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## Salient Features of Rules doverning

 Live stock at the Unilveral Exposition, St. Louis, 1904 .
## From Department of Live Stock Louis-

 iana Purehase Exposition.7The more important rules which will govern the Exhibit of Live Stock at St. Louis in 1904, as formulated by
Chief F D D Coburn and confirmed by Chief $F_{5}$ D-Coburn and confirmed by
the managers and board of directors, read as follows:
Ail prizes in the Duparmment of
Live Stock of the Louisians Purchase Live Stock of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition will, be awarded by individu-
al judges or the "one-judge system "" and by comparison these judges and by comparison che chosen for their especial qualifieations and their intinate knowledge of the characteristies and qualities that make valuable the breeds upon which they will give judgment and their award will be final.
Judges are instructed to award in each instance only prizes of such grade ns the merits of the individual animals fully justify. Absence of competition wille not be accepted in instance as justifi ation for awarding high-class prizes to animals of medium or inferior quality.
Only such animals, as have been awarded first prizes in their respective classes will be eligible to championship awards, and the, championships will in each instance be awarded by the judge who awarded the breed's class prizes.

## No animal deemed unworth s'iall be

 awarded a rrize, nor shall a prize be with held merely because of laek of competition; but where are fewer entries in a section than prizes offered the judge shall in his discretion award a prize or prizes of such grade as the merit of the animals may warrant.Entries on prescribed forms for the several divisions must be filed with the Chief of the Department of Live Stock as follow: Horses, asses and mules, by July I6, 1904; cattle, July 30; sheep, August 20; swine, August 20; poultry, pigeons, pet stook and dogs, September 10. In divisions for horses, cattle, sheep and swine, exhibitor will be restricted to the entry of not more than two animals in each section or ring.
The dates for exhibition of live stock in the several divisions will be as follows: Horses, asses and mules, Monday, August 22, to Saturday, September 3, 1904, inclusive. Cattle, Monday, September 12, to Saturday, September 24 , inclusive. Sheep and Swine, Monday, October 3 to Saturday, October 15, inelusive. Poultry and dogs, Monday, October 24, to The ages of cattle, sheep and hogs
will be reckoned from date of birth to the first day of Septeniber, 1904 The ages of horses and foals except, draft breeds, will be reckoned from January 1, aud in ease of draft breeds the ages shall be determined from date of hirth. All foals except in draft breeds will be considered as one year old on the first of succeeding birth.
Ample facilities will be provided tor
the distribution of feed, and water throughout the grounds. Forage, grain und bedding of good quality will be available to exbibition of feed and water throughout the grounds. Forage, grain and bedding of good quality will be available to exhibitors at reasonable prices at warehouses conven ienlly located within the grounds. Ex. hibitors, if they desire, my bring to the Exposition with their stock a supply of forage and grain.
These will be a grand parade of forage and grain.
There will be a grand parade of horses and cattle through the Exposition grounds as follows:
Horses, Thesday. Augnst 23, and Thursday, September 1, 1904;
Cattle, Tuerday, Sreptember 13, and Tbursday, Stptemb r 22, 1904.
On the day following the close of ach breed or elass of horsen and ceatile all the prize-winners in the respective classes will be praded in the Pavilion and through the streets of the quarters occupied by the Department of Live Stock.
Provision will be made for the accommodation of the various nation live stock breeders' associations desiring to sell at'anction animal of the breed the respective assoetations $r e-$ present, no sale toexceed in number one hundred animals of any one breed, such animals to be selected by their breed associations from those entered for prizes. The auction sales of auimals of any given breed will be made within the period in which such breed is on exhibition. in a suitable building adjoining the Jive Stoek Amphitheater, conveniently arranged ar the purpose, and will be anider the will alone be responsible for all matters in conneetion therewith.
The speeial prizes to be offered by as sociations, State commissions, or individuals for live stoek will-o far as known be announced in a seeond or
final edition of the Prize List.
The necessity for uniform and unquestioned awards will forenbly sug. gest the advsntage of having condifions goyerning the award of special prizes conform to the Expo ition Classflication. Such prizes will then, much to the advantage of all, follow the regular aw urds made by the oficial
judges. The honors of special prizes are for the reasons mentioned requested to make their offering correspond as nearly to the official classigeation. whether such offering are greater or smaller than those by the Exposition.

## THE CREAT SALT PLAINS.

Description of One of Natures' Wondertul Works.
Among the many resources of Okla-
homa may be mentioned the Great salt Plains in Northeast Woodward county. This Plain contains about 54 square miles being nine miles long and six miles wide and contains untold quantities of salt, some of which has tested 98 per cent pure. In the not very distant future this great saline deposit will be worked and marketed and salt will become one of Oklahomas' staples of production.
For the benefit of The News readers we give below a description of a visit to this workshop of dame nature by F. V. Brock, which was published in the Tonkawa News: July 25, 1903.
"We live about six miles west of the salt. reserve on the Cimarron river in northwestern Woodward county, Oklahoma.
e had heard many interesting speculations as to the fabulous werlth that could be easily acquired by developing the wonderful salt deposits on the Cimarron, and resolved on the first convenient occasion to go and see for our ourselves. Three of us, in a light express wagon drawn by ponies, made the trip the other day.
While going down the divide we caught occasional glimpses of first the Buffalo and then the Cimarron glistening like snow in the morning sun. We swung to the south; crossed Buffalo Within three miles of the mouth of the Buffalo is a big stock pasture extending for miles on both sides of the river. Here were several wells with wind-mill pumps back from the river some distance. It seemed odd to see wells sunk so near the river, but it was easily explained when we went a little further and saw the broad bed of the river as white as drifted snow. There are salt springs all along the lower course of the stream. which renders the water unfit for stcck. The government Salt Reserve is nine miles east and west by six miles north and south. The Plain and much of the adjoining hills and valleys are staked out in twenty-acre salt claims. The law repuires that work or improvements to the yalue of $\$ 100$ be done on each claim a year, but aside from the drilling by the Alva Company 1 could see no signs of any one's complying with the law. Probably, nearly all of the claims could be successfully contested. All seems to be waiting for the railroad before they deveiop their salt claims.
The Salt Plain is at the juncture of the Buffalo and Cimarron, extending several miles along both streams and is three miles wide at one place.
At present salt is free to any and all comers. Settlers for many miles in all directions for many miles in ail night last summer a thunderstorm was directions, and even ranch men from
Texas, get salt here by the wagon load.

## The deposits of salt on the surface.

 are daused by the evaporation of salt water which rises in a hundred springs all over the plain. There is a salt mound at each spring and a showy white stream leading away.
## Now the layer of salt varies in depth

 from a fraction of an inch to several inches. A long dry spell will produce layers two feet thick; when they can load a wagon in thirty minutes with pick and stovel. Frequent rains and floods prevent thelaccumulation of salt. With good transportation facilities it will no doubt pay to control the flow from these springs, so that the water can be driven off by evaporation and the excellent quality of sult saved and marketed.There is an artesian well of salt water near the southern edge. From an opening six inches in diameter flows away a strong stream of brine. Its winding course is hedged with ice-like layers of salt. One with a vivid imagination can easily get up a shiver while looking on this winterlike scene. The ground appears to be covered with snow and frost, which enuroaches upon and overhangs the water of this little stream. For three miles to the northward the Plain glistens, and dazzles and hurts ones's eyes with its brightness. The cliffs, headlands, and bluffs, towering with their rocky summits, reminds one of the descriptions of the castles on the Rhine. The great flat topped, castle-like rocks seventy-five feet above the Plain, the precipitious raw-red banks, the gentler inclines with soft green foliage, the broken slope beyond the Cimmarron with canyons verdent with trees, made a beautiful setting for the wide, white Plain.
The water from the artesian well is as clear as crystal, very cold and tastes like brine. A settler claims he boiled down a gallon of it and got three quarts of salt, that the salt was analyzed and found to contain 2 per cent salt, peter and 98 per cent pure salt. Mr. Nixon, living withih a mile of the well, used this salt to put up. meat and it is keeping fine.
We were told of another interesting freak further on and proceeded to hunt it. was the salt spring. Here we found the two mentioned above, taking a bath. It was nearly noon, so we picketed out our ponies and joined the bathers. This was a pool about twenty feet wide and sixty feet long There seemed to be both hot and cold springs in the bottom quite close together. The temperature of the hot springs was uncomfortable It is claimed to be intolerably hot at times. This water is so strongly impregnated with salt that it is impossible to sink in it. What a fine place to learn

A startling story of this spring is told by cattle man who camps nearby One


## Poultry Department

Under this department we will endeavor each issue, to collect items tha will be of general interest to both farmer and fancier and especially applying to the conditions in Oklahoma and the Southwest. We will appreciate all articles and suggestions and invite criticisims. All matter pertaining to this department should be sent to the Poultry Editor, address.

Chas G. Woodworfh, Omega, Oklahoma., Box, L.

## BUY STOCK IN THE FALL.

are pushed for market eggs with a soft tood ration.
April and May are the poultrymen's
The fall is the time in which to pur chase breeding fowls, for then the yards are full, and the number of $g$ od birds on hand are more numerous. A thoush we have repertedly mentioned this cantion. y $\in t$ there are those who wait till rpring to puril ase, at which time the prices are higher and the beet fowls gone. A breeder will not keep a large stock of fowle over wint er, if the enn avoid it. It patnilx too much eare nd labor for they must be k ppt in good condition. In oroter th thin out his stock, he will sell better fowls, at lower prices, in she fall than he will in the spring, and those whe always buy in the fall are usually better satisfled. When he keeps his stock till spring, he will be lucky i some of the enckerpla are not fronted on the cornb orhave not met witn komother accident, and when they leave his place the customer who reefives them does not for a moment think that If he had bo "eht his trio in the fall, he would have ayoided many. littie difflcultices that come in the way in the spring. During the fell, the breedens thave large numbers of young stork on Annid. They rell at rearonable raten, and the buyer stands a chance of get the the best, as towly rarnot always be judged untul fully grown. Anothndvantage of fall buying is that the purchaser has the opportunity of puxh fogt the fowls forward by liberal feed ing aud good eare. This is very.d.oir nbie, if ihey are intended to lay wrll Nu matter what the breed may be, i thev are not proper $y$ mannged, they will not give ratirfaction. And we
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for a trio of good breeding fowls will for a trio of groed breeding fowls wit
he fonnd at the close of the senson, $t$ have been a good investment.

## A White wash that will not pegl of

1-In a proper receptarle slake a peek of lume by pouring enough bol ing water over it to thopoughly cove the lime and make it the proper consistency. Stir briskly nutill thoroughly slaked. Then add one pound of sulphate of zine and one pound of salt dissolved in hot water. This wash will nevere ack or prel off. The wash may be colored by adding yellow nehre, ivory black, umber, ultra marine blue Venetian red to any tint desir-d. For inside of ponltry house add half an ounce of carbolic acid and a pound of aulphur.
what to do kach month.
As most poultrymen begin operations in Mareh, we will designate that month as the begiuning of the year The breeding pens which bave been previously mated, receive the cost careful attention in order to get strong ly fertile eges. The ration is whole grain and meat, with plenty of green food, of course. The incubaturs are started and hens set, and when the litthe chicks come off, after the first week they are forced for growth of frame with a dry food diet. The laying hens
busy months. The early chicks are put on grass and forced for growth and young chicks are constantly hatehiug. All are fed dry food. Chicks hitched in April and May make the best breeders. If we wish to dispose ot any of the chicks as brulers we put the meat on with soft food. A broiler aised on dry food and fattened on soft food is better, larger and corts less than when fed sofi food from the start.
June-The ration of both breeders and layers is narrowed to about 1 to 45 nud reduced. as the hens are geting plenty of grass. We still feed meat in some form, but less grain. If we brenk up the breeding pens and the hens are on free range, we do not reed but once a day, giving wheat, onta and beef scraps. The growing tuek is fed -ll they will eat of a bon and musele forming ration.
July-The young stock requires espesial care this month in the shape of plenty of shade, clean quarters, cold water and vourishing food. If this care is given them they will not cease rowing during the hot weather. The ld stock rueeive the same care as dur iug June and many of the hens that $t$ is not desired to keep over are sold iff, as well as many of the early cockir. ls
August-The feed is the same as laring July. Some of the hens are in he molt and we foed them quite liberilly, giving wheat, oats, ment, linseed menl and sunflower seed. More cocker. ls and old hens are sold off.
Steptember- The hens of last season's bateh that are through the molt are krpt over another season. $W_{e}$ incroase the feed to the krowing pullets so they will commenes laying next month. The old hens that are kept over are also fed for egg production. All surplus slock is marketed preparatory to going into winter quarters,
Oatuber-This month we have our general round-up and get the stock into winter quarters and the pullets to laying. The diet consists of meat, green foods, mixed grains and oceasionally a mash.
November-We feed for eggs, the ration being similar to that used in October, bat we usually feed more soft food, employing the by-produets of grain, securing a balanced ration at less expense. The supply of green should be almost unlimited.
December and January we feed the same as in November, except that we make our mash slightly narrower and leed more corn in the whole grait. ration to keep up the heat. Have the roosting room warm, bat let the the fowls exercise all day in the open a unless the weather is stormy.
February-We mate the breeding pens and omit the soft food from the breeders' ration.
Nothing but disappointment ever
ollows negleet of fowls. This is prov ed beyond all peradventure.
Eten a mongrel floek deserves good care and will pay for it, but no one should be satisfled with such a flock

The proflt can be frightened out of a flock of hens by throwing clubs and stones at them every time they get in to mischief.
While little chicks need good care there is such a thing as giving them entirely too much ate
kill them with kindness.

The hice are not dead, remember. They are only resting so as to come furth in the spring with renewed appe tites. Kill them before warm weather comes.
Plan to grow some sunflower seeds for the poultry next winter. Henry Van Dreser grows 100 bushels to the acre and sunflower seeds are worth twice as much as any other grain.
While we do not believe any mixed breed is as gond as a pure breed we do believe it is better to grade up a flock with pure-bred males than it is to continue to breed mongrel stock on both sides.

If it is worth while to set a hen a all it is worth doing well Give her a good nest, secure from interruption by other hens, feed her regularly at the same time each day and nine times in ten a good hateh will result.
If the poultry yard is inclined to get muddy at this time in the year it will pay to fill it in with sand, einders or even elay' untill it is above the general level. In any case it should be drained so as to dry quiekly after wet weather
Many men ought to get rid of the idea that they can make a success with broilers, winter broilers especially There are more failures with broil rs than with all other bracehes of the basiness combined Perhaps one man in a tbousand is successful.

We are glad to get the short, newsy, ehatty letters that some of our readers bave got into the habit of sending us. Sometimes we do not find space to use them as a whole, but we always get readers in some form
It is but little trouble to prevent lim. ited youltry yards from becoming foul. Divide them by a wire netting fence and keep something growing in one part all the time, confining the fowls to the other part and changing about every three or four weeks.
As a rule we do not care to publish anything that may lead to controversy, nor will we allow controversial matter very much latitude. However, we do not object to good-natured oriticism, for this frequently brings ont the good points of breeds over. which such an argument may be raised.

If your hen house is damp ditch about it so as to carry off outside mois. ture as soon as possible, then fill up the inside of the house till the floor is at least six inches higher than the vard. Coal ashes make an excellent substitute for gravel as a top dressing for the -floor, whether it be of plank or of soil.
Good drinking fountains for young vhicks may be made by punching three
a tin fruit can; fill with water and invert in a saucer. The water in the|saucer will only reach the depth that the holes are from the mouth of the can. By using this they eannot get into the water and a fresh supply is held in reserve in the can.
We often hear how wild the whole Leghorn family is. Last fall we sold twenty Leghorn puliets to a gentleman whose only objection was that the breed was so wild. The other day he said to us, "What kind of Leghorns were those I got of you. Every time I go near them instead of flying away from me they fly on my shoulders and I ean hardly walk without stepping on them." Those birds represent a good many years of kind treatment and are oo wilder than Cochins would be.
We would like to see a revival of the interest in Hamburgs and Polish in this country. While these families do uot shine as market fowIs they are good layers and for those who bave small spaces to devote to poultry are beautiful as well as useful. The ornamental should not be altogether lost to sight.
If the poultry house seems cold in the morning look around for little leaks and stop them up. Hang a horse blanket.ever the window at night. Don't be afraid of making the sleeping room too tight in severe weather. A little taint in the air does not bother the birds as much as does a case of cold that will run into roup.

## Don'r Do ir

It is not unusual to have a neighbor request you to exchange eggs with him, and such neighbor may have been the first to condemn your enterprise in purchasing new blood and pure breeds. As a rule, every farmer who steps outside of the beaten path, or ventures into something better, is at once elassed as a crank or a book farmer, but sooner or later his neighbors will show a willing. ness to obtain his stock if they can "exchange" with him. He must go to the expense f hringing the stock into the community and if he fails he is set down as lacking in intelligence, I but
desired breed. Any farmer who proures pure breeds should be encouraged by his neighbors, as he benefits the whole community. But there are some neighty aby, who cannot make their poultry profits of the book farmer's enterprise,

## Figure it out

The matter of profit in proultry keeping is a thing which each person must solve for himself, so mach depends upon the keep. Two mottoes should be inseribed above the door of every henhouse! "Cleanliness is next to Godliness," and "Despise uot the day of small things." The western breeder has the advantage of cheaper food, but it is more than offset by the better markets in the East, but there is not the same opportunity here to build up a business as a fancier. Still, right here in the West, more money can be made than many people imagine. On farms where stock is kept and poiltry lias free range, a hen may be kept for a year on a bushel and a half of corn or its equivalent. With high bred stook and proper care, it is safe to figare on 150 eggs per hen yearly. Let eve

FOR THE POULTRYMAN
man figure for himself. By the use of movable coops hundreds of chickens may be kept and still all have free range and good picking, thus reducing the cost of feed to the minimum, but inereasing the expenditure of labor. Poultry raising is hard work; it requires lots of time and patience. The best advice iś, Go slow; learn your business, and make the flock pay for all improvements as you go along.

## THE PEROHES.

As the hens spend about half the ir time on the perches, the construction of them is of some importance. In imes past, it was customary to make the perches ladder fashion, the first rung near the floor and then higher to the roof. Such perches are an abomination. The hens fight for the highest places and in desceading they seldom use the ladder but generally fy from the top.
1 know a poultryman who has his coosts on a level eight feet high. Now a hen flying from that height is liable to strike the ground very hard or get injured in striking against the house or other obstruction, and thot is not all; just watch the going to roost. It is a common occurrence for three or four of the stronger birds to take a position near the head of the ladder, then woe be to the late comer. She will be perked and thrown down until in desperation she seeks a place outside.
Now, this can all be svoided b making Ithe perches lower. Twenty lour to thirty inches is about right. (Eighteen inches is plenty high for Brahanas and cochins-Ed.) It is rue young pullets like a higher seat. I have seen them fly up agaiust a roo in their en deavors to get a better position, but after they fall a few times they get over that kind of fool ishness and soon become reconcile o low perches. They are in every way the best. If a bird gets pecked or crowded off, it walks around until it sees a better opeuing and in th morning they can all get down without any trouble.
High perches are the cause of many fine pullet aequiring the habit of high flying, which is very annoying. All the smaller breeds, such as llam burgs, Leg-horns, Minoreas and others, can fly over a 6 -foot fence when once they learn the power of their wings.
The roosting poles should be flat not less than two or three inches wide less than two or three inches wide. 1 have seen perches made of 1 -inch boards set up edgeways with sharp corners. Tnat is all wrong. Fowl 3-inch surface with the corners board for 1903:
aken off a hen ean spread her toes Beaver and with her her claws reach over the Blaine corners fore and aft. That way she Caddo can balance herself; her weight rests Canadian squarely on her toes and she can sit Cleveland. with some comfort. The poles shuuld be about fifteen inches apart. They shouild be loose, so they can be taken Day. out when out when cleaning the house. Dewey I aim to provide good roosting places Garfield. for my fowls and then insist that they Grant ase them. Never allow a hen to roost Greer a tree, barn or any other place, except:the proper one. With a little Kingfisher patience and persistence ther can be

The following are the figures given out by the territorial equalization

Beaver.

## trained to go just wbere they ought to. Anaheim, Cal: Jacob Kigeer

## ditor Of The Inspector

 Some time ago I wrote quite engthy article in reply to Mr. Willyou, a fictitious uame, fiom a gent without the moral stamina to sign his name, a socialist that proposes to shoot from ambush. He lands Socialism as a primitive to the best interest of the laboring men of this country Socialism is a thing without any foundation or in other words it lacks principal. All things that first come into prominence in this manner, all political parties All have a principle if they exist All political parties that have come to the front must rest on the bed rock of trust and not just exist as a myth Socialism when analyzed becomes as thin an a wafer; an object of derision. It is also a menance to the laboring class of this country or any other, because its hostility towards capital would drive it out of cireulation, its anarchic tendencies is an enemy to a good goyernment their prestige means mean the over throw of a republican orm of government and substitute in its place, a government that wculd do to exist among the Hottentots, but not with the American people. When such ficticious or imaginary ideas as are advocated by the socialist is, should be the duty of every true American citizen to oppose it. Such as a collective ownership of all products when they are asked bow they intend to procure they are up against it. There are two ways of securing control of prosperity, 1st to purchase it or steal it or coufiscate it. The former condition would tax every man in the United States one fourth of what be is worth to invest in some thing that is no benefit to him. Th latter condition compels a revision the constitution of the United States would could then mistake the heathen nations that existed in the days of Alexander the Great, Demitrims. Sel ucus and Cleopatra. I am like Mr Will you if I were going to write in favor of sociahsm I would sign fictitious nsme toJ. E. Johnson

It is not alone financial gain. The sum total of the territory's expansion shows all along the line. There is a fine showing along industrial lines; manufactures loom up extensively; railroads have fairly tumbled over themselves to get a foothold in Oklahoma during the past two years; social, educational, religións, agrieultural, hortieltural, livestock-all development in all right-minded ways has come lavishly, and come to stay.

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Making a grand total for $\$ 8,077,837$ the year 1903, of $\$ 84,089939$
In order to show gains it will be ecessary to give the equ lized valuation of the territory for the past two years.
The tarritorial board of equalization made report for 1901 as follows Real and personal property $\$ 55,855,031$ Pullman cars

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For the year 1902, the borrd reportd Oklatoma's taxable wealth as fuled Ok
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Total for 1902 $\begin{array}{cr} \\ \ldots \ldots . . . & 25,72 \\ \ldots . . . . & 59,266 \\ & 82,936 \\ & \end{array}$ seen that Oklahoma has increased wealth as returned by the varions vealth, the $\$ 11,412516$ Farther that therritory las inerea Farther that the territory has increased along this line, in the past two sears, the sum of $\$ 23,625,243$.
Bully for Oklaboma, the precedent maker and the precedent smasher.

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thein for the dressed beef trade.-Kau. sas' City, Journal August 22.2 .

Of Interest To Merchants.
A correspondent at Irvington. III., writing to one of our exchanges, gives some very pointed facts about mail order houses and how to lessen their trade, and how some merchants hold their customers.
This is what he says:
"If our home merchants would advertise their goods properly the large supply bouses would find their trade falling off in the country distriets.
"The big department stores adver tise aud give prices on every article, while the home merchant, if he adver tises at all, seldom quotes prices.

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The wayfaring man stirreth up strife and the fruit tree pediller aboundeth in $t$.ansgression.
Most of the shadows that cross the patuway of life are caused by standing in our own light.

All men try to get the earth, but the earth gets them. This is no joke, its the grave truth.
Money makes the marg ', steam makes the cargo, and the sight of the creditor makes the mango.
To do nothing is not always to lose time; to do always to Jose time; it is fatigue without profit.
Rejoice not when thine enemy fall. eth and let not thine heart be glad when be slippeth on a banana skin.
One great object in view is to make the circulation of this paper as large
as we possibly ean. Will you help us?
Be not witness against thy neighbor in a contention over a line fence. Say not "I will do him up as he has done to me".
Train up a child in the way he sbould go and when beis old he will not chew plug tobaceo or play the accordian.

A prudent man foreseeth the stove ing, but I don't believe he goes away pipe hat with a brick in it and passeth from the mountains and the plains it by, but the April fool kicketh it back to bleak Illinois, and that great and howleth with rage.
All human knowledge has been gained by the impertinence and pigheadedness of a small number of people who are always asking 'Why?'
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Wise books, wisely selected, are companions that bloom with eternal youth; and they are companicns and eachers at the same time. Blessed are they that know how to love and cherish good books.

## World's Fair Live Stock News.

## Ostriches have been given a classi-

 fieation in the World's Fair live stock shows.The National Polled Hereford Breeders Association is am.ug the breeders' associations making appropriations for spectal prizes at the World's Farr
The American Association of Live Stock Herd Book Secretaries will hold its annual meting at the Worid's Fair grounds and at the Sonthern hotel, St. Louis, August 12 and 13.

The Kentucky Exhibit Association which has in ebarge World's Fair matters pertaining to that Srate, bas sent notice to Kentucky breeders and fanciers that the Association will pay the entire expense of sending their stock to St. Lonis next year. L. L, Dorsey, a prominent breeder, has been given charge of the assembling of the State's live stock exhibits.

Came Back Alone.
The old man stood on the edge of the platform, looking through the clear air of the morning to the blue line of hills and the snow-covered slopes of the mountains beyond. "Yes," he said simply, "I have come back-alone Mother and I went to Cbicago a couple of years ago. They thought we were too old for the life they called 'hardship' out here, and needed the 'comforts' and 'conveniences' of a city during our last dayzand we were foolish enough to let 'em persuade us.
"You've been in Chicago, I suppose! Yes? Well, then, you must know what it was to folks like us who had lived forty vears in Gud's own country, where there is room to bre th, and the eagle ain't no more free from cramaing. Year after year we had seen the seen the seasons come and go, dotting the prainies with flowers (such as none of them glass housas ever grew) in the spring and a carpet of brown in the autumn. We'd seen the suow gather on old El Capitan as winter came on. and the deer and antelope met with our flocks. W $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{t}}$ d seen the desert bloom where we turned the water on it, and heard the humming of our own bees in the alfalfa. Our younger children bad grown up around us, lovin' freedom, wild as hawks, and strong as pure air and good food makes 'em
"But we left it all and went backalone. God must know what he's do-
grave yard of they call Chicago.

- Mother just pined away, and the first thing we knew she was down, and it was too late to bring her back. One morning when the air was bitter cold, so cold folks were dying like sheep in the blizzard, the wind came off the lake fretting with the ice, while the wheels of the wagons on the street eried out in their misery, she looked up to me and said.
"Father, don't you hear the mockin' bird in the big cottonwood? They've come up from across the line, an' spring is here. You must turn he water in the ditches, and get ready for the summer-, and she went to leep. I know her spirit saw the old home by the 'Noisy Waters' where we'd lived so long.
"We laid her away there among the thousands who -wait the great day. It wasn't no nse to briug her back, for God knows his ows wherever they sleep, and as for me I know her spirit's back in the vale where the apple trees will soo.1 be pink with bloom.
They nav be nearer civilization 1 cone where my duughterlives-but out here in our country near the sky we are a heap sight closer to God.
"I'll be lonely, I know, but I can breathe a full breath, and see folks know once more. And when the venings enme on, and the sun drops below the mountains, I'll know mother is talking to me, in the music of the pints, and telin me she's wainin for are no longer old, and where we'll hear the voices of them that's gone and see their faces and forget our mistake in goin, away from our home by the rustliu' stream. And-and-I won't be alone.


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## HORSES AND MULES.

During the busy sens na give the horses water three or four times a day Let them have an hour and a half's rest at nonn, being careful to take off the harness and collars, putting the latter out to dry. Their afternoon work will be more effective
As soon as the harness is removed in the evening wash the shoulder with cold water to prevent sores,

A man who breeds wituout a defi nite object, or without holding in his mind's eye an ideal animal and trying his best to produce such an imals, will usually meet with unsatis factory results.

In-and in hreeding' means mating animals that are closely related to one another. This practice of family breeding is not carried on to the ex tent it was at one time, but it is still done. It is no doubt the quickest way of establishing a uniform breed o nimals, but it is often atrended by ack of size and constitution.
A plain bull whose ancestory have been good specimens of the breed will usually produce much better stock than a good-looking bull derived from inferior stock.

Unless a man takes a keen interes in horses, and has has a good deal o experience, he will rarely make a uccessful breeder
A ceemist has discovered a way to protect horses fron flies. His invenion consists in rubbing the borses especially the parts most subjected to attack. with a little concentrated oil of laurel. There is not the slight est danger in its use and the cost is small. Another excellent remedy is asafetida one pound, vinegar half pint, water one pint. If horses are well washed with this not a flv will settle upon them, as the asafetida will driye them sway This drug has no deleterious qualities as an external application. Take common smart weed and make a stroug decoction by boiling in water. When the infusion is cold apply to the legs, week and other parts of the body with a brush or sponge. Neither files nor insect will trouble for twenty-fiour hours.
The United States army is out on another bunt for cavalry horses and the agents do not know just where they will find them in the west. The cavalry horse must be sound and well bred. gentle under the saddle, free form vicious babits, with free and prompt action at the walk, trot and gallop, without blemish or defect, a kind disposition, with easy mouth and gait and otherwise to conform to the following description: A gelding of uniform and bardy color, in good condition, from $151 / 4$ to 16 hands high, weight not less than 950 nor more han 1,150 pounds from four to eight years old, head and ears small, fore head broad, eyes large and prominent vision perfect in every respeet whoulders long alld floping well back
chest full, broad and deep, forelegs chest full, broad and deep, forelegs straight and standing well under
barrel large and increasing from girth barrel farge and wincrasing, from girth
toward flank, withers eluvated, back short and straight, loins and bannebes broad and muscular, hocks well bent and under the horse, pastorns slanting feet small and sound. Ea-h horse will be subjecter to $n$ rigid inspection and any animal that dops not nueet these requirements in every respect i rejented. A horse under five year ine, well developed animat, spt cially

At this season of the year questions re invariably submitted as to the best rue to castrate colts. There is much ifference of opinton as to this and nly individual preference must decide. time to castrate a colt is if the best sucking its mother. Colts have it is sucking its mother. Colts have been when a few months old and grown up into mature gledings not different materially from those emasculated later in life. It is, however, the generai consensus of opinion among breeders that the best age for the operation to be performed is a little over one yeur, which is to say that it should be done
in the spring when the colt is one year in the spring when the colt is one year
and before the weather gets to warm and before the weather gets to warm
and the flies begin to bother. Some and the flies begin to bother. Some breeders contend and prove their faith
by their works that it is better to by their works that it is better to let for the reason that to do so gives them more of a stallion neck and hence increases value, but there is more risk and expense attached to this practice. The actual fact is that colts may be emasculated with safety at any proper time from foals to three-year-olds and and the number of "stage" to be seen of the operation on mature stallions is of operation on mature stallions is not dangerous. It is more or less a
matter of expediency. Colts at one year old are easily kept but they begin to be troublesome after that and hence all things considered the general preference is to let them run only until that time. It is not always easy to find the testicles in very young colts, Which is an added reason for waiting till the yearling form of the animal before operating.
In this very busy season when in most parts of the country crops are late and much replanting must be done sun and work as long as be with the horses can stand and his horses can stand it, there is much temptation to let the stock in pasture care for itself as well as it can can. In such rush times the feet of the colts running in the pastures are likely to be allowed to get quite badly out of shape, to grow long and be broken off. A badly broken foot never grows quite as good again as it would had it been kept from breaking. Therefore on that ground alone it is poor economy to permit the feet of voung horses to get into bad shape. It is not a long job to put these feet into condition and and to keep them there. After the winter season and owing to the beneficent influence of the soft pastures the feet grow quickly and when the flies begin to bother and the annual stamping begins feet that are not kept trimmed soon get very ragged. This should not be allowed. The owner should see that the feet are keept pared down to a reasonable length and level. The foals and all should come in for a periodical inspection and if there is anything out of the way in the matter of the amount or direction of the growth it should be corrected at once with chisel and mal. let, pincers or rasp of all three. Leveling of the feet prevents many unsoundnesses. It is hard to keep straight legs growing on crooked feet. Keep the feet level and the legs will have an extra chance to grow as they should. The little time necessary is very well expended in such work.
inJurious feeding stuff.
In feerdiug horses precaution should always be taken to avoid materials harmful in themselves, or those which have beeome harmful, Dirt, small stones, and so forth, should be removed fromgrain by proper sereening, and all feeding stuffs should be clean.
There are a number of plants which are poisonous to horses when eaten in danger any considerable amount. The loco rested by dry weather at certainstages
plants, mostly species of Astragalus, Tests were made Colurado, Kansa South Dakota, Montana, and Oklahoma stations among others, and by this department, but the results are tu not entirely conclusive. The poisonous proserties of rattlebox (Crotalaria sagittalis) were demonstrated by the South Dakota station, and those of some lupines by the Montana station. According to recent experiments at the Vermont station, the common horsetail (Equisetum arvense) may cause poisoning when present in hay. It was found that when horses were fed cured horsetail equal in amount to not more than one-fourth of their oarse fodder ration, symptoms of poisoning were noticed, and if the feed ing was continued the horses died The symptoms of poisoning were less noticeable with young than with old horses, and also when a liberal grain ration was supplied. It was also observed that the green plant was leas harmful than the dry, possibly owing to the fact that green fodder is somewhat laxative.
Feeds which are ordınarily wholesome may under certain conditions be harmful. Thus, there is a widespread and apparentily justıfiable prejudice against moldy or decomposing feeding stuffs. Experiments carried on at the Kansas and Indiana stations showed that the continued feeding of moldy corn induced intestinal and nervous disorders of a serious nature. It is a matter of common observatiou that feed which has been wet will terment or sour readily and cause intestinal disorders, This has to be guarded against especially in warm climates.

Plants which are ordnarily whole some may become harmful if infested with ergot. The effect of ergot on horses has been studied by the Iowa, Kansas and Montana stations and others. It is generally conceded that the presence of ergot is a canse of rheumatism. Some feeds which are regarded as wholesome when properly fed may sometimes prove injurious if fed for a long time or in improper quantities. Thus, millet hay in many sections of the western United States, is believed to cause the so-called millet disease of horses. This question was studied bv the North Dakota station. It was found that long-continued feeding of millet hay caused lameness and otber symptoass of poisoning, but the specific cauce to which the dangerous properties of millet are due was not learned, though later work at the station indicates that it is a glucosid.

An explanation of the poisoning of stock by young sorghum and some other forage plants is offered by the discovery of a peculiar glucosid in a number of varieties of sorghum (Sor ghum vulgare,) whioh, under the influence of a special ferment present in the plant, liberates prussic acid. It is thought probable that this acid, which is a very active poison, may be like-
wise liberated in the digestive wise liberated in the digestive tract of animals feeding on the young plants.
For a number of years the Nebraska Experiment Station has studied sorghum poisoning, and has recently deeirled that deaths are caused by acid in the green leaves of young and old sorghum plants aud Kaffir enrn. The poison, it is stated, is always present in at least minute traces; but becomes
of its growth. Sunlight, such as preails in the arid or semi-arid regions of the United States, causes the development of the poison in excessBulletin U. S, Department of Agricul

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## * From the Markets * <br> Kansas City Office, 289 Live Stock Exchange.

## Market Letters.

## Kan <br> 1903.

Fat steers sold actively all week at risıng prices until Friday, when mar ket was slow, but a small gain was re gistered. Top for week was again \$o. 60. Best she stuff was short and gained 10 to 25 cents. Outside buyers for killing stock were numerous, and the local packers killed during the week 30,629 head, a little more than 50 per cent of the total receipts. Dur ing the month of August local killers slaughtered 116,700 head of cattle out of a total of 202,000 head, or 57.8 per cent, a gain of 5 per eent over the kill for August lart year. This would indicate that the flood influen 'es are no longer felt at this point, as the packers are killing even a greater percentage of the receipts of cattle than usual.
Stoeker and feeder buyers took out 62,203 eattle during August, or 30.8 per cent of the receipts, making near ly 87 per cent of the total receipts for August taken by Kansas City packer and country feeder buyers. Proportion of receipts will run more to stockers and feeders trom now on, Last week was the largest week of the season, and 725 ears went out to country feed lots. However prime feeders advanded 10 to 25 ents, and prices were firm on all desirable stockers and feeders, on improved demand.
To-day the run is large at 20,000 head, and prices are off 5 to 15 cents on everything but the best kinds. Top fat steers up to noon was $\$ 5.20$. Speculators sold out fairly clean last week, and are holding up the market to-day on stocikers and feeders to about steady prices. This is labor day, another best factor also.
Last week began with lower markets on hogs, but there was a sbarp reaction the last half, and heavy and medium weights are 20 to 25 cents higher than a week ago, while light hogs are only 10 cents up. There is less complaint of hogs being too heavy packers are taking more to the heavy weights, and tops above 250 lb , are within 10 cents of the best light hogs. Market is higher to day. and top is 85.97 t, with bulk of sales at $\$ 5.65$ to $\$ 5.35$.
Sheep run was mostly westerns again last week at Kansas City, and contained liberal proportion of lambs. plenty of orders for feeders enabled salesmen to disposo of the large run without shrinking values, except for Killing lambs of light weights, under 60 lb . Muttons bring $\$ 3.40$. lambs $\$ 5$ 00 , feeding wethers $\$ 3.30$, lambs $\$ 4.10$. and choice breeding ewes $\$ 3.25$.
550 range hurses were sold at retail last week, at $\$ 25.00$ to $\$ 35.00$, but quality was only ordinary. Trade in bhoke ktock was very light. Mule
buytrs bid low on big mules, and some were carried over. a few sales some were carried over. A few sales
at fancy prices did not effect the market. Cotuon mules will not be in demand for a few weeks yet.

Market Letter.
Kansas City, Mo., Monday, Sept. 14, 1903.

Supply of eattle last week was heavy as is due at this season The market was nervous, but on the whole was stesdy for the week. Beef cattle ad vanced readily on the davs of short supplies, but broke rapidly when plenty were here. but the elise was about like the close of previons week. The supply of the stuff was well adjusted to the demand, and there was little change. Veal calves remain at high point. More Quarantine cattle were here than were needed. Stucker and feeder trade had a big week, with bulk of offerings common to fair westerns. Average prices were little changed, except for common light eattle, which sold lower. Very few cattle were held over at the end of the week. Country buyers seem willing to take all of them at prices $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 1.25$ lower than prevailing prices of fat eattle. Daring the week fat steers ranged from $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5.55$, and grass natives from $\$ 4.30$ to $\mathbf{\$ 4 . 9 0}$. Best light veals brought $\mathbf{\$ 5 . 7 2}$ and as weight inereased and quality dropped off, on down to $\$ 3.50$. Majoritv of stockers and feeders brought 83.00 to $\$ 3.75$, with a fair sprinkling of sales up to $\$ 4.50$.
Run to-day is 16,000 head, a moderate run for this season. An effort wps made at the start to-day to b-ar prices, on lower reports and a big run at Chicago, but this was unsucessful, and the market turned out steady. Top sale up to noon was $\$ 5.35$. Local packers were good buyers to-day

Hog prices gained a big quarter up to Thursday's closing market, which was iugh poinf of the week.
This gain was entirely wiped out, however, on Friday and Saturday, and elosing sales of the week were less than a nickel different from the close of previous week, $\$ 6.17$ was the high point reached. Attractive prices swelled the reeipts last week, and today's run is good at 7,000 . Priees today are steady to 5 cents lower, with 85. $87 \pm$ for top, and bulk of all all sales at $\$ 5.70$ to $\$ 5.80$.
Light sheeps recipts at Kansas City made the market here independent of other markets, and sheep and lambs sold steady to strong all week, except light western lambs, which lost 10 to 15 cents. Fat native wethers sold frum $\$ 3.40$ to $\$ 3.75$, ewes $\$ 3.00$ tc $\$ 3.35$, lambs around $\$ 4.00$. The rnu to day is 5,000 , and market is 10 cents higher.
There was some inquiry fur 1200 drivers at $\$ 75.00$ to $\$ 12500$ and good drafts were wanted last week, but light to medium weight horses were $\$ 5.00$ off. Mule business was dull. Some choice 16 hand mules sold at $\$ 190.00$ around, and cotton feeding mules, 143 to 15 hands, good quality, are bringing $\$ 95.00$ to $\$ 115.00$.

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OId-Fashioned Garden.
"What has become of the old-fashioned garden 9 " said a suburbanite to his companion the orher day, as both were coming home from business on one of the suburban railway lines. 'I mean the gardens we uxed to seesuch as our grandmothers took pride in-and the old fashioued flowers, which, with own hands, they raised and reared -hands less accustomed to hoe and rake and dig than that of the modern atbletic woman.

Yes it is a fact, an a much more lamented fact, that the uld-fashioned garden, with its sweet william and its corn flowers, its dark-eyed poppies and lavender heliotrope, its black-eyed susans and delicate morning glories, whose puŕple petals are shyly closed when Old Sol begins to stare too rudely; its rows upon rows of haughty hollyhoeks, which, when once planted, grow like weeds and threatened the more modest heartuase and bachelor buttons; its sweet scented mignonette, and its never-failing daisies is a thing of the past.
The modern woman does not look after her garien as her mother and grandmnther used to do. Today there is a gardener who attend to that. He mows the lawn. he plaus the shapes and arrangement of the flower beds. And what does he plant In the spring, haughty tulips and awkward hyacinths, and later on, nothing but stiff geraniums-blossoms in which there is neither grace nor perfume, nossessing only one attribute of the truly besutitul flower-color.

It would eeem that the moder; woman ought to take more interest in gardening. She is stronger, of more athletic build than her ancestors, and, there, better fitted to weed a garden and care for the plants than the woman of the last generation, who spent mueh of their spare time in doing such enervating work as crocheting and knitting. Then, too, it is remarkable that plant ren, now that uature study is being introduced into the public school curriculum. And yet, in how very few surburban and country homes does one find that the children have charge of little garden plots which they mav call their very own.

And with the bomegarden the home
host'ss to the friend who had visite her in her country home, had also pass ed away. Cut flowers from the green house for beau, ifying the dinner table where in olden times, out of the question, but a bountiful supply from the garden was always on hand so that at each and every meal a fresh bouquet could be had. Every breeze that blew wafted the scentof honeystrekle and mignonette through the house, and from early spring until late in the fall the air was redolent with sweet per. fume.
Of course, a well-trimmed lawn and neatly designed geranıum beds have their advantages, but need the garden be sacrificed to the lawr Why not -Baltimore News.

Cooking for a Threshing Crew.
A western threshing crew is made up of about a dozen men. The modern thresher, with its traction engine to haul it from place to place represents a capital of about $\$ 2500$ and the traveling sitchen a hundred or two more. This macbine and its crew will thresh all the way from sixty to seventy thousand bushels of wheat in the season. Formerly many small farmers had theiv own indıvidual threshing machines and hired men by the week or season to help operate them but today nearly all the wheat is threshed by the traveling thresbing crews. Besides the dozen men of the crew to feed there are usuand stalwart sons, making altogether nearly a score of hungry men to feed three times a day. The engineers of the threshing crews receive $\$ 2$ and 83 a uay for their work, the feeders of the machines about $\$ 2$ a day and the pitchers $\$ 1.50$ a day. The cook is generally a man hired by
the season and the wagesdiffer arcordthe season and the wagesdiffer arcord-
ing to the demand and supply of such avg to the demand and supple material. The cook wagon is simply a large house on wheels, and is buit with a view to comfort and airiiness, Some of the more pretentious ones have screens at the windows and stormy weather. Down the entire center of the wagon runs the cheap pine table, with places enough to accomodate all the workmen and at one end opposite the entrance is a big stove.
The cooks, whieh are sometimes the wife and daughters of the proprietor of the threshing outfit, spend their mornings in baking and their after noons in preparing for the next day's meals. Pie is the great food of the threshing crews in the west, as it always has been in New England on the smaller farms. Ntacks of pies are baked ahead, sufficient to last for a full wuek. These form the invariable dessert of the meals once or twice and is a gieat standby. It is served at every meal and large pots of it are kept every meal and large pots of it are kept hut all day long. The bread and bisup in the kitchen to wait for the hungry men to devour them, Meat once or twice a day is considered sufficient hut beans, vegetables. potatoes and cereals are furnished in abuudance. The men really bave good, wholesome diet, and are able to grow stong, aud fat on it
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## [Editid by "Aunt Mary."]

A PrAyEr.
Let but a likie hat be mine,
Where at the bearthstone I may hear The erieket sing:
And have the shine
Of one glad woman's eyes to make, For my poor sake,
Our simple home a place divine. -James Whitcomb Riley. -4***
COOKERY AND CONGENLALITY.
Among my friends are three families noted for their light running domestic machinery. One day I asked the mistress of each household for the seeret. Singly and separately, with out any collusion whatever, they ac eredited their husbands. with sympathetic understanding of the cookery question, and on this rock based their frietionléss housekeeping.

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any old thing.
"Husband always says, ${ }^{\wedge}$ Now don' you go to worrying about what to cook. Just any old thing will do me!' And you bave no idea how light it makes my work to hear him talk like that!" said Wife No. 1. And I went away saving to myself, "Blessed be the man who is wllhng to lighten his wife's work by merely remarking that any old thing in the way of grub is good enough for him!"

## $\triangle$ NICE DINNER.

"When we expeet $\quad$ guests at our house," said Wite No. 2, "Especially if they are friends of Walter's whom he has invited, he almost always says something like this: 'Just get us up a nice little dinner, Mattie, that's all. Besure not to go to any trouble nor let yourself get a bit tired. Just one of those nice little dinners you always manage with such perfections.' This, you see, as a sort of prelude to the whole business makes everything move off like a marriage bell."
And I went away saying to myself, 'Blessed likewise be the man whose honeyed words of wisdom can produce harmony in the household like the rhythmical chimes of sweet-toned bells that ring on one's wedding morn!"

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JOHN's BILL OF FARE.
"Every day of our lives," thus said Wife No. 3, "whether or not we have company, I ask John what we shal have for dinner, and he obligingly indicates a satisfactory bill of fsre. Some men, you know, are above being bother-d with details about cooking but John,s not that way. Deeiding what to cook and how to cook it is a woman's hardest work. John relieves me of more thav half the burden. Al the itht is comparatively easy.'
And I went away without saying
anything to anybody, such a simple thing it seemed (for husbands who know how) to keep the domestic wheels noiselessly whirling

## HER DYING WISH.

When Jane McCarter laid herself down to die she knew she was about to leave one of the best-paying farms in all Nebraska, and Jerry McCarter knew he was about to lose the best woman in all the world. Jane's poultry, eggs. butter, vegetables and dried fruits, na arketed by herself, were eagerlywatched for by her customers in town.
The physician said her time had come, she had fallen into an apathy from which it was difficult to rouse her, she was surely slowly going. Everything that relativer, friends and neighbors could do for her comfort had been done.

Is there anything you want?" she was asked.
A patient sigh escaped the sick woman's lips. "No, nothing I can get now."
"What-what is it? Perhaps we can get it for you."
All the watchers, anxions to do something to make her last hours easy ${ }^{*}$ leaned forward, listening.
"No, to late, now. But I have been tired so long-tired of staying at home and cooking, and eating my own cooking, cooking and eating, staying right here excepting on marketing days, right here, cooking and eating sewing, sewing. Often I've made myself imagine the sewing machine was a railroad engine rattling me away for a bit of travel. a fow meals at hotels and musie by a band. But it has always been the same old thing, cook and eat and wash dishes and sew. Cook-eat-wash dishes-sewdie. This is my dying confersion: I wish I could eat at a hotel and hear some band music!"
"There's one consolation," said a sympathetic neighbor, "You are going to a land of hotels and bras: bands!"

To eat at a hotel and hear some band musie! The MeCarters were astonished at the revelation made by the dying mentor of their household. They, begged her to come back to them; promising no end of a good time if she would try hard to get well. Their grief was touching and unfeigned.
The sick woman seemed electrified. For a moment the spark of life appeared to revive. Physicians and attendauts renewed their efforts.

It must have been that the knowledge that the dream of her life could be realized on earth-that she could really "eat at a hotel and hear band musie"-acted as a powerful stimulant, for the crisis was tided over, she took a new grasp upon life and rapidly regained her usual health.
And now, every once in a while a stylish woman, all a la mode, with calm, clear eyes and quiet manners, pyts up at the best hotels in a certain Nebraska town for weeks at a time. It is Jane McCarter, enjosing her new lease of life.

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ONE WAY TO FIGHT GRASSHOPPERS.
"The grasshoppers are terribly bad in some places about here," writes a Kansas farmer. They are doing our
they have done us no harm all this
summer, and I will tell you the cause to which we attribute our cause from the pest Two , years ago I bought a lot of turkeys. I would take them through the orehard and brush the hoppers off the trees until the turkeys eleaned them out entirely. Then I took the drove of turkeys to my sou's farm and let them clean the hoppers up there. We have not been troubled with hoppers since, althoug many about us are losing not only their crops but their orehards.

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the three lucretias
Dear Aunt Kate:-In a debate at a literary society I attended not long ago one of the speakers made this statement: "The Three Lucretias, ancient, mediaeval and modern, all of beautiful women, all of them noted for their queenly qualities, one for her virtue, one for her dipmacy and one for her domesticity, have their names written high on the hist of notable female historical characters; and ours -our Lucretia of the White Houseleads them all!" Lucretia Borflia is the only Lucretia I ever read of, and I cannot remember who she was Please tell me who who were the others and if the speaker was right 9

Christine Brock.
[The debater's "Three Lucretias" were probably the following: First Lucretia, wife of Collatinus, a beauti ful Roman matron; second, Luerezia Burgia-though slightly this side of the Middle ages-also a women of remarkable beauty; third, Lucretia Garfield, wife of the 20th President of the United States. The first precipitated the revolution which freed Home from a rule of tyranical king by suiciding after an insult from a prince of the royal house. However illustrious sbe was because of her undoubted virtue and however gloriouswas the temporary politisal power gained by the Romans who in ancient fashion avenged her wrongs, nothing commendable can be said about her method of exit from earth.
The secon, Borgia, was notorious rather than noted. A consciencless iutriguer, shrinking from no erime monstrously cruel among the most cruel even in that era of social de. pravity, her anomalous beauty pales into insignificance, and if she posses sed any real "queenly qualities" they are concealed by the blot that must always cover her name on the pages of history.
The third, Mrs. Garfield, is a worthy example of the true American wife mother and home keeper. In purity of character, in unselfish devotion, in in mental and moral poise here is the name that shines with superior queenliness ]

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"I figured out years ago," said a prosperous farmer, "that with very moderate drinking, I'd drink an aere of good land every year. So I quit. Here is a tempersnce lecture, done up in a small parcel convenient for handling. - Youtn's Companion.
more about the shut-in life
The following extract is made from the letret of a Texas sister whose kind heart and willing hands keeps her in Thereh with many good works:
hink and keep one full, one has to
ime. We feel and know that "life is real, life is earnect," more than in our old sehool days. And how glad we are that it is so! To see so much to do and be unable to do anything o do and be casale would be hard
And that makes me think of how hard it must be to only wait and bear burden of shut-in days. One of my shut-in friends (by correspondence.) went over into-her n.w home recently where I believe she is to-day rejoicing where I believe she is to-day rejoicing ceived 4 letter from her sister telling me how thankful she was for my let ters and how grateful they all were to me for bringing light into her suffer ing days. How little I had done to be thanked for! Only a few hurried lines now and then snatched from duties that I then thought more important. I wonder if the things we do net notice and call of no account are in our dear Father's sight the great ones? The bands of this dear shut-in friend were so crippled, she could write only a line or two, only to say she wanted another letter, and that when she reached home she could some time meet and talk with me there about our common Father.

## THE PATHOS OP LIFE.

Only a mover's wagon! Yet the mover is a man like other men. and his heart bends beneath its wieight of sorrow while the wagon wheels roll on,
taking him and his companions in distress farther and farther from the pitiful little mound by the roadside pit The following news roadside. from a weekly paper in a country town. is pathetic in the extreme:
Yesterday a nover's wagon on the resterday a nover's wagon on the
north road was jolted by a rut, and a two-year-old child was thrown out of the wagon, fell under the wheels and instantly killed. As the parents were very poor. they buried the remains near the road, wrapped in an old quilt, and moved on.
Only a mover's! Yet we do not need to be told of the agony in the the eyes of a woman who looks forward as the wagon moves on, but whose aching heart cries out to the poor little grave beside the road, the road that lengthens so fast behind them, -4***
THE PASSION FLOWER
Mrs. John O'Loughlin, of Lakin, Kansas, is the fortunate possessor of a passion flower in full bloom. This beautiful plant is rarely found in the north, but in some parts of the south it grows wild. The Lakin Advocate thus describos it: "The blossom represents the erucifixion of Christ. The lower, or outside, is the crown of thorns; in that are five wounds. Above the crosses are three petals in perfect shape of nails, which held Christ on the cross. It is a sight worth seeing." +0+**
Two sliees of toast, one-half tablespoonful of butter, one saltspoonful of salt, and two eggs. Separate the eggs and beat the whites to a stiff froth, first adding the salt; cut the crusts from the slices of bread; toast it an even, light brown and spread with butter. - Place some of the beaten whites of the egges on each piece of toast in the form of a nest, leaving an indentation in the centre of each; divide the batter, putting half into each bollow; drop the yolks into the hoiluws. and ewok in a moderate oven three minutes. This is an attractive dish for aw invalid.

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A traveler over the Salt Plains in Woodward County, writes an interesting letter from, which we take the following: When the artesian well was drilled to a depth of about $Z 0$ feet the salt water casing was raised fifteen feet high and still the foaming liquid came out at the with such a roaring and hissing sound as gas. It soon subsided, and then in a Ishort time "blowed out" again. The drillers were afraid to go down deeper, In the cold salt well we bathed our faces, arms and feet. It was as invigor-
ating as a plunge in the ocean wave. In a few minutes the water had evaporated leaving a thin whitish layer of the finest salt. Yielding to impulse, we washed i off. But in a few moments we discovered that we had not improved our a-. pearance, for we were as white as ever But alleged attempt to wash off the silt gave-us ample excuse for bat.ing again and again in the delightful liquid We passed an attractive little agricultural settlement just before decending to the Salt Reserve, he had one agricultural claim of 160 acres. He said "A government inspector comes around here every six months. All that is necessary is to prove that the land is better adapted for farming than for mining, and you can homestead it just like any other claim, only it takes longer to get your claim, only it takes longer to get your
papers." The erops here are very fine papers. The crops here are very fine
and there are but slight traces of salt in the creek bed.
"Alva parties have control of much of the best portion of the Salt Plain, and they havs sunk six or eight wells varing in depth, none of which are over 80 feet. The artesian well was sunk by thern. In one well they passed through 22 feet of alternating layers of salt and clay. No thick strata of pure rock salt was found.
Indeed, this place may become farmous some day as a health resort. Prof. Jacques Loeb of Chicago University has made plain to the scientific world the wariderful medical properties of salt,how departing life has been recalled and one's days lengthened. Salt solutions are especially effective in treating heart diseae, -and what mortal is there who does nothave heart disease sometime in life?
An enterprising doctor may make his fortune here advertising the marvelous curative properities of the hot salt spring, and the remarkably invigorating effect of a plung in cold salt spring. Aht does some one say that bathing in cold salt spring will bring on rheumatism? What if it does? One would need to go but a few-rode horth to the hot spring to soak the rheumatism out,
The preserving properties of salt water are well known. Who does not want to be preserved for many years yet want come?
Fine ladies will need no face powder
work wasstnt the Poultry Keeper and
if I remember aright ber floek of hens averaged better than $\$ 2$ per head above expenses. I came out on the wrong side of the ledger and, as I wrote in vife's partiner in the poultry business "for keeps"? and do only so much farming as is necessary to raise the food for our fowls. For years nothing but chicks of the bluest blood have been upon our premises. How did we get it 9 We purebased eggs from the best strains obtainable and became sub-cribers to the best class of poultry litera-ture-reading and studving every phase of the lessons learned. We and I built brooders-wa have since and were rearing only pure-bred fowls and breeding them to slandard requirements, as near as we could not to sacrifice their usefulness, we were cater ing only to a fancy market trade. We were in doubt as to advertising, not that we did not know we had pure stock, but beaause we knew that there were a great many "grumblers" in this world of ours and we dreaded contact with them. About four years ago an agricultural journal, and a little later a poultry paper, invited us to eontribute to 1 ts columns. We ventured to do so along the line of pure-bred poultry. These articles ealled forth so, ecomment and finally brought as some customers.
These'were so well pleased we added the fancy and now eater to both. We ventured to advertise in a modest way and since then the businens has ontgrown Jack's famous beanstalk. Such is the record. and with hammer and saw going to enlarge the quarters and the incubators runaing to turn wut the stoek, all is serene and happy "down the farm."
The lessons drawn ari that fancy market poultry and strietly fresh eggs are the most profitable way for the Fancier's needs can best be supplied by the farmer who has large flocks from which to seleet; that the conscientious seller will have no trouble with the honest buyer; that it requires systemat-
ie work and closє study to breed to ie work and close study to breed to and andequate returns for labor and
and eapital invested the poultry business stands the test. J. H. Suedd, Virginia

## Development of the Traction Engine.



CENTURY PARMER.
threshing dates of steam engines threshing dates back more than half a ceutury, It is only within the last twenty-five years that the traction engine has been in general use for the operation of thresting maehines; in fact it did not come into general use until the most progressire manufacturers and threrhermen had
demonstrated in the face of great opposition that steam threshing could be made a commercial success. Then the traction engine began to supplant horse powers and the efforts of engin l, ailders were exerted to develop it the development was necessarilly -low at first and not until very receut years was the traction engin brought its present high state of perfection. THE BTEARITNG GRAR.
The earliest types of engines, al-
though propelled by their own power
ware without apparatus bv whinh their course could be directed and it wan neressary to hitch horses to them in order to steer them. The demand for self-guiding angiues began to manifest itself sbout the year 1878 My first My first experience with a self-guiding traction engine was approximately at this time. when the firm by which I was umployed had nn order for an engine with steering apparatus to be operated from the platform. The company accepted the order and de pended upon to supply a steemm pended upon the supply a steerm, With the gear. With the aid of two nther ma chini-ts a device was supplied which was nuccessful. The principle we employed is in use today on-practically all traction engines. There are different styles of stepring apparatus in use, but the und $\mu$ rlying mechanicai priuciple of all of them is the same. So thoroughly does the simple method empluyed to steer a traction engine meet all requirements of a self-moving mellane or vehicle that has come into geueral use on the most modern antounobiles.

The earlier typus of traction engines ere made with smooth wheels and could only be propelled in one direc tion, namely, forward This was done by a devise known as the Cooper traction; later on the solid gear was adopted, which made neceswary for mannfacturers to provide some style of valye gear which would reverse the engine. There are numerous styles of yalve gear in use, among which are the Link (which the writer consicers the miost practical;) the Marrh gear the Arnold, the Woolf and several orhers lesser known, but all possessng features which commend them to various uners. With the adoption of the valves gear it become necessary to use corragations on the traction wheels, or driving wheels as they are sometimes called. Some of these were made of cast iron and some of wroueh ron and in a variety of patterns, fron and in a variely of patterns, the most eommon of which were $V$ shaped or izigzag: When corrugated wheels were first put in use they were 48 inches in diameter and had a- 10 inch face. Today the traction wheels in eommun nse are as farge as 6 feet in diameter and with a 24 -inch face, and some firms using a face as wide as 32 some firms using a face as wide
A nother valuable invention in the the earlier development of the trac tion engi.e was the frietion elutch. which was made in various torms and couspquently was variously applied, The first friction with which the writer as aequainted was an expandine cluteh, known as the Giddings patent and used on the Russell engines The kind in general use today is the sliding friction, which is made simpler and is more converiently adjusted By the use of the friction elutch and he traction may be made to move as lowly as desired while the engine is unning at full speed. The purpose of the shoes against the rim of the fly wheel can be so regulated as to trausmit only a part of its motlon to the krarimy, or the shoes can be pressed o hard that slipping is prevented and thefly wheel and pinion locked to gether. By the use of the friction clutch it will be seen that the operator

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## Those Good Roads.

There is one sure way to have goed roads in this section of the country. That is to build them.
You can't make them by adopting long-winded resolutions, as some overconfident friends seem to think.
Talk is a good thing in its place, a nd it sometimes leads to results, but talk alone never did accomplish anything of prime importance.
It is a lamentable fact that we are badly iu need of good roads, and it is likewise a lamentable fact that most people are content to do the talking and let the other fellow do the work and foot the bills.
But that is a poor way to accomplish anything.
If the country roads are poor the farmer and his wife and his daughter and his son and his hired man come to to town simply when they are compelled to.
They often miss a good market for their products because the roads are too poor to get to town. This is a loss the farmer and likewise a loss to the merchant. It is also to a certain extent a loss to every business and professional man in town.
You ask why?
The reason is very simple.
What will prevent one farmer from marketing his produce will likewise prevent hundreds of others, and the money they are thus deprived of is kept from circulation in our midst.
Then again, if the roads are bad and the farmer does not feel like wading through the mud to get to town, he often uses the mails to spnd to the city mail order house for what he wants, while if the roads were good be would take a few hours off and ride into town for them. Is this plain 9
Well, what's the remedy' you ask. Here it is.
Let every able bodied man in the county take a day off each month and spend it on the roads, ander competent instructors. If necessary, let every man close up business for that day. Take your hoe or your ax or your spade or any road implement you may have, and use it that day for the public good-and your own good-and see what the result will be
This may seem to you like a good good deal of "talk,'. but we are willgood deal of "talk, "but we are will-
ing to back up this "talk" by being ing to back up this "talk" by being the first to volunteer for such a pur
pose. $\stackrel{\text { pose. }}{\text { Now }}$

The Panama Canal
Much has been written and said of late concerning the proposed Panama Canal.
Some of it has been common sense-
and some of it has been rot, pire and simple.
There is one fact that stands out above everything else. We need and must have the canal. Our nationa interests demand it. And our national interests must not be sacrificed
As to that canal is we are not par
theular
Probably the Panama route would be the best, but the Panama is not the only one.
There is the Nicaragua route, al most as good as the other.
Is there any opposition on the part of the people to the digging of this canal9 Not a bit.
Is there opposition on the part of ny class! You bet!
Who are they' you ask.
They are the stockholders and the officials of the transeontinental rail roads, whose lines would be paralleled if we dig a canal across the isthmus. And their opposition is very great and powerfal,
And they are asing eveny art knowi to shrewdness to prevent the conistrue ion of any cain
Unless the American people arise in their might and demand, it the cana wilt never be hailt.
Colombia has rejected our treaty, and if the truth were ever known it is dollars to doughnats you would find American gold at the bottom of that rejcetion.
It passed the American Senate only after the press and the people united and threatened to retire our dignified statesmen to private life muless they cousidered the interests of their constituents.
The railroad people are working twenty-four hourx a day to defeat the project
And And they
look Once in a while it becomes necessary for the neople to let their voices be heard, and to demand of their of-
fieial servants that they do the bidding of their masters.
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