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HOG PRODUCTS CHEAPER.
During the past year there has been much heard of the high cost of living, figured on the basis of the cost of hog products.

ing, that there is nothing in the joke book that is three, four five along with man in his run for the fashion plate. Let's take a peep at him: To be what he calls up to the minute he must have his pants creased fore and aft; he must have cuffs on his pants, and they must be high enough from the ground to exhibit a pair of ankles that I never would give a prize for beauty; he must have a loose-fitting coat with one button below the belt line so it will show off a large lot of shirt-front; he must have shoes with a full bell-swing that makes him look pig-footed and a hat that curls down over his optics.

MAN THE LOUD LAUGH.
"Haha! You are dying for a real good laugh! Well, why don't you? Take a look at me, I mean. It would really be too bad to see a cute little boy like you from the pusey garden, whither up and expire just for the want of a hearty ha-ha. Besides, I'm too busy, skimming for Easter things to weep at the funeral," says the grocer. "Get over it! You will soon begin to look like a wilted pickle, and no wilted and sour cucumber can ever get her form up so that she will look like going to press with 'mah.' There's loud, side-splitting, corset-belting, three comedy running around loose all the time, wanting to be noticed and laughed at. Where and what's the hilarious farce thing? Oh, dear! You ain't dying; you're in a state of hysterical somnolence. Get over it, get over it and you'll lead an untroubled life to protect your ribs." The loudest laugh, the highest joke that was ever evolved out of the fancy works is this thing called 'man.' Get over it, get over it, you'll be tickled to the repair hospital, if not plumb to the silent sarcophagus on the sad side-line. Talk about your hobbles on a barrel-shaped bunch of feathers on your broad expanses of straw and feathers perched on a bean pole of an out-and-out—say, girly, they are like a comedy and homesick night by the sad, sea-waves compared to this two-pronged nonstompy called 'man,' when he sets out to make an ape of himself, which most of them do.

TO BUILD CANAL SYSTEM.
Work Soon to Begin by Mariposa Plantation and Irrigation Co.
Brownsville, Tex., March 22.—The Mariposa Plantation and Irrigation Company, which a year ago purchased 24,000 acres of land on the Mexican side of the river near Reynosa, is soon to begin the erection of an extensive canal and irrigation system to water the land in preparation for putting the entire tract under cultivation.

LITTLE HELPS.
Broken Eggs—To save eggs which have been broken through accident is to press the edges of the shells together, then cover with paraffin. If the shell is too badly broken to save in this manner, beat the eggs well, put in a dish, and cover over with paraffin, set in a cool place, and they will keep fresh for a long time.

THE SEWING ROOM.
Faded Yoke—If you wish to freshen a faded yoke of an evening dress which may be used for the remainder of the season, try putting the fabric with oil paints or dyes. A sheer white dress may be treated with a stencil design in roses.

Remodeling Children's Clothes—When children's waists become too small or short or too small in the armhole, rip the shoulder seams and set in elastic webbing. This will not only make the waist comfortable again, but will give added length to the petticoat.

Daddy's Bedtime Story—The Little Loaf



Once upon a time a long, long time ago in a German city there was a great family. The poor people could get little to eat, and they were much suffering among them. This is the way daddy began his bedtime story for Jack and Evelyn, for the children had asked him for a story about "long ago." "In this city there lived a baker who was rich and a kind, good hearted man. It grieved him to see the poor people suffer, and he did what he could to help them. He took a big basket and in it he placed twenty loaves of bread. Then he called together one child from each of twenty poor families and said to them: "Each of you is to take one of these loaves of bread and give it to your parents. Return tomorrow and you shall have another loaf of bread, and I shall give you each a loaf each day until better times come."

The children all but one gathered eagerly about the basket and quarreled, for each one wanted to have the biggest loaf. At last they went away with their loaves without even having thanked the good baker for his kindness. I said all but one. While the others were quarrelling one little girl stood to one side waiting until they should get their loaves before she took hers. The one loaf that was left was the smallest of them all, but the little girl thanked the baker and kissed his hand before she took the bread home to her parents. "The next day the children came again and quarreled about the loaves as on the day before. Again the same little girl got the smallest loaf, and again she thanked the baker. When she got home with the loaf, however, there was a great surprise for her and her poor mother, for when the loaf was cut open out rolled twenty bright, new, shiny pieces of silver money.

"Run back to the baker and tell him that there has been some mistake. Tell him I think the money got into the bread by accident, and I do not want him to think that you or any other of the poor children would keep money which did not belong to her." But the baker said: "No, my child, there has been no mistake. The first day when I gave out the bread I noticed you standing modestly and quietly while the other children were disputing as to who should get the biggest loaf. So I decided to put the money into the smallest loaf. I felt sure that you would get it. Run home now and tell your mother that I am glad to give the money to a woman who has brought up her child as well as she has brought you up. As for you, I hope that you will always remain a peaceable, grateful person."

IN WOMAN'S REALM
MURPHY BISQUE—Boil and pare six large potatoes, mash; heat three pints of milk, add salt and pepper, two tablespoonfuls of butter, one tablespoonful of scraped onion, one tablespoonful of flour, then add the potatoes. Cook until creamy. Place whipped cream on each cupful. Serve with hot water.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
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IBERIAN CAKE—These are made of thin sponge cake, stamped out; spread with pistachio fondant seasoned with lime juice; press two forms together. Any tart jelly can be used instead.

EMERALD—Pare small turnips and cook them in spirits; water (so they may become green in color), scoop out centers, fill with creamed peas. Garnish with parsley and in the center of each place a small Irish flag.

KANSAS STATISTICS.

Preliminary Statement of Farm Data Issued by the Census Bureau.

Washington, D. C., March 19.—Census Director Durand issued today the first official statement from the Census Bureau relative to the agricultural statistics of the state of Kansas compiled for the Thirtieth Decennial United States Census, April 15 last.

It is issued on a preliminary comparative summary submitted to the Director by Dr. LeGrand Powers, chief statistician of the Division of Agriculture in the Bureau of the Census. This summary shows for both the census of 1910 and that of 1900 the reported total value of farm land, buildings, implements and machinery; total acreage; improved acreage; average acres per farm; average value per acre of farm land and buildings; average value per acre of farm lands alone; and the aggregate expenditure for labor and fertilizers. It also distributes the total number of farms according to color of farmer, specified character of tenure, whether held free or mortgaged, and by certain acreage groups.

The Director gives notice that the summary's figures are subject to revision later, owing to the fact that a number of farms whose returns are incomplete will be included in the final tables. These additions will not, in all probability, modify any of the amounts or rates contained in the present statement.

The census of agriculture was taken primarily for the purpose of obtaining an accurate inventory of all classes of farm property existing on April 15, 1910; a complete exhibit of farm operations during the year ended December 31, 1909; and a statement of the number and value of domestic animals in cities and villages on April 15, 1910.

Per Cent of Increase and Decrease.
It is pointed out that the statement today that the principal rates of increase in Kansas in 1910, as against 1900 are: In the total value of all farm land alone, 188 per cent; in the average value per acre of farm land alone, 178 per cent; in the total value of farm land and buildings, 169 per cent; in the average value per acre of farm land and buildings, 159 per cent; in the total expenditures for labor, 90 per cent; in the total value of farm buildings alone, 79 per cent; in the total value of all farm implements and machinery, 64 per cent; in the total improved farm acreage, 19 per cent; in the total farm acreage, 4 per cent; in the whole number of farms, 2 per cent; and in the average acres per farm, 1 per cent.

Farm Values.
The total value of farm land and buildings was given in 1910 as \$1,722,623,000, as against \$642,623,000 in 1900, an increase of \$1,080,000,000, or 169 per cent.

Color of Farmers.
Of the whole number, 177,299, of farms reported in 1910 there were 141,818, or 79 per cent, operated by white farmers and 35,481, or 19 per cent, by negro and other non-white farmers, as compared with a total of 173,998 in 1900, of which 171,232, or 98 per cent, were operated by white farmers and 2,766, or 1 per cent, by negro and other non-white farmers.

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At that time 64,187, or 39 per cent, were reported free from debt, and 44,343, or 41 per cent, mortgaged. There were 2,381 in 1909 for which no mortgage report was secured, those being included in the farms free from debt. The Census Bureau has no information of or gracefully and steadily with tons of weight to dray or van and that can do it on any kind of road—and, dirt, gravel or pavement, in any kind of weather, wet or dry, hot or cold. Many ask which draft horse cross is the best to raise for market. Answer is, if you have a grade mare of what-soever breed, breed her to an imported Percheron, then breed her filly foal to another imported Percheron. An amateur buyer of trotters once wrote to the noted breeder, John Spahn, and asked: "What particular quality he should first require in choosing a trotter." John answered, "Speed." The amateur wrote again and asked what quality should next be required. John answered: "More speed."

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Washington, Kan., March 22.—The little city of Hunnell, on the Oklahoma line in this county, is likely to have a taste of suffragette government soon. The town has never got entirely past the friskiness of cowboy days and the women have not been very well satisfied of late with the way the men have been keeping the lid off. Their protest culminated in an insurrection against the existing officer, at a feminine caucus recently held, and Mrs. Wilson has been nominated for mayor, while Mrs. Osborn was selected to make the race for police judge.

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Government Engineer Makes a Strong Statement as to Water Storage.

Ogden, Utah, March 20.—A large power plant as a part of the irrigation system of the Davis and Weber Counties Canal Company will be constructed this year.

The Davis and Weber Counties Canal Company enterprise is holding the attention of irrigation engineers throughout the country, as it affords a practical demonstration of the value of water storage for irrigation and power purposes.

Samuel Fortier, a government engineer, has made a report which is a testimonial to the wisdom of those who have developed the cost of an authoritative statement as to the merits of water storage and appropriation, as it deals with a concrete example of water conservation and application and proposed systems.

Origin of Company. "Some twenty-five years ago an irrigation enterprise known as the Davis and Weber Counties Canal Company, was incorporated for the purpose of diverting the flood waters of Weber river to irrigate a tract of land south of Ogden, Utah. Being one of the late appropriators on the stream, the company was entitled to a portion of the annual flow only when there was a surplus in the river. Usually about July 1 of each year, when the discharge of the stream was needed by prior appropriators, the company was compelled to close its headgates and to keep them closed up throughout the remainder of the cropping season.

Improvements at Temple. Temple, Tex.—Building operations to the extent of nearly half a million dollars are assured for Temple within the next eight months, actual work being in progress in most cases.

Benefits Have Been Large. "The use of stored water proved so valuable in supplementing the flood flow from the river that in 1900 the height of the dam was increased to 124 feet at a cost of \$35,000, thereby increasing the capacity to 387,000,000 cubic feet, which supplied the farmers under the system with a continuous flow of 70 cubic feet per second for sixty days.

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HELP STORK BY LEGISLATION. Bill Pensioning Mothers and Taxing Bachelors in Illinois Senate.

Springfield, Ill., March 22.—Prevention of race suicide, encouragement of increase in population and the taxation of bachelors are the features of two bills to be introduced in the senate today by Senator Beall, otherwise known as the "stork" senator.

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St. Louis, March 21.—Robert M. Brown, 27 years old, wealthy cattle buyer, who resides while on protracted visits here, at the Planters hotel, is at the city hospital with a knife thrust in his right lung, wounds on his back and right hip and the index finger of his right hand gone, as the result of an attack upon him late yesterday by Thomas H. Gilroy, a cattleman, who resides in East St. Louis.

Brown and Gilroy have been friends for thirty years. Yesterday Gilroy, according to Brown, sought the loan of \$1,000, and Brown consented to let him have it, but insisted that it would be best to turn the money over to Gilroy's wife. This suggestion angered Gilroy and he attacked Brown with a knife he picked up from a table close at hand.

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WAR HAS HUMOROUS SIDE

Especially the Little Fracas Going On South of the Rio Grande.

El Paso, Texas, March 22.—To one unacquainted with the peculiar racial characteristics of people of Latin extraction the full humor of many of the incidents in the Mexican State of Chihuahua during the war between the insurrecto forces and the federals is lost.

That the fighting was real determined and filled with deadly enmity and spleen goes without saying, but like a great many other things in life, the rank and file of the reading public refuse to take the engagements seriously. The newspaper quizzers as a whole insist on poking slyly paragraphic fun at the best efforts of the warring factions in Mexico to produce a genuine combat, the cartoonists draw pictures of the Rio Grande running uphill, label one great-battled individual Orozco and another gold-laced warrior Navarro, and let it pass for wit.

It was no joke, that little pocket edition of the war that raged around Juarez for the three weeks. The accommodating armies even went so far as to pull off a battle on the opposite side of the silvery Rio Grande, which is silvery mainly because of the blistering, blinding sands, for not a drop of water graces the river bed and not a drop will flow until the mountain snows melt in the chill recesses of Colorado and New Mexico in early or late spring.

As humorous as the professional funny men have tried to be, the half has never been told of the humorous or ridiculous incidents. It has been a smile a mile during the entire advance of Navarro's army through Chihuahua from the moment the doughty general arrived at the capital of the state, arrayed in the full panoply of war togs and astride a poor, worn-out, under-sized Mexican pony, which promptly gave up the ghost, lay down and died on the streets of Chihuahua, thus precipitating the gold-bedecked military genius to the never-washed Mexican streets, while the regimental band was playing inspiring martial music. The brave general was never feazed. He merely dismounted himself, had his silver-mounted saddle transferred to a near-by burro, which was captured while grazing in the hills, mounted the literal ass and rode majestically forward.

Some of the Grim Jokes.

It was a grim sort of humor that this same general displayed at Cierro Prieto, when he was told that one of the insurrectos that his men had bayoneted had survived. It was joking the face of death to tell of the federal officer who hid behind a log at the sharp fight of Mal Paso and cautiously directed the engagement until the log was shot full of holes, after which he beat it with great gusto. Even more grim was the joke that the federals played upon one poor lone insurrecto when they captured on the outskirts of Casas Grande. They made him dig a trench 6 feet by 2 and then leading the unfortunate blindfolded, rebel into the center of his miniature mine, shot him in his own grave and was hurriedly covered with a few shovelfuls of adobe soil.

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PREHISTORIC BONES FOUND

Texas Discovery May Throw Important Light on Man's Advent.

Dallas, Tex., March 22.—After scientists pass upon the discoveries made by E. A. Martin in the Skiles gravel pit, near Trinity Mills, in the northern part of this county, it may be established that man lived upon this planet at a far earlier period than has been heretofore believed by scholars and archaeologists.

The reason is that Mr. Martin has found skulls of human beings and a part of the skeleton of an ichthyosaurus in the same stratum of gravel. An ichthyosaurus was a scullian which was found in many parts of the world in prehistoric times. It was of great size, one skeleton now extant being about 60 feet in length.

Mr. Martin has unearthed only a part of the skeleton. He has not found the teeth and many others of its bones. Mr. Martin says that, judging from the position in which these bones lay, the ichthyosaurus died with its head turned under its body. The teeth are worn, indicating great age. From these two facts it is deduced that the animal fell before its foes when weakened by age.

While this discovery is interesting, it is minimized by the finding of human bones in the same place. Mr. Martin says that he has dug up perhaps eight or ten of these skulls, but has found no other parts of human skeletons. He is very positive that the foreheads are straight, indicating a brain cavity of considerable size. This is contrary to the conclusions of scientists who have made a study of prehistoric bones. Their contention has been that prehistoric man came to this earth at much later date and that he had very little brain, the forehead receding much like that of a monkey. The inference is that if the beings to whom the skulls found by Mr. Martin belonged lived in a prehistoric time, they must, so far as the size at least of the brain was concerned, have been the equals of the people today, the brain space being practically the same.

Mr. Martin said that he had obtained "about a wagon load" of these bones, and that before long he intended to bring some of the skulls to Dallas for exhibition.

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