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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 69 Cars, 1875 Cattle; 157 Cars, 10649 Hogs; 16 Cars, 3247 Sheep.

GOOD TONE TO STEER TRADE

Desirable Weights and Qualities Sold Strong to 10c Higher, Coarse Heavies Steady.

GOOD YEARLINGS MADE \$6.00

She Stock Sold Generally Steady, Active After First Rounds—Veals Highest of Spring—Hogs Supply Small, Prices Steady—Steers 10 Cents Higher on Liberal Run—Sheep Break 10 to 15 Cents.

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	155,262	206,072	14,490
Hogs	788,708	678,297	164,728
Sheep	32,442	198,815	10,030
Horses	20,583	11,482	9,401

Live Stock in Sight. The following shows the estimated receipts of the five principal western markets:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Chicago	4,600	49,000	16,000
Kansas City	4,000	11,900	5,000
South Omaha	12,500	13,800	3,800
St. Joseph	1,400	10,800	3,200
East St. Louis	3,000	12,000	5,800

CATTLE

Firm Tone to Steer Trade on Moderate Receipts

Full strong prices governed the general trade in fat cattle at this point today with 10c higher spots on favored weights and qualities. Steers again formed the big end of the day's moderate run, estimated at 1,600 head. Quality of the offerings was fairly good. The run carried a good many heavy bullocks and only a scant quota of cheap light steers were on hand. Recent rains, quite general over this territory, have revived pastures and tended to curtail the movement of these light plain cattle.

All of the buyers were out in the yards in due season this morning and their actions indicated pretty fair orders for cattle. A few loads of light and medium weight sold right at the start at steady to strong rates but with cattle all carrying a big bill buyers were rather inclined to hold off during the early part of the session. Later buyers settled down to business and soon cleared the pens at full steady to strong prices and spots considered 10c up. As usual the good fat light and medium weight cattle were the readiest sale, all buyers giving these kinds best support and it was on these grades that most strength noted in the trade was registered. However, the heavier grades where quality was present sold a little more freely than on the previous day after the market got under headway at a good firm level. Plain big weight steers were the less actively sought after, although yesterday's prices were well maintained.

A right good class of 1360-pound beefs sold at \$5.00, while yearlings, weighing under 1,000 pounds, made a similar figure. Best heavy steers sold at \$5.50 and mixed yearlings, 750 pound average, got the same price. Bulk of all steers cleared at \$5.50 @ \$6.00, although there was quite a number of sales, involving plain light and coarse medium weight killers, at \$5.25 @ \$5.50.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers. No. 1, 1880's, 6.00; No. 2, 1870's, 5.60; No. 3, 1860's, 5.20; No. 4, 1850's, 4.80; No. 5, 1840's, 4.40; No. 6, 1830's, 4.00; No. 7, 1820's, 3.60; No. 8, 1810's, 3.20; No. 9, 1800's, 2.80; No. 10, 1790's, 2.40; No. 11, 1780's, 2.00; No. 12, 1770's, 1.60; No. 13, 1760's, 1.20; No. 14, 1750's, .80; No. 15, 1740's, .40.

Stockers and Feeders. 448's-1250's, 5.20; 18... 759... 5.15; Yearlings and Calves. 5... 688... 5.20; 2... 480... 5.00; 1... 650... 5.00; 2... 470... 4.75; Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers. 1... 711... 4.55; 2... 480... 4.25; 3... 455... 4.05; 4... 430... 3.85; 5... 405... 3.65; 6... 380... 3.45; 7... 355... 3.25; 8... 330... 3.05; 9... 305... 2.85; 10... 280... 2.65; 11... 255... 2.45; 12... 230... 2.25; 13... 205... 2.05; 14... 180... 1.85; 15... 155... 1.65; 16... 130... 1.45; 17... 105... 1.25; 18... 80... 1.05; 19... 55... .85; 20... 30... .65; 21... 5... .45; 22... 1... .25; 23... 1... .25; 24... 1... .25; 25... 1... .25; 26... 1... .25; 27... 1... .25; 28... 1... .25; 29... 1... .25; 30... 1... .25; 31... 1... .25; 32... 1... .25; 33... 1... .25; 34... 1... .25; 35... 1... .25; 36... 1... .25; 37... 1... .25; 38... 1... .25; 39... 1... .25; 40... 1... .25; 41... 1... .25; 42... 1... .25; 43... 1... .25; 44... 1... .25; 45... 1... .25; 46... 1... .25; 47... 1... .25; 48... 1... .25; 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Daddy's Bedtime Story

Exciting Adventure
Of an Old Penny



"DID you daddy ever tell you stories, daddy?" asked Evelyn. "I guess he did, and good ones, too," answered daddy. "Then tell us one of them tonight, please," said practical Jack. "and you won't have to bother thinking one up out of your own head."

"Thank you," said daddy, with a laugh, "but that sounds just a little as if you were getting tired of my stories."

"Oh-h-h, daddy," screamed the children in chorus; "never, never, never!" And they jumped out of their cribs, climbed on his lap, put their arms around his neck and hugged him till he had to beg for mercy.

"Well," said daddy after he had them nicely tucked in again, "I used to like one about the life of an old American penny which my daddy used to tell as if the penny was talking itself."

"I was born in the mint at Philadelphia in 1805 and sent to a bank in New York with 500 of my brothers, all as bright and shiny as if we were made of beautiful gold instead of just plain copper. Then a man came in to change a bill and got me. He took me to his cobbler to pay a bill, and I lay in the cobbler's till until his little boy came home from school and was so taken by my good looks that he teased his father until he got me.

"I thought surely that he was going to keep me in his pocket forever and ever, but he wasn't that kind of a youngster, as I soon found out.

"The boy ran with me to the bakery, where he bought some gingerbread. The baker put me in his pocket and went to knead some dough for bread. There was a hole in his pocket, and I slipped out into the dough. Then I was poked in the oven. I couldn't see a thing, and I got so hot I thought I would melt. But after awhile I got cool and felt some one moving me.

"All at once something sharp went swishing by me, and I could see again. Then a man put some yellow stuff all over me and put me in a red cave with white rocks in it. One rock came down on me, and the man took me out and said, 'Why, here's a penny!' After awhile he sailed to London and took me along. He dropped me in the street one day, and a poor woman who was very hungry found me. She tried to buy some bread with me, but nobody would take the American penny, and she felt so sad she cried. She threw me away and I fell in a puddle. When the puddle dried a lady picked me up and said, 'Why here's a penny from home!' She put me in her purse and took me back across the ocean to Boston, where she kept me until she gave me to your daddy."

"That's a nice story," said Evelyn, "but not as nice as your own, daddy."

"Evelyn's right," said Jack.

"Thank you again," said daddy.

IN WOMAN'S REALM

FRUIT RECIPES.
Strawberry Cream—Over a quart of strawberries pour one teacupful of sugar, let stand for an hour, then rub through a sieve or fruit press. Soak one tablespoonful of gelatin in one-quarter pint of cold water for an hour, then add a cup of boiling water and a little sugar. Stir until the ingredients are thoroughly dissolved. Set aside and when cooled add the strained strawberries. Pour into pretty molds or large bowl and set on ice to chill till ready to use. Any other fruit may be substituted for strawberries with equally good results. Oranges prepared this way are just splendid.

Cherry Tapioca—Soak four table-spoons of tapioca in a pint of water overnight. Next morning stone the cherries to make one pint of fruit. To the juice of the cherries add a pint of water to the tapioca, let simmer for about twenty minutes; add sugar to make it sweet; add cherries and cook four minutes longer. Set on ice. Serve with whipped cream.

Pineapple Dessert—Boil one-half cupful of starch in one and one-half cups of water until clear; when clear add a small can of pineapple, sliced, or a small pineapple grated and one and one-half cups of sugar; add about two teacupfuls of lemon juice and five added flavor. Serve cold with whipped cream and garnished with powdered nuts. This will be as good as the finest sherbet.

Strawberry Fluff—At this season, when strawberries are tempting and too expensive for the ordinary purse, a delicious substitute will be the combination. Take a small glass of strawberry jam and whip in with a bottle of cream. Place two ladyfingers on a plate and add a couple of table-spoons of the strawberry and cream mixture. Garnish on top with one of the largest berries in the glass.

Strawberry Custard—Make a custard of one and one-half cupfuls of milk, three-fourths cupful of sugar, one or two eggs, two level table-spoons of starch, and one-half cupful of spoonful of vanilla. Heat milk in double boiler, then add cornstarch, dissolved in a little cold milk; let come to a boil, then add eggs and sugar. Stir the starch into the hot milk. Remove from stove and add vanilla. Have ready as many sherbet cups (I prefer the footed ones) as you wish to serve. Take five strawberries for each cup, cut in halves, lay in the bottom of each cup place a half nutmeg; arrange five pieces of your berries around it to look like petals of a flower. Now pour in the warm custard, leaving room enough to repeat the flower design on top. This may be made early in the day, as it is best served cold. A dainty and easily prepared dessert, and especially economical when strawberries are not too plentiful.

Strawberry Ice Cream—Two quarts of pure cream, fourteen ounces of white sugar; mix well. Mash one cup of fresh ripe strawberries, sprinkle them with half a pound of fine sugar, let stand about an hour, strain through a fine sieve, or a cloth; if the sugar is not dissolved stir it well. Add a little water. Stir this juice into the cream and freeze. Do not stir the cream until the ordinary housekeeper cannot make these delightful desserts, such as ice cream and water ices. They are easy and when home made are much superior to those purchased from the grocer's. Use only the best materials—pure cream, ripe natural fruits or good extracts of the same, and sugar the purest. These make a perfect ice cream. Stir the cream and sugar up in two parts, mix with one part coarse salt. Have your ice and salt as high around the outside of freezing can as the cream reaches on the inside. Do not stir the cream at once. Stir rapidly and constantly. This is essential to make smooth cream. If the cream is allowed to freeze to the sides of the can without being quickly moving, it will surely be lumpy of ice through it.

ASKS MONEY REFORM.

MacVeagh Asks Bankers to Deal With Question in Non-Partisan Spirit.

Kansas City, May 25.—Approximately one thousand Missouri and Kansas bankers, who are holding their annual convention here and in Kansas City, Kan., respectively, met in joint session at Convention hall last night to hear Secretary MacVeagh of the treasury and other widely known men speak.

Among those who addressed the meeting were David R. Francis, former governor of Missouri; W. J. Bailey, former governor of Kansas, and F. O. Watts of Nashville, Tenn., president of the American Bankers' association.

Secretary MacVeagh indorsed the plan for monetary reform proposed by Senator Aldrich and made a plea for all bankers to support it in a public spirited, non-partisan way.

While he paid a high tribute to Mr. Aldrich as a monetary reformer, Secretary MacVeagh was frank in saying he did not agree with the tariff views of the former senator from Rhode Island and added that he thought Mr. Aldrich himself might have changed his opinions some.

"We must get away from Mr. Aldrich as a monetary reformer. As a monetary reformer he is assuredly one of the best examples of his kind that has ever been so. He has long been interested in monetary questions and legislations but it is only during the last four or five years that he has become what he is—a thoroughly enlightened student and builder.

"The nation puts into the hands of the bankers the care and control and the organization of its financial interests. In all periods the banking and currency systems of the world have been formulated by the bankers. It is not enough to say that the bankers suffer from the inadequacy of their system, because they suffer too much and more than any one else."

"The banking system of America today," said Secretary MacVeagh, "is not an unorganized mass composed of 25,000 units. A central reserve association," he said, "would bring them all into a workable organization. It would be only a question of organization and not at all one of centralization. That the proposed system would be a central bank, Secretary MacVeagh denied.

"As to apprehensions that the central reserve association may become a political institution or fall into the hands of a few moneyed men," Mr. MacVeagh continued, "Let me say they are wholly unnecessary. It can never become a political agency. It is easily removed or all time from any remote possibility of being controlled by any few men or any few banks. It cannot be owned by less than all the banks who create it."

In conclusion Secretary MacVeagh counseled the bankers to deal with currency reform in a thoroughly non-partisan, public spirit.

"I hope banking and currency reform will escape the misfortune of becoming a party question," said he. "The outlook for escape is excellent. There is no evidence in sight that the parties will divide upon it."

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GERMAN HOGS BEING KILLED.

Breeder's Gazette: A letter received by a local trader from Germany conveys the information that owing to an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease, due to shipping in live stock from France, thousands of hogs have been destroyed in that country. To check the spread of the disease the usual slaughtering expedient has been resorted to, the result being that German hog herds have been seriously decimated. This will cause a shortage of domestic hild next fall and force German buyers into the American market, in the opinion of the writer of the letter. It is a curious coincidence that simultaneously with revival of hard production in America every possible factor needed to create a broad European demand should have been at work and it is highly probable that the big run of land-yielding sows forecasted for the summer months will find a warm welcome at the hands of packers whose profits on the enormous volume of business they are now doing in hog product of all kinds must be satisfactory.

BE MERCIFUL TO THE HORSES.

The season is at an end when the working horse of the city have a chance to do comfortable work. For a time in the spring, between the sleet of winter and the hot and broiling heat of the summer, the horse does not suffer provided he is driven sensibly and humanely. There is a corresponding period in the fall when temperature and paving do not conspire against him.

But the stifling heat of summer imposes great hardship upon the straining, worried beasts and their troubles are aggravated immeasurably by heedless half-crazed drivers. A little systematic observation is all that is needed to convince any person that two-thirds of the drivers of dray and other hard working horses ought to be pounding rock. They are indifferent or worse, and horses do not get water enough, or what is just as important, often enough, or they are not driven sensibly across rough places in the pavement, or across railroad tracks, or there is no "management" in getting up the long asphalted slopes, or their harnesses do not fit, or their shoes are not properly placed, or their eyes are not kept clear.

In other ways than those mentioned bad management upon the part of either owners or drivers is responsible for much suffering upon the part of horses which would do more work and do it easier and live longer if their comfort was properly regarded.

Too many men hired to drive horses only hold the lines. It takes judgment to drive properly, and it is economical upon the part of the owners of horses to hire men who have some measure of real skill and kind dispositions.

SOME LUMBER PRICES.

The price of lumber seems to have advanced to such a point that consumption is perceptibly affected. For each decennial period from 1850 to 1890 the consumption increased, on an average, about 50 per cent. In the last decennial period the increase was less than half that, and in 1910 we cut only forty-three billion feet of lumber instead of fifty-two billion, which would have been the output under the former ratio of increase.

From 1890 to 1906 the annual lumber cut increased more than a billion feet for each year. From 1890 to 1907, with a larger population, the annual cut increased less than three-quarters of a million feet. Consumption actually and relatively to population, was still growing, but the ratio of increase has been checked. That is something. From 1900 to 1907 the average price of lumber at the mill increased from \$11.15 to \$16.56 a

PIGEON AND TEETH GONE

Denver Doctor Will Be Out \$75 Unless Bird Is Found.

Denver, Colo., May 24.—A little episode partaking of comedy and tragedy—the latter strictly financial—has developed in a dentist's office in this city. The story shapes itself this way in a local paper:

Lost—One white, fan-tail pigeon, with two gold teeth in its bill. Name of Fan. Return to 512 Empire Building and keep gold teeth for trouble and expense.

Or—Come home and all will be forgiven.

Fan, it may be explained, is the erstwhile pet of Doctors G. E. Brown, A. C. Stewart and E. C. Tennant, all of whom share the same reception room on the sixth floor of the Empire Building. Fan is the only pigeon medical student known.

The bird formerly made its home with others of its kind in an arch at the courthouse. Fan became a pet of the three medical men a year ago under very unusual circumstances.

Dr. Brown had placed a box containing some strychnine pills on a window sill at his office. Fan, who at that time was unnamed, happened along. She espied the pills. Being hungry and believing the pills were sugar, she ate them. She was delighted on the window sill and made a meal of the poisonous little pellets. Apparently the poison had no effect on her, for thereafter she made daily visits in anticipation of another such feast.

Growing to know the bird, the three doctors encouraged her visits by putting bits of food and water on the window sill for her. Since then she has made the office and reception room her home, having at all times access through open windows. The desks, bookcases and other articles of furniture have been her morning places through the day. At night her roosting place has been an arm of a hall tree that stands in the reception room.

Each morning she received her breakfast from one or more of her benefactors. During the day she divided her time and affections between them. She was an especial favorite with friends and patrons of the doctors and she is in fact the most office occupant on the sixth floor of the building.

Fan's only fault was her inquisitiveness. And her inquisitive disposition, according to her friends, has come near resulting fatally for her several times. And thereby hinges the tale of the gold teeth Fan possesses.

On a recent morning Dr. Brown was requested to repair a plate composed of two gold teeth. In repairing the molars it was necessary for the doctor to use cement. He placed the two gold grinders on a stand near the window.

A few minutes later Fan, after an all-morning's absence from home, returned hungry. Immediately she began a search for something to appease her appetite. Her wanderings eventually took her to the stand where the two gold teeth rested. She gave an inquiring poke with her bill. The second peek had a surprising effect. Her beak wedged into a cavity. The bird hopped, fluttered and beat the air with her wings, but she could not release her bill. Before she could be stopped, she had flown out of the window in flight. Even in the air she continued to tumble and flop in an endeavor to release her bill from the clamp that held it. She fell out of sight.

Unless the bird returns to her home where she can be assisted, or otherwise succeeds in releasing herself, she cannot eat. If she drops the gold teeth in her flight, Dr. Brown will be the loser of about \$75 worth of gold and will be obliged to replace the teeth. Dr. Brown says he will forgive Fan, replace the teeth and forget her shortcomings if she will but return.

COMPANY TO REBUILD GIN.

Paragould, Ark.—The East St. Louis Cotton Oil Company has closed a deal for what is left of the plant of the Farmers' Union Oil and Milling Company which was burned last December, and will immediately rebuild on a more extensive scale. M. E. Singleton, a St. Louis millionaire is the active manager of the concern, which is probably the strongest in the United States.

ASPARAGUS.

Canapes of ASPARAGUS.—Take slices of bread about two inches thick, and stamp them out into neat rounds with a biscuit cutter. With a smaller cutter mark a circle in the center of each round. The center has been cut to the depth of an inch, taking care to leave the sides and bottom quite firm. Arrange these in a shallow dish and pour over them a half pint of milk, until tender. Drain the cream and the milk on soft paper. Cut the tender part of asparagus into pieces of an equal size, rejecting that which is woody. Wash and simmer in salted water until tender. Drain and put in a sauce pan with a tablespoonful of flour; then add a quarter of a pint of water in which the asparagus was cooked; let it boil a few minutes. Add the juice of a lemon, and a teaspoonful of fine chopped parsley. Fill the canapes with this; arrange on a platter and garnish with cream or parsley and sliced lemon.

ASPARAGUS SOUP.

Put two dozen asparagus stalks in boiling salted water (just enough to cover), with a small onion, a few sprigs of parsley, and a stalk of celery. Cover closely and cook twenty minutes or a half hour, until tender. Take out the asparagus with a skimmer and strain the water from the other vegetables. Press the asparagus through a puree strainer and return to the water in which it was cooked. Make a white sauce by cooking together one heaping tablespoonful of butter and a level tablespoonful of flour. Stir until smooth, add the asparagus and water. Add the juice of a lemon, and a teaspoonful of fine chopped parsley. Do not allow it to cook after adding the cream, but while scalding hot, pour gradually over the well beaten yolks of two eggs. Serve with croutons or crackers.

STRAWBERRY DESSERTS.

Make a rich crust and fill with berries partly mashed and mixed with sugar. Cover with sweetened whipped cream and serve. Short cakes—Make an angel food and bake in two tins. Put strawberries between and serve with whipped cream sweetened.

SORGHUM SEED GRAFT.

Kansas Agricultural Expert Issues Warning Against Fake.

Manhattan, Kan., May 25.—You remember the 222-bushel-an-acre-wheat story of a year or two ago, don't you? You remember how some persons sold that seed for \$1,200 a bushel—so much a pound?

Well, here's another, only worse, and farmers in Kansas, Oklahoma and Illinois are falling for it—sorghum seed at \$1,500 a bushel. The postoffice department inspectors are after it—the swindle, not the seed. Said Arthur H. Leidigh, assistant professor of agronomy in the state agricultural college, the other morning:

"Watch out for the man who sells little packets of this sorghum seed—a thousand seeds to a packet. This makes the retail price \$1,500 a bushel. Someone has been soliciting for four months, for persons to take state and county rights to sell this seed at \$1 a packet. Every man who buys a county right must buy 100 packets of seed and agree to sell 990 more and he signs a contract."

Professor Leidigh has been co-operating with C. R. Ball of the United States department of agriculture, who has charge of the grain sorghum investigation in trying to run down the perpetrators of the latest swindle.

"The sorghum has been sold as 'California wheat,' 'Mexican wheat,' and 'Egyptian wheat.' It has been grown more or less throughout the sorghum producing area of the United States for several years, and in the southern states for a longer period. Where conditions are favorable for its growth, the crop at first has aroused great expectations. However, when harvest time arrives it is discovered that the heads, which have a plumelike appearance, are made up mostly of chaff and glumes, and that the seeds are hardly as large or as plentiful as those contained in common kafir. The result is that, while the field produces large amounts of head grain, as far as bulk is concerned, it rarely ever makes more than two-thirds as much threshed grain as kafir."

GOLD ORE \$250,000 TO TON.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Should the Adamson-Turner gold discovery in the hills near Winnemucca go down 30 feet more it will prove the greatest gold strike ever made in the state in the opinion of the well-known Nevada mining operator, William Rea, who came in from Northern Nevada and was at the Golden yesterday. "I never saw anything like it before," said Mr. Rea. "At the bottom of the 40-foot shaft there is a solid vein of almost pure gold 4 inches wide. This will run \$250 to the pound, which is \$250,000 to the ton. A 6-pound piece was taken out which went \$125 per pound. A 62-pound chunk averaged about \$100 a pound. The boys now have \$5000 of this pure stuff in the vaults of the First National Bank at Winnemucca. The balance of the vein, which is 30 feet thick, will run \$20 a ton."

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BLOWING A GALE

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Mr. Rivers, the broker, had over-slept that morning, and had gone off on his train to the city without breakfast. He had said he'd be hanged, and he'd be dinged, and he'd be dinged, and the nervous Mrs. Rivers who couldn't help his dreams of shorn lambs and oversleeping, was taken with a headache and couldn't get up to breakfast. If she had got up matters would have been worse. There was a high wind blowing, and the kitchen range smoked, and the cook threatened to quit, and the woman who had washed the day before, but not hung out the clothes, sent a snub-nosed boy to say that she had rheumatism in her shoulder and couldn't come that day. Miss Minnie Rivers, daughter of the house, might have swallowed her fork as she ate her smoky breakfast and made things worse—but she didn't. She made them worse by interviewing the cook and suggesting that she should get the clothes out on the line to dry and look for her reward in that land popularly supposed to be beyond the sky and not yet approached by the aviator. Then the gale outside and inside the house sensibly increased in intensity. In fact, the cook blew out with her bundle, and then blew into distance. It was the last straw for which she had been waiting. Other cooks had gone on the stage and made fame as actresses, and why not she? Miss Minnie sat down and wept and wished she was married and away from home, and that her father's train would run off the track, and her mother get cramps in her toes, and the cook meet a goblin, and the house catch fire and burn to the



Hanging on for Dear Life.

ground. Then she laughed a little, hummed a little, and then put on her old fishing skirt and started in to settle things. Although the daughter of the house, she had come to be in a way the head of it. If things went awry it was for Miss Minnie to straighten them out. That's a part of the course at college—to straighten out things. They pretend that the family cook has quit her job to become a Sarah Bernhardt, and then have the girl students do things. They even have them tinker at smoking kitchen ranges, and they even have a paper rushing out of the house and saying dings-dongs. Another nice thing college does is to teach the girls how to hang out the Monday wash to produce the most artistic and picturesque effect on the landscape for a mile around. There are landscape artists and sculptors and poets who don't know that it is against art and sentiment to pin a towel and a sheet side by side on a clothesline.

The kitchen was cleaned at last, and then for the clothes! College teaches the gentle art of passing washed clothes through a wringer without making a puddle on the floor or bringing too great a strain on the foundations of the house. Miss Minnie smiled and wrung and hummed and wrung, and behold!—It was as easy as playing "The Old Blue Bonnet" on the piano. Then came the artistic part—the hanging out. And that's where Mr. Arthur Gregg came in and got the surprise of his life. He was walking across the country from Cloverdale to reach his mother's house, and thinking of nothing particularly, when three table napkins came flying at him from somewhere. They were followed by a bath towel and a pillow-slip, and he looked about him to discover other things taking wing. Mr. Gregg was a young man just entering upon the law, and after a moment's thought his legal mind made him conclude that there was a fountainhead near by whence all these things came. He quickly traced it to the rear of the Rivers house. He appeared there with his arms full. He found a wild-eyed maiden hanging to a blowing, flapping clothesline, from which some garment was escaping every instant. At college the students are taught to hang out the wash only on quiet, placid days, and this is an oversight that the faculty should correct at once. It brought trouble and confusion to Miss Minnie. Flap and away went a napkin! Flap and away went a sheet! Flap and away went a towel! The gale was roaring, the

clotheslines twisting! She was gritting her teeth and hanging on for dear life when Mr. Gregg appeared. Did Mr. Gregg, with a lot of damp garments pressed to his beating heart, stop and introduce himself to Miss Minnie Rivers, hanging on to the swaying lines with both hands and feeling that all was lost? He didn't. He threw etiquette and the conventionalities to the dogs, and brought his legal lore to bear on the main issue. He saw at once that the lines were stretched across the path of the gale. In five minutes he had untied them from the posts and stretched them the other way, and there was a decided cessation of the flappety-flap. Then he ran here and there to gather up the strays, which must go back to the rinsing tub. He had only accomplished this when he noticed smoke pouring from the open kitchen door. He entered to find that the cook had left the dampers so as to make a smoke house of the place, but a twist of the wrist made things all right. College teaches nothing about stove dampers. That is a thing to be learned by red-eyed experience. As he stepped out doors again an old hen and half a dozen chickens emerged from the coop to take a saunter. The gale caught them up and away they went, but Mr. Gregg was after them and they were brought back in good shape and with gentle hand. Then he tightened one of the lines a little more, refastened a sheet that wanted to be a star-spangled banner, and with a careful look at the chimney of the house he lifted his hat and resumed his journey. Miss Minnie was looking after him when the mother appeared at the back door and said: "My headache is a little better. What's happened?" "Why, it's blowing a gale, and a lot of the clothes blew off the line." "And who was that young man?" "Why, he blew along in with the gale and helped me." (College doesn't teach it just that way. The girls pick it up after they have graduated. To blow along means to arrive in a hurry—to arrive in a gale—to arrive just in time to be of assistance to a damsel in distress.) "Did he fix those lines?" asked the mother. "Yes." "And pick up all those things?" "Yes." "And what did you do?" "I just hung on and grinned." "Minnie Rivers, how could you do it! I didn't get a fair sight of him, but I'm almost sure that is Arthur Gregg, only son and heir of the widow Gregg. Why—why, what'll he think of you? What'll his proud mother say? I don't believe you even thanked him!" "I know I didn't," was the reply. "I was hanging on to that damask tablecloth with all my might!" "And you are most twenty years old, and your father and I were hoping—"

And then the gale blew the mother in and no more was said. Three days later, when the winds roared no more, and there was no more flappety-flap along the clotheslines, Miss Minnie and Mr. Gregg sat in the parlor and talked and laughed and joked like good friends. And that evening the wife whispered to the husband: "Wouldn't it be funny if Cupid had planned it out?" "Can't tell about Cupid," was the answer, "but you'd better hustle for another cook if you expect me home every night."

Bear Hunters' Mistake. A telegram from St. Colomban des Villas, in the Savoy, reports that the villagers were thrown into a state of great alarm by the appearance of a large bear on the edge of the village. It was looking for something to eat, and a general raid by the animal on all the live stock in the place was feared. The men sallied forth to hunt the bear and the women locked themselves and the children in the houses. After a time the bear was surrounded and shot as he was trotting up to the men. The intrepid hunters dragged the carcass to the village and skinned it, distributing portions of the skin as souvenirs of the adventure and dividing the flesh for home consumption. Great rejoicings were going on when the owner of the bear arrived, and on hearing of the fate of his pet stated that it was a pet performing animal, and that he would sue the village for compensation for the loss of his means of livelihood.

A War Time Letter Box. There is an interesting relic of the late Civil war in Harrisburg in the postoffice box used by the soldiers camped at Second and Foster streets as a letter box. It is a wooden box that originally held a thousand cartridges, is about 12 by 14 inches in size and 6 inches deep, and in the top is a slot in which letters were dropped. It had a hinged lid with lock, and stood in the headquarters tent, from which all mail was carried once a day. When the camp broke up the present owner of the box got it from the commandant and has kept it ever since, and it is in first-class condition.—Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.

Force of Habit. "I have to be ready on time. My husband won't wait a minute on me." "He won't?" "No; you see, in his youth he was an elevator boy."

SPARKING ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Institution That Helps to Make Life Worth Living for the Young People.

The Sunday night sparking is a sacred institution. But for it, life would be at a certain age not worth living, and race suicide would become indeed a matter of serious apprehension. The man who has not tender memories of taking his girl home from Sunday evening service and going in for "a little while" is apt to be a crusty bachelor, hating women because he never knew one in her most charming attitude. The man whose youth was never mellowed by a Sunday night kiss stolen from not too unwilling lips has missed half his life. Half? Yes, nine-tenths! The Sunday nights when the fire burned low—and the lamp, too—hallowed places in the memories of every normal life. The low fire and the low light have cast a glow that reaches all the way to the grave. They who are not grown old and heart-hardened may sneer at it now and think that young hearts should be calculated as old ones are; but time was with all of us when we looked forward through the seven days of the week to Sunday night as the golden time of the week. And our fathers did it. And our grandfathers. It is an ancient human custom that did not originate with our youth or fade with it. Our children do it in spite of our frowns. And our grandchildren will. And our great-grandchildren. Generations come and go, but Sunday night sparking remains.—Wichita Beacon.

END OF OLD MUSSENTOUCHIT

Baby Smashed the Gold Fish Globe, But Killed the Mysterious and Mysterious Creature.

There was one word the little girl heard many times a day and could not imagine what it was. The word was Mussentouchit. Baby wondered who Mussentouchit could be. The strange thing lived in the bureau drawers; it lived in the sewing machine; it lived in the tall jar that stood on the little round table; it certainly lived in the glass globe where the gold fishes swam. This went on till baby was two years old. Mussentouchit was everywhere—in the shining books on the parlor table; in the flower beds; among the roses; even in mamma's work-basket the strange thing lived; and if baby took up a reel of silk or cotton, there was Mussentouchit. One day baby found herself by the glass globe all alone. The family were very busy, and for a few minutes forgot the little, prying, restless darling. This was her chance. Up went the chubby legs into the chair that stood near the gold fish globe. Poised on the rounding cushion, baby reached far over to touch the gold fish. In reaching she lost her balance and fell, dragging the globe to the floor. There was a crash, a scream, a rush, and mamma was on the spot. Baby was picked up, kissed and scolded. "I dees I tilled old Mussentouchit is time!" she said, shaking herself and walking off.

Cherished Bell.

The oldest bell in the United States, possibly in the Americas, is in the small village of East Haddam, Conn. It bears the date "A. D. 803." Presumably it came from an old monastery in Spain, and was probably brought to this country as ballast or old iron in some sailing ship. Later it was bought in a junk shop, and now it hangs in a belfry in the rectory at East Haddam. The vicissitudes through which this old bell passed doubtless were varied. Before the discovery of the new world, before the first printed book, before the Norman conquest of England, before Charlemagne, it called men to prayers, at a time when the light of learning in western Europe was but a spark in the ashes of dead civilization. It was cast in an age when men were fearful, when those who were not strong were futile—and today it rests in a peaceful New England hamlet.

Origin of Common Phrase. We owe the word "catchpenny" to a publisher of the name of Catchpin. After a celebrated murder trial in 1824, when the assassin had been executed for the murder of Ware, this man hit upon the bright idea of issuing a penny ballad entitled "We Are Alive Again." People jumped to the conclusion that the title was "We Are Alive Again," and as it sold like wild-fire to the extent of two and a half million copies; hence a "Catchpin" or "catchpenny" affair came to signify a hoax of that kind. Incidentally it may be remarked that the ingenious Catchpin succeeded in catching two and a half million pennies!

Thought He Was Dreaming. "John," said the foreman, unexpectedly, "we have decided to raise you five dollars a week." John made no answer, but appeared to be looking for something on his desk. "Why don't you say something—aren't you satisfied?" demanded the foreman. "I'm trying to see if there's an alarm clock here," said John.

Deep Strategy. "How did the girls' anti-smoking crusade turn out?" It collapsed. The young men of the town organized an anti-chocolate crusade.—Stray Storage

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THREE MILLION-FOOT GASSEER. Ardmore, Okla.—The Idaho Oil and Gas Company has brought in a three million-foot gasser on land adjoining the Santa Fe addition to Oil City and the company is now erecting a derrick west of the new town and will begin drilling there as soon as the present well is finished. After the second well has been bored they are under contract to drill on lands leased from Leibetter & Betts in the same field. When the Idaho people go west of Oil City they will be in undeveloped territory and their drilling there will be watched with great interest.

GREAT VALUE OF ALFALFA

ESSENTIALS TO SUCCESS WITH ITS CULTURE.

By M. F. Miller, Professor of Agronomy, College of Agriculture, University of Missouri.

From experiments which have been conducted by the Missouri experiment station the following conclusions have been drawn regarding the growing of alfalfa in this state:

It takes good land to grow alfalfa without considerable care. Well-drained creek and river-bottoms, as well as well-drained and rich uplands especially those containing plumb of lime, will grow it readily where it is properly handled.

The seed bed must be well prepared for spring seeding it should be plowed in the fall, preferably, so as to allow it to be well settled below.



Enlarged photograph of Dodder Seed. An enemy to alfalfa.

ough working. It should then be kept harrowed frequently to conserve the moisture and kill the weeds as they start, until time to sow.

Inoculation on uplands which have never grown alfalfa before is beneficial and usually necessary to success. This is especially true of regions where sweet clover does not grow.

Liming is beneficial to alfalfa in many south Missouri soils, and it is sometimes necessary to success.

To begin with, however, one should learn to grow alfalfa on good land that does not need lime, if he has such land on the place.

On land of medium to low fertility, manuring is essential to success, applying ten to fifteen tons of manure before plowing.

Brazilian Ambassador Named. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.—The appointment of Dominic da Gama, former Brazilian minister to Buenos Ayres, as ambassador to the United States, is officially announced.

Nothing Doing. "I have been offered a dollar a word to write an article on the importance of the vice presidency of the United States."

"Well, pal, unless you break into fiction you won't be able to earn over 60 cents."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

TUBERCULOSIS IN ANIMALS

By A. C. Page, College of Agriculture, University of Missouri.

Is there really much danger to human beings in drinking milk from tuberculous cows? The agricultural papers of the country have published many articles both pro and con, and the matter is more or less undecided in the minds of many.

There are a number of characteristics of the tuberculosis germs which are giving rise to arguments among the scientists. But the most of them seem to be agreed that the disease is transmissible from man to animal or animal to man.

It is true that infants seem to be more readily affected by the disease from cows than are adults. One man cited this fact as a reason for opposing the tuberculin tests, for he said, only occasional infants would be infected with the disease.

When men all realize the danger of this disease and understand the methods of its control, a great advance will be made in the health of the state and nation.

ALL-SUMMER MILK FLOW

By A. C. Page, College of Agriculture, University of Missouri.

It isn't the nature of a cow to fall off in milk production in summer any more than at other times of the year. In practice, on most farms, they actually do fall off considerably in "dry time."

It is possible to improve the pastures greatly by proper handling, but there will be some times when the grass will not be so long and fresh as is desirable for the hard-worked milking cow.

Alfalfa will give better results for bog grazing purposes than any other forage known. It is a nitrogenous forage, rich in protein and calcium, and therefore furnishes the necessary protein and mineral matter necessary for the highest development of bone and muscle.

The best results are obtained when it is supplemented with corn to the extent of one-half of a full ration, or to the extent of two per cent of the weight of the hogs.

The water the cow drinks makes a difference in the amount of milk she gives, and may affect the healthfulness of it. If there is no place to drink except in some stagnant pool with a green scum on it and a vile smell, the cow will not drink much water.

CARING FOR YOUNG PIGS

By F. G. King, Experiment Station, University of Missouri.

With the proper care, there should be no decrease in the growth and development of the pigs after weaning time. The weaning is often a time when the pigs stop growing for a week or two. But if the right kind of food is given to them, and they are eating well, there need be no delay in development.

The other method practiced, and the one used by sixty-one out of the seventy-two farmers making reply on this question, is to remove the sow after the pigs have learned to eat well. The age of weaning varies from six to fourteen weeks with our correspondents, with an average of nine weeks.

The feed during weaning and a short time afterward should be the same as before weaning, and consist as largely as possible of soft feed, as the removal of the milk supply is taking away a very soft and palatable food.

Number of Farms Reporting Each Class. The total number of farms in the state in 1910 was 60,914. Of these, 88.8 per cent, or 53,280, reported domestic animals; 79.4 per cent, or 47,884, reported cattle; 78.8 per cent, or 47,292, reported horses and colts; 41.4 per cent, or 24,852, reported swine; 18.4 per cent, or 11,090, reported sheep and lambs; and 9.4 per cent, or 5,723, reported mules and mule colts.

ALFALFA FORAGE FOR HOGS

By F. B. Mumford, Director of Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Missouri.

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The total number of horses and colts reported in 1910 was 47,292. Of these, 13,165 were classified by the census as mature horses, that is, horses born before 1909, and their value was \$14,677,699; average value, \$1136.

The total number of sheep and lambs reported for 1910 was 206,434. Of these, 143,738 were mature ewes, born before 1910, and their total value was \$655,700, or an average of \$4.60.

The summary on poultry shows that the total number of farms reporting the different kinds in 1910 was 45,440, the total number of fowls being 1,735,962, and the total value, \$1,132,000.

DOMESTIC ANIMALS IN MAINE

Statement of Thirteenth Census Statistics Issued by Census Bureau.

Washington, D. C., May 25.—Statistics relative to the domestic animals, poultry, and bees reported for the state of Maine in the Thirteenth Decennial Census, April 15, 1910, are contained in an official statement issued today by Acting Census Director Falkner.

The aggregate value of all domestic animals, poultry, and bees in 1910 was reported as \$25,162,000, as compared with \$17,106,900 in 1900; the amount of increase being \$8,055,000, and the rate, 47.1 per cent.

The total value of the domestic animals was reported as \$23,990,000 in 1910, as against \$16,298,000 in 1900; the amount of increase being \$7,692,000, or 47.2 per cent.

Horses and colts are the most valuable class of domestic animals in 1910, displacing cattle, which were slightly more valuable in 1900.

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NO ROAD TAX EXEMPTIONS

New Kansas Law Fails to Provide for Disability Permits.

Topeka, May 24.—Considerable discussion has been raised over the state concerning the new road law which says nothing about the granting of disability permits in poll tax matters.

The total number of mules of all ages in 1910 was only 353, or less than one-half of 1 per cent as many as the horses and colts.

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The total number of farms reporting bees decreased from 2,496 in 1900 to 1,371 in 1910, or 45.1 per cent.

KANSAS FARMER IS RICH.

More People Have Property in Country According to Figures Gathered.

Topeka, Kan., May 25.—The poor downtrodden Kansas farmer is the man with the money. There are lots of city people who are fortunes, but the average Kansas farmer is richer than the average city man.

The tax commission found the total value of all property in Kansas last year to be \$2,752,308,678, and if the same proportional growth is maintained for the valuation this year Kansas will almost reach the \$3,000,000,000 class.

The government census shows a total population of 1,707,491, and if this basis is taken in figuring the per capita valuation it gives \$1,511.75, but the valuation figures were fixed by a state board and the census returns were taken in figuring the per capita valuations.

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