

## DAILY MARKETS

**Official Receipts, 114 Cars, 2920 Cattle; 128 Cars, 8696 Hogs; 17 Cars, 4027 Sheep.**

## ACTIVITY IN CATTLE TRADE

**Holds Cattle Steady to Strong For All Useful and Attractive Grades of Steers.**

## BEST BEEVES HERE AT \$6.45

**Some Sales of Butchers a Dime Higher, Bulk Steady to Strong—Activity Still Noted in Stocker Trade—Hogs Steady to 5 Cents Higher, Trade in Good Tone—Sheep Steady, Lambs a Dime Lower.**

### Receipts from January 1, 1911.

The following table shows the receipts from January 1, 1911, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1910:

	1911	1910	Dec. Inc.
Cattle	85,128	101,134	5,006
Hogs	311,201	284,403	26,798
Sheep	121,535	95,761	25,774
Horses	12,177	6,347	5,830

### Live Stock in Sight.

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

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Chicago	4,000	15,000	15,000
Kansas City	9,000	15,000	12,000
St. Louis	5,400	11,000	11,000
St. Joseph	2,600	5,700	4,000
East St. Louis	3,000	15,000	5,500

### Receipts by Cars.

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

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
U. S. & W. West	90	43	43
G. R. P. & St. P.	43	21	21
Great Western	21	12	12
Missouri Pacific	12	12	12
St. Joseph & Grand	12	12	12
A. T. & S. F.	13	13	13
Total	270	270	270

## CATTLE

### Good Showing of Fat Steers Met Free Sale at Firm Prices.

The current week is bringing out some increase in the market movement of cattle but the enlargement is not of sufficient volume to impair the good tone of the trade. Receipts at the five markets today totaled approximately 27,000, an increase of 7,000 over last Tuesday and for two days general marketing is 9,000 head larger than for the corresponding period of last week. The local supply today was estimated at 18,000 head and a good percentage of the run landed in the beef steer division. General feeling in the fat steer trade was fully steady at yesterday's stronger range of prices. The market did not open with as much snap as on the previous day but developed good trade as the session advanced. The better finished steers seemed to have the leading call early in the day, whereas yesterday the light and handy weight cattle were given preference in the opening trading. When the market got fairly open the demand showed good breadth on all kinds and outlet was found for practically everything offered before the noon hour. Prices were mainly steady with Monday.

Quality was quite good today. While there were no prime heavy steers on sale, there was a pretty decent quota of good, useful 200 to 1400-pound beefs offered. Best of these sold at \$6.25 to \$6.45, with fair to good kinds ranging from \$5.75 to \$6.15 with a few light half fat and inferior grades dropping as low as \$5.25. Some choice yearling steers and heifers, mixed, commanded \$6.15.

### Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.

No.	Av. Price.	No.	Av. Price.
17	14.70	6	10.55
42	14.80	30	13.55
18	12.98	6	11.88
29	14.39	6	11.21
86	13.74	8	12.35
20	14.17	3	11.87
32	12.44	20	11.90
20	15.14	6	10.87
25	14.18	6	11.44
27	14.73	25	11.67
31	12.55	6	11.69
6	11.52	20	8.90
21	13.04	6	11.25
18	13.02	20	11.22
19	12.84	20	10.91
20	11.18	6	10.6
20	11.70	6	11.21
78	9.40	6	11.51
4	12.50	6	11.90
13	12.57	6	11.98
31	12.41	6	11.94
28	14.92	6	11.27
20	11.17	6	11.25
7	13.34	6	11.52
23	11.47	6	11.50
4	11.82	6	11.60
17	11.45	6	11.60
22	11.27	6	11.45
18	11.75	6	11.59
80	11.28	6	11.50

## COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

There were no new or startling developments in the market for butcher's stock today. The supply was moderate in proportion to the size of the general cattle run. Demand for fat cows and heifers continues good and offerings met ready sale again this morning. On the general run of female killing stuff prices realized

were steady with yesterday. Except

one or two higher on medium to good heifers. These met a good packer and order buying call that resulted in prices being pushed up a point or two here and there. Mixed heifers and steers were actively sought for where quality was at all attractive. A load of choice yearling Whiteface heifers and steers mixed sold during the early trading at \$6.15. A large share of the useful cows changed hands in a range of \$4.50 to \$5.00, with the choicer kinds selling from \$5.00 up. Heifer offerings were mostly \$4.15 to \$5.00, and common to fair \$3.75 to \$4.50, although a few odds and ends of choice quality sold up to \$6.00. A few plain cows sold at \$4.10 to \$4.40 and the poorer grades of heifers cleared at \$4.50 to \$4.85. Cutters and canners sold from \$3.00 to \$3.75.

Bulls were in fair supply and sold steady to strong with Monday. There was no change of consequence in the market for calves.

### Heifers.

25mx.	990	5.15	19	626	5.15
3	883	5.65	2	765	5.10
12	781	5.65	2	490	5.10
5	660	5.60	2	740	5.50
18mx.	412	5.60	25	719	5.50
24mx.	900	5.60	1	809	5.40
18mx.	887	5.55	3	753	5.50
7	891	5.55	4	1049	5.50
4	1062	5.50	7	793	5.50
2	764	5.50	1	449	5.50
20	784	5.50	27	721	5.40
1	880	5.50	3	623	4.90
25mx.	617	5.45	3	733	5.50
49mx.	675	5.45	4	787	5.00
1	1490	5.40	1	1030	5.00
6	1016	5.35	10	879	4.90
1	1030	5.25	15	763	4.80
3	753	5.25	1	640	4.75
2	935	5.25	1	600	4.75
4	719	5.25	14	769	4.75
1	860	5.25	4	749	4.75
2	790	5.25	4	817	4.75
4	792	5.15	5	850	4.40

### Cows.

1	1450	5.75	5	926	4.65
15	1338	5.30	13	1011	4.60
1	1290	5.25	2	1065	4.50
2	1290	5.25	1	1090	4.50
2	1510	5.15	4	1095	4.50
1	1320	5.10	2	1029	4.65
12	1146	5.05	6	1091	4.50
2	965	5.05	3	1006	4.50
1	1240	5.00	2	1135	4.40
2	1100	5.00	2	1055	4.40
1	1490	5.00	4	1236	4.40
1	1200	5.00	14	1032	4.40
1	1140	5.00	3	1130	4.40
2	1240	5.00	4	1029	4.40
2	1120	5.00	5	940	4.30
3	1166	4.90	4	1052	4.25
2	1410	4.90	4	1149	4.25
3	1343	4.90	1	970	4.25
2	1700	4.85	5	1240	4.20
2	1700	4.85	5	1018	4.15
2	1195	4.85	1	1040	4.00
6	1092	4.85	4	1057	4.00
6	1185	4.80	3	946	3.90
3	1176	4.75	1	1059	3.75
3	1124	4.75	2	1039	3.75
2	1095	4.75	2	845	3.50
3	1096	4.75	2	955	3.50
2	1580	4.60	2	1023	3.40
2	1265	4.65	2	1022	3.40
2	965	4.65	5	1100	3.65
4	1155	4.75	5	1100	3.65

### Bulls and Stags.

18	1179	5.60	1	2100	5.00
1	1440	5.50	1	1290	4.40
1	1440	5.50	1	1220	4.75
1	1360	5.10	1	1210	4.75
1	1610	5.10	1	1170	4.65
1	1350	5.10	1	1010	4.50
1	1440	5.05	1	1290	4.60
3	1110	5.00	1	1470	4.60
1	1090	5.00	2	1105	4.50
1	1370	5.00	1	1590	4.50
1	1775	4.90	1	1010	4.50
1	1580	4.90	2	1023	4.40
2	1455	4.90	1	1180	4.40
2	1330	4.85	1	1160	4.40
1	1650	4.80	1	1328	4.35
1	1280	5.10	1	1328	4.35

### Veal Cows.

1	180	7.50	1	110	7.50
3	166	8.25	2	145	7.00
4	157	8.25	2	130	7.00
1	140	8.25	1	100	7.00
1	160	8.25	1	110	7.00
1	190	8.25	1	110	7.00
1	180	8.25	1	110	7.00
1	130	8.25	3	143	6.50
1	150	8.25	1	100	6.50
5	134	8.25	1	240	6.00
2	160	8.25	2	210	5.75
1	143	8.25	1	100	5.00
1	130	8.25	1	90	5.00
1	120	8.25	2	390	4.75
2	115	8.25	8	332	4.75
3	143	8.25	12	354	4.70
1	170	8.25	1	320	4.50
2	230	8.00	2	310	4.50
2	180	8.00	1	350	4.50
1	110	8.00	1	210	4.50
1	230	7.75	2	400	4.50
1	130	7.75	2	135	4.50
1	180	7.50	1	250	4.00
1	160	7.75			

## STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

With moderately liberal supplies of stockers and feeders on offer today, all class of buyers were out on a comparatively early hour looking for fresh supplies and under the influence of the keen demand trade developed an encouraging amount of activity. Sellers' bids offerings up a little at the start and succeeded in cashing the bulk of their holdings regardless of weight or quality at prices higher as compared with yesterday's general average. Trade was a good active deal from start to finish and at noon a good share of the desirable offerings were yarded in speculators' pens. Stock heifers were in good demand and the small supply of these kinds changed hands readily at generally steady to strong prices as compared with last week's closing quotations. Yard dealers were in a jubilant mood today as a result of the soaking rain last night, saying that this will undoubtedly stimulate to the country demand, realizing assuring a good weekly clearance.

### Good to choice feeding steers are quotable at \$5.25 to \$5.75; medium to good grades \$4.50 to \$5.25; good to fancy stock steers \$4.75 to \$5.50, and common to fair \$3.75 to \$4.50; stock heifers \$4.00 to \$4.85 for fat to strictly good kinds, stock cows \$3.25 to \$3.75, and stock calves \$4.35 to \$5.00.

### Packers' Hog Purchases.

Swift & Co.	4,000
Hammond Packing Co.	2,393
Morris & Co.	1,954
Total	8,347

### Range of Prices.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
\$6.00	\$6.10	\$6.15	\$6.20	\$6.25	\$6.30
\$5.75	\$5.80	\$5.85	\$5.90	\$5.95	\$6.00
\$5.50	\$5.55	\$5.60	\$5.65	\$5.70	\$5.75
\$5.25	\$5.30	\$5.35	\$5.40	\$5.45	\$5.50
\$5.00	\$5.05	\$5.10	\$5.15	\$5.20	\$5.25

## SHEEP.

Market Late in Getting Started, Lambs Dime Lower, Sheep Steady.

Despite the fact that supply of mutton received at this point today gave no indications of being burdensome, it was a slow sticky deal from start to finish with prices unevenly lower. For the start it was apparent that something was radically wrong with the packer demand, the cause of which can be directly traced to the poor conditions of the principal eastern dressed mutton centers, packers claiming that coolers are full and orders were being bought in bulk. The net increase during the week was estimated at 4,000 and close to that many were received, consisting of two cars of ewes, two cars of yearlings and twelve doubles of fed lambs. As a result of the poor demand opening trade today exhibited many of yesterday's characteristics; that is, it was close to 11 o'clock before the market opened and not

enough business was transacted during the forenoon to deserve mention. After dickering the greater part of the forenoon for a price basis sellers were forced to cash the bulk of their lamb holdings at prices that were fully a dime lower as compared with yesterday and in cases the price list showed greater depreciations. Best lambs offered changed hands at \$5.85, with the bulk of such offerings at \$5.80. Sellers who had sheep to offer fared somewhat better than those who had lambs. A mere handful of mature mutton arrived and this caused offerings in this branch of the trade to move with some show of celerity, although demand was not keen enough to warrant a higher price schedule and as a rule sheep values were generally steady with yesterday's prices. Two cars of handy weight ewes, the best seen here for some time, changed hands at \$4.40 and \$4.60, respectively, and were considered strong. A very good class of yearling ewes were offered at \$5.00 and were called steady.

### Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.

11	845	4.65	1	1000	4.20
6	832	4.60	19	921	4.15
9	814	4.55	2	425	

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Omaha Journal-Stockman: Agricultural education in the common schools of Nebraska has been temporarily defeated by the legislature but only temporarily. Some day the state will realize the folly of giving the boys and girls a training that makes them dissatisfied with the farm. What is needed is a system of schooling that will produce more and better farmers. There are too many poorly educated or uneducated people in our cities and towns already.

PREDICTOR CUDAHY.
On the buying side of the hog market opinion is unanimous that hogs are headed toward lower levels, but the well-rehearsed lesson is being overdone, observes the Breeder's Gazette. Periodical Cudahy forecast from Milwaukee, promise 5-cent hogs before many weeks have elapsed, but makes no reference to the 6-cent winter forecast given out early in November. There is an obvious desire on the part of packers to re-establish the old custom of low-priced raw material and high-priced finished product, and it is excusable, but production has not yet been restored to a stage where such a thing is possible. Packers' theory is that corn is much cheaper than last year, consequently there is as much profit for the grower in 5-cent hogs now as 9-cent a year ago. But cheap corn without hogs to convert it into pork would destroy the force of the argument. Admitting that the country has the necessary corn it remains to be seen whether porcine machinery for the conversion process exists. In this matter thousands of farmers are interested.

NET WEIGHT LEGISLATION.
National Provisioner: Along with cold storage and other agitation the lead for weight regulation is developing the usual lot of half-baked bills for proposed state laws in various legislatures. A bill introduced in the Montana legislature, which has passed one house and will probably pass the other, is a fair sample of this sort of proposed legislation.

This measure would compel the stamping of the exact net weight on the outside of all packages of goods usually sold by weight. Nowhere in the bill is there any provision for evaporation, shrinkage or anything of that sort, or any allowance for changes taking place after goods are packed and before they are sold. Thus the dealer is placed in the position of being liable to prosecution for something over which neither he nor the packer has any control.

The law also provides that where packages are not usually sold by weight, the price must be stamped on the outside of the package, so that the state thus enacts into law the "fixed price" principle which is being so vigorously attacked just now in some merchandizing circles. This Montana measure is a fairly representative example of theoretical reform legislation.

THE HAREM SKIRT.
"Don't come interrogating around here about this harem skirt thing," says the growler. "In for femininity, especially first person, single number



Daddy's Bedtime Story—Where the Bad Boy Found His Manners

The Bad Boy in the Ditch

"He was really a naughty, ill-mannered boy," began daddy. "His parents were wealthy, and they left him to the care of servants, who did not know how to make a good boy of him. The result was that he was impudent to the servants and cruel to dogs and cats and insisted on having his own way always. I shall tell you how he learned a good lesson.

"It happened in the summer time. One day this naughty boy, whose name was Dick, was standing at the gate of his father's house when another boy came there. He was a poor boy—you could tell that by his old clothing—but his shirt waist and his knickerbockers were clean and neat, and his face shone with good nature as well as soap and water. You could tell by looking at him that he was a jolly fellow. He carried in his hand a tin can full of ripe, juicy blackberries, and he asked Dick to buy them.

"Go away from here," said Dick, with a frown, "or I shall set the dog on you. We don't need your berries. We have everything we want."

"If you have, please give me a drink of water," said the poor boy. But Dick threatened again to set the dog on him, so he went away whistling.

"Then Dick said to himself: 'Those blackberries looked good. I think I will go and get some for myself.' He went out of the gate and down the road to a place where he knew the blackberries grew. The bushes were on the far side of a wide ditch, which was filled with mud. Dick was too lazy to find a good place to cross, so he tried to jump the ditch.

"He landed right in the middle in mud up to his waist. When he tried to get out he found that he was stuck fast and could not free himself. Then he called for help, but it was a lonely spot, and for a long time he heard no answer. Then he heard a voice saying, 'Who's there?'

"Then Dick called again as loudly as he could, and soon he saw at the side of the ditch the poor boy whom he had treated so rudely. 'Hello!' said the boy. 'How did you get in there?'

"I fell in," said Dick. 'Please help me out?'

"All right," said the other boy. And he lay down at the side of the ditch, not minding the mud on his clothing, and reached out his hand to Dick. He was a strong boy, so he soon was able to get Dick out. Dick thanked him and went home to be cleaned off.

"The next day when the poor boy came around again to try to sell his berries Dick was very nice to him. 'Where did you find your manners?' asked the boy. 'In the ditch,' said Dick."

one at a time and no incumbrances—but I ain't telling any of the darling creatures what to wear, nor when, where or how to wear it. If the dear girls want to go to the barn for the unwashed Turk for ideas on things that will make them attract attention when they go down the line in the parade, that's their business and I'm for 'em. If they want to put a hobble on each dainty ankle and look like a chaingang going out to settle for a hilarious romp with the tiger, it's no grouch of mine. I can't stop her and ain't going to make a try at it.

"But, say, girls, tell me. If this lovely and altogether necessary bunch called 'woman' is going to go over to the land of the unspeakable nuisance in the south of Asia and invade the harem corral for points on how to dress, will she, after she gets the pants thing settled, then proceed to put her face in a gunny-sack when she goes down the line on a window-shopping trip and make us men take a guess at what kind of a face she is wearing? If she does, then it's me to a ticket for the Fiji maidens in the south sea islands, where a home-made kirtle is all that etiquette, the modiste and the ordinances in such cases call for. I ain't taking any chances on drawing a comic valentine.

"Anyway, it is one of my guesses that this harem thing has got the hobble skirt running a poor second in more than one point. For instance, when some urchin runs into a bunch of femininity and yells 'rats,' she is going to have a chance to get on top of the table without endangering all the furniture and lamp shades in the room, if she is harnessed; she could get on and off a street car without laying the company liable—and that is what she can't do with her anatomy done up in one of these hobble things. Yes, girls, there is a point or two in favor of the harem contrivance when compared with the real thing in hubbeldom."

CAKE.
Silver Loaf Cake.—One and one-fourth cups granulated sugar, one-half cup butter, four egg whites, one cup flour, one-half teaspoonful of soda, one teaspoonful of cream of tartar. Method—Cream butter and sugar until it is as smooth and white as ice cream, sift flour ten times and after sifting seven times measure two and one-half cups of cold, one cupful of cold mashed potatoes; one egg, one-third cupful of flour; one level teaspoonful baking powder, salt to taste. Drop from spoon on griddle and treat like pancakes. If you wish you may add a little nutmeg to the mixture. These doughnuts are exceptionally light, do not absorb the grease, and are easily digested.

Rice-Potato Cakes.—One cupful of boiled rice, stiff and cold; one cupful of cold mashed potatoes; one egg; one-third cupful of flour; one level teaspoonful baking powder, salt to taste. Drop from spoon on griddle and treat like pancakes. If you wish you may add a little nutmeg to the mixture. These doughnuts are exceptionally light, do not absorb the grease, and are easily digested.

Walnut Loaf Cake.—Cream together one cupful granulated sugar, one-half cupful butter, add yolk of two eggs, one-half cupful milk, one and one-half cupfuls flour, two level teaspoonsful of baking powder. Mix above and add one cupful of chopped walnuts and last add the two whites stiffly beaten. Frost with any white frosting and sprinkle chopped nuts over top.

TASTY RECIPES.
New Barley Dish.—Boil until tender a heaping teaspoonful of coarse barley. Also boil 19 cents' worth of spareribs and same amount of calves' liver together until tender. When the meat is removed from the ribs grind it up real fine with the liver. Then mix thoroughly with the barley. Add salt and pepper and mold into little cakes or balls and fry in deep butter or drippings until brown. This can also be fried without molding into cakes and is delicious.

Waffles.—Eggless Waffles.—One cup flour one rounding teaspoonful baking powder, salt to taste, one cup of sweet milk, one tablespoonful melted butter (or butter and lard). This will make three waffles.

BIG MINE DEAL CLOSED.
Nevada City, Cal.—The most important mining deal in this district for a decade was consummated a few days ago, when the noted Champion group was bonded for six months by the North Star Mines Company, operating the famous North Star properties at Grass Valley. The cash consideration has not been announced, but it is reported that approximately \$350,000 will change hands. If the North Star people decide to exercise their option, under the terms of the agreement the Champion Company will continue to operate the property and treat the ore as usual, the North Star confining its attention to exploration and development.

Tomato Spaghetti.—One can of tomatoes, three small onions, four bay leaves, one stick celery, one cup chicken broth and minced breast cooked to a mush and strained. Season to taste with salt and add one tablespoonful curry powder, one-half teaspoonful ground cinnamon and allspice, a dash of cloves and red pepper; also the minced chicken. Add enough water to the remaining chicken broth to make about three pints; boil and add about one pound of Lillian spaghetti (this should be no larger than the lead in a pencil). Cook twenty minutes. Remove from the fire and cover closely to steam while you grate one-quarter pound

dry cheese. Serve the spaghetti on a large platter, each guest using the sauce and cheese to taste.
Hot Slaw.—Take a solid head of cabbage, cut fine same as you would for cold slaw. To this add one pint of water, teaspoon salt, and tablespoonful of lard; stew slowly for one hour, after which add a dressing made of one egg beaten with three tablespoons of sugar, one of flour, pinch of salt, and half a cup of vinegar. Should the vinegar be strong use some water. Try this.

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## LACK OF SOCIABILITY.

One Factor Against Life On Farms Remote From Towns.

Wallace's Farmer: An eastern Iowa correspondent, who has recently moved from Illinois, complains of the lack of sociability among his neighbors, notwithstanding all his efforts to get on the best of terms with them. He thinks that in doing so he is voicing a general complaint, and that the conditions in his neighborhood do not differ materially from that in many other localities.

The greatest trouble that exists today among farmers is the lack of socialization of country life. There is a reason for it. The farmer is an individualist, and in a newer country necessarily so. He must depend on his own right hand, and he gets so in the habit of depending on himself that when the time comes in the development of civilization, when he needs to cooperate with his neighbors, he really does not know how to go about it. And yet if the farmer is to get his own and keep it, co-operation in various ways is absolutely essential.

The trouble in the building up of any country is that the farmer gets in the habit of depending on the town. It is there he must go to market his grain. It is there he must buy his tools and implements; do his banking; and, up to the time of rural mail delivery, get his mail. His relations to the town seem much closer than his relations to his neighbor. Then he gets into his head—and, worse still, his boys and girls get it into theirs—that town life is the ideal life and town society the only desirable society. If he gets ahead in the world, his wife and his children, particularly his daughters, may be heard to say that they have no associates in the country, but only in town. Now in the early stages of the development of the west this really could not be helped; but the time is coming when it must be helped. If the farmer is to hold his own. How to do it is the thing that puzzles us.

We were reading the other day a most excellent book on country life by Rev. J. Y. Ashenburt, of Pemberville, Ohio. In the country congregation that in addition to the church, building, it should have a parish house, nor for religious purposes but for social purposes. This will give the farmers in the community—their wives and sons and daughters—a place where they can meet and get better acquainted, and discuss rural problems; a place where they can read books and magazines and papers in which they are interested. While under the control of the church, his idea is to have this parish house undenominational, unsectarian, and solely for the public good.

We like this idea, and believe it would richly pay any country church to perform this service for the community in which it is located. This is not always a practical proposition, but all country church organizations are broad enough to see the benefits of a building of this kind. And yet if farmers are to get together and stand for their own interests, there must be some place in which to get together, and that a place quite separate from the farmer's home. There are farmers who will join a schoolhouse or to a club house for the purpose of meeting their neighbors, who will not visit each other nor visit a house with which the church has any connection.

Townpeople have their clubs, and sometimes call them "country clubs," where the men can meet each other, play golf, or anything else they wish, and to which they can invite their friends. Why is it not possible for the farmers in any well-settled neighborhood to have a real country club, where they can meet for social enjoyment, for conversation, for business, for amusements, for recreation; a place in which the different schools in the township may have spelling classes, debates, discussions on any subject that may be uppermost; a place where they may have lectures and political discussions. Why not?

Would it not pay the land owners in any township to invest two or three thousand dollars in a building of this kind, suitably located on a rural route, where there could be a farm library, farm papers, facilities for reading seed corn and examining grass seeds; where the women of the neighborhood could meet and be comfortable, and even get a meal. Why not? Here and there a farmers' club has found it convenient to put up a building of this kind, or buy some vacant church or schoolhouse that has been vacated because the attendance was too small to justify them in hiring a teacher and they preferred to transport the children to some other school.

Now we have no definite plan about this. We are simply trying to set our readers to thinking, and we hope they will think it over and discuss among themselves the propriety of establishing a real country club. The men who furnish the money to put up the building will of course have the controlling voice, and should.

We are satisfied that it will be a whole lot better for the boys to meet each other in the evening socially, or as a literary or debating society, than for them to visit at the corner grocery in the nearest town. We are satisfied it will be better for the farmers to meet their wives, even if the farmer does not live in the community, but rents his farm, he will get a better tenant by aiding the social life of that community and enabling farmers to get together. Farmers often have a hesitancy about going into a stranger's house, and the people in homes are not always ready to receive company. If there is a common meeting-place controlled by the people themselves under suitable regulations, they are sure that this process of socialization, which will necessarily be a very slow one, will succeed better than it will as long as every individual man is looking to the town and under-estimating the social and intellectual worth of his fellow-farmers. We are not particular as to how farmers get together. What we are particular about is that lay the foundation for a rural civilization, which, in all that makes for human welfare, is better than the society of either the city or the country town, safer for the boys, safer for the girls, more pleasant for the wives, and better for the farmers themselves.

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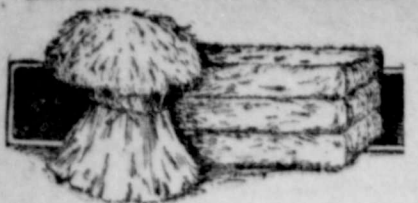
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ward; but we doubt whether anything will enable the farmer to have a permanent alfalfa meadow, as he can in central Kansas and Nebraska.

MILLION FOR DEVELOPMENT. St. Paul, Minn.—H. H. Hamilton, president of the Western Land Securities Company, in the Endcott Building, says that St. Paul will derive great benefit from the purchase by his company of 712,000 acres of land in the upper peninsula of Michigan.

SEATTLE'S GREAT SKYSCRAPER. Seattle, Wash.—The last obstacle in the way of the erection of a forty-one story building in this city by the Syracuse, N. Y., was removed when the council committee that has been going over the plans voted to grant the permit.

GOOD STRIKE AT GEORGETOWN. Georgetown, Colo.—A streak of solid smelting ore 4 to 6 inches wide has been uncovered on the Unicorn lode that carries 400 to 450 ounces of silver per ton, with 30 to 35 per cent lead.

ALFALFA IN HUMID SECTION. Wallace's Farmer: The dry summer of 1910 gave great encouragement to farmers in the humid section who were fortunate enough to have good stands of alfalfa.

At the risk of repeating what we have said in years past, we will say that alfalfa will not succeed on lands having neither artificial nor natural drainage.

Speaking generally, almost any good corn land, that is land in which you can safely put corn year after year, will grow alfalfa.

The preparation of the land for alfalfa, the time of seeding, and the after management, are more important questions than the selection of the land.

Some have succeeded in growing alfalfa by sowing it in the spring with a light overse crop.

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TULSA GETS SECOND LODGE. Tulsa, Okla.—A charter for a second Masonic lodge in Tulsa to be known as Delta Lodge, No. 425, has been granted by the Grand Lodge of Masons of Oklahoma.

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