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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 137 Cars, 3986 Cattle; 96 Cars, 6,977 Hogs; 17 Cars, 2,827 Sheep.

STERMARKET RULED STEADY

Fair Run of Native Beeves Noted—Choice Heavy Weights Lacking.

RANGERS SOLD WEAK

Marked For Cows and Heifers Displayed Firmness—Bull Trade Quiet—Calf Prices Hold Steady—A Slow, Weak Trade in Stock Cattle—Packers Score Another Tie

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908.

	1908	1907	Dec.	Jan.
Cattle	292,500	460,887	74,075	74,075
Hogs	1,818,200	1,818,200	258,600	258,600
Sheep	450,564	624,686	160,072	160,072
Horses	18,459	22,654	4,225	4,225

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT.

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

	Chicago	St. Louis	Kansas City	Omaha	Grand Island
Cattle	15,000	17,000	6,300	8,900	4,300
Hogs	14,000	14,000	68,500	8,900	4,300
Sheep	4,500	7,000	4,800	4,500	4,500

RECEIPTS BY CARS.

The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the stock yards:

C. & O. west	53
C. & O. east	62
St. L. & P.	22
Great Western	2
Missouri Pacific	12
St. Joseph & Grand Island	27
A. T. & S. F.	28
Total	232

CATTLE.

Larger Showing of Native Steers. Market About Steady.

Receipts of cattle were again fairly heavy at this point, but the aggregate at five markets was not liberal for a mid-week day. Supplies at five points for expired half of the week total 143,000 which indicates a shrinkage of 60,300 compared with corresponding period of last week. Locally receipts show a small increase compared with first half of last week. Today's run carried a larger showing of steers than previously this week, both natives and westerns being in greater supply. Arrivals of natives included nothing on the choice heavy order, but there were several droves of useful medium weights on offer. There was some delay in getting the market under headway, but a good reasonable clearance was effected and prices were generally regarded steady compared with the stronger turn noted yesterday.

Cows.

Best steers noted were a useful class of medium weight Missouri feeds which sold at \$6.30. A fair class of light weight natives sold at \$5.40 and trashy killers sold around \$4.00.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.

Proportion of cows and heifers to the run today was considerably smaller than former days of the week, but still there was a pretty fair sprinkling on sale. The shrinkage was mainly in the western classes. Trade ruled fairly brisk and the general market was steady to strong, with some of the better grades of cows selling around 10c higher. A good clearance was effected at a reasonable hour. A range of \$2.00-\$2.50 took bulk of the fair to good beef cows and pretty fair killers sold at \$2.75-\$3.00. In canner and cutter grades it was mainly at \$2.25-\$2.75. Few heifers were available and bulk were at the \$3.00-\$3.75 variety.

Bull trade ruled moderately active at steady prices.

Calf values were unchanged.

Heifers.

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Less than 500 stockers and feeders were sold yesterday on country account and dealers are anxious to find an outlet for their liberal stocks. Expectation of a broad country demand during Interstate week has not been realized up to date and speculators are disappointed. With over 3,000 state cattle in the yards and outside inquiry limited, regular buyers were hard to interest in feeders today. Arrivals were moderately liberal and in most cases prices had to be shaded to effect sales. It was a slow, mean market and only the very best grades seemed to interest buyers. A string of dehorned Kansas feeders, weighing around 900 lbs. sold at \$3.75 and were quoted weak.

There was a light supply of stock heifers on hand today and the market ruled about steady.

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

Steady to strong and in cases 10c higher. Calves sold steady.

RANGE CATTLE—NATIVE DIVISION.

There was a good showing of range steers on market today, the supply being the heaviest of the week. Most of the offerings were light and medium weight Kansas-Panhandles, but some good Kansas wintered westerns on the weighty order were included.

The market had rather a slow start, but the yards were well cleared of first arrivals before the noon hour. Prices were generally quoted weak with westerns being the heaviest of the week. Most of the offerings were light and medium weight Kansas-Panhandles, but some good Kansas wintered westerns on the weighty order were included.

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largely at \$4.00-\$5.00 for the good to choice weighty offerings, the apparent higher prices being due to a better quality of offerings.

Supplies at the five points total around 47,000, as compared with 53,900 yesterday, 54,000 a month ago, 46,700 a year ago, 49,500 two years ago, 42,700 three years ago and 43,100 for the corresponding day four years ago.

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To The Journal: The Drovers Journal-Stockman reports: Cattle—Receipts, \$600. Market slow, best stronger; others weaker.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,900. Market, best steady, others 5/10c lower; top, \$7.00; bulk, \$6.70-\$6.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 21,000. Market slow, unevenly lower.

EAST ST. LOUIS.
EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., Sept. 23.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: Cattle—Receipts, 3,500, including 1,200 Texas. Market 10c-15c higher; natives strong to 10c higher.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,000. Market steady; top, \$7.40; bulk, \$6.80-\$7.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,500. Market steady.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET.
Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 17 cars; corn, 1 car; oats, 0 cars.

Wheat.

Corn.

Oats.

CROWDS INCREASE

Interstate Management Gratified With Largely Increased Attendance at Show.

GOOD ADVANCE MADE IN PASSING AROUND THE RIBBONS TO SUCCESSFUL CONTESTANTS.

Many Contests Are Closed

AWARDING OF SWIFT TROPHY CUP BROUGHT OUT HARDEST TASK JUDGES HAVE HAD—WENT TO MILLER OF NEWTON, IOWA—SOME HISTORICAL ANIMALS SHOWN IN AGE CLASS—ONE WAS SENSATION IN FIRST INTERSTATE SHOW—BIG CROWD HERE TODAY.

PARADE OF SOLDIERS IN THE UPTOWN DISTRICTS THIS MORNING DETRACTED MUCH FROM THE FORENOON ATTENDANCE. NEVERTHELESS THE MIDDLE OF THE FORENOON SAW MORE PEOPLE IN THE GROUNDS THAN ON ANY PREVIOUS FORENOON AND SOON AFTER THE PARADE THE PEOPLE BEGAN TO SWARM INTO THE GROUNDS AND NOON SAW A BIG CROWD IN BOTH AREAS AND ON THE LINE OF HARDS AND PENS.

Judging progressed rapidly and except for the interference of the tournament were entered in this contest. They were at once begun to attract attention. That bull was the Bapton favorite that took first prize in the two-year-old class and wore a championship ribbon when he went out of the show. He was owned by C. E. Clark of St. Cloud, Minn. This year Bapton favorite is exhibited in the aged bull class by the same owner and yesterday walked out of the ring wearing a valuable food product, was the entry advanced by Judge M. S. Griswold at a "dehydro" banquet given recently.

PROCESS OF DEHYDRATION MAY SOLVE FUTURE FOOD PROBLEM.

Waukesha, Wis., Sept. 22.—That the process of dehydration may solve the food problem of the world when the population shall have exceeded the food productivity of the earth by taxing the soil of the great Stragossa sea into a valuable food product, was the entry advanced by Judge M. S. Griswold at a "dehydro" banquet given recently.

VALUES TREND LOWER ON CONTINUED LIBERAL RECEIPTS.

Locally receipts today were moderate, but the aggregate supply at five markets was too heavy to allow of any improvement in the trade.

LOW SCORES BY SOME DAIRIES.

Down to 28 Points in 100, and the Highest 87.

OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., Sept. 23.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 14,000. Market mostly 10c-15c higher; cows steady; feeders 10c higher.

BETTER THAN EVER.

Monster Crowd Saw Soldiers Perform Last Night.

HEREFORD CATTLE.

Section 1—Pure bred, Steer, spayed or Martin heifer, 2 years old and under 3—First, Look me Over, C. A. Saunders, Manila, Ia.; second, Col. Harrison, Kansas Experiment Station, Manhattan, Kan.; third, Rupert, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

Section 2—Steer, spayed or Martin heifer, 1 year old and under 2—First, Spot, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.; second, Billy Halford, Cornish & Patten, Osborn, Mo.; third, E. W. Hull, Weston, Mo.

Section 3—Grade Hereford steer, spayed or Martin heifer, 1 year old and under 2—First, Spot, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.; second, Billy Halford, Cornish & Patten, Osborn, Mo.; third, E. W. Hull, Weston, Mo.

Section 4—Sweepstakes—Best steer, spayed or Martin heifer, under 3 years old, C. A. Saunders, Manila, Ia.

Section 5—Senior yearling bull—First, Curtis, J. O. Bryant, Savannah, Mo.; second, Trinitopoli, Main Brothers, Grand View, Mo.; third, Goed, Jas. R. Logan, Kansas City, Mo.; fourth, Gomez Perfection, Cornish & Patten, Osborn, Mo.

Section 6—Bour, 2 years old or over—First, C. A. Wright, Rosendale, Mo.; second, H. E. Buchanan & Sons, Lamoni, Ia.; third, White & Dewey, Afton, Ia.

Section 7—Bour, 12 months and under 18 months—First, W. J. Constant, Grant City, Mo.; second, Roberts & Harter, Hebron, Neb.; third, White & Dewey, Afton, Ia.

Section 8—Bour, 6 months and under 12 months—First, R. A. Horton, Weston, Mo.; second, White & Dewey, Afton, Ia.

Section 9—Bour, under 6 months—First, second and third, R. W. Murphy, Dearborn, Mo.

FARM FOR SALE.

Half section near Oklawaha City, Fla. Fine apple orchard, 1,500 trees; fenced and cross fenced. Half mile from station. For particulars call on or address W. E. Thompson, Drovers & Merchants Bank, St. Joseph, Mo.

Wanted—Middle aged woman to assist with housework. No washing. Mrs. W. A. Howard, South St. Joseph, Mo.

Lost.
In stock yards, this morning, a gold watch, hunter case, with initials, R. C. W. cut on one case and 1800 on the other, with leather fob and metal piece on same, bearing name of James Todd & Co., Chicago. The finder will receive a liberal reward by returning same to Blanchard & Company, in the Exchange building, South St. Joseph, Mo.

Items in Brief.
Caddo Cake has no equal.
Kilpatrick Bros., Beatrice, Neb., marketed cattle here today.
A. B. Fordyce, Blockton, Iowa, marketed a car of hogs here today.
Wm. Kiefer, Hebron, Neb., marketed two cars of cattle here today.
H. J. King & Co., Robinson, Kan., had a car of sheep on sale today.
J. W. Reynolds, Kellerton, Iowa, disposed of a car of hogs here today.
Wm. Nugent, Conway, Iowa, was on the market today with two cars of hogs.
Wm. Schwab and wife, Bendena, Kan., were visitors at the exposition today.
Cherry's Alfalmo 'fat is the best all round stock feed to be had.
J. L. Benson and wife, Sawville, Neb., are in the city attending the festivities.
J. Landauer had three cars of cattle on today's market, billed from Creston, Ia.
Ed. Litz, a prominent shipper of Wilsontown, Neb., took in the show today.
C. A. Gross, of Cameron, Mo., is now visiting the stock show and tournament.
Geo. Guedel and H. Bpge, Farrago, Iowa, had hogs on sale here this morning.
Adams & Hamer and S. R. Seelman represented Savannah, Mo., at the yards today.
Ben S. Potire, of Osborn, Mo., was an interested visitor at the Interstate show today.
Feeders who feed Caddo Cake continue to feed it.
Geo. Horn, the Jolly Edgerton, Mo., stockman, was circulating among his friends today.
I. B. Baker, with a car of cattle, and J. W. Everett, with three cars, were in from Gover, Mo., today.
C. L. Shanks and wife, of Meriden, Kan., were at the Exchange this morning and spent the day at the exposition.
A. J. and D. P. Pickett, well known Stewartsville, Mo., farmers and feeders, came in today to see the show.
Liberal, Kan., was represented today by Casper Bros. with six loads of cattle; Henry Horn with two loads and E. Fox with two loads.
Mr. Rowland, of the big shipping and feeding firm of Hornsey & Rowland, Favonport, Neb., accompanied by his wife, visited the stock show today.
We are shipping all kinds of Cotton Seed Meal and Cake from the new crop. Write us for prices. Stock Yards Cotton & Linseed Meal Co., rooms 54-55, Live Stock Exchange, Kansas City, Mo.

Butter Fat.
The Blue Valley Creamery Co., St. Joseph, Mo., quotes butter fat today at 21c for No. 1.

Pimbley Paint and Glass Co.
213 South Sixth street, St. Joseph, Mo.

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HOODOO WAS ACTIVE

HAD NOT FOR A MOMENT LOST SIGHT OF SMITH.

Consequently Young Gentleman's Hopes of a Quiet Day in the House of His Aunt Were by No Means Realized.

Something untoward always happened when Smith's aunt commanded his presence. On the occasion of his last visit he recalled that the cook had appeared in the middle of the evening incontinentally drunk and he had risen from the foot of the porch flight down which they had together fondly rolled, ruffled and dazed.

So that when he opened the usual curt invitation, really a royal command to spend the night week-end in the country with his rich aunt, he made a wry face and began to worry.

It was about two o'clock the next morning. Smith was dreaming of a perfect drive off the sixth tee when there came a knocking at his door.

He had congratulated himself when he went to bed that on this visit nothing unhappy was to happen. But as he stumbled into his perverse blanket robe he wondered what it might be and decided that the cook had returned to the bottle.

So that he was not prepared for the seriousness of the problem. "It's burglars," said his aunt, with conviction. "Don't you hear them?"

He listened and was bound to admit that there was a noise below stairs that sounded amazingly as if someone was walking stealthily about in the dining room. They could even hear something like the discreet click of silver, muffled, as if from the depths of a concealing bag.

Against his desire not to become convinced he made sure that there was actually men in the house. What to do?

Knowing well that she had no firearms, he asked, bravely: "Have you got a gun, Aunt Lavina?" (Yes, that was her name.) "Mercy on us, no!" said she. "But I've got a burglar alarm. It's one of these protective things that when you ring it a man comes."

From which we deduce that Aunt Lavina was a bit incoherent from fright.

"It's on the wall there along the hall. You pull down the little crank and let go."

Smith crept along the hall, stalking the burglar alarm. He found it and pulled down the crank and "let go," not once, but many times. Then, with the consciousness of having risen to the occasion and done the right thing at the right moment, he chatted with his aunt in whispers. With an idea of delivering her mind from those persistent noises below he launched into an account teeming with detail of a yachting party of which he was once a member.

Then suddenly the doorbell rang. The suspense was over now, and he had been brave. Surely there would be an extra \$10,000 in the will for that. He could go blithely to the door, sure that the burglars would not harm him now that they realized help was coming from outside.

With a sweep he threw the door open, expecting to see a squad of burly men standing on the step. He looked into black darkness.

But from the level of his knees he heard a voice say: "Say, mister, did youse ring for a messenger?"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Bishop Potter's Pledge.

In the appreciation of Bishop Potter, contributed to the Boston Transcript by the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks, rector of St. Bartholomew's church, this story is told: "It is known to few that while still a young man Dr. Potter was called upon to deal with a parishioner who had become intemperate; in the course of the conversation the man remarked: 'But you also drink wine,' to which came the quick response, 'If you will promise never to touch intoxicants again so will I.' The double pledge was given, and never broken on either side, and this at a time when Dr. Potter was pointed at by the comic newspapers as a 'wine bibber.'"

Seasonable.

"And so this," said the prisoner, looking about him, "is the 'sweat-box.'"

"What are you going to use as a corsage?"

"I dunno. But I can't go wrong. Whatever I put in will be heartily welcomed."—Pittsburg Post.

No Doubt of That.

"My comic opera will contain no merry villagers, no jolly tars, no bandits."

FIND ENGLISH LANGUAGE HARD.

Difficulties Encountered by Foreigners in Expressing Thoughts.

From the Gold Coast comes a letter addressed to the Oxford Medical Publication, which we transcribe exactly:

"Having heard your recommendation from a certain friend of mine that you are a general or magnanimously Medical publications. Hence in desire of Craving your indulgence in order to forward me your Special Medical Manuals which consist of the assorted medicine such as, a medicine for Education, Please the main object which induces me to draw your extraordinary attention is this, that I have a son by named — being a third Standard, the age is 23 years now; But he is too much heavy mind with stupid as I could not compare him to any one in our Gold Coast here. Being as am a gentleman by every one's known, should I not endeavour to find a good medicine for my son to become a fine or purest scholar, the properties of mine will be in vain or in other respects the son will be in vanity. So long as this promulgated names has had in Our G. C. here I think there will be no hesitation and despatch as above stated early as quick as possible, So as to enable me to forward you my indent very shortly. But scholars are plenty in negro land and there is a least distinction of knowing better. These are being required as follows, viz. (1) Memory Training—(2) Pomades Oils. (3) Charms and any Pills kind of such medicine had at your site. No fail and oblige. Wishing you Continued success I am yours Affectionately.

"N. B. Please if any medicine for eye's sore or dim eye kindly send me the price together with."—The Periodical.

DOES AWAY WITH A NUISANCE.

One Druggist Has Effectually Stopped "Visiting" Over 'Phones.

One of the things which helps to make life interesting for the corner druggist is the thoughtless custom many persons have of holding extended conversations over the telephone. Women especially are guilty of this fault, and the patient druggist has to suffer in silence while the young lady with the fascinator wrapped around her head tells her best friend "how it happened." Even though a half dozen persons are waiting to telephone for

Thaw Did Not Appear. Scranton, Pa., Sept. 22.—Although Judge R. W. Archbald of the Middle district of the United States court, waited in his chambers all day Monday, there was no appearance in the case against Harry K. Thaw for failure to respond to the summons to appear and answer the charge of contempt growing out of the bankruptcy proceedings.

Children Make Request.

Fourteen hundred California children have asked for the establishment of a national park for the preservation of the redwood. The petition received by the forestry service at Washington asks that "the United States Government take some action toward establishing a national forest of redwoods," and is signed by the children of Eureka, Humboldt county, California.

Marred Visit of Kaiser.

Two unheeded incidents have marked the Kaiser's visit to Venice. His little dog, by an oversight, got ashore from the Hohenzollern without a muzzle and was seized by a member of the municipal guard, who had his finger bitten slightly for his trouble. As soon as the dog's owner's name was revealed it was released. A high military officer of the emperor's suite, while leaning over the side of the gondola when opposite the Frari church, lost his balance and had a sudden bath in the canal. He was pulled back uninjured.

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EXTENDS FROM LAKES EAST

Several Settlements Burned and Villages and Towns Threatened—Fires Spreading in New York State.

Ashland, Wis., Sept. 23.—A thousand small fires surround Lake Superior, Lake Huron and northern Lake Michigan. Captains of vessels arriving from the Minnesota shore give details of many unreported fires in which homesteaders were burned out. Four miles southwest of Ashland every farmer near the Bayfield county road, with their families, are fighting fire, hauling water and trying to save their homes. Mrs. Swan Hegstrom, one of the fire fighters, lost her way and had a terrible trip through smoke and fire. The village of Grandview, on the Omaha line near Mason, is cut off from communication, its fate being problematical. Extensive fires are starting up on the Bad river Indian reservation and fire can be seen in all directions from Odanah. Julius Kwehl, Jr., of Butternut, was overcome by the smoke and fell dead. There was very little wind Tuesday night.

A special from Merrill, Wis., says that fires almost surround that city and are creeping closer day by day. A large force of men is constantly fighting against the progress of the flames.

Sault, a settlement three miles east of Rhinelander, was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning and now there is nothing left of the hamlet but mounds of ashes. The settlers fled to Moons lake, where they are being cared for. No loss of life has been reported. Rhinelander is now regarded as safe.

The fires at Fifield, Phillips and Coolidge, and the surrounding country in northern Wisconsin, while still burning, were reported as being under control Tuesday. The Minneapolis fire apparatus that went to Fifield is held to render aid if necessary.

The village of Bark River, near Escanaba, Mich., is burning, the forest fires having broken through the lines of the citizen fire fighters.

New York, Sept. 23.—Alarm is felt in many sections of the state because of the rapid spread of the big forest fires that have been burning for many days in the Adirondacks. According to dispatches received by the Associated press here Tuesday night dangerous fires are burning in at least some score of places and a number of small towns and summer resort places are threatened. Probably 10,000 men were fighting the fires Tuesday night, but the flames have gotten so far beyond control that only a drenching rain will stop them.

The more extensive fires are reported in Warren, Saratoga and Essex counties. In some places there has been no rain to speak of since the middle of July and the woodlands have become so dry that fires spread with great speed. It is considered providential that there has been a light wind. Rivers, creeks, wells and springs have run dry, which greatly handicapped the army of fire fighters.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 23.—A message was received at Gov. Johnson's office late Tuesday afternoon stating that the city of Bimidi, with a population of about 7,000 inhabitants, is in serious danger on account of forest fires and asking that help be furnished to fight the fire.

Marquette, Mich., Sept. 23.—Forest fires, which have been raging in various portions of Marquette county the past week, were Tuesday reported sweeping over the country at an alarming rate. Scarcely any rain has fallen for three months and the woods are like tinder. Much timber is being destroyed.

Thief Chasing by Motor Car. Salina, Kan., Sept. 23.—After a chase which lasted nearly all day and in which 150 persons, most of them riding in motor cars, took part, the three men who held up and robbed B. N. Devinsky, Union Pacific agent at Grainfield, early Monday morning, were captured. They had fled all day without even drinking and were completely exhausted when captured.

Troops Parade in St. Joseph. St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 23.—The 5,000 United States soldiers in camp here during the military tournament paraded the streets Wednesday morning, headed by Brig. Gen. Charles Morion, commanding the department of the Missouri. This was the largest body of troops ever seen in line in this country in time of peace.

Nat Goodwin Files Divorce Suit. Reno, Nev., Sept. 23.—Nat C. Goodwin, the well known actor, has filed in this city a suit for a divorce from his wife, Bessie Hall Goodwin, better known on the dramatic stage as Maxine Elliott.

Refused to be Identified. Sherman, Tex., Sept. 23.—At the jail here Tuesday "Bill" Hatfield, who has been identified as James C. Dunham, wanted at San Jose, Cal., for the murder of six people 12 years ago, refused his counsel the name of any one who could positively identify him.

TUPEKA WINS THE PENNANT

BASEBALL SEASON OF WESTERN ASSOCIATION ENDS.

Wichita Finishes in Second Place With Oklahoma City a Poor Third.

Topeka, Kan., Sept. 23.—Tuesday witnessed the close of the Western Association baseball season with the pennant in Topeka's possession. Up till last Sunday interest in the race was intense, a hard fight being waged between Wichita and Topeka. Sunday's results gave the pennant to Topeka beyond recall and the contest since has been less spirited. In the closing games Tuesday both teams lost, Topeka being defeated by Hutchinson by a score of 4 to 3 and Wichita by Webb City by a score of 2 to 1.

The pennant winners close the season with 89 games won out of a total of 140 and with a percentage of .641. Wichita closed the season with a total of 87 games won and a percentage of .621. Oklahoma closed in third place, but was unable to pass the 500 mark in the percentage column. The teams and their standings are:

Teams	W.	L.	Pct.
Topeka	89	50	.641
Wichita	87	53	.621
Oklahoma City	81	58	.583
Joplin	72	66	.522
Hutchinson	69	70	.497
Webb City	66	69	.486
Springfield	49	86	.362
Sold	40	99	.288

At the close of the fourth year of the Western association's existence the unusual record is presented of two teams having alternated during that period in winning the pennant. In 1905, the year that Shively's Missouri Valley league blossomed out as the Western association, Wichita won with a percentage of .555. The following year, with D. C. Coolley at the head of the team, Topeka won with a percentage of .594. Last year Wichita made a run-away race of it, closing the season with a record of 98 games won out of 140 and a percentage of .742. Last year Topeka was a bad fourth.

Bequeathed Nearly \$4,000,000.

New York, Sept. 23.—The probating Tuesday of the will of Henry J. Braker, a millionaire importer, reveals the source of the \$500,000 bequest to Tuft's college for founding a school of finance and accounts, and concerning which neither President Hamilton nor any of the college trustees could give any information. Nearly \$4,000,000 is disposed of by the will, which includes \$1,300,000 left in trust to Mrs. Braker, and \$1,000,000 for founding in this city a Braker memorial house.

Drought Causes Heavy Loss.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 23.—The prolonged drought in western and northwestern Pennsylvania and in bordering counties of Ohio and West Virginia and forest fires for which the drought is responsible, have caused a total damage already of millions of dollars from the destruction of lumber, growing timber and farm crops. The loss in wages of thousands forced into idleness through lack of water to operate plants each day amounts to a large sum.

The Tuberculosis Exhibition.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Thousands of persons Tuesday inspected the exhibits of the international tuberculosis congress at the new National museum. Tuesday afternoon there was a series of stereopticon lectures and demonstrations of the different state exhibits. Two illustrated lectures and demonstrations were made by Dr. Bertil Buhre, secretary of the Swedish National anti-tuberculosis association, bearing on the anti-tuberculosis campaign in Sweden.

Drought in West Virginia.

Morgantown, W. Va., Sept. 23.—On account of the scarcity of water 900 coke ovens have shut down, throwing nearly 1,000 men out of employment. The Sabraton plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company, employing 875 men, was forced to close and can not resume until after heavy rains fall. Forest fires are raging in the Cheat mountains.

Honors for Dr. Wiley.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Dr. W. H. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry, agricultural department, has received notice of his election as honorary member of the physico-chemical academy of Italy for his services to science and humanity. He has also been awarded the medal of the first class by the same academy.

Bank Examiners Confer.

Washington, Sept. 23.—The national bank examiners in the territory east of Ohio had another conference Tuesday at which they took up the reforms proposed by Comptroller of the Currency Murray. "What Constitutes Insolvency" was the subject of a general discussion.

To Succeed Baron Sternburg.

Berlin, Sept. 23.—The successor to Baron Von Sternburg as German ambassador to the United States, according to the Tageblatt, will probably be Baron Mumm von Schwartzstein, the present ambassador at Tokio.

A Vacation for Col. Goethals.

Colon, Sept. 23.—Lieut. Col. Goethals, chief engineer of the Panama canal, left here Tuesday by the steamer Cartago for New York via New Orleans on a few weeks' vacation.

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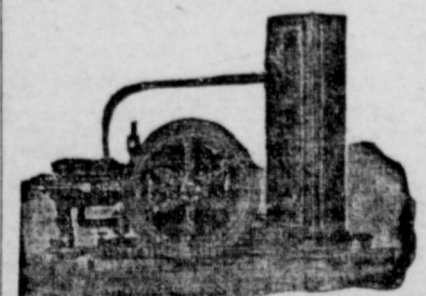
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KANSAS SCHOOL LANDS.

Holder of Old Certificates May Make Effort to Get It. Topeka, Sept. 23.—Word has reached Topeka from various sources that an attempt will be made this winter to secure the enactment of some kind of a measure that will recognize the old original school land certificates.

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SHORTAGE OF BEEF ONE OF THE NATION'S PROBLEMS

Government experts in the west are bending every effort to discover some means whereby the supply of beef and mutton can be made for these necessities, but just at present the outlook is anything but favorable for a rapid solution of the problem, writes Arthur Chapman in the National Provisor.

With beef at its highest point in twenty years and with the western range stocked to its limit, and with a steady decrease in the available supply of sheep every year, the United States government finds itself face to face with a question that seems likely to puzzle the experts for years to come.

The latter graze their flocks above timber line during the summer months, where there is a generous supply of thick, rich grass—a food that has made the flesh of mountain sheep so sweet and nutritious inasmuch as the winter range of the sheepmen has been greatly restricted owing to housecleaning, the owners of the great flocks are "winter feeding"—that is, the sheep are kept in corrals during the winter months and fed alfalfa until it is time to turn them out on the summer ranges.

Even this, however, is not solving the problem of increasing the visible supply of sheep. For several years the total number of sheep in the country has been decreasing. The nation is making steady inroads on its supply of mutton, and in a few years this constant drain is certain to send the price of this food even higher than beef is today.

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IS ASHAMED OF NATION'S DEBT.

English Woman Mortified at Huge Sum Owed by Country.

An English gentleman rather platonically confides to the London Outlook that he no sooner flatters himself that he has turned his otherwise perfectly satisfactory wife into something approaching an economist than he finds out that he has done nothing of the kind.

"John," she said, on her return, "didn't you tell me that England has the greatest revenue ever known?" "Yes," he said.

"Then how is it," she said, keenly, "that we have such an enormous debt? Do we really owe that terrible sum?" She named it with great deliberation and awe.

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"To marry second-hand, you and your lady attend an actual wedding, and silently make the responses which the real bride and bridegroom make aloud.

"Second-hand marriages are popular on account of their cheapness—they save all fees. Their secrecy is another great advantage—none can find them out. In fact, everybody would probably marry second-hand, but for the unfortunate fact that the ceremony doesn't legally hold.

FLEAS FEED ON THEIR OWNER.

Trainer Explains How He Provides Sustenance for Pets.

The little booth was decorated with gay cards, and since it was a holiday, the show of educated fleas drew well. "How do you feed your fleas?" a man asked the trainer at the end of the flea funeral that concluded the performance.

or that tears her breast open that her young may nourish themselves upon her blood."

SOCIAL LAW THAT IS ADAMANT.

Impossible to Be Absent-Minded and Make a Success.

There are some rules for social success that it is wholly impossible to ignore nowadays. It is the fashion to say everyone is bad-mannered, and, alas, it is quite possible to be atrociously rude in some ways, and yet be popular, but there are one or two things one cannot do with any hope of achieving social distinction or even being merely tolerated.

It is the infringement or ignorance of these esoteric by-laws which betray the "outsider." One such decree, for example, is that in no circumstances whatever is absent-mindedness permissible. One may leave one's dinner unattended, but one must not be absent-minded. This is a distinction with a difference.

At a Chinese Funeral.

The London Saturday Journal, in describing the weird rites at a Chinese funeral, remarks that in the usual topsy turvy way of the Orient the Chinaman enjoys himself even at obsequies. The Journal adds: "The coffin is placed beside the grave and food placed upon it. A white rooster, alive or dead, is usually there, to lure the spirit of the man who has died abroad back to the home of his fathers. Whiskey and tea and a bowl of rice with chopsticks are there, so that the corpse may not starve in the next world. Gin and tea are then sprinkled over the coffin, and the bottles thrown away. The mourners stand around laughing, enjoying the fun. The coffin is lowered, candles are lit, a suit of paper clothes is burned, and some paper money. Thus the corpse is assured of clothes in the next world, and pocket money to put in them."

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GOVERNMENT IN WARFARE ON PRAIRIE DOGS AND SQUIRRELS

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21.—The recent publication of the work now being done by the United States forest service in the way of killing off the prairie dogs, which are so numerous, not only upon the national forest areas, but upon practically all western lands used for general grazing purposes, has keenly interested the stockmen of the states west of the Mississippi in the regions where the little animals are so troublesome.

The statement in the bulletin that the method of preparing the poisoned wheat and its distribution upon the ranges would be freely furnished to all who cared to have it, in order that they might make use of it on their own lands, has resulted in a regular avalanche of letters of inquiry in regard to the matter.

Many Letters Received.
These letters have come from every part of the United States. Of course the greater number of them are from the far western part of the country, where the prairie dog is most numerous, but from Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, New York, the southern states, and along the Atlantic coast came requests for information.

The eastern inquirers desired to use it for killing off ground squirrels, gophers and field mice, while others asked if it was possible to kill out badgers, chipmunks and rats with the poison.

To every request the Washington office of the forest service has forwarded a copy of the circular explaining the preparation and use of the poison, together with such other information relative to the particular use for which it was desired, as the results so far would indicate its value.

About Poisoned Wheat.
There is little doubt but that the poisoned wheat will promptly kill any of the animals named which will eat it. Dead skunks and badgers have been found in the prairie dog villages where the poisoned wheat had been scattered, while dead squirrels, chipmunks and field mice have also been noticed close to the villages, which undoubtedly were killed by the poison.

The amount of damage done by the prairie dogs is well indicated by the letters received from the western stockmen. One man writes from Colorado: "As you wished to know the results I had from the dog poison, would say the results are very satisfactory. It comes nearer to doing the work than anything I have ever tried. I hope you will be able to continue this good work, for you could hardly take up anything of more importance to us ranchmen than this work."

Another says: "The prairie dog poison you furnished me cleaned up three good-sized towns and not a sign of life in any of them today."

"I feel as though that sack of poisoned wheat will be worth as much to me as all the grazing fees which I have paid since the forest service was established."

Carrying on Warfare.
The state of Kansas has been carrying on a warfare against the prairie dog for the past two or three years, and the sum of \$100,000 was appropriated by the Kansas legislature for the purpose. This work has been so successful that today Kansas is practically free from the pest. The forest service proposes to clean up the areas inside the national forests and believes that when the stockmen see how successful it is the various states will be induced to take it up on the open ranges and thus sweep them out of existence.

While it is hard to say just what amount of feed a prairie dog will consume in the way of grass it has been estimated by the United States board of biological survey that thirty-two prairie dogs will consume as much grass as one sheep, or 250 dogs as much as one cow.

Based on an Average.
Based upon an average of twenty-five dogs to the acre, which is considered to be a highly conservative estimate of the population of the villages scattered about on the open ranges, the same authority estimates that in the state of Texas the prairie dogs annually consume as much grass as would be eaten by 1,562,500 cows. There is no doubt but that, taking a certain area of grazing land upon which the dogs have established themselves, the value of the land is reduced fully 50 per cent by their inroads upon the feed, not only because of what they eat but because they dig up the very roots of the grass and thus leave the ground perfectly bare about their habitations.

When an area is pretty well cleaned off they migrate to a new spot and repeat the same destructive process, with the result that in a billiard table. A happy idea and one that had never occurred to us older people; also a happy way of putting it: "If you want to give them something, let it be something they want." There, I think, is the key to the whole question of warfare work. Give the men something they themselves want, something that appeals to them, though it may not appeal to us.—S. Thornton Ballard in American Industries for September.

PLANS NEW MOVEMENT.
Noted Physicians and Prominent Men Begin Crusade on Tuberculosis.
Washington, D. C., Sept. 21.—Distinguished physicians, sociologists and men of prominence in other walks of life are arriving in the national capital to take part in next week's World's Congress on Tuberculosis. At the meeting every great nation of the earth will have representation and will add its influence to the movement for world-wide warfare on the white plague. There are now being installed hundreds of exhibits pertaining to the anti-tuberculosis campaign.

Construct Various Buildings.
Among the results that are expected to follow from these exhibits are mentioned construction of model factories and work shops, advanced and accurate instruction of school children in the methods of preventing consumption, sanitary dwellings and house furniture for the working classes, sanitary passenger coaches, eradication of tuberculosis in cattle and construction of the most advanced sanatoria the world has ever known.

Helpful to America.
The first fruits of all these advances will be reaped by America. It is asserted by physicians and sociologists that through this congress and as a direct result of the prize competition a fight for the eradication of consumption in this country will be advanced many years. Nations, individuals and municipalities will be pitted against each other by the prizes that are offered. Utilities will be developed that will protect the healthy, heal the sick, decrease the nation's death rate and add to the national wealth.

As this congress will pit all others of its kind ever held anywhere, so does the list of prizes surpass in value and in wisdom of selection those offered by previous congresses, whose regard for the health and strength of the nation's workmen and their families is especially evident.

WORK AND PROFIT SHARING.
About twenty-one years ago my firm began the experiment of sharing ten per cent of its profits with the employes, part to the office force and part to the men in the mill. We do not take the credit to ourselves that our feelings in this matter were purely altruistic, or while we wished to better our people, we also wished to better the business. We thought by this profit sharing we would get more earnest and efficient work, we hoped to make our men feel that to a certain extent he was a partner in the business and was, therefore, not only interested in putting forth his utmost efforts himself but also interested in seeing that all the others should equally give honest and faithful work.

In very large establishments where several thousand men are employed, of course, the manager can not know all the men, but in our flour mills, while the volume of output is very large, the number of employes is comparatively small—only about two hundred and fifty all told. We have, therefore, always felt we should know the men better—but how get acquainted with them? Louisville is a large city, and many of our men live miles apart, never meeting except in working hours.

In this lack of acquaintance on the part of the office with the men and perhaps the lack of comradeship amongst the men themselves, largely consists whatever may be wanting in the perfect development of welfare work. I tried faithfully to make up for this want by infusing my own personality into the work, but I was too busy and was called here and there and could not, and did not, get in touch with the men as I had hoped—it was impossible.

About this time my brother's son graduated from college. He went into the mill

LABOR PROSPEROUS THE DAKOTAS MAKING WONDERFUL DEVELOPMENT

REPORTS FROM ALL SECTIONS SHOW GOOD TIMES HAVE RETURNED.

UNIONS MAKE RETURNS ON CONDITIONS

The American Federation of Labor Gathers Cheering Information Concerning the Condition of Labor—Missouri and Other Western States in Good Shape.

New York, Sept. 23.—The representatives of several unions in this city affiliated with the American Federation of Labor say that they have received copies of a report based on dispatches sent by officers of unions throughout the country as to the general state of trade.

The reports were in most cases encouraging. In some cases wages had been slightly increased, and in a large number of cities, especially in the West, it was reported that there were indications of an increasing demand for workers.

Alabama sends word that building and outdoor trades have been improving steadily, and Arkansas and Georgia report fair conditions with a maintenance of good standard. Illinois reports that the building trades are working under union shop conditions with an eight-hour day and pleasant relations with employers. In several trades in that state there have been increases in wages.

From Indiana the message is that organized labor is in fair shape with nearly all union men in employment. In Massachusetts there has been an improvement for organized labor in the last two months, and it is announced that there will be plenty of work for unskilled laborers in the next month or two.

Michigan and Mississippi say that union men have no difficulty in finding employment and that the railroad shops are working full time. Missouri is particularly optimistic. Union men there are working the shortest work day and there is a steady demand for men. Several trades have lately received wage increases without strikes.

Virtually the same reports, with a few changes as to separate industries, come from Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma and from the larger part of New York state and Pennsylvania.

TO SHOW KANSAS PRODUCTS.
Garden City Will Have an Exhibit at the Irrigation Congress.
Garden City, Kas., Sept. 23.—A delegation of twenty-five from here is planning to attend the forthcoming Albuquerque national irrigation congress and industrial exposition in a private Pullman car. The Santa Fe sent a traveling passenger agent here from Denver to figure on the job and soon had enough to fill the car.

Garden City will have displayed a model sugar farm of the United States Sugar and Land company, a lot of fine sugar beets and alfalfa seed, together with the Garden City reclamation project, which will be shown off by the government in connection with its other projects.

Dr. Snow's Body in Lawrence.
Lawrence, Kas., Sept. 23.—The body of F. H. Snow arrived here Tuesday from Delfield, Wis. Mrs. Snow, the widow, Mrs. Case, a daughter, and Frank Snow of Chicago are here. Another daughter, Miss Edith Snow, is expected this evening from Andover, Mass. The funeral arrangements have not been perfected and will not be until all the family is here this evening. It probably will be held Thursday and the present intention is to have it private.

Canon to Go East.
New York, Sept. 23.—It was given out at Republican congressional headquarters here Tuesday that Speaker Cannon, who will begin his Eastern itinerary October 13, will make one speech in this city and one in Philadelphia, but the dates will not be definitely arranged for several days.

A Congressman Will Not Run.
Oakland, Cal., Sept. 23.—Paul S. Gillette, Democratic nominee for Congress in the Third California district, has notified the county clerk of Alameda county of his withdrawal as a candidate. He asked that his name be stricken from the ballot, but gave no reason for his action.

Engineers Support Strikers.
Winnipeg, Sept. 23.—Canadian Pacific railway engineers have notified the company that they will not run engines longer than another week if the strike is not settled. They state they will lay the facts before the railway commission at Ottawa.

Glass Works to Open.
St. Louis, Sept. 23.—It was announced here Tuesday that the Adolphus Busch Glass Manufacturing company's plant, which has been closed since June 15, will reopen October 1. About 650 men will be employed again.

Portions of Missouri Get R.A.N.
Mexico, Mo., Sept. 23.—A half inch of rain fell here Tuesday morning and it is still raining. This is the first rain that has fallen here in any appreciable amount since the first part of August.

Struggle with a Tiger.
Two brothers, Khuda Bakhs and Shaikh Abdul Ghanl of Moradabad were dispatched recently to Rampur on an errand, and while entering a grove at Ghadpura a tiger sprang upon

Khuda Bakhs, who, being an athlete, warded off the blow aimed at him with his right hand and caught one of the paws with the other and maintained his hold, though the tiger was mauling the other hand.

Abdul Ghanl now rushed up with a stout stick, which he forced down the tiger's throat, making it release his brother's hand, when Khuda Bakhs seized another paw with his wounded hand, forcing both the paw's back. He wrestled with the tiger, keeping it down by sheer force, while Abdul Ghanl belabored it with his lathi and killed it.

The tigers was carried by the brothers to his highness the nawab of Rampur, "who kept the skin as a memento and sent Khuda Bakhs to the state dispensary for treatment."—India Daily Telegraph.

Revenue Receipts Fell Off.
Washington, Sept. 23.—The statement of the receipts from internal revenue for August, 1908, shows a total of \$19,094,687 as against \$22,235,897 for August, 1907, a decrease of \$3,141,210. Among the important decreases were spirits, \$1,869,990; fermented liquors, \$1,056,261; tobacco, \$228,307.

A Life Job for Castro.
Caracas, Vza., Via Williamsdnt, Curacao, Sept. 23.—Partisans of President Castro have, in recent speeches, initiated a movement to proclaim Castro president of Venezuela for life.

The Dakotas of today are beginning to show their possibilities, says E. C. Butler of Cooperstown, N. D., in the Dakota Farmer. We can see a multitude of changes yearly. For 25 years I have noted the changes and have watched the rapid development of our state, and while we have made wonderful improvements along some lines of farming, in others we have hardly kept pace with our opportunities. Small grains have been the rule, and while reducing the fertility of our soil, and every year making our farms poorer, what steps are we taking to renew and improve our land?

Past experiences teach us that there is but one way that this can be done successfully: By keeping stock and returning to the land those necessary elements of fertility that we are now wasting to such an extent.

There could never be a more favorable period to begin with stock than at the present time while values are at such a low level. Pure-bred stock of all kinds can be purchased now at such reasonable prices that there is little excuse for anyone to produce a scrub. In laying the foundation of the stock industry of the state, why not begin right—begin with good blood. Select the breed that suits you and your surroundings best; the breed that you have a preference for. When you have done this, you have a motive for giving them better care and more generous treatment.

In choosing a breed for myself, long

The team itself consists of two wheelers, Roy and Prince, weighing 3,100 and 2,900 pounds, respectively; the swing, George and Tom, weighing 3,600 pounds each, the lead, Barney and Dick, weighing 2,900 pounds each.

Swift's Six-Horse Team.
Splendid Specimens of Equine Physique in the Arena.
The horse exhibit in the show is surely great and many expressions of praise are

heard from horsemen in particular and the crowd in general. But the only horses exhibited in harness are the world-famed six-horse team of Swift and Company.

During the Interstate Live Stock and Horse show this team is being exhibited daily, and an opportunity will be given every one of seeing a set of harness horses rarely exhibited.

The fact that these horses are not merely show horses, but an example of the kind

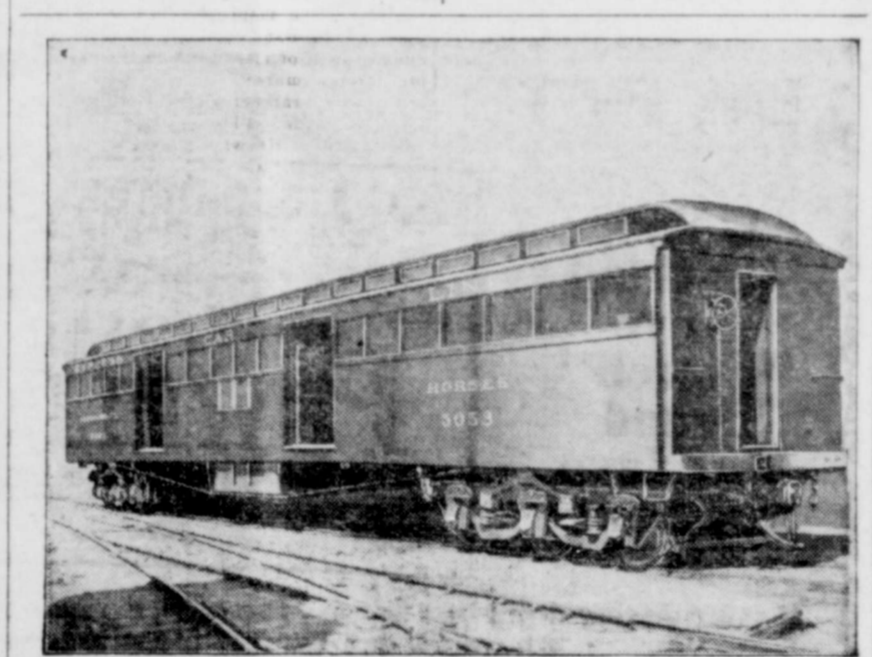
While these horses are the product of domestic breeding, the particular breed from which they sprang originated in France, the home of the finest specimens of draft horses in the world. These are the type of animals made famous by Rosa Bonheur in her famous painting, "The Horse Fair."

Swift's Six-horse Team has been exhibited at most of the great state fairs and horse shows of the country during the last



Swift's Six-Horse Hitch

Palace Car in Which Swift's Six-Horse Hitch Came to Show



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of draft horses used daily in the great packing business makes the exhibition doubly interesting. The idea has been to bring out a team of horses for public inspection that would illustrate the type of animals necessary for a large industry—practical horses.

No expense has been spared in making Swift's Six-horse Team worth going to see.

BROTHER BUNKUM MAKES PLEA.
Matter of "Heeny-ness" Put in Some-what New Light.
"Yassah, I knowdges dat I steals, yo' honah—now and ag'in," confessed Brother Bunkum, who had been dragged up before the bar of justice on the charge of embezzling sundry fowls. "I steals, sah, but on'y dess part o' de time—not all de time. De rest-o' de time I sawtuh projects around amongst de diffunt 'tigious 'nomerations, eatin' dinner wid 'em and uh-makin' out like I was mighty nigh on de keen edge o' j'inah deir church; and I 'umblesomey axes yo', sah, to lemme down easy, if yo' please, uh-kaze I does maw heeny-ness dess some o' de time, as I says befo' and not all de time, like dese yuh trust gen'tlemen dat we-all yeahs tell so much about now-uh-days. And, 'sides, all dat, yo' honah, whad' dese yuh good folks, dat's allus tryin' to 'suade me over to deir way o' thinkin', do widout me? If I was to go to jail dey wouldn't have nobody to practice on; and yo' organizes yo'se'f, sah, dat dey kin't keep well less'n dey has some ripperbate to be overlastin'ly up-pickin' 'at."—Smart Set.

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THE OUTLOOK FOR PEACH GROWING IN COLORADO

Fort Collins, Col.—The possibility of an overproduction of peaches in Colorado is always being considered by thoughtful growers. It would seem at first thought that with such a perishable product and the distance to markets the business might easily be overdone, but there is another side to the question. In a former article the over-production of apples in Colorado was considered, and the conclusion was reached that, so long as we are comparatively free from most of the apple pests, the perfection of our apples will always find for them a place in the markets. The same line of reasoning appears to hold equally well for the peach. In the first place the localities where peaches can be grown at a profit are few and the areas are comparatively small. There are but few insects and diseases to bother, consequently our fruit goes on the markets without a blemish. In contrast with this we were interested in inspecting some peaches from an eastern state on the Denver market. These were packed in an unattractive basket, but what is more important, the appearance of every peach was marred by blotches of a fungus growth. The eastern and particularly the southern growers are practically at the mercy of brown rot, a fungus which attacks the ripening fruits. There is yet no practical remedy for this disease, and it is responsible for the loss of much fruit each year. The loss this

"OUT THERE IN KANSAS."

How a Tenderfoot Succeeded in Farming in Sunflower State.

Medicine Lodge Crescent: About all W. E. Fulton knew of cattle when he embarked in the business the latter part of October, 1897, was to distinguish between the sexes. Otherwise he would not have been likely to have purchased 41 head of old cut back cows at \$28.55 a head, with winter close at hand, as a starter. The circumstances were these: Mr. Fulton had been running a barber shop in Medicine Lodge for some years, was master of his trade—he once shaved a man and dressed his hair against time and fumbled in two and a half minutes—popular with his customers, was running four chairs and making money, but saving none. Expensive living with poker on the side prohibited that. He resolved to cut it all out. To do this effectively he sold out sick and clean. Without any fixed idea of what he would do, or could do, he came up into the Sun City country, where he met a Mr. Wash Farmer, a prominent stockman of that locality, who suggested that he go into the cattle business. To which Mr. Fulton made reply: "If you can explain to me how a man without a dollar, without credit or reputation, without experience in the business, is to get in, I might make the venture." "That is easy," Mr. Farmer answered. "Now I have a bunch of 41 head of cows that I will sell to you at \$28.50 a head, \$1,188.50, and take your note for a year." Mr. Fulton, considering the proposition, said: "You know, Wash, that I may not be able to pay that note in a year, but if you will agree to stand by me until I can pay it I will take the cows." And so the trade was made and he was in the cattle business to win or lose. Having no range in Barber county to winter, he moved his bunch of cows to a tract of land owned by his father in the Bluff creek valley, Comanche county, and was up against it good and strong. Scant of means, and ill prepared, a severe winter met him at the threshold and difficulties beset him on every side. Weak cows had to be boosted up, early calves taken into the house and cared for by Mrs. Fulton until strong enough to be put with their mothers, the big cattlemen boycotted him and used every means to force him to leave the range. But it was a struggle for existence and he simply had to stay, and stay he did, until some three years later when he sold a sufficient number of cattle to pay off the purchase price of the original herd, which, with accumulated interest, amounted to \$1800, and with the balance of his herd, 52 head, returned to Barber county and turned them loose on Elk creek, while he with his family moved on the Sam Stewart ranch in Deerhead township where he farmed for one season and then, deciding that it was time to end his nomadic life and settle down to keep, he bought 140 acres of land where he now lives, of Tom Lindley for \$700, paying \$150 down, the balance to be paid at his convenience. Since that time, by watching his opportunities, he has succeeded in adding to his holdings until he now has close to 900 acres in a compact body. While it is rough and broken, it is an ideal stock ranch, inasmuch as it is so divided between arable land and pasture that it will support an equal number of cattle and hogs all the seasons through. Mr. Fulton now owns about 150 head of native cattle and 250 hogs. He is a good trader, methodical and on the square in his business transactions and, as his indebtedness is but \$1,500, he is independent of circumstances.

OUT OF QUARANTINE AREA.

Texas Gains Nothing by Changes Made by Stock Board Officials.

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 21.—Representatives of the live stock sanitary boards of many states have just concluded a convention in Washington, at which important action was taken concerning the live stock interests of the country. Among other things, the cattle tick came in for a large share of consideration. Discussions and reports of the delegates showed that in some of the states a strenuous and encouraging war was being waged against this pest, but other states were not able to make satisfactory showings. One of the states that fell behind was Texas. In this state the sanitary officials are active, but for lack of money they cannot carry on the work on a scale that the situation calls for.

The convention recommended changes in the quarantine lines that will take about 85,000 square miles out of quarantine and make it free territory. But Texas gains nothing by this recommendation, for there is no improvement in conditions to justify a change of the line in the state. That is, the war of the state against the tick has made no progress, and the tick

season was heavy, due to damp weather at ripening time. Then there are numerous other pests which not only destroy the fruit but attack the trees as well. Last winter a great many acres of peach trees in the northeastern states were killed by frost. All these things are discouraging, and the result will undoubtedly be that fruit growers will be conservative about extending their plantations.

In the meantime the markets are being extended as population increases and fruit is becoming more and more of a necessity. Business methods are also improving and railroad facilities, so far as Colorado is concerned, must soon be put upon a basis that will compare with other sections of the United States. One need not be alarmed by the reports of vast tracts of orchards being planted in the northwest. Much of this territory is but a little above sea level, where the orchard pests of the east have already appeared. Then, too, pest experiences have proved that for various reasons a comparatively small per cent of trees planted ever develop into paying orchards.

When we consider the above facts it would appear that those growers who are careful in selecting good locations need have no fear for the general future of their business.

W. PADDOCK, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins.

is as firmly entrenched along the border as ever.

Where the work of extermination has been successfully carried on and the ticks have been thoroughly destroyed in any county, that county is taken out of quarantine by moving the line south of it, and putting it in free territory. Texas is one of the states in which the lines remain precisely as they are at present. The Oklahoma line, it is recommended, shall be moved slightly southward. Other states for which no change is proposed are Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama and California.

In almost every case where change of line is recommended the recommendation proposes moving the line further southward, thus decreasing the quarantine area. The constant fight which the federal, state and county governments are making against the cattle tick is bearing beautiful fruit.

In the last two years, not including this year's recommendation," said Dr. Tait Butler, state veterinarian of North Carolina and chairman of the committee whose report was unanimously adopted, "the quarantine area has been diminished by 85,000 square miles. This result has been brought about through the combined efforts of the counties, states and general government. The national government is spending something like a half million dollars a year for the eradication of the tick. It is only a question of time until it will be goodbye to the tick, and then such a thing as the cattle quarantine will be unknown, unless some other disease comes along against which we shall have to quarantine."

"I can not approximate the area added to the free district by our recommendations, but it will amount to several thousand square miles."

THE PRAIRIE DOG.

Atchison Globe: The agricultural department, which is not sentimental, is in the habit of killing prairie dogs. This animal which is always an object of interest and amusement to travelers across the western prairies. The prairie dog has been run out of vast sections by the plow, for the prairie is his home, and when it is broken he leaves. But he is hard on grass, and the department has decided he is ruining the western pastures, and so must go. The method of killing the prairie dogs is by dropping wheat near their burrows, coated with a mixture of strychnine and potassium cyanide and molasses. The poison is almost instantaneous in its action, and a vast territory can be rid of the dogs in a short space of time. Formerly the prairie dog towns extended for miles and miles across the prairies, for the dogs must have water. At least some of their burrows are wells in fact, going to a depth where water is obtained. The prairie dog is not a dog, but of the squirrel species, nor has he any of the habits of a dog, except that he barks in a way that is similar to that of a pup. From this bark he likely got his name. It has been said that prairie owls, prairie dogs and rattlesnakes all live in peace and harmony in the dog towns, but this is disputed by those who have studied their habits. The snakes take advantage of the burrows dug by the prairie dog, as to the owls, but this is about all there is to the alleged friendship. The many burrows in their towns make horseback riding somewhat dangerous, and many a good horse has been ruined by stepping in those holes and many a rider has been more or less bruised up. But for all they are something of a pest, and eat a lot of grass which would make beef, the prairie dogs are interesting creatures. The curious way in which they stick their heads out of the burrows, and bark at passing travelers, suggests a guard which might be shouting information to other dogs below. And the prairie dog is weather-wise in a manner that may be noted in other animals. A pet prairie dog which the writer had ample opportunity to observe, had a burrow in the dooryard, and always before a rain the dog could be seen repairing and increasing the wall or mound of earth at the entrance. At other times, like the Arkansas traveler, it left well enough alone. The passing of the prairie dog will remove another one of the familiar creatures which, with the buffalo and the Indian, adds to the interest of the once wild west.

OSAGE CITY, KAN., SEPT. 22.—

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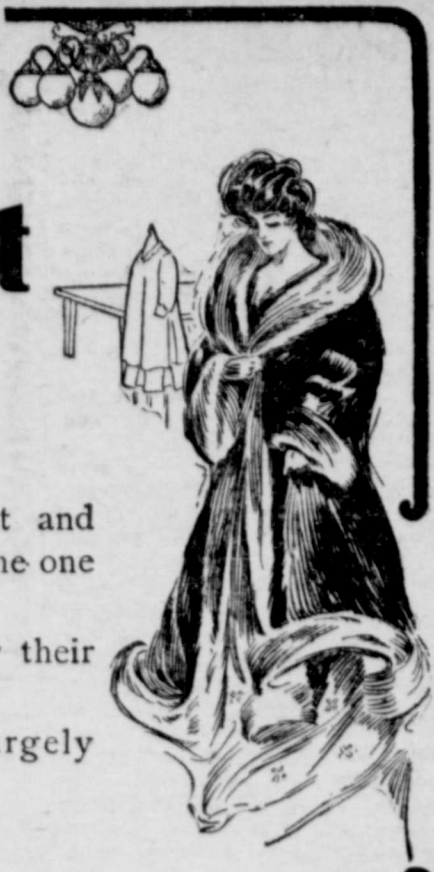
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COUNTY DEMONSTRATION FARMS.

Campbell Russell appreciates the fact that we need better facilities for the distribution of information about scientific agriculture, much more than we need increased facilities for the production of such information. These farms are not intended to be experiment stations; they are planned to show the results of following methods which the experiment station has found by many trials to average up best. Anything which improves farm methods and increases the production in proportion to the labor expended is a good thing. The Journal does not expect that these farms, if established, would work any marvelous change in methods in the various counties. The farmers near the demonstration farm will be critical and

observing of failures and very sure that the "thing'll never be a success." Most of the farmers of the county will never see the demonstration farm. It will be "too much bother to go so far." The people of the nearest town will be disappointed in the appearance of things around the "model farm" for that is what they'll call it until the notion is patiently explained away and then they'll lose interest.

It's fashionable, to be sure, to tell of the wonderful results which have come from the money spent for agricultural instruction in agriculture in consolidated rural schools than through any other method. County demonstration farms as proposed will pay many times their cost. They may help prepare the way for real agricultural instruction in every township and that is the end to be sought.

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The Man Who Could Walk Straight

By Frank Burnham Bagley
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Though he had been called an excitement seeker, Grafton Rouse was not then looking for excitement, but merely for the easiest route a guide could show him from the western side of the Andes to the eastern pampas. The happenings of every day—yes, every hour—such as creeping along the verge of a precipice on a trail scarcely wider than his two hands, or leading his burro over hairlike swinging bridges, with the earth a few thousand feet below—had come to regard as minor incidents.

They had reached the point of greatest altitude on their journey and were just entering, through a cleft in the solid rock, an absolutely level plateau, covered with short grass, when five men, as though actuated by a common spring, suddenly emerged in front.

While two of the bandits kept them covered with their carbines, the others bound their hands and feet and led them some distance toward the middle of the plateau, where they were dumped from their donkeys and robbed of everything of value.

After that they were fed, which somewhat allayed the apprehensions of Rouse, who had been studying his captors and doubted if five more repulsive or even equally villainous looking rascals could be assembled.

When at the close of their repast they had taken a few puffs from Rouse's best cigars, they appeared to expand with a feeling as near akin to good humor as anything of which they were capable, and seizing this opportunity, Rouse quietly asked for one of his own Perfectos. The man who, gaping with astonishment, handed it to him, said:

"Enjoy it, señor, for you'll have to walk straight this afternoon."

This witticism, obscure to Rouse, was evidently a great joke to the brigands.

"Can you walk straight?" continued the joker, and the laughter ceased.

Rouse thought that perhaps the safe course would be to amuse his captors, if possible, and replied:

"Morally, I can; but physically not at all—for I limp."

This seemed to be considered even more humorous than the bandit's badinage, and sent the ruffians into a roar of merriment.

Rouse thought that ominous. No thorough scout could laugh in that way without meaning harm to someone. But, as lightly as possible, he inquired:

"Which kind of straight walking did you mean?"

"Well, physically, señor; and it's pretty important for you."

In a little while they unbound the guide's feet, leaving his hands tied behind him and bandaged his eyes. One man lay down and gazed steadily across the plain. Rouse tried to follow his glance, but could discern nothing but the unbroken plateau, extending for some miles to the next range of mountains. Stretching out an arm and sighting along it as one might a rifle, the prostrate man held it steadily pointed at the object of his scrutiny. The two men holding the guide faced him exactly in the direction indicated and released him, telling him to walk straight ahead.

Whatever the game might be, it was soon evident that the guide would not prove a success, for he was gradually veering to the left. As this became more apparent, the laughter of the ladrones rose higher and Rouse's uneasiness increased. A vague but powerful dread impressed him with a sense of swiftly impending calamity. The next moment he almost laughed himself at his indefinite fears. What harm could possibly befall a man on that level plain? If their captors meant to kill them, why had they not already done so? They had made no movement toward their weapons, which lay stacked with their saddles. If they let the guide go far enough he might make a break for the mountains, and—

A movement as of expectancy among the men at his side brought Rouse from his reverie with a shudder and drew his wandering attention back to the guide, who was still drifting perceptibly to the left. The next instant he had disappeared!

There, on the level plain, he had gone from sight in a flash.

That was the fateful moment for Grafton Rouse. It was then that his hard common sense and iron nerve struggled for mastery over the formless fear tearing at his soul—and won. The single second in which he knew that he was again master of his life—even if it were to be the last.

Another moment was left him for swift and vigorous thought, while the murderers were still enjoying their ghastly entertainment. It was evidently vital that he should walk straight. But could he—and how? His acute memory leaped back to childhood days, when the human cub with whom he sported mocked his slight infirmity, and with frank, boyish brutality nicknamed him "Gimpy." How he had set his teeth together, and, time and again, practiced walking a crack in the pavement with his eyes shut, till he could beat any asymmetrical boy of his acquaintance. If he could not recall the trick—for it was a trick!

There was a stir among the robbers, who began to rise.

Rouse thought intently. He remembered that, while almost everybody veered to the left in walking, his

tendency was in the opposite direction. This would help him muffle the assassins, if—

Ah! Now the details came back to him. He had corrected the trend to the right by giving the left foot a half shift outward at each third step. He would try it, and could only hope that increase of height and weight and age would not affect the result.

Now his time had come. With many bad jokes at his expense they removed the gag and the rope about his legs, but plunged him in darkness by blinding his eyes.

Grasped again by rough hands, he was held one long, dreadful moment, during which he saw in his mind's eye that figure of a man on the ground, silently pointing out the sole road to safety! Then he was given a slight turn into a position from which he was careful not to swerve the fraction of an inch. Then came the dread command:

"Walk straight ahead!"

It is difficult—perhaps impossible—to convey to one who has not undergone such an ordeal any conception of the dread, the horror, the shrinking, sickening fear that crushed down in the darkness upon the stout soul of Grafton Rouse. With every other sense but sight sharpened by his peril, he could hear upon the short turf the stealthy footfalls of the assassins, drumming a death march. An inward echo of the poor guide's last awful cry sounded in his ears.

Amid this tumult of emotions, some old acquired habit of celebration kept accurate count of his footsteps, and every third time the left foot touched he ground it was shifted automatically outward the fraction of a circle.

There was no laughter behind him now, and the silence was encouraging.

"Walk Straight Ahead!"

ment indeed; he must be walking straight. On and on he went, such an interminable distance that he began to imagine himself alone, and had an impulse to make a dash for the mountains, but controlled himself.

A few steps farther on, his foot came suddenly in contact with something that gave him the keenest thrill he had yet experienced, and he held back involuntarily. Was it death—or life and liberty? His other foot, before he could check the motion, joined the first upon a board, which emitted a hollow sound.

"Halt!" came a ringing order, the most welcome he had ever obeyed. "Congratulations, señor, you walk straight indeed, for a lame man."

A murmur of approval from the other voices convinced Rouse in an indefinite way, but with an infinite relief, that he was somehow saved.

The cords around his wrists were cut, but at the same time his legs were tied again. After waiting a long time for further orders, with the bandage still over his eyes, he raised his hands to remove it, half expecting to be shot for his temerity.

The sight that met his blinking eyes was, even after the intangible terrors of the darkness, a shock that sent a wave of horror sweeping through him, and brought him tottering to his knees, clinging for life to a narrow plank!

He found himself upon the end of a swinging bridge spanning a volcanic rift cleft clean through the middle of the plateau, as sharply as though cut with a mighty saw. In its depth it was abyssal, and in that awful trench of a titanic battlefield lay the remains of all those wretches who had been bidden to "walk straight"—to God!

When Rouse could take his eyes from the black chasm he had escaped, he saw his burro hitched to the single post supporting one end of the guard rope of the bridge. The robbers were half way back to their own tents. When he had untied his legs and led his donkey across the gulf, he naturally reached for the Winchester swinging on the pommel, and was not surprised to find it empty and the cartridge belt gone, but when he unrolled his blanket that night on the eastern slope of the Andes, and both belt and money fell out, he almost wished he had returned the courteous half-wave of the bandits as they rode away.

Mother-in-Law for Sale.

A mother-in-law has been put up for auction in the streets of Belfast by a well-known local man, named O'Hare. He cleared the house of furniture in spite of the protests of the mother-in-law, raised her on a table, and offered her to the highest bidder, but there were no offers. She subsequently went to the police office and obtained a warrant for assault, but O'Hare had disappeared.

Every man ought to be the sole proprietor of the shoes he wears.

ENGLISHMAN COULD BE POLITE.

Proof of Fact Seemed to Surprise Prince Gortschakoff.

Anecdotes of great statesmen and orators are apt to prove interesting to the general reading public because it is expected that they will reveal something of the working of a great mind. In the "Life and Letters of Sir Richard C. Jebb" is told a story of Mr. Disraeli which is worthy to be called historical.

Mr. Disraeli, after one of his best speeches, left the house with Mr. Montagu Corry.

"I was wondering," Mr. Corry afterward confessed, "what a great orator would talk about just after a successful speech." Corry said Mr. Disraeli, "you know how to get into a cab? Very few men know. I was at Vienna once when I was a young man, with Prince Gortschakoff and another Englishman, a military man who was there on the same business.

"A royal carriage was there to conduct us. When we came to it, the Englishman walked straight up to it, and got in with his back to the horses. Gortschakoff said to me, 'That is the politest thing I have ever seen an Englishman do.'"—Youth's Companion.

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Topeka, Kan., Sept. 23.—The state board of railroad commissioners Tuesday made a demand directly on George Gould, president, and E. H. Harriman, reported to be associated with the Missouri Pacific Railway company, that the management of the road immediately take steps to improve the condition of the track in Kansas. The letter also stated the determination of the board to put an inspector on the tracks and to publish weekly bulletins showing their condition and to regulate the speed of the trains accordingly.

River Delegates at Clinton, Iowa.

Clinton, Ia., Sept. 23.—Delegates are here from many river cities of Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Missouri to attend the seventh convention of the Upper Mississippi River improvement association, which is working for an annual appropriation of \$2,000,000 for excavating a permanent six-foot channel in the river from St. Paul to Cairo.

Suffragists with Humor.

Miss Vera Wentworth, a British suffragist, was kept in Holloway jail a day beyond her companions for cutting "Votes for Women!" on the wall of her cell. She says: "We used to make the whole ward laugh by playing 'Votes for Women' tunes on my comb. One day we organized a great lark. By putting our ears to the walls we could hear the prisoner in the next cell, and so we all agreed to roar like hungry animals at dinner time. We made a fearful noise, but the wardens could do nothing, because there were so many of us."

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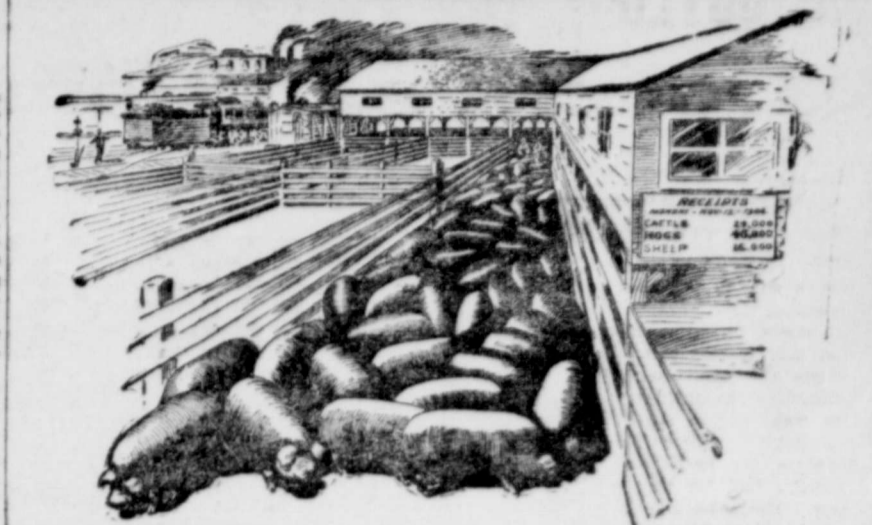
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BACK TO CAPITAL

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT RETURNS TO WASHINGTON FROM OYSTER BAY.

IS THE PICTURE OF HEALTH

Many Officials, Including Cabinet Members, Army and Navy Officers, Met Party at Station.

Washington, Sept. 23.—President Roosevelt returned to Washington from Oyster Bay at 5:55 o'clock Tuesday evening. The special train bearing the presidential party was met at the station by many officials, including members of the cabinet, army and navy officers and others. The president was the picture of health and vigor as he alighted. He was attired in a frock coat, dark grey trousers and black slouch hat. His bronzed face beamed with delight as he gave the hearty handshake and characteristic word of greeting to those who surrounded him. Secretaries Wright, Metcalf, Straus, Wilson and Postmaster General Meyer formed the center of the group.

"That was a hot shot this morning," said Mr. Von Meyer, alluding to the president's letter on the candidacy of Mr. Taft.

"I think we've been hitting them hard," responded Mr. Roosevelt laughingly. In the brief colloquy which took place the president's expressions indicated that he was satisfied with the progress of the campaign, although he intimated that until recently it had been devoid of excitement. The president spoke to several of the newspaper men, but his remarks had no political significance.

As the president, with a rapid stride, passed through the gates and through the president's room to his carriage, he was given an ovation by a thousand or more people, who cheered lustily. Assisting Mrs. Roosevelt into a carriage, and bowing his acknowledgments to the throng, he was driven away to the White House. In the carriage with the president and Mrs. Roosevelt was Mrs. Clifford Richardson, who will be a White House guest for some days.

The general disposition here is to ascribe the president's early return to Washington from Oyster Bay, to his desire to be in closer touch with men and affairs than he could be at his summer home. With the convening of congress not far distant he will naturally want to begin at an early day the preparation of his last annual message, and he will be better situated there for consultation with his cabinet advisers and with other officials than at any other place.

It is understood that this last message to congress will be a comprehensive presentation of the Roosevelt policies and a last appeal for carrying into effect those not already enacted into law. Recent events show that the president is not permitting the fact that he holds the office to stand in the way of his interest in the campaign which will result in naming of his successor and it is surmised that he desires to be at the most convenient point for the receipts of news concerning the progress of the contest.

Boys in Coasting Accident.
Leavenworth, Kan., Sept. 22.—Andrew Larkin, 15 years old, was instantly killed Monday night when he, with four playmates, were thrown from the vehicle in which they were coasting down a steep grade on a paved street. One of his companions fainted at the death of the boy and has been unconscious for three hours.

LIVES OF 110 LOST AT SEA

A DISASTROUS SHIPWRECK OFF ALASKAN COAST.

American Bark Star of Bengal Goes on Rocks of Coronation Island.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 23.—Advises received Tuesday night from Alaska by the United States signal corps, say that 110 men, including nine whites, were drowned in the wreck of the American bark Star of Bengal on Coronation island, west of the Prince of Wales archipelago. Twenty-seven of the vessel's crew and passengers were saved.

The Star of Bengal belonged to the Alaska Packers' association and was on her way from Fort Wrangal to San Francisco with a cargo of 45,000 cases of salmon. In addition to her crew she carried 100 Chinese and Japanese who were employed in the canneries of the company, taken aboard at Fort Wrangal.

The Star of Bengal was being towed to sea by two tugs and was blown ashore on the west shore of Coronation island. The tugs were obliged to abandon her in order to save themselves.

THE AMERICAN ROYAL.

The Live Stock Show at Kansas City Will Exceed All Former Efforts.

Kansas City, Sept. 23.—The Hereford, Shorthorn and Galloway entries for the American Royal Live Stock show breeding classes, have been received by Secretary Thompson. They show an average gain of more than 10 per cent over the same classes last year. The Herefords will have 350 individual pedigreed entries in the breeding classes and purebred fat stock classes, the Shorthorns 309 and the Galloways will have about 100 bulls and cows in the breeding classes.

The Berkshire swine show will have more than 300 entries. The Berkshire association is making a special effort this year, and all the leading breeders of the country will have animals on exhibition, and stock entered in the sale.

Col. Stewart Ordered to Washington.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Col. William F. Stewart of the Coast artillery, whose case, because of his detail to the ungarisoned post at Fort Grant, Ariz., has been before the public for some time, has been ordered to appear before a retiring board at Washington, D. C., where he will be examined as to his disability, its nature and whether it was incurred in the line of duty.

Nebraska Political Parties Meet.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 23.—Republicans, Democrats, Prohibitionists and Socialists held their state conventions here Tuesday evening for the adoption of party platforms. The Populists, who this year have fused with the Democrats on candidates, also met in separate convention and adopted a set of party principles.

The Utah Democrats.

Logan, Utah, Sept. 23.—The Democratic state convention met here Tuesday morning and late in the afternoon adopted a platform. Tuesday night the convention nominated Jesse Knight of Provo for governor by acclamation.

Two Flights at St. Joseph.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 23.—Army dirigible balloon No. 1 made two flights here Tuesday afternoon, the first of five minutes and the second of 18 minutes' duration. Lieut. Frank P. Lahm and B. D. Foulois were in charge.

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Duels.

More duels are fought in Germany than in any other country, and Jena and Göttingen are the cities which take the lead. It is said that a duel takes place in Göttingen every day, and on one occasion some years ago 12 combats took place in the 24 hours. Jena's greatest number for the day is 21. The German empire has about 4,000 duels a year; France has about 1,000 combats, which may be regarded as such; Italy runs to about 270 per annum. In ten years it boasted 2,759 meetings, of which 974 originated in newspaper articles or public letters. The great majority of the duels were fought with swords; only one with revolver.

Not Afraid of Cholera.

New York, Sept. 23.—Dr. Alvah H. Doty, health officer of the port of New York, declares that he is not at all disturbed by the spread of cholera, bubonic plague and yellow fever in various parts of the world from which immigration comes to America. That New York has not had a case of cholera in more than ten years is not because of good luck, Dr. Doty said, but because of "everlasting and increasing vigilance."

A Comic Artist Dead.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 23.—F. M. Howarth, one of the best known comic artists in the country, died of pneu-



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monia at his home in Germantown Tuesday aged 43 years. He is credited with having originated the comic series—using the same characters day after day in the newspapers. Two of his best known series were "E. Z. Mark," and "Lulu and Leander."

Teacher and Pupils Drown.

Strong City, Kan., Sept. 23.—Following a heavy rain and hail storm in this (Chase) county, Tuesday afternoon, an attempt to ford the south fork of the Cottonwood river, resulted in the drowning of Miss Myra King, a country school teacher, and two of her pupils, Victor Rector and Etta Foltz. Three other children in the buggy reached the bank safely. The bodies of Miss King and Etta Foltz have not been recovered.