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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 42 Cars, 1,093 Cattle; 112 Cars, 8,435 Hogs; 6 Cars, 1,129 Sheep.

LOWER TURN IN STEERS

Break in East Reflected Here, Decline is 15 to 25c From High Time Wednesday.

MEDIUM WEIGHT STEERS \$1.15

Cow Trade Holds Steady on Limited Receipts—Best Bulls Firm, Active, Others Slow—Calves Unchanged—Few Stock Cattle Coming, Market Quietly Steady—Further Weakness in Hog Market. Some Sales to Off, Mostly 10c Lower—Live Mutton Trade Had Weak Under-

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908.

	1908	1907	Dec.	Inc.
Cattle	269,831	810,952	41,821	...
Hogs	1,304,616	1,142,833	221,783	...
Sheep	322,634	484,086	161,452	...
Horses	12,688	16,108	3,414	...

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT.

	Chicago	St. Louis	St. Joseph	Keokuk
Cattle	5,000	82,000	14,000	3,500
Hogs	5,000	12,500	3,500	5,000
Sheep	1,800	6,000	5,000	1,000

RECEIPTS BY CARS.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Cattle	16,400	67,300	28,900	32,100	27,200	26,300
Hogs	15,100	67,200	26,300	16,800	50,700	18,200
Sheep	18,800	65,500	18,500	...	...	...

CATTLE.

Small Offering of Steers For Mid-Week Trade. Prices Weaker.

The market did not show much snap today. In fact, buyers were particular and tatty and while picking up the few ripe dry lot steers of handy weight at around steady prices, they demanded concessions on the bulk of offerings. Supply was not large at any point, the total at five markets being but 16,000 and making a four day's total of only 65,700 against 148,000 for the same time last week and 132,000 for the same period a year ago. This falling off in general supply has not been sufficient to prevent the market from taking a downward turn at all points. Chicago quoted a decline of 15c to 25c on steers at that point yesterday and this was reflected here today.

RANGE CATTLE—NATIVE DIVISION.

In this department receipts consisted of eight cars of southwestern, horned steers of pretty decent quality. The market was rather slow and prices were quoted 10c to 15c lower. Best steers sold at \$4.55, averaging 1,069 lbs. The season for southwestern native grass cattle is fairly open and receipts of this class of stuff may be expected to increase from now on.

QUANTININE DIVISION.

For the second time this week there was nothing on sale in the quarantine yards today. Nominal conditions prevailed.

Packers' Cattle Purchases.

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HOGS.

Packers Demand and Get Further Reduction in Prices.

While the week's total supply of hogs at leading markets is still considerably short of last week and a year ago, the mid-week days have brought out sufficient volume of live pork to start packers on a bear movement. Locally the four day supply is slightly in excess of last week, but at five points the 243,000 is 18,000 short of the like period last week and 24,000 less than a year ago.

On the start this morning there was a small trade at hardly more than 5 cents under bulk prices of the previous day, but this kind of trade was short-lived as buyers mostly demanded a full 10 cent reduction; in fact, aside from a few leads that went to fill, snapper and cash orders, bids were 10c to 15c under bulk prices of yesterday and it was only at around a 10 cent decline that the market could be got to going in volume suggestive of a clearance.

At the closing hour there were close to 3,000 hogs in the pens, buyers and sellers being far apart with no hope of getting together when the three o'clock whistle together when the three o'clock whistle blow. Prices for the day of business close were 40 cents under average of the previous day.

Hogs did not show any improvement in quality, droves were largely mixed with light weight and a big sprinkling of grassy stuff predominating.

Prices ranged from \$6.10 to \$6.45, with the bulk selling at \$6.27 1/2 to \$6.35. The bulk yesterday sold at \$6.35 to \$6.42 1/2, a week ago at \$6.50 to \$6.57 1/2, a month ago at \$6.55 to \$6.62 1/2, a year ago at \$6.75 to \$6.82 1/2, two years ago at \$6.75 to \$6.82 1/2, three years ago at \$6.75 to \$6.82 1/2.

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

Proportion of the cattle in receipts continues to run very moderate. This morning there was only a small showing of cows and heifers on the yards and these met a quiet outlet at prices fully in line with best time yesterday, despite the weak trade in steers. While the general trade of cows and heifers is selling 25c to 40c higher than a week ago it must be remembered that this advance has been secured under meager receipts. A liberal run would very likely precipitate a lower turn in the market. There was no improvement in quality of the offerings today, the common to fair grades predominating. Practically no top cows were offered and sales ranged largely from \$4.25 down. In the heifer line also there was nothing very good and bulk of the medium to fair lots sold at \$3.75 to \$4.00.

Good fat butcher and export bulls sold

on a firm basis today in a range of \$3.75 to \$4.50. Bolognae were rather slow sale, although prices were generally steady.

The half market was stationary today, with best light veals selling at \$5.25.

Halvers.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
89	192	40.65	81	180	40.60
83	189	40.65	84	192	40.60
144	183	40.65	83	191	40.60
94	173	40.60	90	187	40.60
89	194	40.60	88	188	40.60
82	188	40.60	89	190	40.60
84	195	40.60	85	170	40.60
84	184	40.60	104	164	40.60
85	185	40.60	70	177	40.60
47	172	40.60	84	180	40.60
89	177	40.60	1	90	40.60
81	190	40.60	8	120	40.60
73	175	40.60	4	90	40.60
77	169	40.60	4	25	40.60

Cows.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
2	1200	4.10	8	905	3.25
1	1040	4.75	1	1120	3.25
1	1260	4.75	3	950	3.25
3	1050	4.50	26	1027	3.25
1	1150	4.75	1	916	3.10
1	1175	4.60	1	890	3.00
1	1240	4.25	1	1130	3.00
1	1280	4.25	1	1050	3.00
1	1050	4.00	1	1000	2.85
2	1125	4.00	5	914	2.80
1	1050	4.00	1	1000	2.75
1	1200	4.00	1	890	2.75
3	1050	4.00	1	890	2.75
1	1050	4.00	1	890	2.75
2	850	4.00	1	100	2.75
22	1075	3.90	1	890	2.70
1	1068	3.60	1	890	2.70
3	1193	3.75	10	885	2.60
6	1022	3.75	1	710	2.60
1	1000	3.75	1	890	2.60
5	1090	3.70	2	885	2.50
2	1035	3.70	1	700	2.50
4	1045	3.50	1	890	2.50
2	735	3.50	1	890	2.25
1	1050	3.50	1	620	2.25
2	1170	3.40	1	910	2.25
4	1002	3.40	1	720	2.25

Bulls and Steers.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
1	1250	4.25	1	1370	3.50
1	1250	4.25	1	1410	3.50
1	1250	4.25	1	1080	3.40
1	1250	4.25	4	1272	3.40
1	1250	4.25	1	1120	3.25
1	1130	3.65	1	1220	3.25
1	1230	3.90	1	1390	3.20
1	1170	3.60	1	1120	3.10
1	1140	3.50	...	...	...

Veal Calves.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
1	120	3.25	1	200	5.00
2	100	3.25	1	175	5.00
2	100	3.25	1	114	5.00
3	103	3.25	1	129	4.50
1	120	3.25	1	120	4.50
7	180	5.25	8	216	4.50
1	160	5.00	1	350	3.75
1	140	5.00	1	210	3.25

Stocks and Feeders.

Nothing happened serving to break the monotony in the stocker and feeder trade today. Lack of material to work with was again the complaint of traders. Only a few odd lots of steers fit for this branch of the trade were received today and trading was little more than a nominal affair on a basis of prices prevailing former days of the week. Throughout the week; in fact, for the past ten days, arrivals of stocker and feeder cattle at this point have been exceptionally light and the market, really, has not been tested in that time. While country inquiry has not been especially active there is a ready outlet for more good stockers and feeders than are arriving. Good fleshy feeders and desirable light cattle are wanted at prices strong to lie higher than a week ago. Common, trashy stuff is in poor favor with buyers.

Stock heifers and country cows sold at unchanged prices.

Yearlings and Calves.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
31	491	3.50	9	478	3.00
7	410	3.50	...	...	...

Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
3	735	3.10	1	720	3.00
35	702	3.00	3	526	2.40
3	626	3.00	...	...	...

Feeding Bulls and Steers.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
1	550	3.25	1	800	3.10
2	1110	3.10	...	...	...

Range of Prices.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
\$6.25	\$6.45	\$6.50	\$6.65	\$6.75	\$6.80

Average Weight.

June 30	July 4	Holiday	July 1	July 6	July 2	July 7	July 8	July 7	July 8
204	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210

SHEEP.

Weak Undertone to Trade—Good Lambs Scarce.

Live mutton trade is as erratic as ever. Early in the week the market displayed considerable strength and activity, but receipts have been a little above actual needs and as the week advances decided signs of weakness manifest themselves. The five markets combined had 30,700 head day against 25,200 a week ago, bringing aggregate receipts for expired part of the week to slightly above figures for same period of last week. Locally, receipts continue to run very moderate, only 1,200 being reported in today.

Undertone of the local trade was weak in sympathy with unfavorable conditions in the east. While most sales were considered about steady by traders, limited receipts were above the sustaining influence. Buyers held bearish views and would have forced a decline, had receipts been large enough to give them a chance to swing the ax. As it was, however, competition was strong enough to hold the general market to a steady level, although spots looked lower. Not many lambs were available and the few here were not very desirable. Native lambs are coming deficient in finish, owing to the waxy condition of the grass. Quite a few yearling lambs showed up, selling in a range of \$5.00 to \$5.10. There was not much on hand with which to test the market for aged sheep.

No.	Av. Shk.	Price	No.	Av. Shk.	Price
10	nat lambs	70.60	25	nat lambs	61.00
33	nat lambs	69.60	11	fed Mex yrsl	65.75
223	fed wex yrsl	81.50	10	nat hams, culls	48.40
3	nat weths	100.40	60	fed Mex yrsl, culls	57.35
29	nat sheep	103.35	65	2 nat hams	185.30

Packers' Sheep Purchases.

	Swift and Company	Hammond Packing Co.	Morris Packing Co.	Other buyers
Total	851	77	63	1,091

OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., July 8.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 5,000. Market dull, weak to 10c lower; cows steady; feeders strong.

Hogs—Receipts, 82,000. Market 5 cents lower; top, \$6.65; bulk, \$6.30 to \$6.35. Sheep—Receipts, 14,000. Market, sheep steady; lambs 25c lower.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 9.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 5,000. Market slow to 10c lower; cows and heifers steady to strong; stockers dull; calves firm. Hogs—Receipts, 12,500. Market 5c to 10c

lower, closed better; top, \$6.45; bulk, \$6.20 to \$6.40.

Sheep—Receipts, 3,500. Market steady, active; lambs \$6.60.

SOUTH OMAHA.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., July 9.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 1,500. Market slow, 10c to 20c lower; westerns and cows steady. Hogs—Receipts, 9,000. Market 5 cents higher; top, \$6.30; bulk, \$6.17 1/2 to \$6.20. Sheep—Receipts, 5,000. Market steady.

EAST ST. LOUIS.

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards Ill., July 9.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: Cattle—Receipts, 3,500, including 2,000 Texas. Market steady; natives \$5.00. Hogs—Receipts, 9,000. Market 5 cents lower; top, \$6.00; bulk, \$5.25 to \$5.50. Sheep—Receipts, 5,000. Market weak.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET.

Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 0 car; corn, 1 car; oats, 0 car.

Wheat.

No.	2 red	2 white	2 hard	2 soft	2 mixed
92	94	94	94	94	94

Logic of High Prices.

If the great metropolitan newspapers want to let politics alone long enough to get down to the logic of high meat prices they might find a few humanity staggerers in the relation of the price of lamb on the hoof to lamb on the hook. There is a reason for high pork and beef that is not hard to locate, but why mutton should hold up to high prices when live sheep and lambs are selling at the lowest prices since before the ovine baloo went up several years ago is a question for investigation.

CANT BREAK PRICES.

Omaha Journal-Stockman: Notwithstanding the more or less demoralized condition of the eastern beef markets the packers seem to be utterly unable to force cattle prices materially lower. The cattle are not in the country and people who are looking for cheap beef will have to wait until more cattle are grown and indications are that they will have a long wait.

THE AMERICAN ROYAL SHOW.

The premium list for the tenth annual American Royal show is now ready for distribution. This show will be held as usual in Kansas City, and the date this year is from October 12 to 17. The classification includes a full list of cattle, horses, sheep and hogs and the premiums in all classes are liberal. Take, for example, the aged bulls-class in Short horns. There are eight premiums, as follows: First, \$25; second, \$20; third, \$25; fourth, \$20; fifth, \$10; sixth, \$10; seventh, \$10; eighth, \$5. This list of premiums runs right through the male and female classes, while the first prize in the herd class is \$80. Those who are interested in this show should send for the premium list to A. M. Thompson, secretary, Nashua, Mo.

WEATHERMAN UNFAIR.

Out in Nebraska they are having too much rain for the corn, while in central Illinois it has been too dry. Hard to adjust things to suit all.

TEXAS HARD TO BEAT.

Live Stock World: It is hard to beat Texas. A man from San Antonio, who was a novice in the balloon business, constructed a gas bag that beat all previous records.

WATCHING CORN CROP.

Live Stock World: The world's eyes are on the corn crop. A shortage this time will make that cereal exceptionally high and that will mean a contraction in the feeding business.

SOME IMPROVEMENT NOTED.

There are some signs of improvement in the wool market, which is encouraging to the shepherds in the West who have stored their product for higher prices.

IOWA CROP CONDITIONS.

Frequent Showers Have Retarded the Cultivation of Corn.

Des Moines, Ia., July 9.—The weekly weather crop bulletin says: The temperature and the amount of sunshine were considerably below the normal in all parts of the state. The weather was cool and cloudy up to Saturday, but the last two days were seasonably warm, with an average amount of sunshine. Showers were frequent and fairly well distributed, but the rainfall was below the normal except over the east central, west central, and portions of the central districts. Corn has made satisfactory growth notwithstanding the adverse conditions, but the frequent showers have prevented the cultivation of fields on low lands and interrupted the work on high land. The showery conditions have also delayed the hay harvest and caused considerable damage to clover which had been cut. The yield of hay will be exceptionally large, but the quality will depend on future weather conditions. Small grain has made good growth of straw, and now needs warm, dry weather to mature properly. The reports of rust in oats are increasing, but for the state at large the condition of small grain gives promise of good yields. The condition of potatoes, fruit and garden truck remains about the same as previously reported.

Following is a summary of reports from correspondents, showing the condition of the staple crops on July 1, as compared with the average condition, on that date, in past years: Corn, 85 per cent; winter wheat, 90; spring wheat, 94; oats, 90; rye, 95; barley, 93; fax, 89; hay crop, 100; pastures, 104; potatoes, 90; apples, 50; plums, 49; grapes, 80.

Conditions last year: Corn, 70; spring wheat, 90; oats, 81; barley, 90; rye, 94; fax, 91; hay crop, 78; pastures, 92; potatoes, 88; apples, 42; grapes, 80.

A revised estimate of the area of corn planted this year shows 94 per cent, or an average decrease of 6 per cent as compared with the area planted in 1907.

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BRIEF CITY NEWS.

The women of the Gooding Methodist church will give an ice cream social this evening at King Hill and Missouri avenues.

Mrs. T. B. Huff, of Sioux City, Iowa, is the guest of Mrs. A. B. Huff, 233 Indiana avenue.

Harry Mahin, 602 East Missouri avenue, returned yesterday from a trip to Tecumseh, Neb.

Mrs. W. E. Warrick and daughter left yesterday afternoon for a six weeks' visit in Denver, Colo.

Miss Maud Gilmore, of Browning, Mo., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Purden, Virginia street.

Mrs. W. T. Holand, 6435 Hill Hill avenue, has gone to Hamilton, Mo., to visit her sister, Mrs. I. H. York.

Mrs. James Cullen, who has been visiting at the home of her son, Charles Cullen, 521 East Colorado avenue, returned yesterday to her home in Kansas City.

Mr. Horace Carriel of Los Angeles, Cal., stopped off yesterday to visit his brother, F. B. Carriel, 105 West Missouri avenue. Mr. Carriel was on his way home from Jacksonville, Ill.

H. Dykes and R. Booth were arrested yesterday morning by Special Officer Charles Hensley, charged with stealing watermelons from a box car in the yards. They pleaded guilty before Justice Craig and were fined \$15 and costs and committed to jail.

GOOD TIME FOR BUILDING. Contractors Say Time is Favorable on Account of Cheap Material.

Owing to the cheapness of lumber and cement contractors and builders are strongly urging that more building be done as they say this is the most favorable time for this class of work.

The percentage of decrease in building material has been general throughout the country, in some instances prices being cut almost 50 per cent. Not only is material cheaper now, but labor can be had at a much less expenditure of money owing to men who were thrown out of employment during the financial flurry last fall and who have been obliged to work for lower wages or not at all.

Many local contractors in their correspondence with other cities have learned that building at the present time is cheaper than it has been for years, but conditions do not point to a long continuance of the present status.

It is but natural to suppose that as soon as activity throughout the country becomes general and the demand for labor and material increases there will be a return to the basic values which prevailed during and before 1907.

CHIEF INSPECTOR STATION. Temporary Wagon Will be Used for Patrol Service.

Chief of Police W. H. Franks was a visitor at the South End police station yesterday. He said he had just given specifications out for the building of the new patrol wagon, which was to be completed by September 1. A wagon rigged up to suit the purposes will be used in the meantime. The service will be started as soon as the harness, which is being made, is finished.

At a special meeting of the board Friday evening the contract for the building of the wagon will be let. It is also thought that the driver will be named at this meeting.

WILL TAKE IN CONVENTION. Ambrose Patton, circuit clerk of Buchanan county will probably attend the second annual convention of the Clerks and Recorders' association of Missouri, which meets in St. Louis July 13 and 14. The association takes in the 14 counties of the state.

"One of the important matters which will come up before the convention," said Patton yesterday, "will be a discussion of the bill against the carrying of concealed weapons, which will come up before the next legislature. This provides for a much more rigid law for the offense, and an effort will be made to secure fees for the clerk on convictions under the law, as in other cases."

Addresses will be made at the meeting by federal and state clerks and recorders of the big counties. Auto and boat rides will be given the delegate visitors the night of July 14.

From a mule will appreciate kind treatment.

TO TRY FOR TROPHY.

Match Play on Country Club Links Develops Good Talent.

The match play of the ladies of the Country club yesterday for the Wilson cup developed that there was some good golf talent among the fair sex. Another match play will be held by the winners of yesterday's play, today.

The play yesterday resulted as follows: Miss Mildred Kemper won from Miss Louise McDonald.

Mrs. C. B. Farish won from Miss Dorothy Carter.

Mrs. Ned Bilea won from Mrs. G. H. Larka.

Miss Louisa Van Natta won from Miss Katherine Motter.

Mrs. L. M. Smith won from Miss M. Lacy.

Miss Marjory George won from Miss Agnes Lacy.

Mrs. C. F. Dickey won from Miss Marguerite Carter.

Miss Minnie Letts won from Mrs. C. Wilson.

Mrs. O. P. Newman won from Mrs. H. R. McMurtrie.

Miss Maud Wyeth won from Miss Jessie Norman.

Miss N. Noyes won from Miss Helen Schneider.

TO DRILL ON STREET.

Mulla Patrol Will Give Exhibition Before Leaving For St. Paul.

Led by a band and the Shriner camp, decked out in new harness and blankets, Mulla Patrol will on Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock give an exhibition drill in each block of Felix street, between Third and Eighth streets, which will be a facsimile of the movements it will put on at the big Shriner convention in St. Paul on July 14.

The exhibition will be given at the request of the Retail Merchants' association and many other business men and the patrol will take occasion to exhibit for the first time its beautiful new Turkish uniforms of red silk plush trimmed with gold, which arrived yesterday. Mulla Patrol is to be one of the strong competitors for first prize at the Shriner's convention and will compete with forty-five other patrols for the honors.

Friday night has been designated by Manager Cosman of the Crystal theater as "Shriner's night" and the patrol will attend in a body following the parade on Felix street. The Shriner's will turn out in great numbers to the night performances and the theater will be crowded to its capacity to accommodate the crowd.

WHOLE WAGON LOAD OF DOGS.

Impounder Does Well in Visit to South St. Joseph.

The dog catcher paid a short visit to the South End yesterday and after running through the alleys and streets succeeded in getting a wagon load of curs, which he took to the pound for execution.

The dog catcher had neglected the suburb for some time and there has been an increased number of canines running loose on the streets. Several complaints to this effect have been lodged with the police.

BIG DIFFERENCE SHOWN.

Cassius W. Brown, the negro who is in jail awaiting his fourth trial on the charge of murdering Mrs. Nancy Ann Gay, has up to this time cost the taxpayers of Buchanan county \$9,000.

Hayden Peoples, the negro recently convicted of the murder of John Seyfried and who is now serving a life term in the state penitentiary, cost the county \$15.

These figures were obtained from fee bills which Prosecuting Attorney Keller went over yesterday. Peoples pleaded guilty, on an agreement that he was to get off with life imprisonment. Brown has been in jail since December, 1904.

CATTLE HALF MILLION SHORT.

Receipts at Six Markets for First Half of 1908 Show Big Decrease.

At the six leading western markets June cattle receipts aggregated 68,900 less than a year ago and the half year's supply at the same points falls 547,000 short of arrivals for the first six months of 1907. The decrease is general at all markets and furnishes a sufficient reason for the prevailing comparatively high price of beef.

In hogs, receipts are keeping up surprisingly well. The net gain at the six points during June as compared with the corresponding month a year ago being over 20,000 head despite a decrease of 14,500 head at Sioux City and a loss of 108,000 head at Kansas City on account of the flood. In the first half of the year the total receipts have been 1,485,000 heavier than for the first six months of last year.

Sheep receipts for June were heavy, aggregating 117,500 larger than in June, 1907, although both Kansas City and Sioux City report a decrease. This unexpected gain in receipts last month was responsible for the duldest and lowest market of the season. For the year to date, however, receipts at the six leading markets have been some 255,000 lighter than a year ago.

CORN LOOKS FINE.

Prospects Are Good For a Large Crop This Year.

Hutchinson, Kan., News: The outlook for a large and bountiful corn crop in Reno county this season is very encouraging at present. The recent rains have made the corn fields look fine and healthy. A wet season is what it takes to raise a good crop of corn and is the sequel of making the farmers wear a broad smile. It not only pleases the farmer but also helps to make the times prosperous.

less. This is about the highest price ever paid in Reno county for corn. It goes to show that corn is scarce and that there is an enormous amount used.

The crop this year is not made yet but taken as a whole it could not be in better condition than it is now. A few good rains between the middle of this month and the latter part of August will end in one of the largest corn crops Kansas farmers have ever raised.

THE HOPE OF THE WEST.

New York Evening Post: "In estimating the probable course of middle western trade for early autumn, some broad conditions should be considered," a Nebraska banker said, on returning from a trip to several small towns of the interior of the state. "Stand on the streets of the average prairie village, and you hear two things chiefly discussed—crops and prices. Farmers are naturally pessimists, but they have little basis for discouragement now. They bring a load of wheat or corn to town and get \$5 for it; their horses are selling at top prices; cattle and hogs are high allifers, which has become an important crop brings big money, and they have on the whole a most encouraging situation. Certainly, they are able to buy things, and their bank accounts prove it."

"Then, take country merchants; they were badly scared last fall and winter, and refused to place orders early. They have been steadily reducing stock, and living from hand to mouth, so to speak, collecting debts, paying obligations, and generally having a house-cleaning. One department store manager—you know, nearly every western town of 2,000 and over has a department store nowadays—\$200,000 in bills payable, and had taken it out of the stock. 'Now,' he added, 'we must begin putting it back, and shall do so after harvest.' That is typical of the country merchant, large or small, and it seems to be a condition over the whole middle West."

Out of all this ought to come a healthy autumn trade, based on need and ability to buy, which means a demand that will bring new courage to the wholesalers and manufacturers.

KEEPING UP PASTURE.

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A RECORD PEACH CROP.

Atlanta Journal: Five hundred and forty-six million peaches will be grown in Georgia this year, according to the estimate of L. H. Kenon, traffic manager of the American Fruit union of Cincinnati. In other words this very small part of the big earth will raise enough peaches to give every individual dwelling the breadth of life—Frem-ham, Dutchman, Hinds, Jap, anchovy, Kaffir, and ferry Biquinan—each about a third of a job's sound peach.

Mr. Kenon believes that the crop will amount to 7,000 carloads, the equivalent of 21,000,000 baskets, each enable of holding 26 peaches. So there you are.

Of this enormous crop not much more than a third will be shipped from the state, in his opinion. From 2,000 to 2,500 carloads will be canned. He has just returned from a trip over Georgia and reports that the crop is in excellent condition that the roads are supplying as many cars as the growers need, and that the prospects of the peach orchard owners are the brightest in years.

Mr. Kenon left Friday night for the Potomac yards near Washington, where he will help market the Georgia crop. Potomac yards is a shipping point to the east and middle west for the Georgia shippers.

FARMER IS MAINSTAY.

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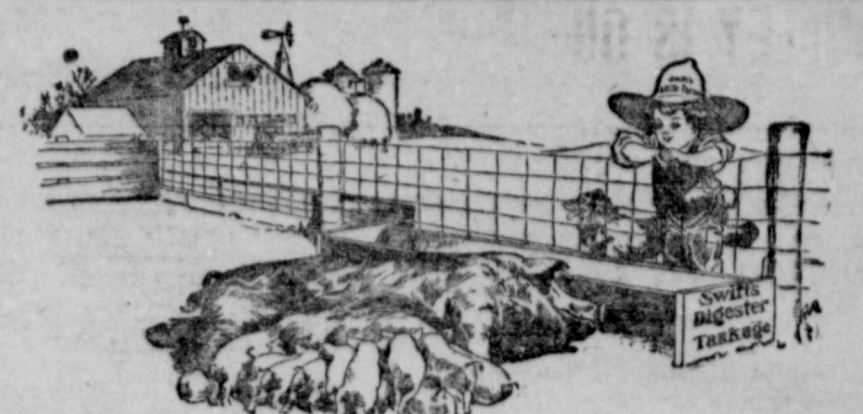
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CONVENTION SUPPORTED BRYAN IN THE ROW WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA BOSS.

THE VOTE WAS 615 TO 387

Little Progress Made at Wednesday Two Sessions—A Record Breaking Demonstration in the Afternoon.

Denver, Col., July 9.—The Guffey-Bryan clash was carried to the floor of the Democratic convention Wednesday night in accordance with the schedule announced by Col. James M. Guffey, and once again the Pennsylvania boss was kicked. This time he landed outside the Pennsylvania delegation finally and definitely. The vote was 615 to 387.

The ballot was on the substitution of the minority credentials report, favoring Guffey, for the majority credentials report. New York was with the Guffey faction throughout the fight, and Illinois also supported the boss of the keystone state. After the vote the convention adjourned until eleven o'clock Thursday morning.

The Democratic national convention is marking time, so far as the nomination of candidates and the adoption of a platform is concerned and is passing through the stages of organization and the throes of frenzied demonstration. Wednesday was marked chiefly by turbulent enthusiasm and the bitter strife of party leaders, the essential developments of the day being these: Two sessions of the convention were held, the first at noon producing a Bryan demonstration breaking all records in duration, the second at eight o'clock at night being the culmination of the struggle over the credentials of the Pennsylvania delegation and the supremacy of the Pennsylvania leader, Col. Guffey who has been denounced by Mr. Bryan.

Outside of the convention, the committees have proceeded with the serious work of preparing the way for convention action. The credentials committee unseated eight of Col. Guffey's anti-Bryan Pennsylvania delegates, thus reversing the complexion of the Pennsylvania delegation from anti-Bryan to Bryan, and precipitating the intense controversy which was fought out before the night session of the convention.

The platform is still in an incomplete condition and will not be presented until Thursday, but its essential features are agreed upon and little remains but the details of phraseology. The early meeting of the convention Wednesday was productive of little practical progress as the principal committees were not ready to report. But it gave the opportunity for the explosion of long-pent up Bryan enthusiasm, which took the signal from Senator Gore's eloquent reference to the Nebraska leader, and burst into a whirlwind of enthusiastic tribute lasting one hour and 19 minutes, with seven minutes more of the expiring echoes of clamor, establishing the record of one hour and 26 minutes, or full 33 minutes in excess of the Roosevelt demonstration at Chicago, which held the record until Wednesday. It was a decisive exhibition of the overmastering strength of the Bryan column and one of the most dramatic convention pictures ever presented as the standards of the states were torn from their moorings and borne through the hall, until they stood together on the platform, like an army of banners, proclaiming their united allegiance to Bryan. Among this storm of Bryan demonstration, the six standards of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Georgia, Minnesota and Connecticut stood rooted in their places, the rallying points of little groups unmoved by the frenzied scenes about them. Throughout the hour and 19 minutes the deafening uproar continued, ebbing and flowing in intensity, women joining with the men in bearing the Bryan standards aloft, while the whole assemblage of 12,000 people joined in the tumultuous demonstration. The early session lasted three hours and then, worn out with exertion and lacking the material to proceed with business, the convention recessed until Wednesday night.

A Gould Reconciliation. New York, July 9.—Reports that Frank J. Gould and his wife have become reconciled were circulated Wednesday following the striking from the court calendar of an action entitled "Gould versus Gould." This was said to be the action for divorce brought by Mrs. Gould about a week ago. When the case was reached on the calendar Wednesday there was no response from counsel for either party to the action and by order of the court it was stricken off. Counsel for both Mr. and Mrs. Gould, seen afterward, declined to make any statement concerning the case.

Peary Leaves for North. New York, July 9.—Confident that his quest for the north pole will be successful, Commander Robert H. Peary left Wednesday night for Sydney, C. B., where he will join his Arctic steamer, the Roosevelt, which left here Monday on the long journey to the northern ice fields. Commander Peary will spend a day at his home in Portland, Maine, and will then go on to Sydney where he expects to arrive either next Monday or Tuesday.

SOUTH CAROLINA SENATOR



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Hon. Benjamin R. Tillman, United States Senator from South Carolina, who has been a prominent figure in national politics for a number of years. Owing to the recent illness of Mr. Tillman, the doctors have advised him to take a complete rest, and it is announced that he and Mrs. Tillman will shortly sail for Europe.

MASTODON'S BONES

REVEALED BY DREDGE AT WORK NEAR AURORA, ILL.

One Tooth Measures 12x6x4 inches, While a Huge Knee Joint Is Sixteen Inches Across—Puzzle to Finders.

Aurora, Ill.—The digging of the drainage ditch out in the flats at Oswego was interrupted the other morning by the finding of a series of peculiar objects in the ordinary run of clay and sand which is being thrown up day after day. The objects were so extraordinary in appearance that the dredge force laid off and held an impromptu quiz in zoology.

"What is this truck, anyway?" asked the engineer. "Something there in that corner looks like a tooth."

"Bones," answered his assistant, in the sepulchral tone which the word inspires by force of association.

"Sure?" queried the skeptical engineer. "Whatever they are they are awful spongy and decayed-like."

"Been there a long time probably; naturally would be," commented the other.

"Well, they can't be horse bones, and they can't be cow bones. They are too big. Let's ask the boss."

C. A. Prout, a Wheaton contractor, who is in charge of the work, and William M. Cory looked the bones over.

"Must be a mastodon's," said one of them. "I've heard of instances where dredges dug up bones of prehistoric beasts."

No one being able to contradict this statement, and there being no evidence offered by any other members of the quiz class, the mastodon motion carried without a dissenting voice.

The find was carefully scheduled, so that the scientific world might know thereof, to-wit:

One mastodon's tooth. Dimensions one foot, by six inches, by four inches. One piece of back bone, a foot across in its largest radius, and five inches through the smaller radius.

Knee joint, 16 inches across, with ends of leg bones adhering thereto. Proof positive of the mastodon theory was had when some of the unclassified bits crumbled when exposed to the air. Mastodon's bones always have been buried for so many ages from the harsh air of the outer world that they invariably crumble.

At considerable expense of time and effort the important elements of the find were coated with shellac. The discoverers are now looking for a zoological collection where the relics may repose in peace and serve as exhibits of the world's wonderful past.

When a Woman Takes Aim. Pittsburg, Pa.—Magistrate Frank J. Brady held Julia Kain in \$300 bail to await the result of the injuries of Joseph Johnston, whom she shot in the right foot. Mrs. Kain owns a poodle and Mrs. Mattie Williams a bulldog. The other night the poodle rushed at the bulldog, and the bulldog caught the poodle by the nose.

Mrs. Kain heard her pet yelping, and when he was being trounced she got a revolver and fired three times. The first shot missed, the second entered the body of the suffering dog and the third struck Johnston.

Dog Wears a Big Grin. Columbus, Ind.—Dr. J. W. Prall has finished putting a gold tooth into the mouth of his pet bulldog.

Some time ago the dog broke off its front tooth in a fight, and the doctor believed it disfigured the animal's looks, so he set to work making a new one.

The dog submitted to having its tooth worked on, and it is said the animal grins constantly so the tooth can be seen.

HITCHCOCK NAMED

MASSACHUSETTS MAN SELECTED AS CHAIRMAN OF REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

NEW YORK MAN TREASURER

George B. Sheldon Chosen to Handle Campaign Funds—Arthur I. Vorys to Manage Ohio Campaign.

Hot Springs, Va., July 9.—Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts, chairman of the Republican national committee and manager of the national campaign; Geo. R. Sheldon of New York treasurer of the national committee and Arthur I. Vorys of Ohio, member of the national committee in charge of the Ohio Republican headquarters, which are to be in Cincinnati, this was the result of the meeting of the executive committee of the Republican national committee here Wednesday.

All of the eight members of the executive committee were present and their report was unanimous. The entire action of the committee was at approval of the recommendations of Judge Taft, who presided at the meeting.

The selection of Mr. Hitchcock as chairman was expected as the presence here of all the factions of the party who would be likely to make a fight against his appointment had no developed any purpose to oppose his selection. He was known to be the choice of Mr. Taft and several of those who had been called in consultation with Mr. Taft subordinated their personal preferences in deference to the wishes of the presidential nominee.

The designation of Mr. Vorys to be in charge of the national campaign in Ohio is regarded as a solution of the embarrassment arising from the selection of Mr. Hitchcock in preference to Mr. Vorys. By this arrangement the campaign in Ohio will be in a sense separate from the balance of the country. Vorys will be accountable only to Mr. Taft.

The appointment of Mr. Sheldon as treasurer was a surprise and was accompanied by an element of mystery. Preceding the meeting of the executive committee discussion of the treasurership had centered upon Representative McKinley of Illinois, treasurer of the Republican congressional committee. It was generally believed by the leaders of the party who have been here to consult with Mr. Taft that he desired to have Mr. McKinley serve as treasurer of the national committee and had practically told him he would have to submit to be "drafted" for that position, and until Wednesday the name of George R. Sheldon had not been canvassed in the many conferences in relation to the treasurership.

This was the situation, so far as known when William Nelson Cronwell arrived on the midnight train, and it was announced that he had a candidate to propose, having telegraphed ahead requesting that no selection be made pending his arrival. The committee met at noon, but 20 minutes elapsed before the last member arrived. About an hour and 20 minutes later the report of the committee signed by all the members was made public.

It is stated that Mr. Sheldon's appointment was upon the recommendation of Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of the committee since 1892. It is also stated that his selection has the approval of President Roosevelt with whom he was a classmate at Harvard.

His appointment is also regarded as bringing the question of the publicity of campaign funds into the campaign with the same force that would apply were there a national law. As it is the laws of New York state will govern his actions in relation to the national campaign. This declaration was made in a statement issued by the executive committee concerning Mr. Sheldon's appointment.

New York, July 9.—George R. Sheldon, the new treasurer of the Republican national committee, will leave Thursday night for Hot Springs, Va., to confer with William H. Taft and Frank H. Hitchcock regarding plans for the party's coming campaign. Mr. Sheldon said: "In regard to the question of campaign expenditures I am and always have been in favor of publicity."

Washington, July 9.—Frank H. Hitchcock, the newly elected chairman of the Republican national committee left here Wednesday night for Hot Springs, Va. He was summoned from Atlantic City by a telegram from Judge William Taft.

Mexican Prison All Right. Washington, D. C., July 9.—That the prison of San Juan de Ulu, near Vera Cruz, Mexico, is in a sanitary condition and that three Americans confined there, Messrs. Harte, Mason and Richardson, have no cause for complaint, is the gist of a report made to the state department Wednesday by Consul Canada at Vera Cruz. The Americans are serving a commuted term of 20 years on a charge of murdering two other Americans.

Bishop Potter's Good Day. Cooperstown, N. Y., July 9.—Bishop Potter had a good day Wednesday. His physicians continue to feel encouraged at his steady though slight improvement each day.

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A SESSION AT NIGHT

THE REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE IS CAUSING A FIGHT.

TAMMANY HAS A BIG PARADE OF BRAVES

Were Led by Real Live Indians—The Faces of the Bryan Supporters Show Them Confident of Ultimate Victory—Convention Hall Comfortable—14 States Stand by Guffey Delegates.

Convention Hall, Denver, July 9.—At the hour of the beginning of the second session of the Democratic national convention Wednesday afternoon it is certain that the first action taken will be an adjournment until 8 o'clock at night. This is made necessary by the hot fight that has developed in the credentials committee over the unseating of the Guffey delegates



Henry D. Clayton
Permanent Chairman Democratic National Convention.

In Pennsylvania. The credentials committee is expected to ask for more time in order to perfect its report and get ready for the inevitable fight on the floor of the convention.

The doors of the hall were not opened until 11:20 o'clock and at that time the crowd was filling in slowly. Not more than half a dozen delegates were in their places. Half an hour later the band began to play patriotic airs and the crowd began to arrive rapidly.

All progress toward the auditorium was impeded, however, by a great parade of the Tammany men from New York, who, headed by a band and a number of gaudily attired Indians, wound their way around the business section of the city. About 1,000 men were in line, among them Charles F. Murphy and other big men of Tammany. It was by far the largest parade which has so far occurred during the convention.

While the day outside was warm, the empty convention hall when the doors were opened was found to be five or ten degrees cooler than the street temperature.

The Bryan men came streaming into the auditorium with cheerful faces and much laughter. The events of the night and early morning in the committee on credentials were much to their liking, and they were more confident than ever of the ultimate success of their candidate. The Georgia men, anxious still, in the face of apparently overwhelming odds were last in arriving, as they held another caucus for the purpose of establishing a rallying point for the fight against Bryan.

When Georgia arrived it became known that the Georgia delegation was unable to reach a conclusion regarding the candidate for president whom it will support. Another caucus will be held Wednesday night to further consider the question. As constituted the delegation stands 23 against Bryan and three for him.

Temporary Chairman Bell reached the rostrum just before noon, while the band was playing the "Red, White and Blue," and there were combined cheers for the patriotic selection and for the first officer of the convention.

"Dixie" came next from the band and drew out the usual burst of cheers from the southern delegates.

Convention Hall, Denver, July 9.—The committee on credentials having decided to unseat ten Guffey delegates from Pennsylvania, 14 states, including New York, will join in a protest.

Denver, July 9.—It was known Tuesday night that the order had come from Lincoln for the elimination of Guffey. In the morning it is known that the friends of Guffey and the opponents of Bryan will not permit this to be done without an effort to destroy that machine. Throughout the night and continuing again Wednesday morning the Gray and Johnson forces have worked like beavers in organizing their forces to oppose the election of the Guffey delegates from the national convention. Promises have already been secured for enough speakers in opposition to Guffey's unseating to make a formidable display or oratory.

This Pennsylvania fight, involving as it does the anti-Bryan opposition, is absorbing the attention of delegates and is the main topic of discussion.

Mayor Tom Johnson Defeated.
Denver, Col., July 9.—Mayor Tom Johnson of Cleveland was defeated for membership on the national committee Tuesday at the formal caucus of the Ohio delegation.

THE TELEPHONE STRUGGLE

FEDERAL INTERVENTION IN THE FIGHT IS PROBABLE.

Conference of Independents Condemns Alleged Misconduct of the Bell Company.

Chicago, July 9.—A conference which may result in government intervention in the struggle between the Bell Telephone company and the International Independent Telephone association was held here Wednesday. It was precipitated by the recent conclusion of a working agreement between the Central Union Telephone company, which is alleged to be a Bell concern, and the Richmond Home Telephone company of Richmond, Ind.

The head of the latter company was A. C. Lindermuth, who was also president of the Independent organization. He told the other officers of the organization and the members of the executive committee who attended the conference that the action was taken without his knowledge or consent and then resigned as president of the International association. This resignation was accepted and the conference decided to raise a fund for the presentation of alleged misconduct of the Bell company to the federal courts under the Sherman anti-trust act.

The Independent interests claim that such arrangements as the Bell company is concluding with various independent exchanges as contrary to public policy. It contends that telephone companies are public carriers, especially in the case of companies which operate exchanges in towns bordering upon state boundary lines, such companies, it is claimed, conducting interstate business and coming within the jurisdiction of the federal courts. Combinations between such companies are alleged to be in restraint of trade. A considerable fund for the enforcement of these claims was pledged at Wednesday's meeting, \$40,000 being made immediately available and the campaign placed in charge of a sub-committee with power to act.

Ambassador Creel in Washington.

Washington, July 9.—Expressing entire satisfaction with the action taken by the federal and Texas authorities during the recent uprising in the state of Coahuila, Mexico, Enrique Creel, ambassador from Mexico, arrived in Washington Wednesday, having been directed by his government to proceed to this city to confer with the state department officials on questions growing out of the disturbances along the Mexican-Texas border. "Everything is quiet in Mexico now," said Senator Creel, "and we do not expect further trouble."

Oklahoma Indian Situation.

Guthrie, Ok., July 9.—Acting Gov. Bellamy was in communication with the authorities of McIntosh and Oklahoma counties Wednesday and believes there is little foundation in fact for the report of a proposed great uprising of Snake Indians under Chitt Hays or Crazy Snake. Adjutant General Canton is at Weleeka and will advise Acting Gov. Bellamy in regard to the situation. Should it be necessary troops will be immediately dispatched to the scene of the threatened outbreak.

Orphan Children in Panic.

New York, July 9.—A loss estimated at nearly \$200,000 was suffered Wednesday by College Point, L. I., by a fire which destroyed Zebbons hotel and casino, Donderas casino and a number of small adjoining buildings. The Bethel orphan asylum, sheltering over 500 children, was menaced for a time and there was a panic among the inmates.

Iowa Newspaper Change.

Charles City, Iowa, July 9.—Postmaster Henry of the Weekly Herald of this city has purchased from B. F. Wright the Charles City Daily Press and Semi-Weekly Advocate. For over 50 years Mr. Wright has been connected with Floyd county as a publisher of a newspaper and a factor in county politics.

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COULD FIND NO WORDS TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION OF THE DENVER DEMONSTRATION

RECEIVED DETAILS BY WIRE

Nebraska Deeply Affected by the Remarkable Outburst of the Delegates in the National Convention.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., July 9.—"The Democrats have been very good to me and I can find no words to express my deep appreciation of the confidence and good will which the demonstration indicates."

It was with these words that William J. Bryan Wednesday afternoon speaking to a number of newspaper men acknowledged the remarkable demonstration given him by delegates to the Democratic national convention.

That Mr. Bryan was deeply affected by the outburst was apparent in the gravity which he uttered the sentiment quoted. One hour and 27 minutes of delicious homage were pictured in crisp telegrams received at Fairview, and the thrill of it showed in flashes in the eyes of the man to whom it was paid.

When the demonstration began Mr. Bryan and a dozen newspaper men, Robert F. Rose, who is Mr. Bryan's secretary, and the telegrapher on the bulletin wire occupied the sun-room, as the glass-enclosed porch is properly called. Five minutes—ten minutes—passed with the wire clicking off details of the scene. The candidate, in an alpaca office coat and vest, smiled quickly at the news, but left comments to his visitors. To a laughing question Mr. Bryan said: "You credit me with too much influence with the convention."

"You wouldn't think so if you were West Virginian, who is an old friend of the Nebraska and had just returned from Denver.

In his office in another part of the house a second wire removed from public gaze transacted such business as Mr. Bryan had with the delegates. This wire occupied much of his attention, and during most of the period of the demonstration he spent there with Mrs. Bryan and his daughter, Grace, both of whom followed the rapidly arriving bulletins with keen interest and quick sympathy.

It was Secretary Rose's busy day, for he was constantly occupied in carrying the telegrams to his chief.

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Boston, Mass., July 9.—A fire believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion or a locomotive spark and fanned by a brisk north west wind swept nearly a quarter of a mile of the harbor front of East Boston late Wednesday, causing a property loss estimated at nearly \$1,500,000. Two persons were reported missing and it is thought that both perished in the flames. One of them was Daniel Sullivan, a watchman at the Cunard liner pier and the other was Miss Sadie Arnold, a clerk employed by the Cunard Steamship company. The flames spread with remarkable rapidity. Within half an hour of the time the fire was discovered four piers, three warehouses, a grain elevator containing 30,000 bushels of grain and many loaded freight cars had been destroyed.

The big Leyland line steamer Devonian, which arrived Tuesday from Liverpool, was moored at one of the piers which was destroyed, but she was warped out into the stream without serious damage. The British bark Belmont of Yarmouth, N. S., was moored by steel cables to the pier when the fire started. By the time the Belmont was got out into the stream the paint had been burned off her steel hull, her cabins had been practically destroyed, her life boats charred and ruined and her spare sails and rigging so badly burned as to make a complete new equipment necessary.

The fire started in the warehouse of pier 1, Grand Junction dock. In the building was stored an immense quantity of combustible material, including wool, Egyptian cotton, grease and oil. It is believed that spontaneous combustion or a spark from a freight locomotive alongside the warehouse caused the fire.

The Boston & Albany and the New York Central & Hudson River railroads are the greatest losers. It is estimated that the railroads loss is \$1,000,000 covered by blanket insurance. The loss of freight and grain burned is placed at fully \$400,000 practically all of which was insured.

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DIGS UP KETTLE OF GOLD.

Farmer's Pick Strikes into a \$2,000 Deposit.

Curwensville, Pa.—Charles Harmon, a farmer residing near here, while digging for a woodchuck, uncovered an old kettle that had in it what is estimated to be worth \$2,000 in foreign gold coin.

The money is believed to have been buried several years ago by one or more of a party of Austrians employed on the construction of the low grade division of the New York Central railroad.

Harmon was bothered all last year by a colony of woodchucks destroying his garden truck. This spring he discovered the burrow of one of the "chuck" families, and determined to exterminate them. He hadn't gone far below the surface of the ground until the point of his pick struck a piece of iron. He investigated and found a small iron kettle, such as is used in men's camps for cooking. The vessel was two-thirds full of corroded coins. All had milled edges, showing that they were not of very ancient mintage. He took the coins to the Curwensville bank, where it was discovered that they are gold and of a foreign character.

Paris, July 7.—Henry Farman Monday won the prize of \$2,000 offered by M. Armengaud for the first aeroplane who remained in the air for 15 minutes. Mr. Farman succeeded in remaining in the air for 20 minutes and 20 seconds, covering a distance of 18 kilometers in that time.

Looking Ahead.

"Madam," said the pleasant, low-voiced nurse as she laid the newborn infant in the lace-trimmed bassinette, "you have a perfect little daughter."

"Oh! will she be tall?" came the weak response.

Johnny's Instructions.

"Johnny," said Mrs. Lapsling, "I wish you would go over to the grocer's and get two pounds of the best evacuated apples he's got."

Half Fares for Wives in Norway.

The railway authorities in Norway have decreed that when husband and wife are traveling together the latter need only pay half price.

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