75 cts. per bushel. Apples-green, \$2.00 per bushel. Blackberries, 25 cts. per quart. Green Corn, 10 cts. per dozen. Spring Chickens, \$1.75 @ \$2.50 per dozen.

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AVID E. FLACK, Sarah J. Flack and Charles F. Holley, non-residents of the State of Kansas, will take notice that washington Long did on the 14th day of June, A. D. 1872, file his petition in the District Court of the 4th Judicial District Cot the State of Kansas, within and for the county of Douglas in said State, of Kansas, within and for the county of Douglas in said State, against the said David E. Flack, Sarah J. Flack, Charles F. Holley, and Calvin Adams, James T. Stevens and R. R. Dunbar, defendants, setting forth that the said David E. Flack and Sarah J. Flack gave a Mortgage to the said Calvin Adams on the south-east quarter of section No. 23, in township No. 12, of range No. 19, excepting one acre belonging to the School District, in said county or Douglas, to secure the payment of \$550,00 with interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum from March 1st, 1888, according to a certain promissory note referred to in said Mortgage, and the said Calvin Adams before the commencement of this action for a valuable consideration assigned and transferred all of his right, valuable consideration assigned and transferred all of his right, valuable consideration assigned and transferred all of his right, washington Long, and that since the giving of the said Mortgage Washington Long, and that since the giving of the said Mortgage to said plaintiff, the said David E. Flack and Calvin Adams may pay said sum now claimed to be due on said note with interest as aforesaid and now claimed to be due on said note with interest as aforesaid and now claimed to be due on said note with interest as aforesaid and house of the said David E. Flack, and praying that the said David E. Flack and Calvin Adams may pay said sum now claimed to be due on said note with interest as aforesaid and the said David E. Flack, sarah J. Flack and Charles F. Said defendants, David E. Flack, Sarah J. Flack and Charles F. Said defendants David E. Flack and sea of them are required to said premises to suitists said uidgment as afores

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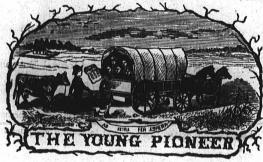
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WHAT MAMMA SAYS. BY T. R. J

"Now, children," says mamma, "just hear what I say : If you want to have fun in a good, quiet way, And not bother papa or baby and me, Or feel so exhausted you hardly can see. Do n't throw in the well dirty sticks and small stones, Or litter the front yard with musty old bones. Don't chase up the calf in the heat of the day, Nor break the hen's eggs in your frolicsome play. Let kitty be easy, and do n't make her squall, And look out for the windows while playing base ball. There's Towzer, you know, with his dreadful loud bark Do n't get him to baying, but make him 'keep dark.' And when Anna and Bessie are jumping the rope, You boys will not chase them, nor vex them, I hope. Dear children, remember that grandmamma's sick, And don't storm the woodshed with pieces of brick. And you, little Bessie and frolicsome Ann, While dressing your dolls, be as quiet's you can; For ladies like you must be gentle and still, And not rough and ready, like Henry and Bill. There, go now-but here, boys, I nearly forgot To tell you, the smoke-house is all full of soot, And you mustn't crawl in there to hide or to peek, In playing your old game of hide and go seek. Another thing, mind, if you meet ragged Jim, Do n't let him persuade you to go off to swim. I'm afraid you'll get into all manner of harm, In the house and the barn and all over the farm; But you must behave proper, and not act insane Or I shall not give you a play-day again. Well, there they go, all of them; Anna and Bess And Henry and Bill, in their holiday dress. They're a great deal of bother, but still, I must say For the trouble they give me they amply repay. And in years that are coming, I hope to see them, My darlings, grown up to good women and men. Now, my baby, lie down and curl up your feet, And I'll sing you to sleep with a lullaby sweet. The house is all quiet, the boys gone away, And you and I, baby, will enjoy a nice day."

SUMMER WANDERINGS.

"It cost one hundred dollars, and I'm not yet fourteen years old! What do you think of that for style, Ruthie Holcomb?"

Ruthie smiled-a quiet, placid little smile. indulgently fixed her eyes upon the elegant dress which Grace Havens so proudly spread before her, and said in a curiously absent-minded way: "O, yes; it's a very bright garnet in color, and it's made of silk, isn't it?"

"Silk! I should judge it was-the very stiffest, stateliest kind of gros-grain; and it's trimmed with festpons of gold lace every bit as wide as my hand. Why don't you clap your hands together, Ruthie Holcomb, and say 'O my! how exquisite?' You know it is the most perfectly elegant thing you ever saw," said Grace, looking quite provoked at Ruthie's manuer.

Ruthle laughed outright just there. Grace's question was the funniest one in the world, considering what it was and to whom it was put. Ruthie Holcomb might have stared for months at all the garnet silk and gold lace trimming between Windsor Castle and London city, and still she would not have clapped her hands together and exclaimed, "O my! how exquisite." Ruthie never clapped her hands together over silks and laces. But Ruthie could clap her hands and laugh-how loud and gleefully was best known by birds and brooklets, merry, romping children, and the shy little animals which dwelt in the wildwood round about Lawnsdale, where Ruthie lived.

"Mamma says she sha' n't know a moment's peace the rest of the summer if I don't lead off the young folks' hop at Saratoga the first evening I appear in this costume. I'm perfectly confident 't will be second to none in style, and everybody must admit that I'm a graceful dancer."

"Lead off a set of grasshoppers and daddy-longlegs! Everybody must admit that yov're a graceful simpleton," suggested the voice of Aleck Havens, who had entered the room unobserved by the two girls.

Grace instantly assumed a look of offended dignity and retorted: "Everybody does not deserve the title of daddy-long-legs because my beautiful brother has acquired it. And as for simpletons, folks who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones."

Aleck laughed appreciatively and said: "Ruthie

Holcomb, are you going to Saratoga with a meeting house for a trunk, containing a thousand hats and a million sashes and sacks and flummery of all sorts, such as Grace is going to drag along upon her fashionable summer tour?

"No, Aleck Havens," replied Ruthie, laughingly. "I'm going up to Cherry Mountain, with a trunk no bigger than a band-box. I'm going to take along three children, a cane, a pair of calf-skin boots, and a can of pickled angleworms, the latter as refreshments for the trout which I expect to meet up there."

Grace held up her hands in horror, while Aleck exclaimed: "You ought to have been a boy, Ruthie Holcomb; you've got a waste of sense, considering you're a girl. Going to bait for fishes instead of beaux. Up to Cherry Mountain, too. Just where your humble servant with a crowd of other jolly larks, are going on a camping expedition. By hookey! but I'd like to ask you to join the mess. If we were n't all so abominably prejudiced against zirls I'd do it the next minute.'

"Thank you for the compliment," said Ruthie but spare your invitation, for I could n't possibly accept if it was offered. I prefer to dwell under a roof and eat out of my own 'little porringer' instead of one belonging to a common crew. Besides, I've got three children to look after. Sister Minnie and cousin Amy, and little Sallie Howe are all going up to Cherry Mountain under my charge Heigho! won't I feel quite matronly?"

"What in the world possesses you, Ruthie Holcomb? Three children and Cherry Mountain! You'll have your life plagued out of you and you'll certainly die of ennui before the season's half over. Cherry Mountain is a shockingly unfashionable place. There won't be half a dozen city visitors there this summer. Such a wild, desolate, horrid solitude! I'd as soon think of starting off to an Arabian desert."

Ruthie laughed at Grace's strong description and said: "That's exactly why I'm going. There won't be any 'fuss and feathers,' and it's such a dear, beautiful wildwood region up there. One can roam forever and always find something strange and new and lovely. As for the darling children-they'll be delightful company for me. I've been coaxing a week to be allowed to take them. I've made all sorts of promises to their mammas and gained consent at last. We're going all alone, too. Won't that be a splendid responsibility? Mamma and aunt Hannah are coming up for us in August. Are you going to pitch your tent anywheres near Clear Lake?" inquired Ruthie of Aleck.

"That's exactly the place where we're going, Madam," returned Aleck, looking interested. "Well, we're going to board at Lake Cottage; so

we'll be neighbors, after all." "Good! capital! I'll see you again to complete arrangements for a summer's campaign," said Aleck, taking his departure from the room with an exceedingly felicitious expression of countenance.

"Well, Ruthie Holcomb, if most girls' fathers were as rich as yours and could afford to send them off summering anywhere in the wide world, with any amount of elegant fixings and furnishings, they would n't choose Cherry Mountain unless Saratoga and Niagara and Newport had been swallowed by an earthquake. Why don't you accept Mamma's invitation and go with us, like a sensible girl? I flesh and fat, but is supported by an actu berance of the vertebræ beneath. This real live prince, or duke, or something of the sort, before the season was over. There's always some lion at a watering place, and I 've heard it remarked that they bestow especial attention upon graceful, stylish misses of our age."

Ruthie nodded her pretty brown head and looked decidedly amused. "When the summer is over and we return home," she said, "we'll compare notes, and maybe if you have danced with a prince, I'll tell you how many precious secrets I've learned from the fairies of the wildwood. Likely as not I'll have it to boast that I've been kissed by a hamadryad instead of being hugged by a prince," replied Ruthie, merrily, taking leave of her young girl friend.

The two girls went their separate ways. Which found the greatest satisfaction and the truest pleasure from her summer wanderings, will be learned iereafter.

[To be continued.]

THE SPIDER WEB.

CROSS WORD ENIGMA_NO. 10: My first is in gulf, but not in bay. My second is in July, but not in May. My third is in Betsey, but not in Jane. My fourth is in sprinkle, but not in rain. My fifth is in singe, but not in burn. My sixth is in change, but not in turn. My seventh is in boast, but not in brag. My eighth is in horse, but not in nag. My ninth is in give, but not in lend. My tenth is in crook, but not in bend. My eleventh is in craft, but not in ship. My twelfth is in nose, but not in lip. My thirteenth is in October, but not in May. My whole is a man, great in this day.

NUMERICAL ENIGMA-NO. 8. I am composed of 18 letters. My 7, 3, 4, 13, is a color. My 4, 7, 8; 9, 6, is to harmonize My 8, 4, 5, 10, is a breed. 4, 3, 12, is an animal. My 11, 13, 8, 6, is a musical instrument My 8, 2, 13, 4, 11, is a man's name. My whole is a man of notoriety.

HIDDEN AUTHORS.

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 - WORD SQUARE .- NO. 14.
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 - 2. Equal.
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> NUMBER SIX. THE BISON, OR BUFFALO.

My Young Pioneer Friends: Many of you are doubtless familiar with the subject of this sketch by name, and some perhaps with the animal itself, and know what a singular looking, shaggy denizen of the plains he is. It has been but a few years since this whole country was overrun by buffaloes, as they are commonly called, and at present our frontier is literally covered with them. Bison is really the name of the animal that roams our plains, and the buffalo is a very different animal. The genuine buffalo is a native of Africa and portions of India, and does not have the hump-back and shaggy head and forequarters of the bison. A fine specimen of the African buffalo was exhibited in this State a few years ago under the sensational name of the "Wallapus." Any one who saw this animal, by turning to the word "buffalo" in Webster's new unabridged dictionary will see a correct picture of it. Judging from external appearances only, we should readily conclude that the buffalo is an animal less formidable than the bison; yet the buffalo is the strongest and fiercest animal of its class, and in its native wilds is a dangerous antagonist of the lion, and almost invariably conquers the tiger. Our bison is, on the contrary, of a comparatively timid disposition, and when intruded upon generally takes to flight, never showing fight unless wounded

and brought to bay. The American bison has a hump on its back and a shaggy neck. It has an elevated forehead of much greater breadth than length, and bounded above by an arched line passing across the head about two inches below the roots of the horns. The forehead is covered with a thick skin from which grows a shaggy and tangled mass of hair, which becomes so filled with dirt and sand that a bullet from a powerful Spencer rifle will not penetrate it. The head is extremely large in proportion to the size of the body, supported by strong muscles. The eyes are small, black and piercing; the horns are short, black and very thick at the base, placed widely apart and directed slightly upwards. Its withers are elevated in the form of a large hump, extending nearly to the middle of the back, to which point it SEWING MACHINES. flesh and fat, but is supported by an actual protuwell as the head, neck, throat and shoulders are covered with a long, shaggy coat of black hair. All the other parts of the body are covered with dark, thick, curling hair, which is short during the summer but becomes woolly in winter. The legs are short, firm and muscular, and the tail is about a foot long and nearly naked except at the tip, which holds a tuft of long black hairs. The female is smaller than the male, more slender and has a much shorter mane.

The bison differs from the common ox in having two additional ribs. The ox is well known to have but thirteen ribs, while the bison has fifteen.

Bisons generally prefer the open plains and do not resort to woods except when attacked. They are much fleeter than our ordinary cattle, but a pony of moderate speed can easily overtake them. Their sense of smell is so acute that they discover an enemy at a great distance, so that it is quite difficult to approach them from the windward.

The yearly migration of the large herds of buffalo on the plains, whose movements regulate to a great extent those of the Indians, who depend upon their flesh for subsistence, is very singular and regular. Each year as spring advances and the diffused rays of a summer sun grow stronger, the soft buffalo grass begins to shoot up with a gradually spreading movement northward, and simultaneously the buffaloes, which have wintered in the South, commence their migratory move, slowly advancing with the new and tender blades of grass, until midsummer finds the valleys of the Solomon, Republican and Platte rivers completely dotted over with these wild animals. As fall approaches they commence a retrograde movement in much the same order as their advance, until they finally return to the warm climate of the South. Upon their return they are accompanied by numberless calves, who are carefully guarded by the older members of the herd. The return has the appearance of an organized march compared with the disorderly manuer of their advance. Each night the calves are placed in the centre of the herd, the cows forming a circle around them, while the males constitute the outer guards or videttes of the camp, and woe to the hungry coyote or other ravenous animal who attempts

to make an inroad upon the tender members of the

A number of years ago, ex-Gov. Crawford with a party of officers from his regiment, then doing service on the plains, were chasing a herd of buffaloes; the Governor succeeded in wounding one, which fell; he thereupon dismounted to dispatch him, but before he could accomplish his purpose the buffalo rose to his feet and attacked him; the horse became frightened and jerking away was gone in a moment. In this dilemma there was nothing left but a run for life. So dropping his gun, which was now empty, the Governor turned and fled, the buffalo after him, and notwithstanding the good use he made of his long legs he would probably have been overtaken had not another of the party galloped to his rescue and dispatched the beast. As it was however the Governor received no further injury than a wholesome scare, having had a race of over a quarter of a mile, bareheaded and puffing like a porpus. He often tells of this as one of the liveliest "forced marches" he ever made.

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SUMMER.

With a crimson flood of sunlight, Like a regal robe wrapt round, Summer is sitting, throned and crowned; And Earth, like a holiday city, drest With flags and banners and pennons bright For a conqueror's coming, hath donned her best, And flaunts in a flush of color and light. Green are the low, silent valleys, and green Are the woods, and the breezy wold, And many a pleasance flaps in the air, Its streamers of amber and gold. Purple the sides of the mountains gray, Their tops in a sunny haze melting away; And the brook in a glittering wavelet breaks Where the golden lily flutters and shakes, Then over the rim of the granite walls In a rainbow laughs, and flashes and falls. And the grand old sea breaks joyously Under the cliffs on the golden sand, And the laughing waves, with their sunbright crowns, Joyously roll on the laughing land. Joy through the pillarless arch above, Joy in the living ocean's round; Joy in the old Earth, young forever; Joy—for the Summer is throned and crowned!

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.

BY A. M. BURNS EDITOR SPIRIT: I desire to make a few remarks, suggested to me by your able article on "Agricultural Education" in THE KANSAS SPIRIT of June 22d. As regards the Professors of our Agricultural College, there can be no exceptions taken. They are men fully competent to impart instruction in the different branches assigned them, but I have often thought that in some things the Regents could have marked out a different programme that would climate for which it is intended, which may be a have been more practically useful to those desiring knowledge in the science of agriculture. I never could see that the young farmer of Kansas could obtain an agricultural education by a commercial nursery on the State farm. I do not pretend to be but it seems these honorable Regents would impede competent to give advice as to the course necessary to pursue to obtain an agricultural education, but when we come to the horticultural department I profess to have "been there" a short time. Were I a Regent I should certainly vote in favor of abolishing the commercial nursery of the State Agricultural College. I saw it stated in a newspaper some time ago that the Professor of Horticulture had a class composed of both sexes engaged a couple of hours each day in grafting. The members of this class as a rule will not be likely to see the trees cultural education; and if a course is pursued calgrow three years, at which time they would be ready for shipment to customers in different parts the people of the State are the great losers thereby. of the State or to other States, thereby, bringing a The nurserymen scattered over different parts of revenue to the treasury of the College, instead of the State must know the plants and fruit trees best being planted on the farm and fifty or one hundred adapted to their locality. It is a part of their busiraised every week during the different stages of growth throughout the season in order that the student of horticulture could observe the growth produced by the different methods of propagating-the effect produced by different kinds of manure in different soils, as well as those grown without manuré the difference in the growth of plants one, two, tive and more years old, in soil well prepared, superficially prepared, or not prepared at all—the difference between plants that are well cultivated, poorly cultivated, and those having no cultivation great State of Kansas obtaining the time of a few -the growth of plants where no sign of a weed can be seen, of others where the weeds have been cut down with a scythe, and of others where the weeds then selling the proceeds of their toil as the best of have been permitted to grow unmolested, &c. Such plants raised daily or weekly, their roots carefully propagating and cultivating thoroughly explained who has had some experience advised the Regents by a competent teacher, would give a student such to propagate all the grape vines they could from a knowledge of the growth of plants as would be astonishing to those who had not themselves followed this course for years. The instructor should duced by cuttings, but he has had no experience in be a man whose life has been spent in horticultural pursuits and the acquisition of knowledge pertaining thereto, and not one like myself whose experience is limited to a dozen or fifteen years. A little instruction and practice in grafting, planting, cutting down weeds, pruning and training trees and vines is far from making an educated horticulturist. orchard in a soil congenial to the growth of such vines or trees, and keeps the weeds down and the surface of the soil stirred, and makes a grand success financially, he must be a scienced pomologist, although he may never have spent a month in the aggregate within the limits of his vineyard or orchard. information I have obtained by digging up every of pinching in or cutting off the new growth during methods of propagating vines, but he declined. the active stages of vegetation by comparing it with I have given my opinion honestly; and if I am in the roots of plants that had grown at will. As a error I will be under obligations to any one who citizen of this State I hold that all the trees and will show me wherein I am wrong.

plants propagated on the College farm are needed in the Horticultural Lecture Room, to be examined and compared by the student in the science of horticulture in order that he may acquire the knowledge necessary to make him thoroughly informed in this pursuit.

But if it were not necessary to dig up these plants for examination by the students during the stages of growth throughout the whole season, I should still oppose such a nursery on the State farm for the reason that I believe it to be a disgrace to the institution, and an injury to the State generally and nurserymen in particular, as I will attempt to show. And before I commence I will say that I am aware some will say that I am pecuniarily interested in the abolition of the State nursery, and that that is the cause of my opposition to it. Such remarks have been made when I have written about peddlers, and perhaps will be again. But a little reflection will convince any candid mind that there are no grounds for such a charge. I confine my nursery business exclusively to small fruits and originating new varieties of small fruits; I propagate my plants by a method discovered by myself and about which I freely give information to the public, instead of keeping it a secret for the sake of realizing more money; and as I make a specialty of sending plants by mail I am at no loss for customers and cannot produce enough to sell wholesale, nor do I pretend to sell plants wholesale.

I hold it to be an injury to the nurserymen of the State-who have expended money in establishing nurseries at different points, as well as valuable time in learning to propagate—as it brings them in competition with the gratuitous labor of inexperienced boys and girls, who, on account of not having practice, we must suppose will produce inferior stock, thereby injuring the country. And as I am informed they propose to supply the State—which if they should effect their object would prevent experienced men from establishing experimental fruit orchards and gardens throughout the State to test the different varieties of standard and small fruits -the people throughout all Kansas will be compelled to buy fruit propagated at Manhattan, without knowing whether it is suitable to the soil and BUSINESS COLLEGE. hundred miles distant. The nurserymen, orchardists, fruit growers, &c., have done much for the Book-Keeping, Penmanship, Mathematics and fame of the State by contributing a wreath of pomological glory in addition to its other achievements, any further progress in that direction for the sake of a few paltry dollars. What the result would be it is hard to tell. They have as good a right to start a distillery and use the corn and rye grown on the farm in making whisky, and then open saloons in different parts of the State to sell the liquid. The originators of agricultural colleges never contemplated the existence of commercial nurseries on the experimental farms. The object is to give the young farming portion of the community an agriculated to drive nurserymen from their business ness to know this. But if they are driven to relin quish their occupation and make a support at some other business, the testing of different varieties of fruit must cease, as men will not spend money in experiments that in any event can only benefit some

But again, I allege that this nursery will injure the State in another way, They do not send out the best quality of plants. I am informed that they do not "wire" layered plants. The idea of the inexperienced boys and girls, who derive neither information nor remuneration for their labor, and plants, is in my opinion a disgrace to the State, as well as an injury to the fruit growing interests. .I examined and compared, and the different modes of have been informed that a commercial grape grower REAL ESTATE AND LOAN AGENCY 'cuttings' and sell them. This man I have no doubt honestly believes that the best roots are prochecking the flow of sap in layered vines, as described by me in the columns of THE SPIRIT, or he would know that the roots of cuttings cannot be compared in quality to those propagated after my method. I know there is more profit to the seller in the cuttings-200 per cent. more-than there is in the decorticated layered roots, but the latter are Some people think if a man plants a vineyard or worth more than 200 per cent. more than the former; and if we are to have the humiliating picture of our Regents and their agents peddling plants over the State, let it show the plants to be of the best quality; and not five cent trees and vines. The Superintendent of the College nursery, who is a very worthy, well meaning and learned theorist, is It is not such a man that I would select as a teacher not ignorant of the mode I have practised in propaof horticulture. Money could not buy from me the gating vines, as I took the pains to show him how the work was done. He merely remarked, "I supseason for more than a dozen years hundreds of all pose they are larger;" but those who read my prethe different species and varieties of small fruits vious article on this subject are aware that I claim from the first enlargement of the root or pushing various other advantages which are worthy of conup of the cambium up to the perfect ripening of the sideration. I challenged the individual who recwood during its first season's growth, as well as ommended "cuttings" to discuss with me through those that had grown for years, noting the effects the papers the relative merits of our respective ESTA BLISHED

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NUMBER FIFTEEN.

DEAR SPIRIT: I had a boy in my employ on the farm a few years ago. I have had several such. I could gossip about them forever. But I propose to confine this gossip to this one, or rather to some thoughts suggested by him which may be of benefit to other farmers and their neighbors, as well as to employers and their neighbors generally. This boy was named "Jimmy." There was nothing very remarkable about his name. But there was something very remarkable about him in other respects. He was as green as a green pumpkin. 6 He did not know enough to get up stairs without a guide board. He was wofully dirty and ragged. He had evidently been "raised" in a very indifferent manner, and had about as little intelligent idea of it as Topsy had.

Still the boy seemed willing and anxious to learn. And when one is, the employer is a mean man, unworthy the position of an employer, who will not have patience to teach him. For the first six months it was up-hill work. It was worse than bringing up a baby, almost as bad as bringing up a pup. I would not undertake such a job again for a much larger compensation than I was paying him. But by the end of the first year he had improved amazingly. His own mother would not have known him. He had a neat, clean and healthy look. The children had taught him to read and write. He could hitch up a horse as quickly and correctly as anybody I ever saw. He was wonderfully handy all over the farm. He could turn his hand to anything, and was willing to do anything. He became in short that most invaluable character on a farm, "a boy of all work."

I dislike those boys or men that can't do anything out of their line. They have as much red tape about them as a dry goods clerk. If they are employed to take care of the horses, they can complacently look on and see the cows eat up a field of corn, because it is not their business to see to the cows. And if they should ever be called upon in a sudden emergency to help at milking, then, my stars! what a display of offended dignity is there. Milking is not their business. Milking in fact is women's business. They are horsemen! And the idea of getting down to milking. When it comes to drinking the cream in their coffee, or eating the butter on their bread, then you will know where to find them. They are not above that. In fact I have always noticed that the poorest workers on the farm are the best eaters. But all men can't be good at everything.

"Jimmy" had learned to be good at everything. He had become invaluable. We hardly knew how to keep house without him. We had engaged him for three years, agreeing to give him small pay the first, fair the second, and first rate the third. At the time of his graduation he would be nineteen. The first year, as we anticipated, we were out of patience and out of pocket. But the second year it was all right. But to our surprise one day "Jimmy" picked up his traps and left. He seemed to feel very mean about it, but he left. And it soon transpired that another farmer, having noticed his many excellent qualities, and having ascertained that he was working for small wages, offered him five dollars more a month, and Jimmy yielded to the temptation and left. It was a little mean in him, but infinitely more so in the contemptible in-

terferer that seduced him away. Now for the result. As might be inferred from this mean act, Jimmy's new employer was a very shiftless farmer. He did things in the Arkansas style. Mended his harness with ropes, his windows with old hats and rags, and everything else in proportion and keeping. Jimmy stayed only a little while, but long enough to lose all the tidy habits we had taught him, and to get some others not very promising for his future. He went from place to place, became unstable and unsteady, and to-day is a shystering little loafer, when he might have

been a thrifty, enterprising and successful farmer. Now for the lesson. There is altogether too much of this sort of interference. Not always of course in just this way, nor with just these results. But there is too much of it. In the case we have mentioned the man did us a great injustice, robbed us of what was our right, would have been just as justifiable in stealing our money-provided we had any-subjected us to great inconvenience, and without a particle of benefit to himself. But this is not the worst of it. He ruined the boy. He induced him in the first place to commit a mean act, of which he was afterwards ashamed, and that is a crime in itself of the first magnitude. He broke up the orderly and good habits we had taught him before they were thoroughly formed. He set him a bad example and turned him out a loafer upon the world. And I have written this little "true story" in the hope that he and Jimmy and other boys and other employers may profit by it.

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