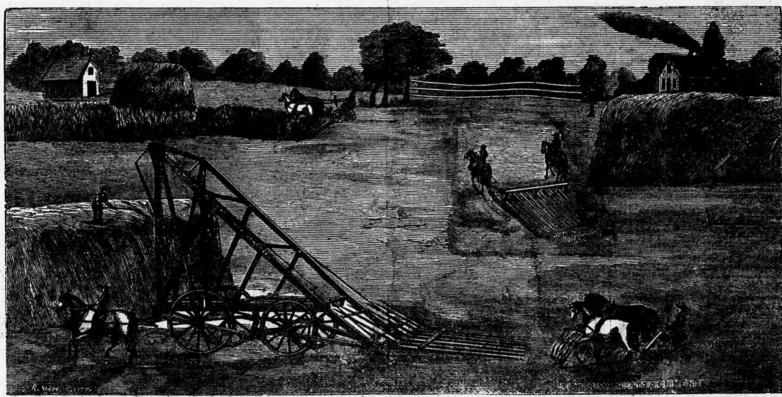


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DAIN IMPROVED AUTOMATIC HAY-STACKER and ELEVATOR and GATHERER. Manufactured by TRUMBULL, REYNOLDS & ALLEN, Kansas City, Missouri.

A Large Implement Factory.

Our illustration this week is one that cannot fail to be interesting to all of our read-It is Dain's Automatic Hay-Stacker and Gatherers. We do not think of any thing that would be more acceptable on a farm now-a-days than this or a similar ma chine. The writer of this spent many a drop of sweat and strained his muscles many a hot day in the golden past pitching and stacking hay with a heavy fork. We remember well when we followed the mowers and spread the swaths, then in half a day turned over the drying grass with "shaking forks," and turned it again, then threw it into winnows, raking in between with hand rakes then, with two pitchers, two rakers and one builder, we got the hay en a wagon ready for the stack. It was forked over on the side of the stack, and it was necessary to "top out" away from the side on which the wagon stood, so that the stack would "settle straight." An expert stacker spent a good part of his time in sorting the hay so as to throw long and straight bunches on the outside to shed water.

Nearly all of that is now done away. This machine—the gatherer—takes up the public patronage and confidence. hay just as it drops from the mower, and puts it on the middle of the stack. One stacker and two gatherers, we are told, will handle twenty-five acres of hay in one day, at a cost of 25 cents per ton, which is a great saving of time and labor. The manufacturers, Messrs. Trumbull, Reynolds & Allen, Kansas City, say:

"We warrant the Dain improved automatic Elevator and Stocker and Gatherers, manufactured by us, to be well built, of good material, and when properly operated, one Elevator and Stacker and Gatherer is capable of gathering and pitching on stack or wagon from the swath, in good shape for the builder, from ten to fifteen acres of average hay immigration and the small area in cultivaper day, and one Elevator and Stacker and I tion corn had been selling at \$1.00 and over The reason why prairie sod is easier broken

two gatherers from twenty to thirty acres a bushel, but that fall it dropped to 25 cents per day."

They expect to put up at least five hundred of these machines before having time. They have extensive shops at Armourdale, Kansas, where these and a great many other farm implements are made. Their buildings are made with special reference to their business of making agricultural machinery, and four acres of land adjoining is reserved for additions which are expected to be necessary as the business advances. The main shop is 40x100 feet, with dry house 30x30, and engine room and forging shop, 25x35. The storage room for finished machinery is 65x 125. It all rests on solid masonry and is three stories high.

The timber used is the best that can be obtained west of the Mississippi, chiefly white oak and pitch pine. This is secured on special contract, and it is all thoroughly seasoned before it is used. Their machinery is all new and of the most improved patterns. They are building up an immense trade, and it affords us pleasure to say that their energy, and their uniform fair and manly dealing are meeting with a constantly increasing

#### Kansas Climate.

Editor Kansas Farmer:

In the FARMER of March 28th, I read a letter signed Dan Horne, giving his experience of the climate in the early days of Kansas; so I thought I would give you mine.

I came to Kansas in 1857, and the year before a fine crop of corn had been raised; '57 was dry, but no dryer than the last 3 years; '58 was the wettest year I ever saw in the state. That year we raised 40 bushels of corn to the acre on sod broken and planted the first week in June. Owing to the large

and dull sale. The crops in '59 were such that corn sold for 10 cents a bushel; '60 was the year of the great drouth and hot winds, but it was no worse, if as bad, as '74. From '61 to '66 inclusive, we had good or fair crops. In the fall of '66 came the first noted invasion of grasshoppers. They darkened the air and covered the ground; they filled the soil with their eggs, and when they hatched in the spring of '67, the people who did not yet know their habits became panic stricken, and grain and hay went up to famine prices; but early in June the hoppers took unto themselves wings, and rising in clouds, hied themselves back to the land of their fathers. Crops were planted and were fair. The locality of which I am speaking is the southern part of Douglas county. I went across the plains in '62 over the old Santa Fe trail, and I noticed that as long as we were in the limestone country, the upland was generally rich, and the timber in the creek bottoms would have been considered good even in Illinois; but as soon as we reached the level sandstone country, west of creeks were farther apart, and the timber on their banks was reduced to a mere fringe, and that mostly stunted cottonwood. again went out on the plain's in '65, and I saw no change. I believe that the change in climate at about the 98th or 99th meridian is permanent, and the puny hand of man can never change it. It is here that we enter on the threshold of that vast dessicated area extending east and west from central Kansas to California, and north and south from central Montana to northern Mexico. As a stock range it is superior; but to advise the uninformed immigrant to go out there and engage in farming is little short of a crime.

now than formerly is owing to the tramping and pasturing of cattle. This has been demonstrated where small tracts of enclosed prairie from which cattle had been excluded were found as tough as ever, while a few rods away upon outside range the prairie could be broken almost as easily as a clover sod. I have written more than I intended, but I could not express myself in fewer words.

MARTIN H. STEVENIN.

Red Clover, Johnson Co., Kas.

From Gove County.

Editor Kansas Farmer: Since my last letter cold winter has passed way and we can arrive at more correct views or estimates of the condition of stock on the range, which to the extent of my knowledge is very satisfactory, except in one or two instances. The cold snap of Jan. 18 and 31st told perceptibly on stock without shelter and had but little or no extra feed. It is my opinion the old-time custom of shelter in the east and plenty of extra feed will be found more profitable than the present way of stock farming as practiced here. Quality first, and quantity afterwards, is my Council Grove, everything changed. The motto. There will be hardly the usual interprairie grass was much shorter and the buffalo grass showed itself in patches. The county, though, most all will grow all the crops for fodder to meet their own demand; and I think sorghum will be our best fodder plant to grow, as it is most sure to grow here. It does well and can be utilized in various ways. Gardens are plowed mostly and all seem ready to try again to raise something.

A good way to start seeds early and vigorously is to use good manure in the hill; cover with the soil; then set a common bowl where you wish the hill to be and bring the soil around it; press down and level with the top; remove the bowl and plant in the bottom of the hole thus made and lay a pane of glass over it for a few days. Try it and see how soon the plants will come up. Collyer, April 3. B. W.

# The Stock Interest.

How to Handle Jersey Cattle.

While cows giving exceptionally large quantities of milk will sometimes make large butter tests, as a rule the two things do not go together; they are inconsistent with each other Breeding for quantity of milk is sure to depreciate the quality and reduce the butter yield. It is the opinion of many of the most skillful breeders of Jerseys, and those of longest experience, that by judicious selection of individvals from particular families, it would be far easier to carry the milk yield of a family of Jerseys from an annual average yield of six quarts of milk per day up to twelve quarts per day, than it would be to carry an annual daily average yield of butter from twelve ounces up to eighteen ounces per day. That is to say, it would take a less number of generations from the cows with which the breeder started, to double the flow of milk of a family than to increase their butter yield by one-half. In other words, it is a problem of far more difficulty to increase the butter yield of cows than to increase their milk yield.

Every careful observer knows that the number of quarts a cow is giving will fall off very considerably without materially reducing the pounds of butter she will make. It has taken centuries to produce the richness of milk of the Jersey cows. It has been done, and is being done against the ordinary workings of the laws of nature. It is against natural laws that the milk should be so rich as to kill her calf, and the struggle of nature is to reduce the richness by increasing the quantity; therefore the breeder must never attempt to increase his butter yield by coupling an animal from a family yielding a large quantity of milk of poor quality with those giving rich milk in less quantity. The result, as a rule, must, in the nature of things, be the opposite of that which the breeder seeks. The only way to maintain, to say nothing of increasing, the butter product of any family that is making exceptionally large yields of butter, is to couple those animals that spring from the very best specimens in the same family, when 'not already inbred too far, and of the very best proved out-cross, when out-crossing is desirable.

The thing to be done with the Jerseys giving large quantities of milk of inferior quality, is to abandon them to milkmen, whose only object is quantity of milk, not quality. They have a keen nose for large milkers among Jerseys, as every one knows who owns Jerseys, or who buys Jersey milk in any city or large town. Breed from the winning butter families under all circumstances. Never fight against accomplished facts. He who fails to avail himself of all which his neighbors have accomplished in breeding, by neglecting to use the blood that has been thoroughly developed, on the ground that he "probably now has as good," will disastrously fail in his undertakings. It is simply blind egotism that must inevitably meet its fate.—Thoroughbred Stock Journal,

In dipping sheep for scab, it is absocrusts with something rough; a corn cob is the best thing, so as to cause the dip to reach the burrows of the scab is below the epidermis, and in which the insect lives and deposits its eggs. Moreover, it is useless to use a dip of a lower temperature than 102 degrees, and that is quite painful during a two or three minutes exposure. But it must be done to destroy the scab insects and their

Fast Shearing.

Editor Kansas Farmer:

I see in the last issue, March 28, an advertisement of Mr. C. H. Gibbs' public shearing at WaKeeney, on May 1; special mention is made for fast shearing, or for speed in shearing, Surely Mr. Gibbs must be a new beginner in the business, or he never would encourage such a practice. I think it is time I put in a word against such a practice, being a shearer now over thirty-two years, and in all my career, never heard of such a thing. Best work done in a specific time would be more appropriate. I well know that where a shearer does his work fast he cannot help but cut the sheep and leave some of the most valuable wool on the sheep; sometimes leaves as much wool one sheep, as if taken off, would pay for the shearing of three sheep. Am sorry I cannot be at the shearing. J. W. BAMBER. Ellsworth, Kansas.

in milch cows is given by the Mirror and Farmer: "Tincture of arnica, four ounces; tincture of aconite, one ounce; oil glycerine, one ounce. Mix and bathe the bag two or three times daily; rub it in well with your hand; give internally a teaspoonful of the mixture three times a day. Do not feed any grain to the

If your horses have sore shoulders, scratches, cuts or open sores of any kind, use Stewart's Healing Powder.

# In the Dairy.

Cross-bred Dairy Cows.

In a well considered article by a writer in a late issue of the New York Times, we find the following:

A great deal of prominence has been given of late to the subject of a proposed new breed of dairy cows. The new (? idea seems to have originated, not with a dairyman or breeder, but with a poultry fancier, and the absurdity of making a novelty of what has been in existence for thirty years past exemplifies fully the aptness of the proverb about a cobbler sticking to his last, and also the truth of the fact that few people seem to know what is going on about them. The proposed new breed is a cross of the Ayrshire with the Jersey. To persons who are expert in fine dairying this cross has long been known, and has, moreover, been extensively used; but the trouble in the way is one sufficiently well known to breeders. It is the impossibility of fixing the united characteristics of two combined breeds in the cross-bred produce. A new breed is not made by a wave of the hand, or by the expression of an enthusiast. It is the work of years, of a life-time, and of an expert breeder. The utmost patience and long and careful study are required even for a beginning, and to reach a starting point. The careless, unthinking man will say off-hand: "Here's your Ayrshire cow, a copious milker, sturdy, hardy and easy feeder, and here's your Jersey bull, descended from the richest butter cow ever known, and or bull is to them an Aladdin's lamp, by indispensable conditions of isolation and of concentration and unity of purpose are wanting. So that in respect of a new and improved dairy breed, what hopes may be built up, and whatever inducements may be felt by dairymen, it will be useless to lose labor and time in efforts to that end. Let us do the best with what we have. It is hardly possible that better stock to begin with than or bull is to them an Aladdin's lamp, by expert breeder. The utmost patience lutely necessary to break up scabby fashionable points. Let us mingle these two bloods. The result will be that we shall certainly have cross-bred animals partaking of the good qualities of both mites in the dermis or under skin, which of the parents. And then we will interbreed these, and fix these qualities upon the race. In time we shall possess a cow that is a copious milker and a rich

reach it as Bobadil killed off his enemies and gained victories, by computation. But unfortunately figures and actual results have never yet matched or helped each other out in matters of breeding. It is safer to calculate and figure the other way and hope one may be mistaken.

Now, so far as crossing Ayrshires with Jerseys, the results, so far as the first cross goes, are all that the most sanguine person can look for or expect. He will, indeed, put the butter of the Jersey in the milk of the Ayrshire sometimes, and sometimes will put the milk of the Ayrshires into the butter of the Jersey These may seem to mean the same thing, but they do not. There is a great difference when one meets it in the dairy The cross may produce a cow with all the points of the Ayrshire in form and color and general make-up, refined and modeled by the Jersey, with the finer head and neck and yellow ears, soft yellow skin, fine horn, large, bright, soft This receipe for the cure of caked bag eyes, and fine bone of the latter, or he may have all the general points of the Jersey altered by the coarse head and hair, the coarser bone, more robust body, and heavy horn of the Ayrshire. And what is more, this latter result will happen almost every time when the top cross is the Ayrshire. The cow of the former kind cannot be surpassed for use in a butter dairy, and its butter will be superior in flavor and texture to that of the pure Jersey, except to those persons, perhaps, who are prejudiced by fashion in favor of the latter. Some years' experience and an acquaintance with a large herd in which pure Jersey bulls have been crossed upon pure Ayrshire cows for thirty years past, and from which the cross-bred animals have been scattered over the country at large, are the grounds for the previous statements.

The first and most successful breeder of this class of cows is Mr. Thomas Fitch, of New London, Connecticut. He has been engaged in crossing breeds for the dairy for his whole mature life-time, and his experience is that this first cross is the most valuable cow for the butter dairy in existence. But he has not found it profitable to go beyond this and so found a new breed, and the long experience of this shrewd and skillful breeder should not be readily set aside upon the mere figuring of any person who has no practical experience, and merely supposes that from certain known conditions or values equally certain results will surely follow. It is unfortunate for us that they do not, as it would then be very easy to produce such rich butter cows for dairy purposes that in time every dairyman might have his private golden calf to worship, or his cow which would drop the ready-made golden grains into the market tubs. Indeed, this has been claimed for a Michigan cow, but the modesty of the owner, perhaps, has so far kept his cow from

the richest butter cow ever known, and or bull is to them an Aladdin's lamp, by our best natives, or well selected Ayrhaving an escutcheon of the most per- the mere rubbing of which common fect form, and all the most popular and stuff is transformed into gold and jewels. For them their cow is a mysteriously working machine which transmutes grass and corn into butter; nay, the butter is produced by the cow from nothing at all, for there are small cows which are said to have produced their whole weight of butter in a year-and have yet not lost weight-from food butter maker: we shall put the butter which had not the fat necessary to make of the Jersey into the milk of the Ayr- this butter in it. And their bull is an shire, and the tenderness of the one will agency by which a twentieth cow can be overpowered by the robustness of the | be produced from an ordinary cow, or a other." He will figure this out; he will new breed produced by crossing upon

another race, which shall surpass in value all the productions of all former breeders.

It is unfortunate that breeding is not an exact science, like mathematics. On the contrary, we have many disappointing failures from the best laid plans and devices and the production of a crossbreed which shall retain all the good qualities of the first cross has so far defled the best efforts of breeders. The best common purpose animal is a crossbred. Of that there is no doubt, for long experience and business practice have proved it beyond a question. We are justified in considering our best native stock as cross-bred, for it is made up of the produce of pure breeds crossed and the produce interbred, Now the half-bred Jersey and native is, on the whole, a far better cow for the working dairy than a pure Jersey. The half-bred Short-horn or Heroford, or the crossbred Polled Angus and Short-horn, is a better beef animal than any of the purebred steers. So the great value of the pure breeds is for crossing. But no one breeds the grades or crosses together to perpetuate their valuable qualities which have been derived from their pure-bred parent. When this is done the good grades degenerate into mongrels and soon become worthless. This is the universal experience. Some persons occasionally devote years of patient work to building up a "breed" from an excellent cow he had once possessed, and perhaps by selecting the best and giving them the care to which they have been used, and with the practice of which he is familiar, he may succeed in getting an excellent herd in the course of a quarter of a century. But when he begins to distribute his stock—which he imagines to be "a new brand"—abroad, the purchasers are disappointed, and the the purchasers are disappointed, and the stock falls into disrepute. A breed was never yet formed by a single person from a single pair, just as no nation was ever formed from a single family. These come alike from communities which are kept isolated and interbred among themselves, and in the course of centuries become fixed in type, For obvious reasons, a breed is more quickly produced among animals than a race is among men. And yet the only well-marked breeds of cattle we possess, the Devon and the Hereford, which come true to markings, form and color, as do the wild races, are several centuries old. Some races, are several centuries old. Some other races in Europe equally strongly marked are as old as these. The other breeds, Ayrshires, Short-horns, Jerseys and Guernseys, which vary so much in color and appearance, are, nevertheless, more than a century old, yet they have nothing more to mark them than a partial resemblance in form, having no fixtial resemblance in form, having no fixed color. And they will probably never have this fixed semblance because they have this fixed semblance because they are too widely spread abroad and are no longer sufficiently isolated. For this reason, too, they will probably vary more and more, until in time, notwithstanding the herd-books and the worship of pedigrees, they will become as diverse as our so-called natives, and this long before they become as numerous

long before they become as numerous.

There is a very small probability of the building up of any new breeds. The indispensable conditions of isolation in the conditions of isolation and unity of purshires or Jerseys, can be procured, and if a dairyman who has the first will use a pure bull of either of the other breeds, or these who have these will be a pure below. or those who have these will keep them pure, the end will be better than to follow the ignisfatuus of "a new breed" through all the swamps and thickets of a breeder's experience. And if one wishes the Jersey-Ayrshire cross let him keep to that for use but not for inter-

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# Borticulture.

Quality Versus Color.

It requires no close observation of the stock of fruits placed upon our markets to discover the character of the product sought after by consumers, and especially is it discernible in the class of apples called for by our retail and wholesale dealers. On the corners, in the show windows and long rows of barrels in the commission houses do we find the display of red apples predominating. The Winesap, Missouri Pippin and Ben Davis stand out as rivals of all others and are equally sought, for dessert or culinary uses. Is it because of their fine grain and high quality? Certainly not, for none of the high qualities which constitute the character of fine fruit are to be found in either of these. But it is because of their fine coloring. Whoever selects these varieties, excepting the Winesap from any other object will soon discover their error. There are none more lacking in what constitutes fine quality than these three leading market varieties. They are bought for appearance sake. The public say they are beautiful, and so they are. They please the eye, but do they please the taste? Remove the skin and what is there left to gratify the taste any more than hundreds of others? Do they afford greater satisfaction when eaten from the hand or served as sauce, or in pies, because they possess a colored skin? The public buy with their eyes, and fancy looks controls the selection and purchase. It has been said that the public taste needs educating before the finer quality in fruit will be appreciated. While this may be true as regards fruit and especially apples, it does not control in the purchase of other vegetables. Who would select potatoes, beets and cabbages whose quality would be watery and tasteless, or peas and beans because they were borne within a fine colored pod, and pumpkins and squashes which lack in the essentials of quality when served for the table, yet most of our red and highly colored fruit fail in these very essentials. Our fine grained varieties, full of rich and refreshing juices. are hardly known in the market. The hard, unyielding Gilpin crowds out the delicate and melting Reannains and Romanstem and commands a ready sale because it has a red skin. The Missouri Pippin and Ben Davis, dry and flavorless, take the place of the sprightly and juicy Genet, and the coarse and acid Winesap that of the excellent Grimes Golden. All on the same grounds. Color controls the taste, controls the market, and the market controls the produce. His richest fruits are grown not for the market but for himself, his family, and his friends. In the eating of them he is harpy and thankful that his taste is not as other men's. QUALITY.

# The Poultry Hard.

Pekin Ducks.

This variety of ducks was introduced country from Chi twelve years ago. Since their introduction they have rapidly become popular with all lovers of fine water fowls until at the present time they are almost universally admitted to be one of the best varieties, if not the best variety, known large, weighing from fourteen to sixteen pounds per pair, are of fine form, and the plumage of both sexes is of a uniform creamy white. The legs are short, set wide apart, and are of a beautiful yellow color. The bill is of a lighter shade approaching to a fine orange color. They are devoid of top-knots, the and bred in this country. They are very

head being uniformly smooth and of fine form. They are very active, hardy and prolific; often commencing to lay from the middle to the last of February, and continuing, with short intervals of rest, until the end of spring. They can be successfully raised on farms not supplied with ponds or running streams by keeping them well supplied with water from the well or spring placed in troughs where they can have free access to it at all times. This combination of good qualities certainly entitled them to be called a superb variety. We have neither birds nor eggs for sale. Don Squanto. Galena, Ohio,

Incubators on Trial at Hammonton, N. J.

During the past month seven incubators have been on trial at Hammonton, N. J., the result being a grand success. The machines were made alike, but by different parties, with one or two exceptions, and were operated at different places. The Farmer's Magazine had its representative present to watch the experiments, and we are more than pleased with the result. The incubators were operated as follows:

No. 1. Constructed and operated by Mr. George W. Pressey; capacity, 300 eggs. No. of fertile eggs in incubator, 200, of which 115 hatched, or 57½ per cent.

No. 2. Made and operated by Mr. Ezra Packard; capacity, 300 eggs. No. of fertile eggs, 244, of which 175 hatched, or a little over 71 per cent.

No. 3. Made and operated by Mr. John Crowell; capacity 150 eggs. No. of fertile eggs, 65, of which 60 hatched, or about 92 per cent.

No. 4. Made by Mr. Harry Little; capacity 300 eggs. This trial was a failure owing to mismanagement, only 15 chicks coming out.

No. 5. Operated by Mr. Frederick S. Robbins; capacity, 300 eggs. No. of eggs) without regard to fertility) 250, of which 160 hatched, or 64 per cent. of the gross number.

No. 6. Operated by Mr. D. B. Berry, capacity 300 eggs, hatched 114 chicks from 175 fertile eggs, or about 65 per

No. 7. Operated by Mr. P. H. Brown, capacity 300 eggs, was mismanaged, the heat reaching to nearly 125, ruining the eggs. It has been started again.

These incubators were home made, and those who made and operated them had no previous experience—all of them being citizens of Hammonton. The expenses of heat (coal oil lamps) was only one dollar for the 300-egg hatchers, each, and sixty cents for the 150-egg capacity. The chicks came out strong and lively, without assistance, and the loss has been trifling, not over two per cent. They are kept in home-made artificial brooders, which are as efficient as the

These experiments settle the question These experiments settle the question of the reliability of incubators, and these home-made hatchers, operated by those who had no experience, each man making his own, considering so many were in operation at once and all alike, are destined to supplant the setting hen entirely. Limited space compels us to be brief. A more detailed account will appear in our May issue, when the will appear in our May issue, when the experiments will be more interesting, a score of incubators are now being filled

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Patchen was then the stallion champion of America. He had met and defeated Ethan Allen, Brown Dick, and Lancet, and there was none to dispute his championship but the fleet little mare Flora Temple. He had met her the previous fall, but the race had not been trotted out, and so it was necessary that they should enter the lists to decide the championship. The plucky owner of Patchen threw down the gauntlet, and the challenge was accepted on the part of Flora Temple, and all over the country went the news, creating in every quarter the most intense excitement. Each animal had admirers, and each expected his favorite to win. The race was fixed for the 5th of June, but on that day the rain fell so incessantly that it was postponed until June 6th. On that day the weather was fine, and there gathered at the Union Course such an assembly as had never before been witnessed. They congregated from every part of the land in multitudes to behold the great struggle between the king and queen of the turf for the right to rule. When the antagonists came out Patchen towered like a giant, and looked like a captive eagle anxious to soar away. The grand and speedy little Flora was in excellent condition, excepting a slight scratch upon one fore foot, and cast a look of derision at the rival who had presumed to dispute her superiority. The race was for \$1,000 mile heats, best three in five to harness. Patchen was known to be a stayer, for the blood of Imported Trustee and American Eclipse coursed in his veins. Patchen had the pole, and after six attempts started on the first heat They kept together until they neared the quarter, when the mare was slightly in front. When they opened on the half mile Patchen passed the mare and left her a short distance in the rear, and managed to keep her in this position until they swung into the homestretch, when they got together and went forward neck and neck for the heat at a rate of speed never before known on that track; but when they reached the goal Flora made one of her famous dashes and went under the wire only a few inches in advance. She had won the heat, but not without the greatest effort of her life.

They came up for the call, at the second heat, and as they stoood before the vast multitude the throng seemed to be transfixed with admiration of the mare that had made such splendid time, and of the horse that by his great ability had compelled her to trot at that speed in order to defeat him. They left the score in good order for this heat and Flora led half a length at the quarter. On the far side Patchen crept up and closed the daylight, and then began a mighty struggle between the contestants for the heat, which was won by Flora only by a neck. It was believed by many that Patchen ought to have had this heat, and Flora to have been distanced for alleged foul driving; but while some of the judges maintained this, the majority ruled in favor of Flora.

There was no trouble in getting off for the third heat, and like birds upon the wing they flew, each abreast of the other, until they reached the quarter. Here Patchen went ahead a few inches, but that was all. On they went, shoulder to shoulder, with the crowd standing on tiptoe, gazing at the two spectres as they sped onward with such ve locity that they were almost imperceptable As they neared the stand in this manner Flora made one tremendous effort and snatched victory from the gallant Patchen by

This was one of the most exciting race nat had ever been trotted. Patchen ha been beaten, and still it was a victory fo him. Never had a horse trotted better o pressed his antagonist to greater speed in o der to eclipse him. They were both covere with glory. One as the victor, the other a the greatest adversary that had ever appea ed upon the turf to dispute her supremac Time, 2:21, 2:24, 2:221/4. Patchen was th greatest stallion of his day. He died May 1, 1864. Disease, "Scratch Hernia." He was buried, we believe, on the Centreville course, with other distinguished performers. Hadzen, son of Imported Trustee, was the sire of his dam—grandam, Itaska, by American Eclinse.

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The morning of the 4th dawned warm and bright, and the sheep-owners, many of them accompanied by their families, put in an early appearance.

President Wellington called a special meeting in the forendon to arrange details and appoint the necessary committees. After some preliminary business the following committees were ap-

Committee on Shearing-F. Holmes, C. H. Gibbs, W. B. Page, D. V. Marr and G. Vorgtlander.

Committee on Weighing and Measuring-H. C. Brown, James Hutchinson and W. A. Neiswanger.

The management of the shearing was in the hands a previously-elected committee, consisting of Messrs. Holmes, Gifford and Bouton.

At 1 o'clock p. m., everything being ready, President Wellington having announced to the shearers the rules governing the awarding of the five premiums, work was commenced, and although rain began falling late in the afternoon, there was no abatement in the interest. The attendance on the first day was very large, the number of ladies present adding much to the attractiveness of the occasion.

In the evening the sheepmen and their ladies found diversion in a pleasant dance at the Russell House.

The second day,

THURSDAY,

was decidedly unpleasant, a steady drizzle rain falling all the morning, but this in nowise dampened the enthusiasm of the participants, as every sheep entered was shorn. The owners brought blankets with them for their sheep, and they were made as comfortable as possible after being denuded of their woolly coats. The following table shows the result of the shearing in detail:

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To one posted in such matters, a glance at the above is sufficient to demonstrate the very good results obtained and speaks in flattering terms of the commendable efforts of our wool-growers to improve their flocks, and it is just such occasions as this that tends to elevate the standard by the spirit of

emulation produced by individual rival-

No better evidence is required in support of the assertion that Central Kansas is the sheep-raising section of the State, than the record of Mr. Church's lambs, found in the above table. These lambs were raised in Russell county, and to surpass them would be a difficult task. Nearly

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There were nearly a dozen shearers competing for the premiums, which were awarded by the committee, as follows: 1st, Wm. Henderson, \$10; 2d, Chas. Johnson, \$8; 3d, Jules Gendron, \$6; 4th, S. Smith, \$4; 5th, H. Harrison, \$2. The fleeces were separately wrapped in paper, sacked and shipped to Walter Brown & Co., Boston, who will scour them and inform the Association

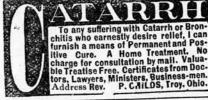


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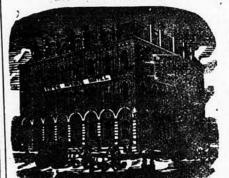
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Kerosene will burn clearer if the burners are boiled for five minutes twice or three times a year in wood ashes and water.

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Pies made of canned whortleberries should have an undercrust only; then over the top put strips of puff paste. Too much crust with the berries makes an almost tasteless pie.

If before you put rolls in the tin to bake them you rub the edges with a little melted butter, you will not be troubled by their sticking together when baked, and the edges will be smooth.

To keep pudding sauce warm if prepared too long before dinner is served, set the basin containing it in a pan or pail of boiling water; do not let the water boil after the sauce-dish is set in it, but keep it hot.

Too many hens with one cockerel is the cause of chickens dying in the shell. Several cocks together causes heavy battles, which is just as bad. All hens that are kept as breeders should be mated in a separate yard with a good vigorous cockerel, not over ten hens in the flock (seven, if convenient), and there will be less complaint about bad hatchers.

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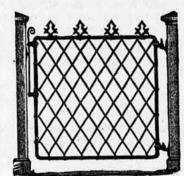
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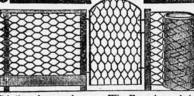
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## Ladies' Department.

Slander.

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One venomed word, That struck its coward, poisoned blow, In craven whispers, hushed and low-And yet the wide world heard.

'Twas but one whisper-one, That, muttered low, for very shame, The thing the slanderer dare not name-And yet its work was done.

A hint, so slight, And yet so mighty in its power, A human soul, in one short hour, Lies crushed beneath its blight!

#### KATIE DARLING,

Life in Western Kansas.

BY ONE WHO HAS BEEN THERE.

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CHAPTER VI.

We have omitted the details of Tom and Katie's marriage and departure, since there are but few in Kansas as yet who have not experienced leaving home and friends for the distant West; so in spite of the tears and entreaties of their many friends we find them in Kansas with their faces resolutely toward the setting sun. Several days journey brought them to a wild, unsettled district, with scarce a wagon track to mark their course. Coming to a deep rapid stream, Dick said, "I think Tom, we have reached the limits of our ambition, and here our steps are stayed. There's no crossing this stream with our heavy wagons; we'd better go into camp." So the usual routine of camp life was soon in process and a bright fire blazing around which our travelers were preparing their evening meal, chatting and laughing. Suddenly a stranger appeared almost in their midst, before they were aware of his presence, startling every one, his rough garb exciting more or less suspicion among the men. Mounted on a jaded looking mule, he carried a rifle before him, and a large Navy in the heavy leathern belt around his waist. His dress was partly soldier and partly citizen. A broad felt hat almost hid his piercing gray eyes; his hair and beard, long and bushy; in short he was a rough specimen, to all appearance, of frontier life. He sat a moment thus looking at the group, while they looked at him; then alighted, resting his gun on the ground with one hand, and the other holding the rein, he awaited the approach of Tom and Dick.

'Which way do you travel, Friend?" said Tom eyeing him from head to foot.

"That's a difficult question for me to answer," said he. "I saw your camp, and stopped to ask the same of you. From your outfit you must intend to settle; but such an outfit as yours looks strange in these parts;" and his keen eyes glanced rapidly over the whole company.

"However that may be," said Tom, "we mean business and have come to stay. Do you live near?"

"Yes," said he, "in a dugout, down the

stream yonder." 'What steam is this?" said Dick.

"Rushing Water is the English of what the Aborigines call it; it has never yet received stream sir, and I predict that its powers will be utilized some day in mills and factories. it may be the county seat will be 100 its banks. They have a town site laid off up on the prairie, but I'd prefer the stream."

"No doubt," said Tom, "if natural advantages are the principal object. But the conscience of the community at large will no doubt decide that matter. Is there much vacant land on the stream? We desire a location adopted to agriculture and stock rais-

ing." "Not much," said the stranger, "though there are several splendid claims which might be contested, the claimers having gone back to work, being short of means. Some of them may never return; or, if they do,

could easily be discouraged by an actual settler."

"It would be a mean cowardly thing then," said Dick, "to take their land under such circumstances. I would go further sir, and would feel it my duty to protect property in such a case.'

Yes," said Tom. "We're just through a fight for the liberty and lands here granted by Uncle Sam, and we won't begin by abusing his generosity."

Instantly the look of cold mistrust on the countenance of the stranger changed to a warm and friendly smile.

"Here's my hand, gentlemen," he said; you're the kind of material we need in these parts; and to-morrow I'll show you every available tract of land in the country round. My lot was less fortunate than yours in that circumstances threw me upon the other side of this great national issue."

"Hitch your mule," said Dick, "and spend the evening with us, that we may converse at leisure, since we are no doubt to be come neighbors."

As they approached the fire where the women were sitting, he removed his hat and bowed to them with an air strangely in contrast to his rough exterior, at the same time with one hand tossing back the mass of hair, there was an air of sadness about him that spoke of some deep sorrow.

"Where are you from?" said he, casting an

inquiring and puzzled look at Lucie.
"Illinois," said Tom; "but if you've no objection we'd like to know what sent you to the wilderness, alone, as you seem to be."

"I will tell you, but in few words," said he as all were seated except Tom, Lucy and Betty, (Jake's wife) who were busy preparing supper. "These memories," said he, "are full of pain and sorrow. When the war broke out, my father was very wealthy, situated in South Missouri, and owning slaves. It was generally supposed he was a Rebel, by those more radical. In the gen eral excitement, I, with others, was swept into the Rebel army, leaving only my parents and a younger brother at home. Hearing that the federal forces had invaded, (for so we regarded it) our section of country, I obtained a furlough and returning home, found nothing left me but the desolate land and the ashes of our once beautiful home. A band of federals raiding through that section had killed my father and brother, and grief had killed my mother; and there, desolate and alone, I stood and vowed to be revenged. I felt as though the whole Union army was my personal enemy, and my soul was on fire with a desire to pursue, and frustrate, and cause them to fail wherever it was in my power. Like a blood-hound on their trail, I rested neither day nor night. Sometimes alone, sometimes in company with two or more. I succeeded only too well, and was finally betrayed into the hands of my enemies, who would have made short work of me, had it not been for the intercession of a loyal and influential citizen, who having heard my history, prevailed upon them to grant my life and liberty on condition that I would swear allegiance to the U.S., and leave for Kansas. The kindness of this man was the first thing that aroused a feeling of humanity in my heart since that terrible blow. I kept my oath sacred to the memory of that one noble hearted man to whom I owed my life; and since living here in Kansas alone, I have learned to look at these things in a far different light-the calm light of reason. It was a national struggle, and though many personal wrongs on both sides resulted from individual wickedness, 'where man, endowed with a little brief authority, cut such fantastic tricks before high Heaven as makes the Ana christening by the white man. It is a live gels weep.' Still the grand results of that terrible conflict are a blessing to not only our own nation, but the nations of the earth; nd to-day b clasp your hand a brother, sharing equally with you the blessings of a free government, only you have deserved them, and I have not."

"My friend," said Dick, "you do yourself injustice. It was the influence of social and individual surroundings which led you astray; and while you bravely and courageously opposed what you regarded as a personal wrong, we fought, not because we ha ted you, but to sustain the power of government. Not that we loved our brothers less,

but our country more." "I appreciate your noble sentiments," said the stranger smiling; "but I must go now.

There is balm in solitude when not enforced; at least I have found it so."

"Your name?" said Tom, as they shook

"Robert Andrews; but look; do you see yon light in the North?"

"Yes, a prairie fire is it not?" said Tom. "It certainly is," said Andrews; "and we may have work to-night if the wind should change."

"Do you really apprehend danger?" said

"Not as it is now; but if the wind should change from the North, the few settlers up the stream will fire in self protection; and thus doing so will advance it rapidly and hen every fellow must look out for himself. What means have you for making a fire break?"

"We have plenty of matches," said Tom. "Very good, if used with judgment. But if you have a plow, or scythe, you'd better make a fire break around you here, by running four furrows, two together and eight or ten feet apart, burn out the intervening space, and be careful not to let the fire get

"Thank you," said Dick, as Andrews turned and was soon lost to sight in the dusky twilight. After a hasty supper they immerevealed a broad intellectual forehead. But diately set to work. Tom with a scythe, while Dick and Jake harnessed a strong span of mules to a breaking plow, and soon the first furrow was turned by them in Kansas. Andrews returned to tell them to fire a signal in case they wanted assistance, and again he was gone. The men were at work now, Katy and Lucie looking on.

[To be Continued.]

#### On the Right Track.

Dear sisters: It does me good to read so many letters in the L. D. on the topic of healthy living. This is next in importance to the temperance question, for it is through the appetite we are the best able to control the thirst for strong drink. Then dear mothers if you must make pie and cake for your little sons, be careful how you flavor with strong liquors, either in pies or candies. I rejoiced to read the Editor's approval of Mrs. H.'s letter on pie and cake; you all know his voice in the matter has its weight; so we all have our influence. I really do think we could have better health if we were to follow Sister Nixie's excellent letter by making and using more graham flour with grains and fruits. And also take the advice of Florian about giving medicine; little ones may be brought up to manhood and womanhood far better and stronger without medicine. I know many who are troubled with indigestion and regularly have spells of sick headache, who are thus afflicted from several causes; 1st, diet; 2d, overwork, doing the work of two or three days in one. It is in this way many a tired overworked wife and mother drags out her life. with very much needless work on children's clothes in ruffles and tucks which might be made plain, thus saving time and enabling one to get a little rest which is as good as medicine. Try it sisters, who ark tired. Kindly, Mrs. J. P. Walters. Kindly,

Emporia, Kas. I see one lady wanted to know how to make cracker pudding and bird nest pudding. Cracker pudding: 1 qt milk, 11/2 cups sugar, 2 eggs, 6 Boston crackers powdered fine, ½ pound raisins, ½ nutmeg, ½ teaspoon cinnamon, 1 tablespoonful butter, a little salt. Mix all together, pour in buttered pudding dish and bake slowly two hours.

Bird nest pudding: Fill pie plate with sliced apples, pour in a little water, cover with baking powder crust, of butter, flour and water, and 1 teaspoon baking powder to each cup of flour; bake to a nice brown until apples are done. Serve hot with sauce of flour, water, sugar and nutmeg. Let us stay ome and hake cake and other when the men come back from election they will enjoy it and you too.

LITTLE HOUSEKEEPER.

#### Husk Beds.

It has been said that our page needed a little pruning; so I think. I enjoy short letters, though there has been some very long

sacks in two hours. These beds are so much cleaner, and will last so long, every house should be filled with them.

Some one asks me for my recipe for making baking powder. 1 get 1/2 pound cream tartar, 1/4 pound of carbonate soda, ounce tartaric acid; thoroughly sift and mix these together, and I have a pure pow-der that costs less and goes farther than any

A Clergyman's Sore Throat.

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ters, though there has been some very long ones that have been tedious. The old saying is, "short visits make long friends."

I hope every woman is making a husk bed, it is such a nice time; don't take only a short time either. Eleven grain sacks full will make a large bed. I can fill three of these

# The Houng Folks.

Fat boy: "No, you can not raise chickens from egg plants; you might as well try to raise calves from cowcatchers."

The sting of a bee is only one-thirty-sec ond of an inch long. It is only your imagin-ation that makes it seem long as a hoe

In a primary school the teacher undertook to convey to her pupils an idea of the use of the hyphen. She wrote on the blackboard, "bird's-nest," and pointing to the hyphen, asked the school, "What is that for?" After a short pause a young son of the Emerald Isle piped out: "Plaze, ma'm, for the burd to roost on."

A lot of farmers who had been listening to a railroad land agent's praise of Arkansas valley soil, at last asked him, sarcastically, if there was anything that wouldn't grow there. "Yes," said the agent, quickly, "pumpkins won't." "Why not?" "The soil is so rich and the vines grow so fast that they wear out the pumpkins, dragging them over the ground."

A friend, visiting in a minister's family where the parents were very strict in regard to the children's Sabbath deportment, was confidentially informed by one of the little girls that she would like to be a minister. "Why?" inquired the visitor, rather puzzled to understand what had given the child so sudden an admiration for that calling. She quickly enlightened him by the prompt re-"So I could holler on Sunday."

At a party the other evening the subject of faith was mentioned, when one young lady remarked, in the language of Paul: "Now, faith is the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen.' Whereupon a gentleman inquired: "Where is that quotation from?" "Why, it's from Shakespeare," jokingly replied the young lady. "Is that so?" said the young man "why, I thought it was from Byron." His next Christmas present will be a copy of the New Testament revised edition.

#### The Discovery of the Mammoth.

The banks of that great Northern Siberian river, the Lena, are quite peculiar. Those on the western side are generally low and marshy, while those on the eastern are often from sixty to one hundred feet in height. In the extreme north, this high elevation is cut into numerous pyramidal shaped mounds, which are formed of layers of earth and ice-sometimes a clear stratum of the latter many feet in thickness.

It was before such a mound that a fisherman stopped, dumb with astonishment, one spring morning, many years ago. About thirty feet above him, half-way up the face of the mound, appeared the section of a great ice-layer, from which the water was flowing in numberless streams; while protruding from it, and partly hanging over, was an animal of such huge proportions that the simple fisherman could hardly believe his eyes. Two gigantic horns or tusks were visible, and a great woolly body was faintly outlined in the blue, icy mass. In the fall, he related the story to his comrades up the river, and in the ensuing spring, with a party of his fellow fishermen, he again visited the spot. A year had worked wonders. The great mass had thawed out sufficiently to show its nature, and on closer inspection proved to be a well-preserved specimen of one of those gigantic extinct hairy elephants that roamed over the northern parts of Europe and America in the earlier ages of the world. The body was still too firmly attached and frozen to permit of removal. For four successive years the fishermen visited it, until finally, in March, 1804, five years after its original discovery, it broke away from its icy bed and came thundering down upon the sands below. The discoverers first detached the tusks, that were nine feet six inches in length, and together weighed three hundred and sixty pounds. The hide, covered with wool and hair, was more than twenty men could lift. Part of this, with the tusks, were taken to Jakutks and sold for fifty rubles, while the rest of the animal was left where it fell, and cut up at various times by the Jakoutes, who fed their dogs with its flesh. A strange feast this, truly—I thing ever compounded.

meat that had been frozen solid in the icehouse of Nature perhaps fifty thousand years, more or less; but so well was it preserved that, when the brain was afterward compared with that of a recently killed animal, no difference in the tissues could be detected.

Two years after the animal had fallen from the cliff, the news reached St. Petersburg, and the Museum of Natural History sent a scientist to secure the specimen and purchase it for the Emperor. He found the massive skeleton entire, with the exception of one fore leg. The tusks were re-purchased in Jakutsk, and the great frame was taken to St. Petersburg and there mounted.-St. Nicholas.

#### How Animals Help Each Other.

Darwin in his "Descent of Man" has many kind things to say about animals. Social animals, he tells us, perform many little services for each other. Horses nibble and cows lick each other. Monkeys pick from each other thorns and parasites. Wolves, and some other beasts of prey, hunt in pack, and aid each other in attacking their victims. Pelicans fish in concert. The Hamadryas baboons turn over stones to find insects, etc., and when they come to a large one, as many as can stand round turn it over together, and share the booty.

Social animals mutually defend each other. Brehm encountered in Abyssinia a great troop of baboons which were crossing a valley; the latter were attacked by the dogs, but the old males immediately hurried down from the rocks, and with mouths wide open roared so fearfully that the dogs precipitately retreated. They were again encouraged to the attack; but by this time all the baboons had reascended the heights, excepting a young one about six months old, who, loudly calling for aid, climbed on a block of rock, and was surrounded. Now, one of the largest males, a true hero, came down again from the mountain, slowly went to the young one, coaxed him, and triumphantly led him away, the dogs being too much astonished to make an attack.

On another accasion, an eagle seized a young monkey, which, by clinging to a branch, was not at once carried off; it cried loudly for assistance, upon which the other members of the troop, with much uproar, rushed to the rescue, surrounded the eagle, and pulled out so many feathers that he no longer thought of his prey, but only how to

#### Letters From Little People.

MR. EDITOR:-I sent for a lot of flower seeds; I am going to try to have a flower garden. We are having beautiful weather. The farmers are very busy with their spring work; not much grain but oats are sowed on account of chinch bugs; a great deal of corn is raised. HATTIE M. SMITH. Kolako, Washington Co., Ks., April 8.

#### Questions to be Answered.

Question No. 33.—If a man buys horses, eattle, hogs and sheep, getting twice as many cattle as horses, three times as many hogs as cattle, and four times as many sheep as hogs, paying \$80 apiece for horses, \$30 for cattle, \$10 for hogs and \$3 for sheep, and \$1360 for all, how many of each kind does he buy?

#### Answers to Questions.

Enigma 20. Ans.—Sewing machine. Anwered by M. L. M., L. J. S., C. W. F.

Enigma 21. Ans.-Constantinople. Answered by S. T. B., C. W. M., M. L. S., L

Question 30. Ans.—Philadelphia,

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8. GILLILAND. July 25, 1878.

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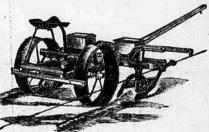
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The twenty-third annual St. Louis fair will begin Monday, October 1.

H. W. Hill & Co., Decatur, Ills., advertise hog machinery; that is, machinery for ringing, marking, etc. See their ad—"That hog of mine."

In answer to our request for the best sheep dip, we have received several statements in favor of Little's Chemical

For one hundred and fifty dollars one can get a "Lightning horse cleaning machine" from the Universal Joint company, 30, Broad street, N. Y.

Our readers will find the manual published by the American Mfg. Co., of Waynesboro, Pa., on Evaporating Fruit, a valuable and interesting treatise on this subject. Sent free on application.

Mr. L. F. White, a farmer of Mitchell county, called on the FARMER folks one day last week. He gives a good report of his locality. Two creameries are now in operation and more in prospect. A great deal of sorghum cane will be raised this year.

Our correspondent, Mr. Wheeler, of Gove county, honored us this week with a pleasant call. He spent a day in Topeka and was much interested, especially with the display at the agricultural department at the State House. He says cane and broom-corn do well in his

S. Simpson & Co., proprietors of the Colorado Hotel at the Kansas City stock yards, keeps one of the most popular places in the city. It is the oldest hotel at the yards and any day you will find shippers, breeders, farmers, and stockmen generally there in large numbers; but if you want to see the crowd, give them a call during the public

The wool market is not very active. It is thought low medium and coarse wools will command better prices this year than last. This year's crop is expected to be large and of improved texture. The demand keeps pace, however, with increased productions. Price, Marmaduke & Co., St. Louis, expect a decline in prices upon the taking effect of the new tariff, July 1, and the reduction is expected to be felt chiefly on wool in the

The Kansas City Price Current will appear in a bright, new, spring dress on the first of May, and it is getting so proud over the change that it is going to take a new name, also. Thereafter it will be issued in sixteen to twenty pages printed on fine calendar paper, and the name will be Kansas City Live Stock Record and Price Current. The only thing we don't like about it is the name -it is too long. Why occupy so much space in this busy world with a name? Look at our plain, simple KANSAS FAR-MER. But we are proud of our neighbor if it has got a long name. It is a first-rate stock journal, and we tender congratulations on its success. We are pleased, also, that the Daily Record will run right along, too.

Stockmen in Council at Dodge City.

In pursuance of appointment there was a large and enthusiastic gathering of stockmen at Dodge City last week. The value of stock represented ran away up into millions. Gov. Glick was present and took an active part in the proceedings. The Governor is a breeder of no mean pretensions.

The KANSAS FARMER was represented by Dr. A. M. Eidson, a prominent stock man of Osage county. From his notes of the proceedings, and what we find in the Dodge City Daily Times, we are able to present to our readers a very complete report.

In stating the objects of the meeting Mr. Arthur Gorham said: "They are two-fold. In the first place, that we, representing the great business of this section of the country, may bind ourselves together in a permanent organization—a Cattlemen's Association—for mutual protection, and for the general advancement of our interests.

Secondly, that the cattlemer may have an opportunity of coming together for better acquaintance, and for the discussion of questions of common interest.

The time was-and not very long ago, either—when the great country tributary to this point was occupied by comparatively few herds of cattle; when every man had his distinct range and plenty of it, so that there was comparatively little danger of herds intermingling. The cattle man was independent of his neighbors, and gathered his cattle and conducted his business generally in his own way and as he saw fit. Then cattle were cheap, and the loss of a few head, more or less, was a matter of little thought. Horses were a trifling consideration. The expenses of the business were light, and the profits proportionately large, and there was no necessity of an association of this kind.

Now all this is changed. The ranges are filled up-crowded to overflowing; cattle of different herds intermingled in almost inextricable confusion-so that the greatest labor and greatest expense of the whole year's work is in gathering and separating the herds. Our cattle have largely increased in value, and represent money, and the loss of even a few is a thing to be felt, and to be guarded against if possible. The cost of horses is an important item; the expenses of doing the business have increased in every way, and profits have proportionately diminished; and it behooves us to combine and systemize our work that the greatest good can be accomplished with the smallest expenditure of time, labor and money.

We must learn to save; much of this can be done to infinitely better advantage by a combination of effort-by an organization representing such an enormous amount of invested capital, and holding the power consequent thereonthan could possibly be done by each one working separately, as an individual.

As for the second object of the meeting. The business of cattle raising is peculiar in this respect, and with the almost single exception of farming, stands pre-eminently by itself in thisthat there is no competition—indeed there is an absolute community of interest, even to the extent that we are in a ure dependent upon each other in order that we may so conduct our business as to lead to success in results. The broker on Wall street, the merchant on Broadway, cares nothing who his next door neighbor may be; he knows that he is his rival-his competitor in business-and that is all. He asks nothing from him and expects to give nothing in

Yet these men, and those representing other trades and mercantile pursuits, with interests antagonistic in many respects, and having the advantage too of

easily reach each other when occasion requires, have found it to their advantage-and indeed it has now become an acknowledged necessity-to band themselves together in organizations of this sort, in order that they may meet from time to time to interchange ideas, discuss subjects of mutual interest and study each other's ways and processes.

If this is of benefit to these men, how much more so must it be to us who admit that for the successful prosecution of much of our work we are dependent on each other and feel keenly the necessity of harmonious, joint action, and laboring too, as we do, under the great disadvantage of being located so far apart, that it is often exceedingly difficult to get at each other when it is most necessary to do so."

Gov. Glick said: "It is a well recognized fact that Western Kansas, Texas and the Indian Territory furnish more meat than any other country in the world. In the East, the large farms have been divided up into smaller ones and the result is that stock raising cannot be carried on to any extent. While a farm of one hundred and sixty acres is sufficient to work and make a living upon, it is not large enough to raise stock on a very extensive scale. But the business of stock raising requires a greater and larger range to carry it on successfully. Cattle raising, therefore, has become the leading business of Western Kansas, and instead of our meat being produced by the Eastern States it is now produced by the Western States and the business of cattle raising is increasing each year. A few years ago the New England States purchased their beef from Ohio and Kentucky. I remember years ago, when I was a small boy, that the Miami and Scioto valleys in Ohio, and the state of Kentucky, furnished most of the meat in the United States; but in that short time the country has been filled up and farms divided into smaller ones, until now Western Kansas furnishes more meat than the State of Ohio or Kentucky either. That business is increasing and now the western plains are becoming the greatest stock raising country in the world. They are now becoming the great center of the United States for stock raising. My friends, this business you are engaged in is an honorable business and profitable business if properly conducted. It dates back to Abraham, as we read of him raising cattle. You are engaged in the business of raising meats for Europe. Their lands are such that

In this country you have the ranges and all the facilities in the world to raise cattle and make a success of it. To make a success of the stock raising business you must raise better cattle. It would pay you to raise cattle that would weigh fourteen to fifteen hundred pounds, and get from one and a half to two cents per pound for your meat. It would cost you very little more money and you would get from fifteen to twenty dollars more money on the head than you now receive for the long, lank, slabsided Texas steers. In his place you are raising high-bred Short-horns. In place of waiting four years, you have in two years in your thoroughbred what the Texas cattle make at four, furnishing better meat and taking less feed and attention at two years old than Texas steers at four, and being located as you are, you can make more money transporting such cattle than you can the Texas steer. Again, you can command the attention of the rail oad company with your millions of dollars of wealth and therefore command the situ-

other business than stock raising is more

profitable.

being near together where they can but most of them very briefly and on miscellaneous subjects. Mr. E. H. Borton closed his address with this:

"This event will be one historical epoch in the annals of our country. Years hence, as we recount the incidents of the past, this occasion will be among the most treasured reminiscences of our hearts. A hundred years hereafter, should you and I be alive and go through the historical museum of the state, there we will behold the famous heel spurs, the saddle, the leggins, the slicker and all the accoutrements of camp life. I cannot speak to advise you gentlemen of wealth and experience. but I would say a word to the young men. This is a meeting of the cattle kings as it was in olden times, an assembly of Lords and Barons in conclave. But I will say a word to the young men, to the cow boys. To you, the cattle interests of the West owe much of their prosperity. It is you who ride through storms in the midst of winter, and stand guard in the beating rain, and the dreary trail, through the monotony of camp life. It is you who devote the flower of your life to these arduous duties, and in conclusion, it is but fitting that I give a toast, to the cow boys, "the cow boys, the pioneers of the plains."

A constitution was reported and adopted, the second section of which is as fol-

SEC. 2. We, the undersigned cattle growers of Southwest Kansas, Indian Territory and Pan-Handle of Texas, do nereby associate ourselves to advance the interest of stock-growers in this section of the country, and for mutual protection and benefit

The admission fee is \$15 and assessments are to be made in proportion to the number of cattle owned by the mem-

Section nineteen requires every member to give notice to the executive committee of all cases of cattle stealing coming within their knowledge.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the custom of carrying ire-arms should be discountenanced, and it is hereby made the duty of the mem-bers of the Association, foremen of round-ups, and foremen of ranges, to use every effort possible to prevent the carrying of fire-arms by cattle men at all times and places except when absolutey necessary

Permanent officers were elected. For President, H. H. McCoy; Vice President, Arthur Gorham; Secretary, C. W. Willets; Treasurer, F. B. York; Executive Committee Messrs. F. D. Coburn, Frank Spencer, and R. J. Hard-

The Chairman appointed the following persons on the round-up committee: John Edgar, A. Young, Geo. Anderson, D. W. Barton, Hugh O'Neil, T. S. Bug-bee, Hi. Kollar, Wash. Mussett, Sim. Holstein, Frank Spencer and A. H.

#### Inquiries Answered.

Persons desiring special information concerning the Alliance, ought to address L. A. Mulhollan, Secretary of State Alliance, Topeka, Kansas. The Alliance is a worthy organization— wholly unobjectionable.

In reply to questions of J. J., we quote from census report for 1880:
The number of persons engaged in agriculture in the United State, over ten years of age, including laborers, 7,670,493.

The statistics of iron and steel manufactures embrace blast furnaces. factures embrace blast furnaces, bloomaries, forges, rolling mills and steel works of all kinds, so that we do not have the rail work stated separately. We give total for the entire industry, just as it appears in the report: The total number of persons employed in the iron and steel industries of the country, 133,203.

Persons engaged in specific cotton.

Persons engaged in specific cotton manufactories—total, 172,544; men, 59,-685; boys, 15,107; women, 84,539; girls,

Total employed in working woolen goods, 86,504; males above 16 years, 46,-978; females above 15 years, 29,372; chilation, and they must come to your goods, 86,504; males above 15 years." [Applause.]

A number of other gentlemen spoke, dren and youths, 10,154.

Polled Cattle Sale at Kansas City.

These cattle are growing rapidly into popularity. The sale of Mr. Matthews and the Geary Bro's., at Kansas City the last week, shows how great the demand is for the "black coats." Prices were very high. It was a fine lot of cattle, but the average Short-horn sales last year was only a little over one hundred dollars. Of this particular sale the Kansas City Price Current says that of all the public sales of fine cattle that have ever been held there, none ever attracted the attention that this one did. A good crowd was in attendance notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather Wednesday morning. But the afternoon was pleasant, and increased numbers visited the sale grounds at River View Park. Missouri and Kansas were both well represented by prominent breeders, and quite a number of prominent ranchmen were on hand. The cattle were in good condition, and attracted much admiration. Col. Muir and Harris were auctioneers, and soon got the crowd interested. Bidding was fairly spirited from the start and good prices realized. The opening day, Wednesday, 13 Polled Angus bulls sold at a range of \$380 to \$805, average \$540, and six females at a range of \$460 to \$700, average \$806. Of Galloways, 28 bulls were sold from \$355 to \$800, aver-

Thursday the weather was bright and attendance again good. The first part of the day, bidding was active and prices ruled much the same as Wednesday, but towards the close sales became slower. 6 Angus or Aberdeen cows and heifers sold for \$4,650, an average of \$775. Maria, a very handsome cow went to Hewins & Titus, of Cedarvale, Kas., at \$1,160 and Col. S. W. Prowers, of West Las Animas, Col., paid \$1,025 for Carpie, another very pretty cow. 20 bulls realized \$7,955, an average of \$497. The Galloways sold equally as well. 18 females brought \$10,000, an average of \$555 and 28 bulls sold for \$13,560, an average of \$484.

Friday the closing day, the attendance was much lighter, but as few animals were offered good prices were obtained. Five Angus or Aberdeen cows and heifers sold for \$3,120, an average of \$625 and 2 bulls for \$1,110, an average of \$555 and one Galloway bull went at \$530. The totals for the three days were: Seventeen Angus or Aberdeen females for \$11.410, an average of \$671; 32 bulls for \$15,855, an average of \$495. Of Galloways the entire sales were 18 females for \$10,530, an average of \$544, and 58 bulls for \$30,460, an average of \$525.

WEDNESDAY'S SALES-FEMALES-AN-GUS OR ABERDEEN.

We have not room for pedigrees.

No. 1. Fillia, Peter Robideau, Wallace, Kansas

No. 2. Dolly, Saml Seegrist, Avoca, Kansas, \$460. No. 3. Tifty of Tyvie 7th, H A Clark, Wallace, Kan-Bas, \$700.

No. 4. Eliza Haddo 4th, M R Platt, Kansas City, Mo, \$480.

No. 8. Misth, R D Adkins, Parkville, Mo, \$650. No. 20. Dorianne, R C Bloomfield, Col, \$700.

BULLS-ANGUS OR ARERDRENS. No. 22. Fermilian, Frank Robinson, Belton, Mo

No. 25. Leopold, Peter Robideau, Wallace, Kansas

No. 26. Lochnager, B C Rhodes, Dodge City, Kas, No. 27. Alvan, S S Matthews, Kansas City, Mo, \$380.

No. 28. Barbarian, John Earton, Peculiar, Mo, \$800. Bull not in catalogue, J V Harges, \$400. No. 30. Nicholas, M R Platt, Kansas City, \$310.

No. 44. Henchman, R. L. Greer, Aullville, Mo. \$510. No. 48. Prince of Abergeldie, J.D.L. Jones, Belton,

No. 51. Jacob, R T Atkins, Parkville, Mo, \$700.

GALLOWAYS-BULLS. No. 93. Normandy of Airds, Geo Rhodes, Harper

No. 95. Arabi of Airds, C W Ament, Anthony, Kas

No 118. Maxwell of Glenlee, J J Grove, Marion

No 74. What's Wanted, J N B Hargis, Belton, Mo,

No 75. Hector of Kirkhill, T W [McCoy, Mound City, Mo. \$810. No 53. Rover of Easter Fullock, W.R. Estill, Estill.

No 130. Earl of Peebles, Estill & Elliott, Estill, Mo

Manfred, A T Garth, Columbia, Mo, \$490 No 82. Cairnfield, B Shelby, Lexington, Mo. \$630, No 85. Prince Imperial, Peter Robideau, \$795.

No 87. Lord of Galloway (1945) G W Galloway, Mound City, Mo, \$415. No 89. Mutineer of Barlae, (1947) WA Greer, Aull-

No 92. Darwin (1950), Greevern, Houghton & Co Medicine Lodge, Kas, \$40

No 94. Farnworth (1952), Jos Geautier, Hayes City,

No 96. Scotch Gentleman (1954), C W Ament, Anthony, Kas, \$540. Herd Laddie (1958) R C Bloomfield, \$510.

No 99. Scotch Plowboy (1957) H A Clark, Wallace No 107. Scotch Diamond (1957) S S Matthews, Kan-

No 104. Oliver Twist (1962) E J Price, Emporia, No 105. Arabi of Troquhain (1963) J V B Hargis,

No 206. Mutineer of Troquhain (1964) C W Ament

Anthony, Kas, \$380. No 107. Eskdale Harden (1965) J B Jones, Aullville, No 111. Factor (1969) A J McClusick, Clay Co, Mo-

No 113. Pride of Urr, (1971) D Stewart, Hutchinson Kas. \$500 No 114. Morning Star (1972) J Larkin, Oberline

Kas. \$690. No 115. Black Watch 2d (1978) Greever, Houghton & No 116. Sir Garnet of Barsaloch (1974) Wm Yost.

Belton Mo. 475. No 117. Brow Lad (1975) A A Bryan, Montezuma, Iowa, \$400.

No 120. The Collier (1978) Wilson Keys, Sterling, Kas. \$485. No 123. Lochside (1981) Thos Kiddy, Huntsville,

Kas, \$415. THURSDAY'S SALES-FEMALES-ABERDEEN OR ANGUS No 10. Maria, Hewins & Titus, Cedarvale, Kas

No 11. Melina 3, J W Prowers, West Las Animas Col, \$625. No 12. Duchess 13, calved Oct 27, '81; R C Bloom

field, \$500. No 13 Waterside Rianca 2d (5195) calved Feb 1, '81

No 16 Nightingale 15th, Vol VIII, calved Mch 7, 81; J H Turner, Glasgow, Mo. \$530 No 19. Carpie (4372) calved April 2, '80, J W Prow-

BULLS-ABERDEEN OR ANGUS. No 21 Fine Fellow (2109) G W Henry, Kansas City,

No 24. Vice President, R C Bloomfield, \$460. Black Lock, J W Prowers, \$650.

20-36. Sir Martin, H A Clark, \$660. No 37. Urban, R E Lawrence, Wichita, Kas, \$400. No 38. Lord Macdonald (2212) J W Prowers, \$520. No 39. Norseman, M.R. Piatt, \$405. No 40. Orleans Laddie, N. W. Ewing, Kansas

No 41. Lindhope, J W Smith, Warrensburg, Mo.

No 42. Blacking Vol VIII, O M Harris, Glasgow,

No 43. Tullochallum, (2378) J W Prowers, \$ 00. No 45. Blackthorn, J H Grill, Pittsburg, Kas, \$490. No 47, Agrostos (1935) Stephén Beery, Trenton, Mo,

No 49. Kynon, M R Platt, \$395 No 52. Bluebeard 7th (1995) C B Rhodes, \$680. No 132 Carbo, Jno H Turner, Glasgow, Mo, \$880 No 153. Prince of Balmoral, J E Bellum, Belton, Mo, \$410.

No 134. Royal Justice, Wm Rodges, Kansas City No 135. Falstaff (2097) W A Pierce, Topeka, Kas.

No 136. Heather Boy, E W Heath, McPherson, Kart

GALLOWAYS-FEMALES.

No 45. Nelly of Breckonhill (4557) J F Childs, Buckner, Mo. \$825. No 55. Betty 2d of Breckonhill, (4558) Chas Stone

Kansas City, Mo, \$700. No 57, Lizzle of Byrecreff (4560) R L Greer, \$510. No 58. Queen of Byrecroff (4561) W F Yates, Morton

Mo, \$550. No 59, Jennie 2d of Little Whitriggs, (4562) A L McClellan, Ellsworth, Kas, \$555. No 60. Tibbie 2d of Little Whirtriggs. (4563) T W

McCoy, Mound City, Mo, \$700. No 61. Wigtonnshire Beauty, (4564) Chas Collings. No 62. Marion of Corwall, E C Hill, Dawson's Mill.

No 63. Littleton Star, (4566) A W Hamilton, Wel-

No 65. Littleton Belle, (4569) Jos Geautier \$500. No 66. Bess of Knockman, (4567, late 3867) W I

Ewing, \$680. No 67. Wigtownshire Queen (4570) Peter Robideau

No[68. Scotch Lassie (4571) E A Brown, \$610. No 69. Blue Bell 2d, I W Duncan & Son, Indepen-No 70. Black Bessie 2d, B C Redlon, \$340.

No 71. Heather Bloom (399) S A Willard, Ray Co. No 72. Maggie Laidlaw 2d, Saml Jaslin, Canada

No 78. Nellie Gray 4th, I W Duncan, Independence Mo, \$305.

BULLS. No 76. Donald 3d, (1934) Petr Robideau, \$605. No 77. Napier (1985, late 1711) G E Rhodes, Harper, No 78. Dick of Mossburn (1936) J S Goodrich, Good-

rich, Kas, \$600. No 79. Black Knight of Kirkcudbright (1937) G E

Rhodes, Harper, Kas, \$590. No 80. The Souter of Selkirk (1938) Hewins & Titus.

No 81. Johnnie Halliday (1936) Greever, Houghton

No 83. Clarence (1941) T J Price, Emporia, Kas, No 84. Punch of Anchenreoch (1042) Jas Geautier,

No 86. Bonnie Prince Charlie (1944) O F Dougherty;

Liberty, Mo. \$340. No 88. Hindoo (1946) Scott & Thrall, Kas, \$59 No 90 Belgrave (1948) W W Bock, Martinsville,

No 91. Beauchamp (1949) Hewins & Pitus, \$645. No 98. Scotch Farmer (1955) Greever, Houghton &

No 100. Black Diamond (1958) 8 A Wooler, Rich

mond, Mo, \$490. No 102. The Young Laid (1980) Mr Rodgers, Inde-No 103, Don Quixote (1931) B C Redman, Farling-

ton, Kas, \$510. No 108. Eskdale Hero (1966) H C Childs, Buckner,

No 109. Plougman (1967) Vermilye Bros, Winfield No 112. Glaisters Laddie (1970) Peter Robideau, \$370. No 119. Barrhill (1977) Joel F Childs, Mayview, Mo

No 111. Moorcock of Knockycoid [1979] T W CcCoy No 122. Croyur of Culreoch [1980] W. H Patler, Hig-

No 124. Bartaggar, [1982] Jno H Campbell, Wet-

more, Kas, \$510 No 125. Low Park [1983] J Williams, Liberty, Mo

No 127. Stub and Twist, '82, Mr News, Kansas City No 128. Blackmour, A Love, Hector, Kas, \$310.

No 129. Dinah's Boy, Chas Collins, Hutchison Kas. \$370. FRIDAY'S SALES—FEMALES—ABERDEENS OR ANGUS.

No 5, Isabel, M R Platt, \$680. No 7. Waterside Ida, [6303] J H Turner, Glasgow Mo, \$590. 9. Daisy 5th, M R Platt, \$550.

No 15. Beauty 11th, O M Harrison, Glasgow, Mo No 17. Claudina [5150] Hewins & Titus, \$800.

BULLS. no 28. Lascar] Payton, Montgomery, Kansas City, No 34. Reuben, R T Murray, Martinsville, Mo, \$410.

GALLOWAYS-FEMALES. No 56. Rosy of Kirkconnell [4559] A Love, Hector Kas, \$530.

#### Gossip about Stock.

The Sumner County Wool Growers' Association held an informal meeting last Saturday and adjourned until the 28th inst. at which time a full attendandance is requested as arrangements will then be made for the sale of this spring's clip of wool.

From the Chase County Courant we learn that J. C. Dwelle, near Cedar Point, has about 1,800 head of thoroughbred Merino sheep that he got from Michigan, and which, with the help of one man, he kept in excellent condition during the winter.

The Kinsley Graphic says: Tom Johns brought in two car loads of thoroughbred Hereford and Short-horn stock last Sunday from Illinois. In the lot is one imported two-year-old Hereford bull which cost him one thousand dollars, and he is a beauty.

L. E. Shattock, of Stanberry, Mo., bought of H. V. Pugsley a ram lamb (sire Stubby 440) that has made the following shearing record: 1st fleece 141/2, 2d 261/2, and third (1883) 371/2, of extra fine white staple, sheared and weighed by David Baker & John Lilly. Ram's name Sammy.

The mechanical and agricultural stakes (for colts) to be trotted at Lexington, Ky., in the fall of 1883, have closed, and the Hambletonians have a large majority of the entries over all other breeds. The same thing, says the Chicago Breeders' Gazette, is true of the entries in the colt stakes to be trotted at Chicago.

Don't forget that April 25, 26, and 27, are the dates for the great sale at Kansas City, of Galloways and Polled Angus cattle. We have good authority for saying this is undoubtedly the best lot of cattle ever offered for sale in America. Mr. Cochran and the Leonards are well known as careful breeders and extensive importers of the purest stock.

The eighth annual sale of the Jackson Co. Mo. Short-horn breeders will be held at Kan. sas City, May 23, 24, and 25, when 75 head of pure bred Short-horns of their own breeding will be offered for sale. These men have a good reputation as reliable breeders and there should be a large attendance.

M. R. Platt sold one of his Polled Angus bulls to Wm. Watson, Hector, Kansas, for \$1200.

#### THE MARKETS.

By Telegraph, April 16, 1883.

#### Kansas City Live Stock Market.

The Live Stock Indicator Reports: CATTLE. Market weak, slow and 5a10c lower; native steers averaging 931a1322 lbs, sold at \$5 40a 6 00; stockers and feeders, \$4 00a4 75; cows \$3 00a

HOGS. Market a shade better for selected; mixed and light steady; lots averaging 259a280fbs sold at \$7 05a7 80.

SHEEP. Market quiet; natives, averaging 78a105 lbs sold at \$8 871/a5 10.

Receipts. Shipments

#### Kansas City Produce Market.

Price Current Reports: WHEAT. Market firmer but quiet; No. 1 cash, \$1 04 bid, \$1 06 asked; No. 2 cash, 951/4c bid, 961/5c asked; No. 3 cash, 881/2c bid.

CORN. Market firmer; No. 2 mixed, 411/4 cash; 43c, May ; 44%c, June. OATS. Steady; No. 2, 87c bid.

RYE, Steady; No. 2,451/c bid, 47c asked. BUTTER. We quote packed: 
 Oreamery, fancy (nominal)
 82a

 Creamery, choice
 a

 Choice Dairy
 23a

 Good to choice Western store packed
 16a

 Moddlers
 16a
 Skim flats....

POTATOES. 50c to 1.00. BROOM CORN. Common, 2a21/2c per lb.; Missouri evergreen, 8a4c Hurl, 4a5c. CASTOR BEANS. We quote prime crushing at

\$1.40a1.50 per bus. SORGHUM. We quote at 31a32c per gal. for dark and 37a39 for light.

FLAX SEED. We quote at \$1 20a125 per bu. WOOL...We quote: Missouri and Kansas tubwashed 30a32c; unwashed, choice medium, 20a 21c: fair do at 17a19; coarse, 16a18c; New Mexico.

4a 8c.
SEEDS. These prices on country orders.
Per bus. 

#### Chicago.

The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE. Receipts 6,500. Selling lower. Export steers, \$6 10a6 65; good to choice shipping, 5 50a6 00; common to fair, \$5,10a5 60; butchers and canners, cows. \$2.50s4.65; fair to good steers,

HOGS. Receipts 9:00 Marke 10cl wer Mixed packing \$6 9 a7 3); heavy. \$7.4 a7.75; light, \$6 90

SHEEP. Receipts 5 (00), Market weak. Common to fair, \$3 85a5 20; good, to choice, \$6 00a6 50

#### Chicago Produce Market.

WHEAT. May opened at\$106%c; noon\$106%c. June opened at \$1 05%c, noon \$1 09c. CORN. May opened as 53%; noon, 54%c. June

PORK May opened at \$18 15; noon, \$18 1714. St. Louis.

The Western Live Stock Journal reports:

pened at 55%c; noon, 56%c.

HOGS. Slow and lower; good light shipping, 37 20a7 35; mixed to good packing, \$7 00a7 40; butchers to extra, \$7 30a7 55.

CATTLE. Generally quiet; more demand for outchers than shippers, although the latter are in fair request : exports, \$6 50a6 80; heavy shipping, \$6 00a6 50: light shipping steers, \$5 50a 6 00: common steers, \$4 25a5 25; medium to choice butcher steer, \$5 00a6 00.

SHEEP. Market quiet and easier; light shipping demand; common to medium, \$3 50a 4 50; tair to good, \$4 75a5 50; choice to fancy, \$3 75a6 75. WHEAT. Red winter, May \$1 10.

#### TYPE FOR SALE.

This office has several hundred pounds of Brevier and Nonpareil type for sale at sixteen cents a pound.

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WOOL, SORGHUM AND FLAX.

Kansas is fast coming into prominence as a wool, sorghum and flax growing state. Wool always has been, and always will be in demand; flax is better than cotton for some purposes; and sorgo, we believe, will soon be one of the most popular plants grown. It may be a mistaken thought; still it is our opinion that in ten years from the present time, Americans will produce all the low grade sugars our home markets need, and in 20 years we need not import a pound of any kind. Sorgo is to work this change. The one cent a pound tax now imposed will then be paid no more. American-made sugars will then be as cheap as those of any other people when brought to our markets. Like all other manufacturing has done, this will reduce prices as fast as we become our own masters in the market.

Flax we are wasting every year by thousands of tons. The fibre raised in Kansas would make table cloth for the whole country. But so long as foreign flax and jute supplies our wants there is no inducement to build factories to work up our own.

Wool we now raise and have market for it, but it has to compete with foreign wool notwithstanding the tariff. The history of wool in this country is very instructing. Under the stimulus of the Morrill tariff, our sheep have increased wonderfully and the wool clip in proportion; yet, while foreign wool is taxed ten cents and upwards a pound the price of our home grown wool is not any higher now than it was when the foreign articie came in free. We have in our posses sion a table of prices of wool in this country every year since 1824. The average price of medium wool, taking January, April, July and October as the months, in 1824 was 44% cents per pound; in 1834, it was 54; in '44, it was 40%; in '54, it was 43; in '64 (when gold was 250) it was 871/2 (or 35 in gold;) in '74, it was 54 (491/4 gold;) in '82, it was 351/4. Coarse wool has ranged from 40 cents in 1824, to 24 in 1848, and 45 in '56. The war period is not included. Fine wool was 75 cents in 1831; 37 in '44. In October '82 fine wool was 42 cents, medium 45, and coarse 34. The average prices of washed Ohio fleece wool in the United States from 1824 to 1861 were: Fine, 53 and one-tenth: medium, 42 and fourtenths; coarse 34%. From 1866 to 1882-Fine, 50 and 8-tenths; medium 50; coarse 44 and 2-tenths.

We need not wonder, then, that woo growers, all over the country are urging high rates of tariff duties; for, if woolgrowers of Australia, Italy and South America can afford to bring wool here and pay ten cents a pound tariff, it needs no scholarship to decide that they could afford to sell still cheaper if there was no duty to be paid We need not pause to consider what would be the effect on wool growing in this country if the tariff was removed; for, if it should drive all the sheep men into other business. that would only give the home market over to other competitors, and it might cheapen a suit of clothes 25 cents to a dollar, and a pair of wool stockings one or two cents.

Kansas also raises cattle and hogs, and wheat and corn, and apples and silk. Twenty-four hours ride over the rail would take a Kansan into the Dominion of Canada. That is a vast region of fertile country peopled by persons who raise wheat, cattle and apples and potatoes as well as we. Without any tariff laws their crops would come in competition with ours, just as Australian wool would compete with Kansas wools. Then, there is India, a wheat country of almost illimitable possibilities. Only recently have we read an official sketch of that wheat land, calling attention of American farmers to future possibilities in the direction of competition there. Russia and Austria are wheat lower, and capital therefore cheaper; and producing countries. All of these wheat what is still more formidable, interests there growing regions send out wheat every are more largely consolidated: monopoly is year, and that wheat is often sold side by side with the wheat of our own farmers in the great price regulating market. The only direct and near competition we now have is from our Canadian neighbors; but the future is not entirely free of dangers in other directions. It may not be long, and, in our belief, it will not be long until American wheat will not pay transportation across the Atlantic. If railroad building in the next fifty years grows in a proportion equal to

be carried from India, China and Russia to Liverpool and London cheaper than it can be taken from Kansas or New York. Still more. In less than five years Topeka will be on a direct line of traffic between Australia and Chicago. That far away island raises wheat as well as wool. Mexico is one of the best fruit and pastoral regions on earth.

The tariff, then, of 20 cents on wheat and 15 on corn, 4 on butter and cheese, 20 per cent on cattle, 1 cent on beef and pork, and 10 cents on wool, etc., etc., is doing no harm.

Indeed, we believe that American farmers are more interested in the matter of transportation than in that of the tariff; and we believe, further, that if our progress in manufactures and carriage continue to grow as they have done in the past half century, Kansas farms will be worth as much in the year 1933 as New York and Pennsylvania farms were in 1883.

The theory of our statesmen has been, that we must complete our independence of Great Britain by becoming her rival. That point has been gained, for now her people are buying from ours, and travelers in every civilized country in the world see goods of American manufacture there.

But there is left one feature that we have not yet considered except incidentally—the relative cost of labor here and elsewhere. And in this as in every similar case, the poor man is the sufferer. The manufacturer is not the poor fellow that saws the logs, digs the ores, fires the furnaces, puddles the iron, shears the sheep, picks the cotton or runs the loom. These are not the men who dine with Senators and members of great bodies. They are not the men that influence legislation and bring about protective tariffs. But they are the men who must meet with streams of competitors from all parts of the world. They control only their labor and often not that. It was always thus, and we have little hope that it will ever be a fair deal between the rich and the poor. One can wait, the other must hurry. We would have labor better paid; but that, like all other commodities is subject to the law of supply and demand, and we cannot shut the doors which lets our neighbors

We know, as does every one, that it costs more to make any article here, (other things being equal,) than it does in any other country, because, as we have shown, labor costs more. While the average weekly wages among those engaged in the shops and factories of this country is about \$8 per week. it is about \$7 in England, about \$4 in France. and about \$3 in Germany. Where we gain in articles that we make cheaper than others do is partly in the superiority of our machinery, partly in our machines doing more work in the same time, and partly, as in cotton, in saving on transportation. But in some things, as iron, that are heavy and must be hauled long distances, it is doubtful whether we can ever make them as cheaply as our foreign competitors can. We have one advantage, however; a long ocean voyage lies between us and them. That is a protection of at least ten per cent in our favor.

Singular as it is, our principal competitor, our only rival, is England, and there wages are higher than in either France or Germany. Equally singular is the fact that 60 per cent of American exports go to Great Britain and her colonial dependencies; while only onesixth as much goes to France, and still less to Germany. Hence, then, we have the two great nations-one old, the other young; one working her laborers at 121/2 per cent. less than the other, and a ten per cent. ocean between them. That still leaves 21/2 per cent. advantage against us. Then, taxes are lower in England than here. We cannot state the difference accurately because of numerous details, but it is considerable. Interest is greater, thus saving dividends among stockholders, yet netting equal or greater profits to owners.

THE MONOPOLY FEATURE.

great deal of useless indignation is wasted in this country on monopolies. Indeed, most of us talk too much. We abuse a monopoly in one direction and pray for it in another. A man, in the same conversation, will pile epithets on corporate power while he is urging a neighbor to vote bonds to that of the last past fifty years, wheat will some new gailroad company. We often

hear men abuse tariff laws because great corporations grow up under their protection, and yet these same men would, by removing tariff laws, support and strengthen the most stupendous monopolies on earth. They will write down figures to show just how many millions of dollars are being stolen from the farmers of this country by manufacturers, when, at the same time the shirt, and trousers, and coat, and boots they are wearing; their wagon, their harness, their reaper and mower, their shovels, axes, spades, forks, rakes, hoes; their tubs and buckets; their cupboards, bureaus and chairs; their carpets, their bedding; their tinware and stoves; their glassware and clocks, have cost them less than they could purchase the same articles for in any other country on the globe. Why destroy monopolies in our own country-monopolies that are giving us good and cheap goods, in order to pay our money to other and stronger monopolies in foreign lands where poor men and women are little better off, if as well, than slaves? Let us take facts as they really are. When we are told that the tariff is costing us too much, let us examine the matter. We do not need to go to a political meeting and listen to shysters abusing one another, and hear finespun theories long drawn out, where so many millions are stolen here, and so many squandered there, and that the country is going to the devil at break-neck speed. Rather let us reason from what we know ourselves. Let any man that is fifty years old look back over the period covered by his life, and let him trace the range of prices of all manufactured articles. He knows, and that from his own personal observation and experience, that these things are cheaper now than they were then. (The war deranged prices, and that does not count.) Here in Kansas, the writer of this, 13 years ago, paid \$1.50 a bushel for corn and 28 to 30 cents a pound for bacon. But now we have railroads in every county, and it costs us only about 25 cents to send a bushel of wheat to New York. We may have a suit of clothes brought from Philadelphia for 5 cents, and the cost of carrying a shirt from Boston to Topeka is not noticed in the price. Farmers here in Kansas are growing rich, and many of them began without a dollar. Ride out over our beautiful prairie land and see the neat, thrifty homes of the farmers, with their flocks and herds, their orchards, vineyards and gardens. Many of us are still poor; many of us will never be rich; but nowhere in the world has wealth been more rapidly accumulated in any agricultural region than it has been done here in this fair young empire. True, we have been robbed time and again; we have passed through seasons of fire; but with all our misfortunes, we are building up a great state 4,000 miles away from Liverpool. And the tariff has had much to do with it. If we had never passed any tariff laws, Kansas would still be inhabited by Kaws, Pottawatomies and Osages, and the American people would be slaves of foreign monopolists.

Take the whole country over. We have had seasons of depression and seasons of thrift; we have had hard times and good; we have had panics, strikes and wars; but, through all these changes and modifications the country has grown steadily richer all the time. Immigrants by millions have come to us, and three out of every four of them have gone into agriculture. Not one of them in every thousand has gone back to his former home to stay. They have left countries with whom Americans trade, and they like their new home best.

The farmer's best market is that made by manufacturing industries, and they never start up without protection. The first woolen mill ever built in America (in 1794) was put on land donated to the owners for that purpose, but it soon went under for want of protection against foreign competition. Iron furnaces by scores have failed from the same cause. Still, the country has prospered.

Now, what else is left for us to talk about on this great subject? We have taken up thoughts as they occurred to our mind when writing and have presented many facts which have been gathered, not in a day nor without labor. We have studied to give facts and necessary inferences only, to the end that truth alone should be presented.
We have studiously kept our own opinions in the background so that they should not color facts or in any way affect the passing judgment of the reader.

We believe that enough has been shown in

these articles to justify any thoughtful reader in forming an intelligent opinion upon this, the most intricate subject in the whole range of political economy. The reader will naturally and properly ask: What, now, is the Kansas Farmer's position on this subject? It will be given candidly and, we hope, clearly.

First.—We have shown that there is at

least 20 per cent. against us and in favor of England so far as our manufacturing interests are concerned.

Second.—That our country was without manufactures until after protection was afforded by tariff legislation.

Third.—that eighty, yes, fifty years ago, we shipped abroad eight-tenths of our surplus agricultural products, and now we sell that proportion at home.

Fourth.—That home markets are the best ones for the farmer.

Fifth.-That our manufacturers and their dependencies and concomitants have been the means of furnishing these home markets. Sixth.—That prices of all manufactured articles have been reduced by reason of the

Seventh.—That while manufacturing was growing, railroad building and inland commerce kept abreast. and that cost of carriage (transportation) has been greatly reduced.

existence of our manufactures.

Eighth.—That the cost of all, or most, of the manufactured articles used by farmers and their families in this country is less or not more, than it would be if purchased in

foreign countries.

Ninth.—That our country as a whole, and particularly the farmers as a class, have pros-

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These, aud other general propositions have been established, we believe, plainly and surely. Other, and minor propositions, in greater detail, have been demonstrated with equal clearness—as those relating to lumber, salt, sugar, etc., and from these propositions, and because of them, we con-clude—

I.—That in order to complete American Independence it was necessary to establish manufacturing industries capable of working up our raw material rather than to send it abroad; and that it is equally necessary to maintain these industries if we would personate our independence. That in order to complete American

petuate our independence.

2.—That a reasonable tariff—at least twen-

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3.—That the tariff ought to be so adjusted as to afford protection to every national industry that needs it; most to those that need it most, least to those that need it least, none to those that do not need any.

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4.—That luxuries, as fine and costly dress goods, costly jewelry—all such things as wealthy and wasteful people only use; all useless and injurious articles, as liquors, to-bacco, prepared oplum, etc., ought to be taxed—no matter how high; that tea, coffee, spices, salt, lumber, and all things needed and used by the common and poorer classes of people, where such articles are not produced at home, should come in free of duty, and when made at home, the duty should be placed at the lowest possible limit consistent with successful growth or manufacture of the article.

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5.—That our present tariff is out of all reasonable proportion to what is needed; that the excess beyond fair and reasonable profits are that much taken from the people and absorbed by owners of large manufacturing establishments, thus encouraging and building up a dangerous aristocracy; that the tariff needs thorough overhauling; it is full of jobbery. Cut down iron and steel; cut down cotton and wool, and wood; get down to what is a fair field, and then let the furnaces seethe and the spindles hum.

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6.—We are opposed to a revenue tariff—that is, a tariff for revenue only. England has that, and every poor man there has to pay duty on his tea, coffee and dried fruits, while the rich man gets his extravagant for eign fancies free. A tariff for revenue only would equalize burdens among men and not according to wealth or ability to pay. We believe in protecting the poor man as much as possible from all public burdens. He shoulders his musket when the long roll beats, but the kid glove man hires a substitute. The poor man casts his ballot and there his power ends, for he has no money or time to influence legislation. We believe in paying according to our means. Let wealth pay for the protection it demands, and lend to poverty all possible means of making life pleasant.

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Editor Kansas Farmer:

Having been a subscriber to the FAR-MER some time, and seeing so many good things in it, I do not know how so many calling themselves farmers can do without it, especially the small farmers who, perhaps, think that they are unable to pay for the same. We are what some call poor; but we would not miss a single number for the price of subscription one year. This is no taffy, but fact. We carefully preserve every number. Having had a tenant on our farm one year, we furnished them the paper free, without request, thinking that it would pay more than 100 per cent., which it more than done. Please excuse, but I am in love with just such papers as the KANSAS FARMER. I like your style of teaching; especially your Tariff Question. Wish all your correspondents would treat Prohibition, Railroad Monopoly, etc., etc., in same style; think it would have a more lasting benefit. This section of Kansas is prospering, good crops, fair prices, and liberal railroad facilities have done it. Am like one of your correspondents, I do not fear railroad or other monopolies. Give us health and good seasons, and I tell you all the farmers of Kansas should take care of themselves. Subscribe for the KANSAS FARMER; read it carefully; roll up your sleeves and go to work, and the chances are you will succeed. We have had all of our stock this winter in comfortable quarters, We could rest at night happy, knowing that our cows, calves and hogs all had warm places to sleep. Our pig pens we must thank you for. You kept punching us in the FARMER until we thought it would pay to buy lumber to make a floor for the pens and bank up the north, west and east sides, and a straw roof over north side. It has paid. It would make you laugh to see us feed our hogs on a clean floor and some of our neighbors feed theirs in the mud. Our horses, cows and calves' stables are home-madeforks, poles and hay being the materials

We read so much about the value of mangels and carrots that we tried them last year. They paid. The carrots for horses and mangels for cows, calves and hogs. I wish we could induce every farmer in Kansas to plant enough carrots and mangels to feed at least one feed each day through winter and spring to ever animal they have. We feed two such feeds each day, and would feed three if we had enough to last until grass. We pity our horses after carrots are gone. Just think of a healthy boy in a fruit country that cannot get good apples. Horeses like carrots better than a boy or girl does a bouncing big sweet apple. Farmers, club together in each neighborhood and buy your seeds of mangels and carrots that we tried them apple. Farmers, club together in each neighborhood and buy your seeds of your home dealer. They will not charge you too much if you buy for cash and in quantities. As the FARMER of March 28 said, plant all your vegetables except seed onions in rows. It will save you labor, and produce more and better crops. We will not plant anything less than two and one-half feet between the rows; then we can take a horse and than two and one-half feet between the rows; then we can take a horse and double shovel plow, with two narrow shovels—say two and one-half inches wide, of common length—and we can raise more garden truck in two days' time in the season than you can with your wives and hoes in ten days, and save many a back ache. As about May is the right time to plant mangels, if this letter does not find W. B. we will tell how to plant and grow sich and sich; and as the FARMER has promised to give us light on the sorghum we may send the editor a sample of our sirup made last year; and if from the sample, Mr. Editor thinks our say would be of any benefit to you, we will say "our piece" and tell you the kind of evaporator we used, the amount of fuel each ator we used, the amount of fuel each day, and its products, provided the evaporater folks will pay FARMER for the ad. Suggest all correspondents locate themselves as to counties.

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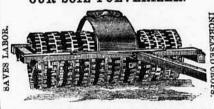
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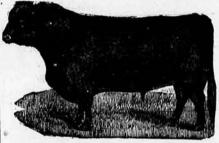
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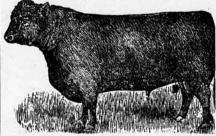
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# Short Letters.

More About Artichokes.

Editor Kansas Farmer:

In last number of Kansas Farmer Mr. P. H. Smith gives his experience with artichokes and letters patent. I had some experience also, in 1881. There was a field belonging to a neighbor adjoining me which was grown up to wild artichokes and cotton weeds, and for the time abandoned. I had a flock of sheep, and for convenience let them run in the yacant field whenever they chose, and that was every day. For a while it seemed as if the weeds would be the victors, but on the 9th of June a heavy hail storm prevailed, which broke and battered the weeds considerably and that checked the growth. The sheep continued to brouse on them and by August, the weeds seemed pretty well played out. The following spring the stems were raked and burned and the ground planted to corn, when lo, not an artichoke was to be found on the field-all being as dead as Julius Cæsar. Nor has any been seen since. No letters patent on the W. R. above discovery.

FENWICK, Republic Co., April 9.-Farm work is progressing. Oats sowing done, some about ready to begin planting. Acreage of corn will be increased over last year; farm products are selling at good prices; money seems plenty and seeking investments; stock of all kinds in demand at fair prices; health in man and beast good; peach prospect poor, as much of last years growth of wood is winter killed; in short all things considered I think this part of Kansas is in the most prosperous condition ever known D. DORAN. in her history.

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# THE STRAY LIST.

#### HOW TO POST A STRAY.

BY AN ACT of the Legislature, approved Feb 27, 1866, section 1, when the appraised value of a stray or strays exceeds ten dollars, the County Clerk is required, within ten days after receiving a certified description and appraisement, to forward by mail, notice containing a complete description of said strays, the day on which they were taken up, their appraised value, and the name and residence of the taker up, to the Kansas Farmer, together with the sum of fifty cents for each animal contained in said notice." And such notice shall be published in the Farmer in three successive is sues of the paper. It is made the duty of the proprietors of the Kansas Farmer to send the paper free of cost, to every county clerk in the state to be kept on file in his office for the inspection of all persons interested in strays. A penalty of from \$500 to \$500 to \$500 to \$500 to \$600 to \$60

#### How to post a Stray, the fees fines and pen alties for not posting.

Broken animals can be taken up at any time in the year.
Unbroken animals can only be taken up between
the lst day of November and the 1st day of April,
except when found in the lawful enclosure of the taker-

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No persons, except citizens and householders, can
take up a stray.

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the premises of any person, and he fails for ten days,
after being netified in writing of the fact, any other
citizen and householder may take up the same.

Any person taking up an estray, must immediately
advertise the same by posting three written notices in
as many places in the township, giving a correct description of such stray.

It such stray is not proven up at the expiration of
ten days, the taker-up shall go before any Justice of the
Peace of the township, and file an affidavit stating
that such stray was taken up on his premises, that he
did not drive nor cause it to be driven there, that he
has advertised it for ten days, that the marks and
brands have not been altered, also he shall give a full

description of the same and its cash value. He shall also give a bond to the state of double the value of such

description of the same and its cash value. He shall also give a bond to the state of double the value of such stray.

The Justice of the Peace shall within twenty days from the time such stray was taken up, (ten days after posting) make out and return to the County Clerk, a certified copy of the description and value of such stray. If such stray shall be valued at more than ten dollars, it shall be advertised in the Kansas Farmer in three successive numbers.

The owner of any stray, may within twelve months from the time of taking up, prove the same by evidence before any Justice of the Peace of the county, having first notified the taker up of the time when, and the Justice before whom proof will be offered. The stray thall be delivered to the owner, on the order of the Justice, and upon the payment of all charges and costs. If the owner of a stray fails to prove ownership within twelve months after the time of taking, a comdlete title shall vest in the taker up.

At the end of a year after a stray is taken up, the Justice of the Peace shall issue a summons to three householders to appear and appraise such stray, summons to be served by the taker up; said appraiser, or two of them shall in all respects describe and truly value said stray, and make a sworn reture of the same to the Justice.

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They shall also determine the cost of keeping, and the benefits the taker up may have had, and report the same on their appraisement.

In all cases where the title vests in the taker-up, he shall pay into the County Treasury, deducting all costs of taking up, posting and taking care of the stray, one-half of the remainder of the value of such stray.

Any person who shall sell or dispose of a stray, or take the same out of the state before the title shall have vested in him shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall forfeit double the value of such stray and be subject to a fine of twenty dollars.

## Strays for week ending April 4, 1883.

Johnson County.-Frank Huntoon, Clerk. HEIFER—Taken up by Joseph Alexander, in Olathe township, Johnson county, Kansas, March 15th, 1883, one two year old heifer, end of right ear cropped and split, branded Con right hip; valued at \$13.

Cherokee county--J. T. Veatch, clerk. HORSE—Taken up by H. H. Hitchcock, of Garden township, March 7, 1883, one brown horse, about 10 years old, 1434 hauds high, branded on right hip and shoulder with indescribable brand; valued at \$20.

Morris county—A. Moser, Jr. clerk

HORSE-Taken up by Olof Swenson, in Parker township, one sorrel horse, 4 years old, 13% hands high, hind feet white, star in forehead; valued at \$40.

HEIFER—Taken up by John Thomas, in Valley township, February 16th, 1883, one red and white heifer, one year old; valued at \$12.

## Strays for week ending April 11, '83

Trego county—George Pinkham, clerk.

HEIFER—Taken up by H. T. Whitney, in Grain-field townshir, March 12, 1883, one two-year-old red and white helfer, branded 1 X; valued at \$25.

Shawnee county-Geo. T. Gilmore, clerk. PONY MARE—Taken up by H, Mangold, Dover ownship, March 29, 1883, one iron gray mare pony, bout 10 years old, black mane and tail, branded P, S," on left hip, scar on right fore l. g; valued at \$15.

"P. S." on lett nip, star out ignt takes, clerk.

COLT—Taken up by S. R. Gfeen, in Delsware township, March 18 1883, one dark brown mars colt, coming two years old this spring, medium hight, no marks or brands perceivable; valued at \$20.

Brown county-John E. Moon, clerk. Brown county—John E. Moon, clerk.

COW—Taken up by H. E. Emery. a white cow about
five years old, red ears, crop off right ear, branded with
a heart on shoulder and R on right hip and a mule
shoe on left side.

STEER—Taken up by Allen Damer, one red steer
one year old, with white spot in forehead.

Crawford county—A. S. Johnson, clerk.

PONY MARE—Taken up by R. J. Peck, in Craw ord township, March 23, 1883, one black mare pony, r 9 years old; valued at \$25.

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Greenwood county—J. W. Kenner, clerk.

HORSE—Taken up by John Berry, in Fall River
township, Fetruary 1, 1883, one black horse, three
years old, blaze in forehead, glass in right eye, small
white speck in left eye, full long tail; valued at \$40.

#### Strays for week ending April 18, '83.

Harper county--E. A. Rice, clerk.
HORSE--Taken up by Fred Schwab, in Spring
ownship, April 2, 1883, one horse, 7 years old, 1
white hind foot, indescribable brand; valued at

MARE...By same at same time and place, one mare, 5 years old, brown, indescribable brand; valued at \$50.

Sumner county-S. B. Douglass, clerk. COLT—Taken up by S. J. Cotton, in Ryan township, April 13th, 1883, one bay colt, black mane and tail, no other marks or brands; valued at \$15.

HOG—Taken up by James W. Oliver, in London township, March 17th, 1883, one black sow, white feet; valued at \$22.50.

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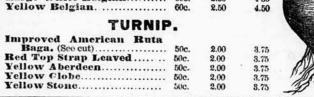
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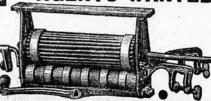
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Swine Cough.

The following is extracted from an address delivered by D. L. Thomas, before the Swine Breeders' Convention at Indianapolis last fall:

This is the most common ailment among swine, and the least understood by hog producers. Farmers and practical breeders are prone to class all swine diseases under the general term, cholera. When some of them hear their pigs coughing they say it is a sure forerunner of cholera. Cough is not a symptom of the so-called cholera. Sometimes it appears in connection with it, but is only incidental. A second class say it is caused by hogs lying in dust, about barns and sheds-that they inhale dust. This may be the case to some extent. Occasionally it may cause coughing. A third class say cough is caused by lungworms. This may be true in a few cases only. I once had a fine litter of pigs that commenced coughing and the coughing grew worse. I did not understand it. I happened to notice an article in a newspaper from a western farmer, who said that the cough is caused by lung-worms, and that turpentine would expel the worms. I accepted the theory, and proceeded to give them turpentine in slop as directed. Several days' treatment did no good. I put the one that coughed the worst in a pen, and increased the dose in milk for several days' and the pig died. That is, the cough and my treatment killed it. The remedy was worse than the disease. A post mortem examination revealed the entire absence of lung-worms. The internal organs were too much inflamed and saturated with medicine to discover the trouble. This led me to enter upon a close investigation of the whole matter, to learn, if possible, the nature and remedy; and too, with the most gratifying results. In December, 1881, I examined the lungs and bronchial tubes of a pig that was slaughtered. It had coughed for three or four months at intervals, sometimes whooping. Otherwise the pig seemed all right and a nice coat of hair. The lungs and tubes seemed perfectly healthy, not even the appearance of inflammation. But in a few places in the tubes were small collections of mucus, resembling the nasal discharge when a person has been working about a threshing machine. This was the only thing unusual. Another shoat was slaughtered that had been coughing some for ten days. (These pigs had not slept in dust.) The lungs and pipes appeared to be in excellent condition-not even a sign of mucus secretion. But the nasal lining was inflamed. Evidently these cases failed to confirm either of the three prevailing theories, but rather proved them to be incorrect. From these circumstances, and careful study of the subject, I was fully convinced that, in a vast majority of cases, cough is the result of a cold. Why can't a hog catch cold as easily as a human? Their vital organs are quite similar; likewise the system of circulation. Hence, both are subject to the same influences which produce similar results. Why did we not think of this long ago? When we hear people coughing, we conclude at once they have contracted cold. When we hear brutes coughing, we are puzzled to understand it. Allow me to mention some of the principal causes of swine cough, viz.: 1. Sudden changes in the atmosphere. chilly winds and cold rains are prolific causes. Improved hogs have finer suits of hair than formerly, hence less protection. 2. Change in sleeping places is another frequent cause. Hogs may contract cold by being changed from very poor to extra good beds. During the war, soldiers used to camping out, returned on furloughs and were put in warm feather beds, and contracted the

worst colds they had during the term of service. If swine sleep too warm, coughing is sure to follow. The extreme heat of mid-summer often gives pigs severe colds, and hogs do not have the ranges they formerly had. Breeders and shippers are not unfrequently called upon by customers to explain why their pigs have a cough. Perhaps the former can truthfully say, there was no cough when the pig was shipped. Why, then the cough? The pig had several chances to contract cold. The shipper put it in a box and hauled it in an open wagon to the express office; then it was put on the sidewalk till train time, then hauled to the depot and exposed awhile; and at the other end of the line it gets similar treatment—is hauled home by the buyer in open vehicle and put in new bed. Now if the weather was chilly or cold the pig could not help contracting cold. It was exposed, and had no chance to stir about and exercise. Think of the result if a man were put through such an ordeal with no overcoat or extra wraps. A horse blanket placed ever the pig's crate makes a wonderful change. From severe exposure a pig may contract a violent cold, and the lining of the bronchial tubes and lungs become inflamed. Death may result in a few hours. That is pleuro-pneumonia. Having discovered the cause and nature of swine cough, it remains now for me to give a cure. In all ordinary cases the cough will disappear without treatment. Nature throws off the disease. In more obstinate cases hog powders often have proven efficacious in my treatment, and also that of other breeders who have tried them upon my recommendation. So I do not come before this Association with a theory or medicine once tried-do not jump at a coclusion. But I come with a remedy sufficiently tested, I think, to warrant me in resommending it to all hog raisers. From studying the uses of medicines and their effects, I evolved this formula and demonstrated its utility by experimenting with it. This is the formula: Pulv. Licorice, 1 tb; Elecampane, 1 tb; Black Antimony, 4 tb; Sulphur, 1 tb; Pulv. Resin, 1 tb; Asafætida, † tb, For one pig one teaspoonful in slop twice a day. Pine tar in trough is also a valuable addition. After killing the fine pig mentioned above, by doctoring it for lung-worm, I tried this remedy on the remainder of the litter, and cured their cough in one week. And in no case where I have used it has it made a failure.

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About Handling Bees.

The Indiana Farmer says that the great dread of being stung deters many a one from the pleasure and profit of bee-keeping, and while it is impossible to avert all stings, the danger from this source is very much magnified. Bees seldom sting except in defense of their rights and homes. They are not unlike the human race; at times they misconstrue intentions, yet their attacks are always traceable to a presumable cause, at least. The first object then is to study their nat ire. With this knowledge they may be handled with comparatively little danger of being stung. A bee filled with honey will seldom sting without great aggravation. Beginners should protect their faces until they acquire confidence in themselves. This is easily done by a light bobinet veil, made to pull down over the face and tucked in under the clothes around the neck. Gentleness and firmness are necessary qualities in the handling of bees. Sudden jars and quick active motions should be avoided as much as possible. During a good honey flow there is little if any danger of being stung, with anything like fair treatment for the bees. With little honey coming in, they are much more liable to resist interference. By the judicious use of smoke they may be controlled with but little trouble, and while it is not necessary to resort to this under all circumstances, it is best to have the smoker ready so that it can be used if the occasion requires it. The construction of hives, too, has much to do with the handling of bees. The frames should hang so that they may be taken out without first having to pry them loose, for there is nothing that will arouse their anger sooner, than the sudden snapping and breaking loose of a frame. Where the frames must be pried loose, one should be provided with a strong-bladed knife, or small screw driver; Pry the frames loose, one at a time very gently, loosening all of them before removing any. In fact anything about a hive, that must be pried loose should be manipulated carefully.

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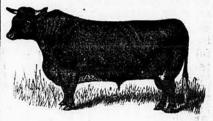
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