

Horticulture.

FLOWER GARDEN AND PLEASURE GROUND. REASONABLE HINTS.

It is no wonder that Pampas grass increases in popularity. There is scarcely anything more charming in an American garden than a rich stock of Pampas at this season.

Towards the end of the month, and in September, evergreen hedges should receive their last pruning till the next summer.

Transplanting evergreens in August and September, cannot well be done in any case where the trees have to be packed in boxes or bales to reach their destination.

In digging up trees great improvements have been made over former years. The great anxiety to save a "ball of earth," has given way to great care to save all the roots.

In re-planting, it is desirable to use soil for filling in that is nearly dry, and will crush to a fine powder; it will then fall in all around the root spaces, and the harder it is tramped or crushed in, the finer it will break up and cover the young rootlets.

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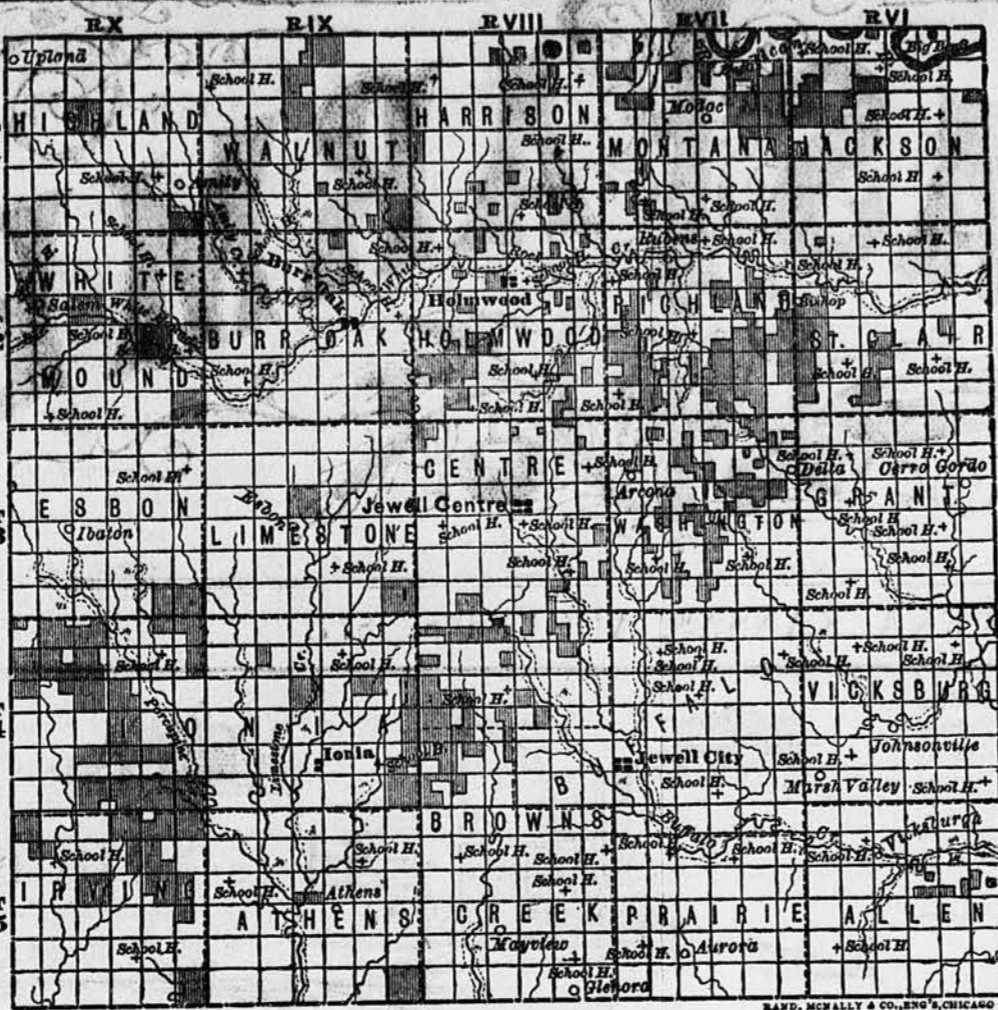
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Besides the evidence of prosperity which good turnip culture affords, a crop of turnips is in itself a means of prosperity, for there is nothing more useful where a number of cows or sheep are kept.

BE FAMILIAR WITH THE FOWLS. We call our fowls "domestic." Are they so? Webster tells us that domestic is "tame," not wild; consequently, if they are wild and ungovernable, roosting in trees, laying eggs in wild, inaccessible places, roaming at will, and only heeding our calls when forced to do so by scarcity of food, or the severity of the weather, they are not, in the true sense, domestic.

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Map of Jewell County, Kansas.

those trees entirely recovered, or whether in the course of last season they succumbed. So yesterday, June 1st, we visited the grounds again, and were pleased to find his trees looking perfectly healthy, and making a vigorous growth of new wood.

There has been given more attention of late years to the culture of turnips by those who live in the vicinity of large cities than was formerly the case; and we are glad to find that it is so, for there is no better sign for a prosperous farm than first class turnips.

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ABOUT OATHS. The Supreme Court of Kansas has recently decided that before a person can give evidence in a court, he or she must take an oath or affirmation as required by the provisions of the statutes of the State.

"An oath," according to the dictionary, "is an affirmation, declaration or promise made by calling on God to witness what is said, with an invoking of his vengeance, or a renunciation of his favor in case of falsehood."

In some cases in some of the States, and in all cases in some of them, the person to whom an oath is to be administered, is simply required to hold up the right hand; but according to the original and most approved method, a method that prevails in all the older States, the person to whom an oath is to be administered, is required to hold a Bible or Testament in the right hand while the oath is repeated by the officer empowered to administer it, and at the conclusion of the ceremony is required to kiss the book.

Now what is the object of this performance, or what sense is there in it? Why should a person swear or make oath upon the Bible, the New Testament, or, as the old form has it, "upon the holy Evangel of Almighty God?"

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JEWELL COUNTY. Organized in 1870. Named in honor of Lewis R. Jewell, Lieutenant-Colonel Sixth Kansas Cavalry, who died of wounds received in battle at Cane Hill, Arkansas, November 23, 1862.

County Seat.—Jewell Centre, the county seat, is 144 miles in an air line from Topeka, in a north-westerly direction.

Principal Streams.—Republican river touches the northeast corner of the county, runs east along the northern boundary about ten miles.

They are taken out of the brine several days before wanted for sale, and placed in fresh, cold water, which must be changed as often as convenient—say two or three times a day—and after four or five days they will be fresh enough to receive the vinegar.

FOR THE WOMEN. The following articles have been crowded out of the women's corner of the paper.

HOW TO KEEP ICE FOR THE SICK. For some years, says the Lancet, it has been the practice of Mr. Sampson Gamgee to cut a piece of flannel about nine inches square, and secure it by ligature round the mouth of an ordinary tumbler, so to leave a cup-shaped depression of flannel within the tumbler to about half its depth.

SUNSTROKE. Its Prevention and Treatment. Sunstroke is caused by excessive heat, and especially if the weather is "muggy." It is more apt to occur on the second, third or fourth day of a heated term than on the first.

ICED TEA.—This is a favorite drink at the South. Make some very strong tea, half fill a glass with small lumps of ice, and pour over them the tea.

A CHEAP DISH.—Take a piece of boneless codfish, as thick and white as you can get; pick in pieces and cover with cold water; add an equal quantity of peeled potatoes.

BAKED APPLES.—This is a very healthful dish and may be made a very enticing one. Pare and core large, juicy apples, but do not break them in pieces; fill the centres with sugar, a little lemon juice and a thin bit of yellow part of the lemon rind; put a clove in each apple; lay them in a pan with a little water in the bottom; sprinkle sugar on the tops and bake.

CUCUMBER PICKLES. Every house-wife in Kansas wants good pickles, and where the family may be blessed with a good apple crop and have several barrels of good cider, it will be profitable to put

up pickles in vinegar and find sale for both. We republish the process of making pickles for market from a correspondent of the Country Gentleman as follows:

One of your correspondents asks how to keep and prepare for market cucumber pickles. The pickles of small cucumbers should be carefully assorted as they come from the field, and all large ones salted by themselves or thrown away.

They are taken out of the brine several days before wanted for sale, and placed in fresh, cold water, which must be changed as often as convenient—say two or three times a day—and after four or five days they will be fresh enough to receive the vinegar.

RECIPIES. TOMATO MARMALADE.—To each pound of the tomatoes add one pound of white or brown sugar, first scalding, peeling and slicing the red tomatoes.

TOMATO OMELET FOR BREAKFAST.—Peel and chop five fine tomatoes of good size; season them with salt and pepper, add to them half a teaspoon of grated bread.

BAKED TOMATOES.—Select large, ripe tomatoes, wash and wipe them clean, cut in halves around the tomato, place each half with the cut side uppermost into dripping pan and cover its surface with grated bread crumbs, bits of butter, a teaspoon of fine sugar, and a seasoning of salt and pepper.

SUMMER SQUASH.—If the rind is tender boil it in a little bag kept for the purpose. It should be put into boiling water; it will cook in three-quarters of an hour.

LEMONADE.—Rub loaf sugar over the peel of the lemons, this absorbs the oil from the yellow rind and adds much to the flavor.

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The Kansas Farmer.

J. K. HUDSON, Editor & Proprietor, Topeka, Kan.

Table of State Fairs, Exhibitions &c., etc. listing various fairs across different states and their dates.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY FAIRS IN KANSAS.

Table listing District and County Fairs in Kansas, including locations like Allen Co. Agr'l and Mec'l Ass'n, Anderson Co. Agr'l Society, etc.

THE STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

During the four years President Anderson has had charge of the State Agricultural College, it has made steady progress. The attendance has increased, the improvements in College buildings have been marked, and all the various departments of the institution have grown with each succeeding year.

HARRIS ON COBURN'S "SWINE HUSBANDRY."

We are very much surprised to see, in the American Cultivator of July 28th, a very savage attack on Mr. Coburn's book, from Jos. Harris, author of "Walks and Talks," and also author of "Harris on the Pig."

THE WHEAT QUESTION.

The time for putting in the wheat crop has arrived. Experience of the past fifteen years in Kansas, points unmistakably to the fact that the best crops are almost without exception the early sown ones, and early means from Aug 10th to the middle of September.

We present the views of two correspondents and urge our readers who have had three or more years in Kansas or elsewhere with the wheat crop to give us their experience. How men fail, is equally as valuable to the thinking farmer as how men succeed in growing crops profitably.

EDITOR FARMER:—The first year I sowed five and a half acres to wheat—the yield was 21 bushels per acre; the second year, I lost sixty acres by the hail storm that came June 1st, it was a total loss. The third year on fifty acres the yield was 20 bushels per acre—this last crop was sown the last of August.

CONYER'S REAL ESTATE REGISTER.

Mr. W. W. Conyer recently published a Real Estate Register and History of Wabaunsee County. It was an elegantly printed pamphlet of 16 pages the work of the FARMER office, containing really valuable historical matter.

MASTER JONES' ADDRESS.

Master Jones of the National Grange, delivered an address to Patrons and others assembled in Union Hall on Saturday Aug. 4. The address contained many strong and eloquent passages.

State University.

Attention of parents having children they wish to send abroad to school, is called to the advertisement of the State University. This excellent institution presents all the advantages to be found among western colleges, seminaries and universities, and our people should examine its claims before sending their children long distances out of the State to find what may be as well or better secured at home.

Short-Horn Cattle Sale.

Attention is called to the Short-horn cattle sale of Mr. Duncan, of Osborne, Mo. Forty cows and ten young bulls will be offered for sale.

Franklin County.

Aug. 5.—Rain falling yesterday and to-day, will without subsequent accident, give Franklin county the greatest corn crop she has yet raised, and that is saying no little.

Parties intending to stall-feed cattle next winter.

will do well to learn the facilities and advantages presented by the country about Pomona, or in fact anywhere in the county.

Within two months the following traders arrived and erected buildings: P. E. Sarpie, R. A. Kinsey, O. H. P. Polk, T. D. S. McDonald and W. W. Cleghorn. The next year J. R. Whitehead, J. D. Leslie and Wm. Dyer came.

THE PEOPLE OF CLOND COUNTY.

The people of Clond county last week voted in favor of bonds to the amount of \$4,000 per mile in aid of the Central Branch road. Major Downs says work will begin at once on the extension from Greenleaf to Concordia.

THE HIGHEST AVERAGE OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

The highest average of wheat per acre heard of this year is 38 bushels. Mr. John Donnyer, of New Cambria, threshed one of his forty-acre lots, which gave the above average.

THE LEAD DIGGINGS NERTH OF COFFEYVILLE.

The lead diggings north of Coffeyville are growing more encouraging every day. As work of prospecting continues more and better signs appear.

THE VILLAGE OF DOVER.

The village of Dover was named from Dover, New Hampshire, by Hon. Jacob Haskell, who came here from the latter place. This very pleasant little village is situated in the rich valley of Mission creek, in the southwestern corner of the township.

THE WHEAT CROP IN THE NORTH TOPEKA TOWNSHIP.

J. C. Hale, living one mile southwest of town, has tried the experiment of putting in nineteen acres of winter grass wheat, three acres of white Michigan fall wheat. The grass wheat yield was 27½ bushels per acre; the white Mediterranean, 31 bushels per acre; and the white Michigan, 23 bushels per acre.

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Crops, Markets & Finance.

Opinions, Facts, and Figures from Various Sources

The finest young grove of timber containing 25 acres, we have seen, is being raised west of town by the A. T. & S. F. Railroad company. The trees comprise many valuable varieties of forest growths of timber.

If the grain yield is anywhere in proportion to the straw, the farmers of this section cannot complain. So far as we heard, the grain so far threshed out much better than was anticipated when it was out.

A few years ago no attention was paid to the manufacture of cheese in this country. Now it is beginning to be quite an industry.

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Wednesday morning about 4 o'clock, the Blue Rapids plaster mill caught fire from some unknown cause, and was destroyed.

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We are informed by Wm. Kramer, Express Agent, that there have been shipped from this place during the three days ending last night, 600 packages of peaches.

H. A. Jackson has about one thousand bushels of peaches this season, and has been shipping about fifty bushels a day this week.

The season here has been very favorable for the farmers this year, excepting a few weeks in June when so much rain fell as to delay the working of corn and to injure a good deal of wheat.

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The wheat crop in the North Topeka township is a large one here conducted by a Grange Co-operative Association, which is doing a good business.

There is needed here a gristmill, an agricultural implement store, a tin shop and a hotel.

J. C. Hale, living one mile southwest of town, has tried the experiment of putting in nineteen acres of winter grass wheat.

The prospect is that new corn in this locality will be so plentiful this year that not over 12 or 15 cents a bushel can be obtained for it.

Chase county will soon be noted for its cattle, hogs, and horses. More of the finest strains of improved stock having been brought into it during the past six months than ever before.

Mr. Milner has finished threshing and reports a yield of 500 bushels from 27 acres—an average of over 20 bushels per acre.

S. J. Edgerly, the Nurseryman, whose advertisement appears in another column, has 3,500 apple trees sixteen years old, 500 six years old, 3,000 seedling peach trees.

Weather warm with frequent showers. The prospects were never so good in this county for an abundant crop of corn as now.

This is the greatest cattle country on the hemisphere. The Arkansas valley and Western Kansas is the great feeding depot of the country.

We will have the largest crop of corn this year that we have ever had in the county. The acreage is larger, the corn is in better condition and the season has been more favorable than ever before.

S. A. V. and David Hartwell kept a record of the growth of their corn from the 11th to the 23d of July—thirteen days. There is 128 acres in the piece, bottom land above the overflow.

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Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, August 6, 1877. FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged. WHEAT—Fairly active and a shade higher.

Chicago Live-Stock Market.

CHICAGO, August 6, 1877. CATTLE—Receipts, 5,500; dull and nominal. HOGS—Receipts, 11,000; active but lower.

Baltimore Grain Market.

BALTIMORE, August 6, 1877. CORN—Western firm; mixed spot, 63 1/2c.

Topeka Retail Grain Market.

Table listing grain prices: Wheat, Corn, Oats, etc. Columns include item name and price.

Topeka Produce Market.

Table listing produce prices: Apples, Beans, Butter, Cheese, Eggs, etc. Columns include item name and price.

Leather Market.

Table listing leather prices: Hides, Sheep Pelts, etc. Columns include item name and price.

Topeka Lumber Market.

Table listing lumber prices: Joist and Scantling, Boarding, etc. Columns include item name and price.

Topeka Butcher's Retail Market.

Table listing meat prices: Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, etc. Columns include item name and price.

Farm Seeds.

Table listing seed prices: Red clover, Timothy, etc. Columns include item name and price.

MR. DIOGENES.

This singular man lived in Greece. He was distinguished for his eccentricities, bad manners, and bad disposition. It was his chief business to find fault.

SMILES. The bone strike of the back is broken, or the broke strike of the bone is backed, or the strike back of the broke is boned, or the—well, some of you newspaper men who say you could do this column better just get it straight.

BEFORE life is imperiled, deal judiciously with the symptoms. Remember that the slight disorder of today may become an obstinate, incurable disease tomorrow.

EXCURSION TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS. The Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad has arranged with the various railroad lines in the country for special round trip rates to the Rocky Mountains.

MONEY! MONEY!!

If you wish to borrow money upon Real Estate, and get your money without sending paper East, and at reasonable rates, go to the KANSAS LOAN AND TRUST CO. Topeka, Kansas.

50 Visiting Cards with Your Name finely Printed and 2 Favor Pictures (Fruit and Land-scapes), printed in 10 Colors, each the lot sent post-paid for 25 Cents.

Cash paid for butter at Ewing's, 227 Kansas Avenue, Topeka.

GEM CITY BUSINESS COLLEGE, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

Fall term opens Sept. 3, 1877, with a grand re-union of students, and free readings by Mr. A. P. Burbank of Chicago.

"THE GOLDEN BELT" ROUTE.

The quickest, safest and most reliable route to all points East or West is via the KANSAS PACIFIC RAILWAY, through the famous "Golden Belt" (the finest wheat region in the world).

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. LOUIS Exposition and Fair. Seventeenth Annual Meeting. THE INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION. Opens MONDAY, the 10th day of September, 1877.

MIAMI VALLEY COLLEGE. For both sexes, near Springboro, Warren Co., O. Term-fee for the year, \$30, from which will be deducted amounts earned at suitable industries two hours daily.

JOHN D. KNOX & CO., BANKERS, Topeka, Kansas. A General Banking Business Transacted. Money to loan on Real Estate, in any Amount from \$100 upwards.

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DROPSY. Thousands already cured without tapping. Stop your age, location of swelling and how long sick; condition of bowels; how many times tapped. \$3 a pint. \$10 a quart.

\$15 SHOT GUN. A double-barrel gun, bar or front-sight, 1000 ft. range, 20 gauge, 30 inch barrel, and a 40 shot shell.

E. P. ROE Strawberry PLANTS. Plants, pulp and true to name, of all the varieties that took the 1st prize at the N. Y. Horticultural Exhibition.

STOLEN.—\$25 Reward. Stolen from the Subscriber, on the night of July 15, one sorrel mare about 16 hands high, 7 or 8 years old.

25 ELEGANT CARDS, no two alike, with name, 10c. post paid. J. B. HERRIN, Nassau, N. Y.

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STEM-Winding Watch. Cheapest in the World. Send \$3, stamp for circular. Address DALZELL WATCH CO., 64 Broadway, N. Y.

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EPILEPSY. Epileptic Remedies. Trial Package Free. For circulars, evidence of success, etc., address ROSS BROTHERS, 200 Broadway, N. Y.

\$1200 W. W. ESTILL, LEXINGTON, KY. PROPRIETOR OF Elmwood Flock of Outwolds, From Imported Stock. Young Stock for Sale.

\$2500 AMSDEN JUNE PEACH, Earliest, Hardest and Best. Ripen here June 27th, 1877, large as Hale's, highly colored and delicious.

\$3 GOLD PLATED WATCHES. Cheapest of the kind known. Sample Watch Free to Agents. Address, A. COVILLEN & CO., Chicago.

Wood's Mowers. "CLIMAX" MOWERS. For Sale very low for cash, and on easy terms on time.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL. EMPORIA, LYON CO., KANSAS. The fall term, of this oldest, and now only Normal School, established by the Legislature and authorized to confer Diplomas, will commence September 5th.

CHINA and GLASSWARE. We have fitted up the second story of our store as a CHINA and GLASS HALL, and furnished it with a large stock, selected with special reference to the wants of this city and country.

Bartel Brothers, 152 KANSAS AVENUE, Furniture Manufacturers and Dealers, TOPEKA, KANSAS.

PATRONS' PAINT COMPANY. INCERSOLL'S READY MIXED PAINT AND PARIS GREEN! 50 per cent. saved.

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Champion Hog Ringer RINGS & HOLDES. Only double ring ever invented. The only ring that will effectually keep HOGS from rooting.

Brown's Hog and Pig RINGER & RINGS. Only single ring in the market that closes on the outside of the nose. No sharp points in the nose to keep it sore.

J. W. English & Bro., WHOLESALE DEALERS IN Reaper and Mower Knives, MOWER and REAPER SECTIONS, KNIFE and SICKLE HEADS, Guard and Section Rivets, Brass Pitman Boxes, Thrasher Spikes, Patent Safety Couplings, Rabbitt Metal, Hubber and Leather Belting.

THE KANSAS WAGON! And also all Kinds of Freight, Spring and Express Wagons. We use the most improved machinery, and under the direction of the most skillful foreman in the United States, employ two hundred men in the manufacture of these wagons.

CARBONATED STONE And Pipe Works. LOCATED NEAR J. P. COLE'S STORE, ON KANSAS AVENUE, TOPEKA. We are now prepared to furnish a full assortment of Chimneys, Sewer and Drain Pipe, Well Tubing, Flagg and Building Stone and Trimmings.

E. E. EWING, 227 Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kan. Every variety of choice and fancy goods have been added to our large stock of Standard Groceries.

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August 8, 1877.

HOW TO POST A STRAY. BY AN ACT of the Legislature, approved Feb. 27, 1868...

THE STRAY LIST.

Butler County—Vincent Brown, Clerk. MARE—Taken up by Leonard Harsh, of Sycamore Tp., June 30, 1877...

G. W. STUBBLEFIELD & CO., IMPORTERS OF AND DEALERS IN...



NORMAN-PERCHERON HORSES.

Imported and Grade Stock for sale on reasonable terms. Parties wishing to buy will do well to examine our stock before buying elsewhere.

SHANNON HILL STOCK FARM.

ATCHISON, KANSAS. Thoroughbred Short-Horn Durham Cattle, of Straight Herd Book Pedigree, bred and for sale.

GEO. M. CHASE, KANSAS CITY MISSOURI.



Thoroughbred English BERKSHIRE PIG.

Dark Brahma and White Leghorn Chickens. None but first-class stock shipped.

Tres Palacios Rancho!

AND STOCK, Packing and Canning Works, FOR SALE!

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