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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 1 Car, 42 Cattle; 99 Cars, 7,795 Hogs; 1 Car, 275 Sheep.

NOMINAL TRADE IN CATTLE

Market for Fat Steers This Week Has Held Good Active Tone.

TOP BEEVES LAND AT \$7.05

Cows and Heifers Closing Strong to 10c Higher for the Week—Calves Steady—Stocker Market Closes Dull, Unevenly Lower—Hog Market Ruled Active at Nickel Advance—Sheep Nominal Today; Better Tone Develops in Week's Trade.

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908

| | 1908 | 1907 | Dec. Inc. |
|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Cattle | 156,983 | 219,538 | 32,000 |
| Hogs | 291,531 | 75,221 | 171,940 |
| Sheep | 248,977 | 406,816 | 162,339 |
| Horses | 9,539 | 14,380 | 2,891 |

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT

The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal western markets:

| | Cattle | Hogs | Sheep |
|----------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Chicago | 400 | 15,000 | 2,000 |
| Kansas City | 300 | 10,000 | 1,500 |
| St. Louis | 200 | 8,000 | 1,000 |
| St. Joseph | 100 | 7,000 | 800 |
| East St. Louis | 800 | 5,000 | 1,000 |

RECEIPTS BY CARS

| | 1908 | 1907 | Dec. Inc. |
|---------------------------|------|------|-----------|
| C. B. & Q. west | 29 | 26 | 3 |
| C. B. & Q. east | 26 | 26 | 0 |
| C. R. I. & P. | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Great Western | 12 | 12 | 0 |
| Missouri Pacific | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| St. Joseph & Grand Island | 19 | 19 | 0 |
| A. T. & S. F. | 1 | 1 | 0 |

CATTLE

End of Week Finds Trade in Healthy Condition.

Nominal conditions prevailed in the cattle trade today. Supply was of the usual Saturday volume, not enough of it to attract competition and actual trading was confined to cleaning up odds and ends at around steady prices. Trade of the week has been of a generally good and encouraging character and the close finds prices for all grades of killing cattle in strong position on the highest level of the year. There has been some increase in the volume of cattle being marketed and this supply continues to run very largely to fed steers, but the demand has been good and has readily absorbed receipts right along.

Supplies for the week at this point will run about 2,500 ahead of last week, while the 126,000 at five points is 11,000 larger than last week, but not materially different from a year ago.

Top steers at this market in full load lots sold at \$7.15 for a well figured lot of heavy Nebraska fed westerns. A fancy animal or two has sold at \$7.15. There has been a big showing of good to choice kinds of heavy steers selling at \$6.60 to \$6.90 and choice steers weighing less than 1,200 lbs. have held at \$6.80. Ordinary to good light and medium weight dressed beef steers have sold freely at \$6.00 to \$6.50 and very common light killers at \$5.50 to \$5.90 with inferior odds and ends down as low as \$5.00.

It will be but a short time now until grassers from the south and southwest will begin arriving. This will cause some spread in range of prices and native grassers will perhaps sell a little lower, but the outlook for dry fed, fat steers favors good prices.

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

Trade in cows and heifers today was confined to usual small week-end clean-up transactions, business being of a nominal character in point of volume without furnishing a market criterion.

Displaying a little unevenness, prices for cows, heifers and mixed still have been headed for a higher level this week. There has been a strong demand for all useful butcher cattle throughout the week. Heifers displayed a little weakness Monday on an unusually large run, but the loss was fully regained; in fact, closing values are notably strong to a point higher than a week ago. Inquiry for good cows has been keen and prices have been gradually working higher, current values indicating a gain of 10c generally, exceptions 15c higher than a week ago. The outlet for canners is still very narrow and this class of stuff is selling as low as any time this year. Best cutters and medium beef cows meet a pretty fair demand, half fat heifers are slow sellers in a range of \$4.00 to \$4.75. Choice fat cows sold up to \$6.25 during the week, bulk of the useful grades selling at \$4.75 to

STOCKS AND FEEDERS.

The week closes radically different from the opening in the stocker and feeder trade. Early days witnessed a good active demand for everything useful in the stock cattle line, but competition among speculators who wanted to fill their pens was responsible for this show of life. Prices worked up to such a point that the country refused to take hold and after dealers were pretty well stocked up and country inquiry failed to develop, values sustained a severe jolt. Close quotations indicate a decline of 15c to 25c from the high point, this applying to practically everything in the line of thin steers. Outside markets all report a dull and lower close to trade in stockers and feeders.

There has been a fairly reliable demand for stock heifers and country cows throughout the week and prices have held about steady.

Packers' Purchases Yesterday.

| | Cattle | Hogs | Sheep |
|-------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Swift & Co. | 450 | 4,870 | 249 |
| Hammond | 126 | 2,369 | 475 |
| Morris | 143 | 2,132 | 72 |
| Total | 719 | 9,371 | 796 |

HOGS.

Trade Active and Big Nickel Higher, Receipts Liberal.

With total receipts for the week the largest since the week ending March 14 and the five point total the largest since the week ending March 7 last, the hog trade for this week made an active finish with prices the highest of the week. Today's local supply was proportionally more liberal than at any of the leading outside points, but the packers seemingly wanted hogs and went after them lively. Quality was only fair, running largely to mixed droves with fewer strictly top quality lots than on former days of the week and for this reason the outside top did not show up as liberally or indicate as much advance. But, on quality, the market opened big 5 cents higher than yesterday and held the full advance to the finish. On this nickel advance the bulk prices today are around 5 cents higher than one week ago and a shade above the previous highest point of the week.

Under the big run of the week the market has ruled active right along and fluctuation in prices has been confined to a comparatively narrow range, there not having been more than a 10 cent variation at any time. Total receipts for the week at this point are 47,700, against 39,178 last week, 31,598 a month ago, 32,395 a year ago, 26,581 two years ago, 46,788 three years ago and 30,130 four years ago.

The aggregate at five markets is 398,000, against 313,000 last week, 278,000 a month ago, 311,000 a year ago, 261,700 two years ago, 328,800 three years ago and 279,400 four years ago.

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Range of Prices.

| | This Week | Last Week |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Monday | \$5.27 1/2 to \$5.50 | \$5.20 to \$5.47 1/2 |
| Tuesday | 5.30 to 5.50 | 5.25 to 5.50 |
| Wednesday | 5.27 1/2 to 5.50 | 5.30 to 5.55 |
| Thursday | 5.25 to 5.50 | 5.45 to 5.70 |
| Friday | 5.30 to 5.50 | 5.40 to 5.75 |
| Saturday | 5.45 to 5.55 | 5.50 to 5.75 |

Average Weight.

| | Apr. 30 | May 5 | May 8 |
|-----------|---------|-------|-------|
| Monday | 229 | 229 | 229 |
| Tuesday | 229 | 229 | 229 |
| Wednesday | 229 | 229 | 229 |
| Thursday | 229 | 229 | 229 |
| Friday | 229 | 229 | 229 |
| Saturday | 229 | 229 | 229 |

SHEEP.

Market Shows More Encouraging Tone, Prices Strong to 10c Up.

Business in the sheep house today was of a nominal character. Most of the small arrivals were direct to local killers and there was not enough stock changing hands to make a market criterion.

The week has developed some improvement in the live mutton market. Local receipts will total 8,800, indicating an increase of 1,700 compared with the previous week. However, the five point total of 162,400 falls 10,000 short of arrivals at same points last week. In addition to the lighter movement of supplies the condition of the dressed meat market in the east has shown some improvement and the live mutton trade has responded in a more active and encouraging tone all along the line. Local values stand strong to 10c higher than a week ago. The undertone has been strong all week and everything of decent killing merit has found a ready outlet. Colorado lambs and Texas sheep have constituted bulk of receipts this week. Some exceptionally good southwestern sheep were offered, but choice lambs, either of the woolled or shorn variety, have been scarce. The week's top for woolled lambs was \$7.10, but the kinds making this figure were not choice. The high grades would readily sell at \$7.25 or better at the week's close. Best offerings in the clipped line sold at \$6.00 to \$6.25, these grading only fair to good. Good Texas wethers sold at \$5.45 to \$5.50 with less attractive kinds at \$5.25.

OTHER LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, May 9.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 490. Market steady. Hogs—Receipts, 15,000. Market strong; top, \$5.65; bulk, \$5.55 to \$5.50. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000. Market steady.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 9.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 200. Market nominal. Hogs—Receipts, 5,500. Market strong to 5c higher; top, \$5.62 1/2; bulk, \$5.45 to \$5.40. Sheep—Receipts, none. Market 10c to 15c higher for week.

SOUTH OMAHA.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., May 9.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 200. Market unchanged. Hogs—Receipts, 6,900. Market 5c higher; top, \$5.45; bulk, \$5.37 1/2 to \$5.40. Sheep—Receipts, 800. Market steady.

EAST ST. LOUIS.

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., May 9.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: Cattle—Receipts, 300, including 200 Texas. Market steady. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000. Market 5c higher; top, \$5.70; bulk, \$5.57 1/2 to \$5.75. Sheep—Receipts, none.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, Board of Trade Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

| Options | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| WHEAT | 93 1/2 | 93 1/2 | 92 1/2 | 92 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| July | 93 1/2 | 93 1/2 | 92 1/2 | 92 1/2 | 100 1/2 |
| Sept. | 87 1/2 | 87 1/2 | 87 1/2 | 87 1/2 | 93 1/2 |

| CORN | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| July | 64 1/2 | 64 1/2 | 64 1/2 | 64 1/2 | 70 1/2 |
| Sept. | 63 1/2 | 63 1/2 | 62 1/2 | 62 1/2 | 65 1/2 |

| OATS | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| July | 47 1/2 | 47 1/2 | 47 1/2 | 47 1/2 | 56 |
| Sept. | 37 1/2 | 37 1/2 | 37 1/2 | 37 1/2 | 48 |

| PORK | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| July | 13 65 | 13 67 | 13 57 | 13 65 | 13 50 |
| Sept. | 13 60 | 13 65 | 13 50 | 13 60 | 13 65 |

| LARD | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| July | 8 50 | 8 57 | 8 50 | 8 55 | 8 42 |
| Sept. | 8 57 | 8 57 | 8 57 | 8 57 | 8 52 |

| RIBS | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| July | 7 52 | 7 57 | 7 52 | 7 57 | 7 12 |
| Sept. | 7 00 | 7 02 | 7 00 | 7 00 | 7 35 |

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET
Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 2 cars; corn, 15 cars; oats, 0 car.

| Wheat | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| No. 3 red | 1 06 | 1 06 | 1 01 1/2 | 1 01 1/2 | 1 02 1/2 |
| No. 2 red | 1 01 1/2 | 1 01 1/2 | 1 01 1/2 | 1 01 1/2 | 1 02 1/2 |
| No. 1 red | 85 | 85 | 80 | 80 | 80 |
| No. 2 hard | 99 | 99 | 94 1/2 | 94 1/2 | 94 1/2 |
| No. 3 hard | 96 | 96 | 91 1/2 | 91 1/2 | 91 1/2 |
| No. 4 hard | 87 | 87 | 82 1/2 | 82 1/2 | 82 1/2 |
| Rejected soft | 75 | 75 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| No grade | 70 | 70 | 65 | 65 | 65 |
| Rejected hard | 75 | 75 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| No grade | 70 | 70 | 65 | 65 | 65 |

| Corn | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| No. 2 white | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 70 |
| No. 3 white | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 70 |
| No. 4 white | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 70 |
| No. 2 corn | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 70 |
| No. 3 corn | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 70 |
| No. 4 corn | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 69 1/2 | 70 |

| Oats | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| No. 2 white | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 53 |
| No. 3 white | 51 1/2 | 51 1/2 | 51 1/2 | 51 1/2 | 52 |

| Odds, Ends and Wagon Hogs | Open | High | Low | Close | Yest. |
|---------------------------|------|------|-----|-------|-------|
| 10 | 277 | 277 | 255 | 255 | 304 |
| 8 | 250 | 250 | | | |

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AT THE THEATRES TONIGHT.
Crystal—Advanced Vaudeville.
Peoples—High Class Vaudeville.
Lyric—Rentfrow's Stock Co.

BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Mrs. A. Harper, 121 Michigan avenue, has left for Chicago, Ill., to visit her parents.

Dr. B. F. Gooch of the local bureau of animal industry, left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Browning, Mo.

A. Warren of Fairfax, Mo., is the guest of his daughter, Miss Lena Warren, King Hill and Nebraska avenues.

Charles Greengurg, 426 Illinois avenue, has returned from Louisville, Ky., where he had been attending the university.

W. S. Littlejohn and daughter, Miss Sylvia, 5023 King Hill avenue, have returned from Lincoln, Neb., where they were visiting relatives.

Mrs. E. J. Halsey, 5401 Swift avenue, left for Kansas City, Mo., yesterday to attend the graduating exercises of the University hospital. Her daughter, Miss Florence, was one of the graduates.

The Rev. F. P. Cummins, pastor of the St. James Roman Catholic church will deliver a lecture at the McKinley school next Tuesday afternoon. The lecture is given under the auspices of the McKinley School Improvement club.

AMUSEMENTS.

At the Lyric.
Last Week of the Season.
The large audience at each performance during the past week demonstrated that the many patrons of the Lyric are realizing that they are soon to lose the pleasure of enjoying a good play by a first-class company and at prices that do not tax the purse of anyone. Manager Rentfrow announces that he has selected three good plays as the farewell offering, and has also secured several new vaudeville acts, new moving pictures and illustrated songs. The final week for this season will begin with the matinee Sunday, May 10th. During the week the following plays will be presented: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the famous play, The James Brothers of Missouri; Thursday, Friday and Saturday the most interesting play, A Fight for a Million; Sunday matinee and night the royalty play, The Web of Revenge, by Clifton Steel-smith. At the Wednesday and Saturday matinees ladies receive handsome souvenirs. Saturday night a special prize of ten dollars in gold will be given away. A strong list of local amateurs will appear in a contest for prizes. The Rentfrow company leaves here May 18 for a summer tour and will return Aug. 15th for the season, presenting a new list of high class plays.

At the Peoples.
Mr. McQuigg, the manager, has selected an all-star bill for the week of May 10, beginning with the usual Sunday matinees at 2 and 3:15 p. m. Some of the talent is as follows: L. T. Johnson, the world's greatest ventriloquist; Eugene & Mar, comedy dramatic sketch "Hazing a Freshman;" McGarry, who presents the musical burlesque "Fun in a Ball Room;" Wright & Wall, singing comedians; Master Carl Fletcher, the boy soprano, and a special run of new motion pictures.

The management will present to each lady next Wednesday afternoon his special spring souvenir. First matinee at 2:00, second at 3:15.

YACHT CLUB REORGANIZED.
With E. M. Abercrombie as commodore, the Lotus Club Yacht club has been reorganized. Plans are already under way whereby several series of races will be sailed this summer, and it is hoped to hold another series with the Council Bluffs club for the Lake Manawa cup.

The other officers of the club are: Dr. G. W. Northwood, vice-commodore; John West, rear commodore; John Stuppy, secretary; J. Greenfield, treasurer; J. H. Van Brunt, fleet captain; Will Lang, quartermaster; Dr. Ernest Bush, messanger; R. M. Abercrombie, W. H. M. N. and Ike Stone, regatta committee.

There are more good grade draft horses around Creston, Ia., as a center than at any point we know of.

CAPTAIN PATTON DEAD.

At Ripe Old Age Veteran of Civil War Passes Away.

Captain John Patton, 87 years old, father of Ambrose Patton, clerk of the circuit court, died yesterday morning at his home near Armour, Mo., after a brief illness. Death was due to Bright's disease.

Captain Patton was a member of the First Missouri cavalry during the civil war and fought bravely on the Confederate side. He participated in all of the principal battles of the war, Lexington, Springfield, Elkhorn, Corinth, Iuka, Big Black and Champion Hills. At the last named he was captured by the union troops and taken to Johnson's Island, where he was kept prisoner for a number of months, finally being exchanged.

Colonel Elijah Gates, 701 South Ninth street, who was commanding officer of the regiment in which Captain Patton served, was visibly affected when informed of his friend's death.

"Captain Patton was a brave and gallant officer," said Colonel Gates. "He was faithful and knew nothing but to obey his orders and watch over his command. A better or truer soldier never lived. He was a gentleman in ever there was one. When I organized the first cavalry regiment in Missouri in 1861, Captain Patton joined us with a company raised in Gentry and Worth counties. One of the companies was his son 'Little Jack' Patton, then a lad of 14, brave and daring as they make them. I sincerely regret to hear of Captain Patton's death."

The funeral will be held at Sugar Creek cemetery at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon. For the convenience of St. Joseph friends, conveyances will meet the 11:15 o'clock Rock Island train at Armour.

HIS CHARITABLE DEED

By J. S. FLETCHER
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On a certain bright autumn afternoon Mr. Poskitt and the partner of his joys sat in their comfortable parlor on either side of the tea table when the servant announced the Misses Merridews.

Two quaint figures approached Mr. Poskitt, and shook hands with her in a shy, breathless fashion.

"Do take a cup, ladies," said Mrs. Poskitt, who had already replenished the teapot and whiskered the servant maid to bring fresh hot toast. "It'll do you a power of good after your walk: Do, now."

Miss Sarah Ellen Merridew and Miss Martha Mary Merridew hesitated in the fashion which they had been taught many a long year ago to consider the polite and genteel thing. But eventually, after many protestations: the two ladies were seated at the table and supplied with tea and hot toast.

Secretly Mr. Poskitt was wondering what had brought them to his house. He knew them as the proprietors of the little village shop—two simple minded old maids, whose sole means of livelihood lay in their business.

"These here two old lasses is the vale o' tribulation," he said to himself. "Why, now, then, we must see if we can't do summat to help 'em out on it. But we mun know first how they come to get their."

Mr. Poskitt never hurried anybody's cattle, and he waited until the tea table had been cleared, and he, his wife and their visitors had been in stilled round the cheery fire, to hear the reason which had brought the two old maids to his door. At the end of a silence that followed the solemn lighting of Mr. Poskitt's pipe, Miss Sarah Ellen Merridew spoke, with pathetic timidity.

"Mr. Poskitt," said Martha Mary, "me and Sarah Ellen is in great trouble."

Mr. Poskitt blew out a cloud of smoke.

"Nay!" said Mr. Poskitt, with great affectation of deep surprise. "Ye don't say so? Trouble! Why, I wor just thinking how well ye wor both looking—yeung as iver, like! Trouble? Nay, come, now!"

"It's like this, Mr. Poskitt," continued Sarah Ellen. "I've no doubt you'll remember our only brother, John. Of course, you'd never see much of him, because he left the village when we was all young folk. A fine, handsome young fellow he was—straight-backed, like all the Merridews."

"I hev some recollection o' th' gentleman," said Mr. Poskitt. "Went away to London Town, didn't-a'?"

"He did, Mr. Poskitt, and married and settled down there," replied Sarah Ellen. "Married a very genteel young person of the name of Saunders. And, of course, we never saw much of them after that—in fact, we never saw John after father's burying, and that's a long time ago. He's dead now, is John, poor thing! and so is his wife."

"Left onny family?" inquired Mr. Poskitt.

"One son, Mr. Poskitt—John Saunders Merridew," answered Sarah Ellen. "Yes, John Saunders Merridew. Sorry I am to say it of one of my own flesh and blood, Mr. Poskitt, but that young man, John Saunders Merridew, our neevy though he was, was a bad un—a real bad un!"

"Nay!" said Mr. Poskitt. "Ye don't say!"

"A real bad un!" repeated Sarah Ellen. "Don't you try to make out as he wasn't, Martha Mary, for he was. A deceiving, story-telling, false-tongued young rascal, that's what he was! He told us how grandly he was getting on in his business—he was in the sugar-broking trade, Mr. Poskitt, though I'm sure I don't know what that is—and how much better he could get on if he had a bit more capital, and he said his bankers would let him have the capital if he could find securities to be bound for him. And, of course, it seemed only right that the young man should apply to his relatives for help; and so in the end we signed some papers as he'd brought down from London with him, and accordingly me and Martha Mary became bound to the bank for him for £400."

"Nay!" said Mr. Poskitt. "Ay, to be sure! And what next?"

"The next," replied Sarah Ellen, with rising indignation, "was that he got hold of the money and ran away to America—some say with a play-actress. And, of course, we had to find the money. We never said a word to nobody hereabout, for one's none so fond of advertising one's troubles, but we were sore cast down; for, of course, we'd no £400—we'd naught but the title deeds of the house and the shop, and the bit of land round about. Poor father had toiled and saved all his life to buy these, you know, Mr. Poskitt, and we had to raise the money by mortgaging them. And now—now," concluded Sarah Ellen, "now the mortgage's foreclosed, 'cause he can't wait for his money any longer, and me and Martha Mary's ruined women!"

"Me and Sarah Ellen's ruined women!" said Martha Mary.

"At our ages!" sobbed Sarah Ellen. "At our ages!" sobbed Martha Mary. "I'm 59," said Sarah Ellen. "I'm an old, old woman."

"I'm an old woman, too," said Martha Mary. "But I'm—I'm younger than Sarah Ellen."

Mr. Poskitt put down his pipe,

THE CALL TO THE FARM.

Live Stock World: If Secretary Wilson is right in his conclusions but little hope exists for lower prices in foodstuffs in the immediate future. Notwithstanding the prospects for a bumper crop, the secretary is inclined to the belief that foodstuffs are bound to be high. He points out that the population of the country is increasing faster than the crop acreage and the number of people who have gone into professional and business pursuits is larger than those who have embarked in farming.

This would suggest that now is the time to get a farm. If the prices of farm produce are to continue at a high level and the ranks of the producers continue to be depleted relatively, at least, the profits in farming must increase or at least remain stable. Should the prospect of a bumper crop not be fulfilled, the greater reason will exist for good returns for what the farmer raises.

The tendency away from the farms pointed out by Secretary Wilson has received a constant impetus of late years in the high wages demanded and received in all the manual trades, in the steadily increasing fees and salaries received by the professional and clerky class and in the higher cost of the necessities of life. This last might seem paradoxical as a reason for enticing people from the farms where they are supposed to earn their own living to the towns where living costs more; but closer observation dispels the paradox. People leave the farm for town because of the profits they surmise exist in trade. They argue that one of the causes of the high cost of living in town is the great gain of the shopkeepers, and anxious to participate in those, they quit the furrow for the pavements.

That a business career is more alluring than the uneventful round of farm life is not to be disputed, but that it is more profitable, all things considered, may well be questioned.

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Following is a list of the commission merchants in the Live Stock exchange at the St. Joseph stock yards:

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Cridler Bros. & Co., rooms 302-304.
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Johnson & Son, rooms 205-207.
Kansas City Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 226-228.
Knollin Sheep Co., rooms 219-221-222.
Lee Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 209-210-211-213.
Missouri Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 201-203.
Nichols, Gilchrist & Co., rooms 321-323.
Nye, Schneider, Fowler Co., rooms 306-308-315.
National Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 323-329-340.
Prey Bros. & Cooper, rooms 318-322.
Russell Live Stock Commission Co., rooms 312-314.
Stewart & Durrant, rooms 229-230-231.
Sager & Young, rooms 222-224-226.
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BISHOPS CALL ON CANNON

METHODIST CONFERENCE PRESENTED RESOLUTIONS.

Asking That Littlefield Interstate Liquor Shipment Bill Receive Consideration.

Washington, May 9.—A committee from the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, whose general conference is now being held in Baltimore, Friday called on Speaker Cannon and presented to him resolutions that had been adopted by the conference asking that the Littlefield Interstate liquor shipment bill, now pending before the judiciary committee of the house, be reported with favorable recommendation; that the house pass the bill and send it to the senate for consideration and that action be had there before the adjournment of the present session of congress.

Among the members of the committee were Gov. Hanly of Indiana, Gov. Hoch of Kansas, Judge Charles A. Pollock of Fargo, N. D., Dr. A. B. Leonard of New York City, and L. C. Murdock of Kingston, Pa. Gov. Hanly, who acted as spokesman, pleaded for the relief of states like Indiana, Kansas and others which, he said, are handicapped in the execution of their state prohibition laws from the fact that intoxicating liquors can be brought into the state through interstate commerce shipments.

Speaker Cannon replied that it was within the jurisdiction of the state to exercise full police powers to prohibit the use of liquor in the state; that the state by legislation could make it an offense to use liquor, and then every one using it could be punished, whether it was obtained by interstate shipment or not. The states, he said, had failed to avail themselves of this opportunity.

Regarding the shipment of liquors into a prohibition state through an express company and having that company as the distributing agent for the same, the speaker said this was a fraud upon the state law and ought to be prosecuted.

Gov. Hoch claimed that his state, which has strict prohibition laws, could not control the use of intoxicants because of the lack of co-operation on the part of the United States with the state government.

"I am not a lawyer," concluded Gov. Hoch. "I know you are not," responded the speaker smilingly. "If I were governor of Kansas and had to appoint a judiciary I would not appoint you on the bench until you had first read law."

WHEAT AVERAGE FALLS.

The May Crop Report Shows a Lowering of Conditions Since April.

Washington, May 9.—The department of agriculture in its summary of the May crop report issued Friday places the total area of winter wheat standing on May 1 to be harvested at 29,751,000 acres, which is over 4.2 per cent, or 1,318,000 acres less than the area reported as sown last fall, and 5.8 per cent, or 1,819,000 acres more than the area of winter wheat harvested last year.

The average condition of the growing winter wheat on May 1 was 89 per cent of normal, as compared with 91.3 per cent on April 1 and 82.9 per cent on May 1, 1907.

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Of the total acreage of the spring plowing contemplated, 66.6 per cent is reported as actually completed up to May 1, as compared with 71.5 per cent at the corresponding date last year.

Of spring planting 54.7 per cent was completed on May 1 against 47 per cent on May 1, 1907.

Children in Sympathy Strike.

Chester, Pa., May 9.—As a manifestation of the bitterness with which many people regard the Chester Traction company and the men who took the places of the motormen and conductors when they went on a strike several weeks ago, this city Friday witnessed a sympathetic strike of the pupils of the Morton Avenue school because two teachers, Miss Anderson and Miss MacFarland, rode on the trolley cars manned by strikebreakers. As a climax to the incident, mothers of the children went before the school board Friday night and demanded the removal of the teachers. The parents were promised that the teachers would make an apology to the children on Monday and also make a public apology through the columns of the local newspapers.

Poison At Church Council.

Houston, Tex., May 9.—Agonizing pains, the result of what is believed to have been ptomaine poisoning, nearly broke up the Protestant Episcopal church council of the diocese of Texas after lunch served by the ladies of Christ church Thursday night. Ten members of the council were laid on the grass on the lawn, among them being Judge Simpkins of the University of Texas, and five were carried to beds in the Parish house.

He Sought Gold in 1849.

Atehison, Kan., May 9.—"Uncle Jack Patton, age 87 years, a veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars and a California gold miner in '49, died at his home six miles east of Atehison Friday afternoon. He had lived in western Missouri since 1831.

POPULAR NAVAL OFFICER



Capt. John M. Bowyer, commander of the battleship Illinois, one of the vessels of the Pacific fleet.

TIES STEER IN JIFFY

MILTON BEALER OF OKLAHOMA BREAKS WORLD'S RECORD.

Ox Is Chased, Lassoed, Thrown and Bound in One-Third of a Minute Before Crowd of Ten Thousand Persons.

Enid, Okla.—Before 10,000 persons, Milton Bealer of Ninkah, Okla., broke the world's record for lassoing and roping a wild steer the other day. Bealer's time was 20 seconds flat. The former champion was W. E. Carroll of Mangum, Okla., who had a record of 21 1/2 seconds. Carroll witnessed Bealer's great feat and declared him the world's champion.

Thirty steers from the Panhandle of Texas specially imported for this occasion were the objects of the lasso. They came from a 20,000-acre ranch and were as wild as the plains of the southwest could produce. Twelve widely known cowboy ropers participated in the contest, each mounted on his own pony.

When one of the range steers was released from the corral he was chased across the field until he came in front of the judges' stand, and if then running at a high rate of speed, a flag was dropped and the feet-footed pony, with his rider swinging a lariat, dashed down the field after the steer.

The time made by Bealer appears incredible in view of what he had to do. His pony ran 100 yards before the lasso's loop fell over the steer's giant horns. That moment the pony turned, digging his hoofs into the ground, braced himself and waited.

The rushing steer reached the limit of the rope and turned a complete somersault, landing on his side with a thud. Unable to use his head, the steer could not rise.

Bealer was not on the pony. The very moment he saw the lariat land well over the steer's horns he slid from the pony's back and ran toward the roped beast. With six feet of rope he tied all four feet of the steer together in such a manner that they could not be freed, jumped on the beast, raised his hand and removed his hat as a signal to the judges and the spectators that he was through.

All this done in the third part of a single minute. Milton Bealer is just past 22 years old. He has spent his life on a ranch.

BIRTHPLACE OF G. O. P.

Plans Are Made to Preserve Historic Schoolhouse in Wisconsin.

Ripon, Wis.—The Commercial club has decided to purchase the old schoolhouse in which the Republican party had its birth. President R. C. Hughes of Ripon college offered a site for the building on the college campus. This has been accepted and possession will be taken in a short time.

The persons who owned the building offered it to the Ripon Historical society at what seemed to that association to be an unreasonable figure. An offer from outside men who, it was understood, intended remodeling the structure, hastened action on the part of the citizens of Ripon, who have determined not to permit the desecration of the historical relic.

If the trustees of Ripon college sanction the recommendation of President Hughes, the building will be removed to the college campus, where it will be preserved and used as a museum for Wisconsin relics.

Mountain of Stone Fish.

Alpine, Tex.—A low mountain of petrified fish, covering an area of over two miles square, has been discovered on the ranch of Joe Irving, 15 miles south of here. The fish are perfectly preserved in stone. Some are of large size. The place where the fish are found is nearly 5,000 feet above the sea level.

DAYS OF DISASTER

TERM "BLACK" APPLIED TO VARIOUS PERIODS OF HISTORY.

Chiefly Understood in This Country in Its Application to the Financial Panic of Friday, September 24, 1869, in Wall Street.

The designation of Black Friday is popularly supposed to be restricted to a certain day in the financial history of New York, but in point of fact it has been applied to a number of days at various times in history. As used in the records of stock speculation in Wall street, it is applied to two days. The first was Friday, September 24, 1869, when a panic was caused in the money market by the joint efforts of Col. James Fisk and Jay Gould to corner the gold market, the price of gold going up to 163 1/2, and a large number of financial concerns undergoing heavy stress. The name Black Friday is also applied to September 19, 1873, when the great financial crash in the stock exchange preceding the panic of that year occurred.

In the financial history of England, May 11, 1866, is designated as Black Friday, as on that day began a disastrous financial panic, which was brought about by the failure of the firm of Overend, Gurney & Co., in London, who were afterward tried and acquitted of conspiracy to defraud.

In ecclesiastical history the Roman or Western church has frequently designated Good Friday as Black Friday, as on that day all clerical vestments and altar draperies are strictly of black. The term black-letter days is applied to minor holidays and saints' days whose names appear on calendars in black letters instead of red letters, as do the high days and holy days.

In the English calendar certain black-letter days have been retained because they mark civil dates of importance, such as the lily term and Martinmas summer, or because they commemorate some public benefactor.

The name Black Monday is given in English history to Easter Monday, April 14, 1350, when Edward III. ay with his host before the city of Paris, and the weather was so stormy and bitter cold that many men died as they sat on their horses. The term was afterward extended to include all Easter Mondays, and is so used by Shakespeare in "The Merchant of Venice" in the line, "Then it was not or nothing that my nose fell a-bleeding on Black Monday last." Dickens refers to the schoolboy custom of regarding the day for returning to school after the long vacation as Black Monday, and an article in Household Words mentions "the die observance of the ancient institution of Black Monday," the eve of which was kept in the Saturday night, when the school box was packed. In Irish history the term Black Monday was applied to the day when a number of English were slain in a village near Dublin in 1209.

Australia has a Black Thursday in its history, the name being given in the colony of Victoria to Thursday, February 6, 1851, when the most terrible bush fire ever known in the history of the colony raged over an immense extent of territory and the heat was felt far out at sea, and birds overcame by it fell on the decks of coasting vessels. The loss caused by the conflagration was exceedingly great.

Black Saturday was the name given in Scotland to August 4, 1821, when the parliament, sitting in Edinburgh, ratified certain articles introducing the Church of England practices in the churches of Scotland which were opposed to the religious convictions of the Scotch Presbyterians. The violent thunder storm which occurred at the time, with much lightning and great darkness, was held to be a manifest token of the displeasure of heaven.

So far as the records show, no other day of the week has had the adjective black attached to it. Red-letter days are any lucky, fortunate or auspicious days, and are so called because in the older liturgical works the greater holy days are designated by red letters. Dickens makes one of his characters in "Bleak House" say: "It is the old girl's birthday, and that is the greatest holiday and reddest letter day in Mr. Bagnet's calendar." Charles Lamb, in his "Oxford in the Vacation," writes: "The red-letter days now become, to all intents and purposes, dead-letter days."

Too Young, Alas! "You doubtless cursed the day you were born!" sneered the heroine, magnificent in her new autumn coat, to say nothing of her anger. The villain winced. "Believe me, no!" he protested. "I never swore until I was eight months old!"

For in every life, after all, there is a period of innocence, ere yet inevitable depravity asserts its way.—Washington Post.

The Lucky Ones. "Don't you believe, then," asked the plain citizen, "that public office is a public trust?" "Sure!" replied the disgruntled office-seeker. "It is very like a trust. Some fellows seem to have a regular monopoly of it."

Force of Habit. "I wonder why Mr. Jones has such a way of always doting to his wife and why she stands it?" "I guess neither of them can help it. She used to be his typewriter."

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS NOTES.

As a result of the efficient sanitary measures the plague at Guayaquil, Ecuador, has been materially reduced. The house Friday passed the sundry civil appropriation bill, the consideration of which was completed Thursday.

By a vote of 201 to 7 the bill repealing the Irish coercion act of 1887 passed its second reading in the house of commons Friday.

The Kansas Association of Congregational churches, in convention at Sabatha, decided to hold its next annual meeting at Newton.

Henry Farman, the English aeronaut, has resumed his experiments with the aeroplane and is now working on a new device to facilitate the sharp turning of his craft.

Senator Warner will go to Old Point Comfort. He was at Atlantic City for a few days last week and found the sea air beneficial. He will remain at Old Point Comfort for two or three days.

Announcement was made Friday night that the Mount Vernon, Ill., Car Manufacturing company will resume operations next Monday, after a shut down of almost four months. The plant employs 1,500 men.

A New Standard Oil Move.

Chicago, May 8.—The Standard Oil company of Indiana Thursday commenced a new fight to escape from the payment of the fine of \$29,240,000, levied against it by Judge Landis of the federal district court, when its attorneys appeared before the United States circuit court of appeals to argue the appeal from the judgment of the lower court. John S. Miller argued that a reversal should be granted because, he said, the oil company did not know that it was using illegal rates, and that each train load of the company's product should have been taken as the basis of a shipment instead of each car as charged in the indictment.

Price of Corn Advanced.

Chicago, May 8.—Excessive rains over the territory tributary to Chicago, in consequence of which it is believed that farmers will be unable to ship in sufficient grain for the relief of shorts were responsible Thursday for an excited advance in the price of May corn. The first offers for May ranged from 71 1/2 to 72 1/2c, but these figures brought out few offerings. The price rapidly mounted to 74c. Receipts Thursday were only 90 cars and the arrivals are expected to continue light for some time to come.

Oppose Postal Savings Banks.

Hastings, Neb., May 8.—At the meeting here Thursday of district four of the Nebraska Bankers' association, a resolution was adopted opposing the postal savings banks and a telegram was sent to Congressman Norris saying in part: "One hundred and sixty bankers assembled in Group Four unanimously condemn the Carter postal bank bill which we believe perilous to the business interests of Nebraska. It would simply operate to draw funds to eastern money centers and in a financial crisis its effect would be to cripple business men and farmers."

Another Body Identified.

LaPorte, Ind., May 8.—The identification of another of the bodies dug up in the Guinness farm near here as that of Ole B. Budberg of Iowa, Wis., and evidence that he, like Andrew Heigelen, of Mansfield, S. D., had been brought into Mrs. Belle Guinness' net through "matrimonial advertisements was one of the clarifying features of Thursday's developments of the case. The identification of the bundle of bones and flesh as the remains of Budberg was made by the man's sons, Mat Budberg, aged 29 years, and Oscar B., two years his junior.

Has Unique Gift for Fleet.

Inmate of Hospital Knitting Flag for Admiral Knevis. Tacoma, Wash.—L. L. Martin, a well-to-do grocer in San Francisco, was put out of business by "the big fire. He came north seeking work, finally becoming a street car conductor here. Four months ago, in a fog collision on Pacific avenue, he had one leg broken in 22 places and the other in five. Surgeons determined to save his limbs rather than amputate. They were incased in plaster casts. For four months Martin has been in a cot in the Fannie Paddock hospital awaiting the knitting of his shattered bones.

Years ago, while living on a farm in Walla Walla, Martin was taught knitting by an aged woman. For several weeks he spent his time in the hospital knitting wristlets, robes for baby buggies and other small articles, which were purchased by street railway employes. With the money thus earned Martin bought a supply of red, white and blue yarn and began the manufacture of a large American flag, which is now nearly complete. Not until this week did he announce the purpose of his work. He desires to present the flag to Admiral Evans on the arrival of the battleship fleet at San Francisco. He will be able to leave the hospital in six weeks on crutches, and will probably journey to San Francisco and personally present his patriotic gift to the American navy.

Stubborn Pa Goes to Jail.

Doylestown, Pa.—Rather than pay the fine imposed upon him for violating the compulsory school attendance law by not sending his child to school, Christian Hartner of Plumstead is going to the Bucks county jail to serve two days.

When arrested he declared he would never pay the fine. When told by the justice that he would have to go to jail if he did not, Hartner exclaimed: "All right. I'll go to jail, but you'll never get the money for such a fool law, and when I get out I'll move out of the state."

The School Directors Plan to Prosecute Every Delinquent in Order to Get the State Appropriation.

The school directors plan to prosecute every delinquent in order to get the state appropriation.

HORSES AND MULES

JACKS AND JENNETS

FOR SALE—Home-raised on our Cherry Grove Stock Farm. All in extra good condition. Will bear close inspection, as all are bred right. Prices reasonable. C. M. DAILY & SON, Savannah, Mo.

FOR SALE

Two high-grade English Shire Stallions—one six years old, weight 1750; and one three year old weight 1600. Correspondence solicited. ROADLAND BROTHERS, Glenville, Neb.

FOR SALE

Registered Shropshire sheep, yearlings and ram lambs for sale. Also limited number of ewes. Also high class Jacks and Jennets and young mules in carload lots or by pairs. S. B. UTZ, South St. Joseph, Mo. Yard phone 702 South 4 rings

WANTED TO BUY



Horses, Mares and Mules

from 4 to 8 years old. Stock must be fat and broke to work. Highest cash price paid. We carry a nice line of young mules for farmers. JOHN HANN, Barn 1024 South Ninth street, northwest corner Park Park, St. Joseph, Mo.

Journal Advertising Pays

Nebraska Farm & Ranch Lands

THE VIRGIN SOIL OF NEBRASKA

FOR SALE—A good 60 acre farm, 11 miles northeast of Sidney, Neb., price \$14.95 per acre. This section has the best productive farm land in the state. I have many other tracts of desirable farm and ranch lands at prices that are bargains. Write for any information you may desire. All letters promptly answered in German or English. HERMAN SPRINGER, Sidney, Neb.

L. F. SWIFT, President; JOHN DONOVAN, Vice Pres. and Gen. Mgr.; L. D. W. VAN VLIET, Asst. Gen. Mgr.; CHAR. PASCHER, Secretary; P. P. WELTY, Treasurer; I. R. SACK, Superintendent; LOUIS SIRMENS, Cashier.

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ST. JOSEPH, MO. We are in the Market every day for Cattle, Hogs and Sheep.

We are especially bidding for Range Cattle and Sheep, both for slaughter and feeding. Located on fourteen railroads, and in the center of the best corn and live stock district in the United States, we are prepared to furnish a good market for all kinds of live stock. Our charges for yardage and feed are:

Table with YARDAGE and FEED columns. YARDAGE: Cattle, per head .25c; Hogs, per head .6c. FEED: Corn, per bushel .95c; Hay, per 100 lbs. .80c.

Our packers furnish a daily market for all kinds of Cattle, ranging from Canners to Export Cattle. Look up your railroad connections, and you will find them in our favor.

MORRIS & COMPANY advertisement for specialties: Supreme Bacon, Supreme Hams, Supreme Lard, Supreme Sausage, Supreme Dried Beef, and Lion Brand Canned Meats. Locations: CHICAGO, ST. JOSEPH, KANSAS CITY, ST. LOUIS.

Blacklegoids advertisement: Simplest, Safest, Surest Vaccination for the prevention of BLACKLEG IN CATTLE. NO DOSE TO MEASURE. NO LIQUID TO SPILL. NO STRING TO ROT. Just a little pill to be placed under the skin of the animal by a single thrust of the instrument. You cannot afford to let your cattle die of blackleg when a few dollars spent on Blacklegoids will save them. Write for circular. PARKE, DAVIS & COMPANY. NOTICE—For a limited time we will give to any animal an injector free with the first purchase of 100 vaccinations.

TRANSIT HOUSE advertisement: ST. JOSEPH STOCK YARDS, ST. JOSEPH, MO. FINEST STOCKMEN'S HOTEL IN THE COUNTRY. Rates: American Plan, \$2.00 and \$2.50 Per Day; European Plan, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25. A. W. KOHLER, Manager.

C. F. Rock Plumbing & Heating Co. advertisement: Modern Plumbing, Steam and Hot Water Heating. 114 NORTH THIRD STREET. Telephone 899.

MINER & COMPANY advertisement: Both Phone No. 1391. Members Chicago Board of Trade. GRAIN, PROVISIONS, STOCKS, BONDS. Private wires to all market centers. Cash business a specialty. L. W. STOKES, Local Manager, 8 Board of Trade, St. Joseph, Mo.

Protein for Profit advertisement: Is the title of a pamphlet giving facts and figures about Swift's Digester Tankage (Protein 60 per cent) For Hogs. For a copy, complete information and prices, address Swift & Company, Animal Food Department, St. Joseph, Mo.

TOTAG THE TRUSTS

PLAN TO HAVE REASONABLE AND UNREASONABLE COMBINATIONS DETERMINED.

LICENSED LAW BREAKERS

Prof. Jenks of Cornell University Outlined the Plan to Senate Committee on Judiciary—Respecting Public Sentiment.

Washington, May 9.—Prof. J. W. Jenks of Cornell university, who was before the senate committee on the judiciary Friday to advocate the enactment of the bill of the national civic federation for the amendment of the Sherman anti-trust law was closely cross-examined by senators. As a result many flaws in the measure were pointed out.

The proposed examination by the missioner of the bureau of corporations of the plans of a concern to form a corporation were outlined by Mr. Jenks, after which Senator Nelson summed up the situation as follows: "They as I understand it, this chief of the bureau of corporations may give a clean bill of health to a combination after which the government would be compelled to bear the burden of proof in any effort to show the corporation up as a monopoly in restraint of trade."

Mr. Jenks admitted that such would be the case. He added, however, that the bill was intended largely as a preventive measure and that the bureau of corporations would pass upon the application of a proposed monopoly and in the event of a ruling that it was in the nature of a combination in unreasonable restraint of trade, he would withhold approval. Daniel Davenport of Bridgeport, Conn., opposing the bill pointed out that if the proposed concern declined to accept the view of the commissioner of corporations its officers would be subject to a fine of \$5,000 or one year's imprisonment. Senator Nelson held that the effect of these two provisions was to discriminate in favor of a "licensed law breaker."

Sensors Depew and Dillingham said they had been receiving "frantic" telegrams from manufacturers in their states urging them to oppose the passage of the bill and the former wanted to know why it was that the corporations were against the bill.

Mr. Jenks replied that if that was the case they must have had a change of heart. He was of the opinion that many of these concerns would like to have a commission appointed which could consider the subject from all points and report to the next session of congress.

The subject of the bill not reaching combinations now in existence, Mr. Davenport declared that by legalizing whatever the number—be it 200 or 500—"the feature of monopoly is forever fastened upon the government."

Mr. Jenks replied that the bill assumed that all monopolies were unreasonable and did not change existing law as to the method of destroying them. So far as his personal opinion went, he said, "there are some monopolies which I do not believe to be unreasonable." He named telegraph, telephone, railroads and all common carriers. He believed that public interest and good service demand that these might continue if they could be checked and controlled by the government. He termed them "natural monopolies."

"You can not prevent the monopolistic features where common carriers are concerned if the public interest is to be considered," said Mr. Jenks. "But we thought it best not to put this exception in the bill because public sentiment is not now in condition to entertain this view."

The Methodist Conference.

Baltimore, May 9.—An attack upon polygamy by a woman delegate, the report of the missionary work of the church in southern Asia, and the request of Missionary Bishop J. M. Thoburn for retirement from active service were the chief features of Friday's meeting of the Methodist Episcopal general conference here. Bishop James W. Bashford of Shanghai, China, delivered an eloquent address on China. A delegate from the far west created a stir just before adjournment by denouncing some literature which had been distributed among the delegates. The objectionable matter was contained in a souvenir pamphlet and turned out to be whisky advertisements.

Wheat and Corn Advance.

New York, May 9.—The government crop report Friday upset all calculations in the local wheat market, causing a rush of shorts to buy to protect their contracts. Prices jumped about three cents a bushel in the last hour and exporters bought everything in sight, taking nearly a million bushels on the fear of a small crop of winter wheat. Owing to light stocks here May corn advanced to 87 cents per bushel, a gain of three cents over Thursday night's closing and a new high record for the present crop.

"Mothers' Day" for Woodmen. Lincoln, Neb., May 9.—A. R. Talbot, head consul of the Modern Woodmen of America, Friday night issued a proclamation designating Sunday, May 10, as "Mothers' Day" and requesting all members of the order on that day to wear a white flower, and if the mother be alive to either visit or write to her.

M'CORMICK ON THE STAND

PRESIDENT HARVESTER TRUST TELLS OF ORGANIZATION.

Morgan & Co. Furnished \$20,000 Capital and Five Harvester Companies \$20,000 Each

Jefferson City, Mo., May 9.—Cyrus H. McCormick, president of the International Harvester Companies of America and New Jersey, Friday completed his testimony before Special Commissioner Brace in the hearing of the ouster suit instituted by the attorney general.

Mr. McCormick told further of the organization of the International Harvester Company of New Jersey. He said that of the \$120,000,000 capital stock, \$20,000,000 was contributed by J. P. Morgan & Co. of New York, and the other \$100,000,000 by five harvester companies whose property was sold to the company and was appraised at \$76,000,000. He said the company had expended \$15,000,000 since 1902 in betterments, and that dividends, amounting to \$22,200,000, had been paid in the past five years by the New Jersey company.

Mr. McCormick said the International Harvester Company of America had not paid any dividends, but has a surplus of \$400,000. He further stated that prices remained the same after the merger in 1902 until this year when again an increase of 5 per cent had been made for the selling price for 1908. He agreed to furnish all papers that Attorney General Hadley may require in the hearing.

EACH SUPERVISOR GOT \$750.

Gallagher Tells How Franchises Were Secured in San Francisco.

San Francisco, May 9.—James L. Gallagher, the prosecution's star witness in all the bribery graft cases, whose home in Oakland was blown up two weeks ago, Friday in the trial of Abraham Ruef re-told the story of the corrupt practices of the Schmitz board of supervisors and of Ruef's promise of \$750 to each member of the board to grant the Parkside trolley franchise. Gallagher told of Ruef instructing him to "hold back the Parkside Realty company's application for a franchise until he spoke to him about it later on." And how a short time later he told him "he had arranged to receive enough from the Parkside people to afford \$750 to each member of the board," and instructed the witness to see the other supervisors and inform them what they were to get to pass the measure. Gallagher said he spoke to the other members of the board and reported to Ruef that it was satisfactory to them and that the franchise would be granted.

The President Writes Letters.

Washington, May 9.—Three members of the United States senate have received letters from President Roosevelt within the last few days declaring his supremacy, as commander in chief in all matters referring to the control of the army and navy. Two letters have created intense feeling in the senate, and it is not unlikely that they will precipitate a conference of Republican members. The letters, in every case, are in defense of his course in discharging without honor the negro soldiers he believed to be guilty of shooting up the town of Brownsville, Tex., and his action in banishing Colonel William F. Stewart to an abandonment military post in a desert section of Arizona.

The French Car Withdraws.

Paris, May 9.—The committee having in charge the New York-to-Paris automobile race has decided as a consequence of the modification in the route by the abandonment of the run through Alaska and the crossing of Bering strait, not to present a cup for the feat but instead to give three prizes, \$1,000, \$500 and \$200, respectively to the first three machines arriving in Paris. The owner of the French car Friday cabled his driver at Tokyo to withdraw the car on account of the modification in the itinerary. It having covered the Pekin-Paris route last year.

TRAINING FOR HIS FUTURE JOB.



T. R.—He's Just the Boy for the Strenuous Life.

BIG ATLANTA FIRE

TWO SOLID BLOCKS IN THE BUSINESS SECTION WERE DESTROYED.

LOSS REACHED \$1,500,000

Low Water Pressure and High Wind Rendered Firemen Helpless to Stop the Flames—No Lives Lost.

Atlanta, Ga., May 9.—Two solid business blocks are in ruins as the result of a fire which threatened for a time to carry its destruction through the business section of the city and perhaps wipe out the entire downtown district. The fire loss may be conservatively estimated at \$1,500,000.

The Terminal Hotel, one of the largest in the city, is a mass of bricks. It had on its register 200 guests when the fire started a block away. Everyone escaped. Nearby were several other small hotels, but in these there was no loss of life, nor was there any in the Terminal hotel.

The fire started in the Schlissinger-Meyer Baking company, Madison and Nelson streets, at 3:30 Friday morning and within a few minutes the building was in flames. The wagons had just started away with their early morning load of bake-stuff when the alarm was given and an attempt was made to start the electric elevator in the Schlissinger building to awaken the employees asleep there. The elevator failed to respond to the starting mechanism and the fire authorities believe the fire may have been due to some defect in this electric elevator. When the first fire company arrived the building was a mass of flames. Chief Cummings immediately turned in a general alarm. Flames were shooting from every window of the big building that ran the entire block from Nelson to Mitchell street, on Madison and were leaping high in the air from the middle of the building. The water pressure was poor and try as they could, the firemen could not get a stream that would carry above the second floor. Half an hour after the fire started threatening walls made it necessary to remove engines on the Mitchell street side of the Schlissinger building and 50 firemen with streams of water playing upon them dragged the machines to a place of safety. Meanwhile high power trolley and electric light wires were falling everywhere, parts of walls were dropping out and with the high wind prevailing the flames were shot across the street to the Terminal hotel, which acted as sort of a fire for the fire.

East of the Terminal hotel, on Mitchell, was the Marion hotel, annex and Childs hotel. The fire stopped after razing the latter hotel. Across the street postoffice station D, the most important sub-station in the city, the Southern Suspenders company and the Southern Handkerchief Manufacturing company, the Georgia Vehicle company, the Piedmont Hat company and McClure's 10-cent store all fell away like so many cigar boxes. Mitchell street from Madison avenue to Forsyth was one great furnace, flames shooting across the street from either side with falling walls everywhere and danger to life and limb imminent, but the firemen stuck to their work and did not draw back until they finally had to drop their hoses and run for their lives as the last wall of the Piedmont Hat company came down, leaving a clear space across a whole block that where once was one of the busiest blocks of the city. The fire was not under control until after eight o'clock.

Coal Shortage Closed Foundry.

Leavenworth, Kan., May 9.—The Great Western Manufacturing company closed down its foundry here Friday night indefinitely, throwing 300 men out of employment. According to the statements of the management the shutdown was forced by the shortage of coal resulting from the strike of the miners in the Twenty-fifth district.

EVANS STEPS OUT

RETIRED FROM COMMAND OF FLEET AND WILL RETURN TO WASHINGTON.

WAS REVIEWED BY METCALF

Secretary of the Navy Officially Inspected the 44 Ships At Anchor in San Francisco Harbor.

San Francisco, May 9.—The combined Atlantic and Pacific fleets of battleships, armored cruisers, torpedo boat destroyers and auxiliaries, aggregating in weight of displacement the enormous total of more than four hundred thousand tons—the greatest assemblage of armor clad thus far to mark the progress of the American navy to second rank among the floating fighting forces of the world—were reviewed in picturesque San Francisco harbor Friday by Secretary of the Navy Metcalf. The 44 vessels of the two fleets lay at anchor in four long columns and proceeding from the Oakland shore, the secretary on board the little gunboat Yorktown—a reminder of the days when the navy was in its infancy—proceeded southward through the two lines formed by the armored cruisers of the Pacific fleet, nearest the Oakland shore, and the second squadron of the Atlantic fleet, headed by the Minnesota. Turning back to the north at the end of these two lines, the Yorktown traversed the lane formed on the starboard by the Lattleships of the Atlantic squadron, and on the port by the grim little destroyers. The day was brilliant with sunshine and a sighing breeze from the west set the waters of the hill protected bay dancing into white-capped waves. The heavy battleships and cruisers, gay with the fluttering signal flags of full dress, paid no heed to the whistling wind, but the destroyers rolled and swayed in the trough of the seas. Excursion craft crowded about the anchorage area and gave the patrol boats plenty of work. They added many touches of color to the scene, however, and gave the people of the bay cities who again made black the hillsides, their second splendid water pageant within three days. The review, however, was "the last of the show features on the water, for soon the ships will be departing, some to go to the navy yards for repairs and others of the Pacific fleet starting south on a practice cruise.

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans who had hoped to end his active naval career by participating in Friday's official ceremonies, was not permitted by his attending physician to go aboard the Connecticut. Rear Admiral Charles M. Thomas was again the "senior officer." Admiral Evans, who returned to the fleet at Santa Cruz the day before it sailed through the Golden Gate in completion of the originally planned cruise, has made his home on shore at the St. Francis hotel, since the afternoon of the arrival. He rode in the long parade on Thursday and was quite fatigued by the trip. Saturday forenoon is the time set for Admiral Evans finally to relinquish command. Although he will not be aboard ship, his flag will officially be lowered from the truck of the Connecticut as the sharp-speaking rifles on the after bridge boom out their parting salute of 13 guns will mark the assumption of command by a new chief, Admiral Thomas transferring his headquarters from the Minnesota to the Connecticut and exchanging the subordinate flag of red of the commanding pennant of blue Admiral Evans' leave taking of the fleet thus will date from the journey through the Golden Gate, when clad in the double-breasted frock coat of "undress B," the official uniform for entering port, he stood upon the bridge of the flagship for the last time. Accompanied by members of his family and by officers of his personal staff, Admiral Evans will leave Saturday morning for his home in Washington, where he will remain awaiting orders until the date of retirement on his sixty-second birthday, August 18. Admiral Thomas will be in command of the Atlantic fleet only until May 15, when he, too, hauls down his flag for all time, to return home on awaiting orders until his retirement in the fall. Rear Admiral Charles M. Sperry will resume command with the departure of Admiral Thomas.

Admiral Evans bade a personal farewell to the officers of his command at the banquet in honor of the visit of the Atlantic fleet by the city of San Francisco. He was wheeled into the room and in a characteristic 15 minutes' address, declared that what is needed to preserve the peace of the world is more battleships and fewer statesmen. As to armor belts, the admiral declared it made no difference whether they were at the water line or whether they were made of leather wood or egg shells. It is the men who can shoot the straightest and stand punishment the longest who win battles," he declared, "and it is of such stuff that the American navy is made."

Mrs. Sage Offers \$500,000.

New York, May 9.—The American Bible society has received from Mrs. Russell Sage an offer to contribute \$500,000 toward a permanent endowment for the society, on condition that an additional \$500,000 shall be contributed for the same purpose before the end of this present year.

Free Railroad Fares To and From St. Joseph Retail Merchants Ass'n.

GIVEN BY THE Under the Following Rules: FIRST—Get Free Rebate Book at Office 414 Felix St., Before Making Any Purchase. SECOND—Have All Purchases Placed on Rebate Book; When Through, Present Book at Office With Railroad Ticket and Receive Your Money.

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 - Merchants' Credit Co.
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 - Stock Yards Daily Journal.
 - St. Joseph News-Press.

NEW FRUIT LINE

The Cuban Commercial Company, with a capital of \$3,000,000, shares \$10.00 each, transporting passengers and freight, and dealing in the products of Cuba and Porto Rico is to be inaugurated at once. Since the close of the Spanish war, immigration to those islands has been going on at a wonderful rate; hundreds of Florida orange and fruit growers have transferred their interests to Cuba where they have no frosts, and thousands of others have followed suit. The marketing of the products of these growers constitutes the greater part of the business of this company. With the installation of a regular line of steamships plying between the smaller as well as the larger ports of Cuba and Savannah, Ga., these products will be marketed in Chicago in 72 hours and at other Central Western points in corresponding time. Fruits and vegetables will be purchased by the company's agents; taken upon consignment or transported for planters and growers at satisfactory rates of freight. There is a great demand for this service by the small growers and the company's agents at every port will have no difficulty in securing plenty of freight every trip. Connecting traffic arrangements will be made with the Southern Railway and the Louisville and Nashville R. R. at Savannah for points north and west, and similar arrangements with the Cuba Railroad at Azuila for all interior Cuban points. A large winter passenger traffic can be depended upon. Two refrigerator steamships with ample capacity for passengers and freight have been placed at the company's option for this service. The company has under option a tract of 5,000 acres of land in Cuba upon which will be founded an American colony, and this land will soon be thrown open to the public for this purpose.

MANAGEMENT The affairs of the company are in the hands of an Executive Committee composed of experienced and capable business men of great enterprise and energy. Each ship will carry a representative with full power to enter into and carry out contracts, and personally supervise the service extended to passengers, thus assuring both safety and comfort, and as the winter travel will be considerable the income from this source alone will more than pay expenses. Stockholders will naturally be considered where positions are created or vacancies occur.

YOUR OPPORTUNITY To enable the management to carry out these plans as above outlined the full paid and non-assessable Treasury Stock of the Company is now offered for public subscription as follows: 10,000 OF THESE \$10.00 SHARES WILL BE SOLD AT \$2.00 PER SHARE—GOOD UNTIL JUNE 1st, ONLY. (NOTE—This advertisement appears for one week only in the Western States; there will be a general rush for the stock at this price) AFTER JUNE 1st, 10,000 SHARES WILL BE OFFERED AT \$3.00 PER SHARE—GOOD ONLY UNTIL AUGUST 1st, at which time the price will be advanced to \$4.00 per share; and as fast as the money can be judiciously invested further offerings will be made, but always at an advance of \$1.00 per share over the previous offering, up to \$10.00 per share. This stock will eventually be listed upon the different exchanges, but not until it sells at \$10.00 per share which will probably be within one year.

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