



# AGRICULTURAL NEWS AND VIEWS

## NUBS OF NEWS

**Cotton in Comanche county** suffered heavily from the late rains.

Rice harvesting is progressing well in the vicinity of Bay City, Texas.

The annual meeting of the Truck Growers of Texas will be held in Dallas at the Fair grounds Oct. 9.

The date of the fair of the Guadalupe Stock and Fair association at Seguin, Tex., has been changed to November 8, 9 and 10.

The grain and rice mills and elevator of Tomkies & Co. at Houston were burned a few days ago. The loss is placed at \$18,000.

The pineapple crop of Florida will break all previous records. The value of the crop on the east coast alone will be in excess of \$300,000.

Cotton pickers met at Milford, Ellis county, Tex., a few days ago and agreed on 60c and board, or 70c without board, as a standard price to be paid for picking while cotton remains at its present price.

Cotton pickers in Delta county are very scarce, and there is a great scramble for them. Prices ranging from 65 cents to \$1 per hundred are paid, and still it is impossible to get enough hands.

Cotton planters in Navarro county are far behind in gathering the cotton crop, not so much from a lack of cotton pickers as from the fact that the negro pickers, as a general thing, will not pick more than three and a half days a week in the cotton fields. They insist on spending the balance of the time in town.

Hill county farmers and cotton pickers have agreed on a scale of prices for picking. At the present market price of cotton 75 cents per hundred or 65 cents and board are to be paid for picking. If cotton goes to 12 cents in market 85 cents will be paid to pickers and if the market drops to 8 cents the price for picking will be 65 cents per hundred or 60 cents and board.

A. M. Willis, Jr., of Dozier, Tex., writes to the Journal: "We have had a good season again this year in the Panhandle, crops as last year. The main reason for this was the care made where they received half the attention they receive in a regular agricultural country. However, as the country settles up and more attention is paid to agriculture, improved methods of farming and more care in selecting early maturing varieties of grain, so as to escape a possible drought, will naturally follow. It is not twenty miles to Oklahoma from here, and the geo-

graphical line and a wire fence thereon does not keep back the rains with which our neighbor is admitted to be blessed. The Choctaw nation has raised a few more than that raised elsewhere. In Mexico crops will sell for 25 cents and over per pound, and the markets are plentiful."

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**CONDITIONS FOR SEPTEMBER.**—September proved a disastrous month for the cotton crop. The terrific rain and wind storms in Texas, which has been the banner cotton state, materially lowered its condition.

**HESTER'S REPORT.**—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans cotton exchange statement, issued before the close of business Sept. 28, shows a decrease in round numbers in the movement of cotton in sight of 500 bales under the seven days ending Sept. 28, last year, a decrease of 29,000 bales under the same time year before last, and an increase of 100 over the same time in 1897. The amount brought into sight for the week is stated at 329,232 against 339,729 for the seven days ending this date last year, 365,593 year before last and 328,000 in 1897. The amount brought in of the crop moved into sight for the twenty-eight days of the new season to 812,222 against 995,539 last year, 930,370 year before last and 975,666 same time in 1897.

**AUSTRALIAN FARMERS COMPLAIN.**—At the last meeting of the council of the Royal Agricultural Society, says the Australian, Mr. Geo. Chirnside complained of the want of publicity given to orders for hay received by the Victorian government on account of the Imperial government. By not allowing farmers to know when supplies were required for South Africa, and the large quantities of hay received by the Victorian government on account of the Imperial government.

**FRUIT FROM SOUTH AFRICA.**—The termination of the Boer war has directed attention to the agricultural and horticultural future of South Africa and its possibilities are by no means slight. The exportation of fruit from the Cape Colony has been rapidly completed under highly favorable conditions. The estimate of the likely yield of this year's British wheat crop, 28½ bushels per acre, is very close to that adopted by other writers. In this supposition the wheat crop of the United Kingdom will amount to 6½ million quarters, or about 1¼ million quarters less than the crop of 1899.

## BRITISH WHEAT AND REQUIREMENTS.

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**TEXAS CROPS.**—The following report on the condition of Texas crops to Sept. 25 has been issued by the Texas weather bureau.

The weather during the early part of the week was reported for the far north as continued showers, with heavy local rains over the northern half of the state after September 20, have greatly retarded farming operations. These rains were very beneficial for fall pasture and had the ground in fine condition for plowing, but have done much damage to crops, especially on low land.

**INDIFFERENT COWKEEPING.**—A contrast between the up-to-date dairyman and the average farm creamery is conspicuous to the least observant. And the difference in the thoroughness of the work done by the former over the latter is decidedly to the credit of the creamery.

## GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT.

The following reports have been received by the government bureau from its crop correspondents, summarizing the crop conditions in the several states up to Sept. 25:

**MISSISSIPPI.**—Good rains general, except in the eastern counties, causing the crop to be better than in other crops; no improvement in cotton, which is opening fast; picking rushed; yield very light. Turnips being sown. Corn being gathered; short crop, but quality good.

**LOUISIANA.**—Good rains in northern parishes beneficial to fall crops; elsewhere nothing suffered. Cotton done fruiting in many places; picking well advanced; yield light. Large portion of corn crop gathered; crop short. Sugar cane recovered from effects of storm; stubble cane improving; prospects of profitable yield very good. Rice harvest progressing rapidly and satisfactorily.

**MISSOURI.**—Good rains over state late for fall crops, but good for turkeys, pastures and late potatoes. Cotton crop opening rapidly; picking progressing. Late corn almost a failure in many sections. Wheat acreage will be smaller. Plenty of hay and fodder saved. Winter apples scarce.

**ILLINOIS.**—Favorable week for all crops; good rains but ground in excellent condition for plowing; corn sown from frost; much of it cut; pastures excellent; good prospects for fall feed; some seedling done; less than the usual acreage promised; apples dropping and average prospects very poor, though fair yield at a few localities. Indiana—Light frost in northern portion, where local rains improved wheat ground; sowing begun in a few localities; acreage much reduced; increased acreage of rye has been sown;

## WHEAT AND PASTURE.

corn is nearly all in shock, ready for cribbing; yield promising to be large; good crop of tobacco housed safely; clover seed yield small; few apples. Minnesota—Almost daily rains stopped threshing and delayed late flax cutting, potato digging, plowing and seeding of winter wheat and rye; grain in shock; some and some too poor to thresh. Wisconsin—Frost of September 17 or 18 finished.

**IDAHO.**—No damage to corn by frost; and plowed threshing, but improved and facilitated fall plowing, which is well advanced, except in southeastern portion, where ground has been too dry; harvesting of potatoes, clover and some wild hay crop is in progress; with favorable conditions corn gathering will begin next week.

**NORTH DAKOTA.**—Most vegetation killed by frost; rain continues, delaying threshing and farm work, and has turned the hay into a very poor quality, in stack, and damaged hay; some fax, yet green, damaged by frost; corn safe and being gathered.

**SOUTH DAKOTA.**—In many middle and northern counties some damage to crops; threshing continued; some corn and late flax cutting, and damaged some lunched hay, fax and millet, but elsewhere field work generally progressed well; frost of September 17 damaged wheat and some flax; some complaint of potatoes rotting; corn gathering begun; pasturage generally good.

**NEBRASKA.**—Cool, dry week; corn matured; excellent week for plowing and seeding; much winter wheat up and growing nicely; pastures exceptionally good for this time of year.

**KANSAS.**—Corn nearly ready to husk in northern portion, and is being cribbed or marketed in the southern section; wheat sowing general; first row coming up and showing good stand; ground in fine condition; apple crop, remaining on trees, improving; apple crop in Sedgwick county better than previously reported.

**OKLAHOMA** and Indian Territories—Heavy rains caused some damage to cotton and retarded farm work; plowing and seeding being pushed, and sown wheat up, with a good stand; cotton being rapidly marketed; corn husking progressing; pastures and late vegetables well benefited by rains; stock in good condition.

**COLORADO.**—Dry and cool; light to heavy frosts, injuring potatoes in northern section and vine crops generally; conditions favorable for cutting corn, alfalfa and plowing where soil is not too dry.

**NEW MEXICO.**—Continued showers, but cooler; frost on September 19 damaged tomatoes and melons in northern section; grapes and fall apples greatly improved; grass on ranges growing rapidly.

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## The Journal Institute

**INSECTS WHICH ATTACK TOBACCO.**—The entomologist of the department of agriculture, Dr. L. O. Howard, has been preparing some articles for publication by the department on the various insects which attack tobacco in the field and the factory. It seems there are many of them.

**THE SUPPERNONGRAPE.**—August and September are the months for this grape to lay its fruit on the ground. For some reason, known only to nature, the Scuppernon does not root from cuttings.

**THE COTTON HYBRIDIZATION.**—The United States department of agriculture is endeavoring to produce improved varieties of cotton by hybridizing the sea island with the common upland varieties. Prof. Webber, who has charge of the work, says the so-called sea island cotton (gossypium barbadense) grown in a limited area mainly on islands near the coast of Georgia and South Carolina, furnishes the longest and finest staple product anywhere in the world.

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AT THE CATTLE CENTERS

FORT WORTH. Among the stockmen in the city during the week were: C. H. Flato, Waggoner, I. T. J. S. Dabney, San Angelo...

Southern cattle to Northern markets to sell as feeders. The present rules of the department of agriculture prohibit the shipment of southern cattle to points north of the line...

A shipment of 1250 goats from Duncan & Valley, of Kama, Idaho were at the Fort Worth yards a few days ago.

S. B. Burnett has sold 3000 head of steers from 6000 to Winfield Scott and J. W. Corn.

DALLAS. H. M. Cate of Mineola, was among those who had stock at the Dallas market during the week.

Among those who had stock on the Fort Worth market during the week were: M. D. Scott, Mineral Wells; S. J. Byers, Grandview; B. T. Williams, Childress...

The demand for good classes of livestock at all kinds of stock shows that there is no shortage of receipts to meet the calls of buyers.

Twice within the past few days the Trinity has been on a boom, and property in the suburbs of Fort Worth was submerged. In the data near the Stock Yards the water got very high.

On account of the bad weather a considerable quantity of very poor cotton was marketed during the week and in consequence prices were often low.

QUARANTINE REGULATION.—Capt. J. L. Pennington, general livestock agent of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway company says:

PREMIUMS AT THE FAIR.—The following awards have been made at the swine department at the State Fair:

THE TWIN TERRITORIES

Crops about Ryan and Davis, I. T. were sharply injured by the rains of last week.

to heavy rains. Thrashing continues over some counties. Pastures were greatly improved and are in fine condition.

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from B. L. Hankles, 29 head picked yearling steers, at \$22; from M. W. F. White will ship 6719 cattle from his L. F. D. ranch in Chavez county.

NEW MEXICO

J. P. White will ship 6719 cattle from his L. F. D. ranch in Chavez county.

J. J. Copple to B. L. Hankle, forty head picked calves, November delivery, at \$15.

W. Zeigler, of Greeley, Col., has purchased 10,000 lambs at Cobra Springs, and will load them at Las Vegas for Colorado pastures.

The Indian police from Anadarko, with a squad of soldiers from Fort Sill, have completed their raid of the mining camp in the Wichita mountains.

A dispatch from Salinas, Cal., says three men have been arrested at San Lucas on suspicion of being implicated in the murder of Deputy Sheriff Chavez.

OKLAHOMA CROPS

The following is the last crop report of the commission for Oklahoma: "Rain occurred daily from the 18th to the 24th, inclusive, over the greater portion of this section."

Wives and daughters of farmers about Chicota have formed a cotton pickers' association, and are turning out in the fields helping their husbands and brothers to gather their crops.

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of a number of farmers of Kingfisher county on charge of white-capping.

W. Wells, 10 steer calves to Horace Lowe, November delivery, at \$14.60.

Lincoln county all the lakes and water holes are full and the stock are just as far out as they can get from the used up range around the permanent water, where they had been compelled to stay during the drought.

CHANGING LEASE SYSTEM

In his annual report to the secretary of the interior, it is said, Commissioner of Indian Affairs William A. Jones will recommend an important change in the system of leasing Indian agricultural lands.

TERRITORY TIMBER.—Strong protests are being made against the strict enforcement of the timber regulations in the Territory. It is claimed that such a cause will materially injure various interests.

AEMERIA'S EMPEROR. The Emperor of Austria is much talked of nowadays as the German Emperor, but he is one of the most noticeable figures of European royalty.

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EDITORIAL.

Coming Sales.

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 JANUARY 17, 1901—J. J. Dimrock, White Cloud, Kas., Shortlons, Kansas City, Mo.

HOW SHALL WE EARN IT?

Savings bank deposits in the United States were increased more than \$200,000,000 during the last fiscal year. The gain in deposits and in number of depositors, divided geographically, was as follows:

Eastern states: gain in deposits \$34,221,712; increase in depositors 145,137.  
 New England: gain in deposits \$45,260,818; increase in depositors 128,705.  
 Middle West: gain in deposits \$63,732,291; increase in depositors 207,545.  
 Southern states: gain in deposits \$2,841,423; increase in depositors 4,956.

These figures are to some extent misleading, for the reason that there are but few savings banks in the South, and deposits that usually seek in other states go to the national banks in this section. Yet the comparative showing is not greatly affected by this fact. It is undoubtedly true that all of the districts named above are increasing in wealth faster than the South, and it is also true that the natural capacity of the South to produce wealth is greater than either of these districts. We have been in the habit of attributing this partial distribution of wealth to national legislation, but it ought to be remembered that the same opportunity exists in the South as elsewhere to take advantage of national legislation. If it continues to prefer manufacturing interests, why should not the farmers of the South put their surplus money in manufacturing and thereby themselves become pets of the government?

This is an economic question for the farmers of Texas to think about. Year after year the employee class in the middle eastern and New England states continues to pile up heavy savings banks. This accumulation furnishes much of the capital that is used to develop the great enterprises of those sections. We need a corresponding increase in surplus capital in this country—capital that stands for money earned at home. Every dollar of such capital is worth more than ten dollars of capital imported for speculative purposes.

How are we going to get this increase? If any reader of the Journal thinks he knows the way to do it, we would be pleased to have him tell it.

competing with New England in industrial channels have to reckon with.

St. Joseph, Mo., increased its population from 52,324 in 1890, to 102,979 in 1900, making the heaviest pro rata gain of any American city of any importance. Her packing houses did it. Texas cities are dissatisfied with the census figures should make ready for 1910 by getting packing houses. Or if they have them, by getting more of them.

Cotton in Texas has been damaged by the late rains more than any of the buyers estimate. The lint beaten out under the ground represents but a small part of the damage. More serious than this is the loss caused by the rank growth of the stalk and the rotting of the bolls without opening. Cotton requires plenty of sunshine and it has been getting mighty little of it in Texas at late.

The El Paso school board has passed an order that lady teachers must wear short skirts to avoid gathering up on the streets consumption germs scattered there by invalids. The regulation is wise for more reasons than the one given, but the question is, has the El Paso school board a skirt clipping attachment to the task of enforcing it?

One cablegram announces that Prince Tuan, the Boxer leader, has been degraded by the Chinese government, and another says that he has been promoted. The chances are that Mrs. Tai an, who is running the Chinese end of China just now, got her message mixed, and sent one to the outside world that was intended exclusively for the Boxers.

Mr. Yerkes, a Chicago capitalist, and his associates are investing \$20,000,000 in underground railways in London that will provide rapid transportation for the people of the English metropolis. Pretty nearly everything the Old World gets in these times that is worth having it gets from the New World.

Our consul at Frankfurt, Germany, thinks an industrial crisis is approaching in Europe. As that country is always enveloped in a crisis of some sort, this is not as alarming as a similar fate impending in this country would be. As Mr. Dickens said of one of his characters, Europe is always in "a situation."

The general of Missouri will pass upon voters constitutional amendments at the coming November election. One of national importance authorizes the issuance of \$5,000,000 of bonds by the city of St. Louis in aid of the proposed World's Fair. The fate of that enterprise will be determined by the adoption or rejection of this amendment.

The London spectator, a leading English journal, says the real cause of the upward movement in cotton is "a deficiency in the supply of raw material." That is the precise truth, but it comes unwillingly from the neighborhood of the English manufacturers.

Dr. Wright, of Oberlin College, Ohio, believes that the deluge reported in the Bible covered "the face of the earth" in a full literal sense, and he will make a tour of scientific investigation in Siberia and Asia Minor to endeavor to find the strata which he believes to be the remains of the Chinese people.

The United States led all other nations, except France, in the number of prizes captured at the Paris exposition. It is such a natural thing for Uncle Sam to lead every procession in which he starts that other folks have ceased trying to get in ahead of him.

Waxahachie's cotton mill will soon be completed and ready for the work of converting ten cent cotton into thirty cent cotton. The returns from the Ellis county cotton crop will be much greater for the community at large when the mill is in operation.

Hon. Travis Henderson, of Lamar, hereafter a farmer and a statesman, has sold his farm for \$30,000. Unless Mr. Henderson hastens to buy more Texas dirt, he will, to all outward appearances, seem to have lapsed into a statesman exclusively.

Friends of industrial education should bear in mind the date, October 10, which has been set apart as Industrial Education day at the State Fair. Chairman V. W. Grubbs has called the state committee to meet at the fair grounds on that day.

Texas railroads are competing for the job of running a faster mail to New York. Business is beginning to move at a gallop in Texas that calls for the best service in all departments that human skill and industry can furnish.

The situation in China with respect to the Imperial family seems to be that if the soil were instantly changed in

the Emperor is at one end of a cat rope and the Empress Dowager at the other end. It is not necessary to explain this has the ether end of the connection.

It is an interesting and a significant fact in the matter of fair trade, district and local, Texas leads all the states in the Union. This tells as plainly as any fact could do the kind of stuff the average Texan is made of.

All of the crises are not monopolized by Europe. Brazil has a bank crisis, caused by over-speculation. Let us be mindful of past experiences in this country and beware of turning unclipped fancy loose.

The prohibition against foreign sailings went into effect in Germany on October 1st. Hereafter, the only delicacy of this sort the Teuton will revel in will be a steak from a local played out dray horse.

President Kruger has left South Africa and Lord Roberts, the English commander, will soon go home. The only personage that shows no sign of abandoning the situation is the Texas mule.

Germany has placed an order for 30,000 American horses to be used for cavalry purposes. Horseflesh is not likely to undergo a decline while the world continues in its fighting fever.

Judge Rucker of Paris, owns a cucumber vine that has produced 361 cucumbers. It is evident that the judge also owns a mighty fetching colic remedy.

The world's response to Galveston's appeal for aid shows that, however diverse may be conditions, human sympathy is universal.

The next meeting of the National Live Stock Association will be held at Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 15 to 18, inclusive, 1901.

A protracted drouth is causing sheep to die by the thousands in Queensland, Australia.

Prices of all food products are advancing, and cotton is firm.

Li Hung Chang is still hanging and lying.

NO MORE OF KING COTTON.  
 McKinney, Tex., Sept. 29.

Editor Journal:

Your short editorial on the one-crop idea is timely. But you do not go far enough in your valuable counsel. Therefore, by your permission, I will try to tap the ball with a few hard rocks, and perhaps it may call forth some stronger force to make it effective in arresting a return by the farmers to the old one-crop plan. There was a time when the farmers were averse to being advised as to what would best serve their interests, but the present generation are ever ready to appropriate any new schemes which will likely make farming pay. The present bright epoch has rubbed off the misty scales which so long covered the old Southern farmers' eyes; in the false idea that nothing else besides cotton would bring ready cash. Cotton in country Texas, this year raised 25 to 35, and even as much as 40 bushels of the finest quality of wheat per acre, where the harvesting and threshing was done in due time. The oat crop turned out from 60 to 80 and in some instances 100 bushels per acre, and was a beautiful bright golden color of superior quality, where properly gathered. The corn crop will average 40 bushels, while some extra cultivated fields may reach 60 bushels per acre. Corn is now selling at 42 cents per bushel; and wheat at 68 to 70 cents; and there is less likelihood of either crop falling much below these figures, with so many soldiers in the field doing the harvesting and threshing in the Philippine and big war in China. So long as pork hogs bring \$10.00 to \$14.70, there will be no danger of corn not proving to the Texas farmer a much surer money crop than cotton, even though it should bring in 1901 6 or 7 cents. Why do I say so? Because it has less insect pests; like boll and army worms and boll weevils to contend with. In fact the only hindrance to raising corn in paying quantities on our fertile black lands, is a severe drouth; and where winter breaking, early planting and proper surface culture is followed, even then a fair yield is gotten. Therefore, it becomes the part of wisdom to diversify—sow wheat, oats, plant corn and hogs, and some cotton, and the Texas farmer will continue to prosper. Surely it does not take a searchlight to discover the reason why cotton is 9 to 9 1/2 cents in our local markets. Even the moon-eyed fellow says it is because cotton is "skack." OLD COTTON PLANTER.

Every year's experience for the past twenty-five years proves that a light crop of cotton yields more money in the aggregate to the farmers than a heavy crop. If they should forget this hard-learned lesson and plant a big crop next year, they may reasonably expect the price to drop two or three cents a pound and again reach a place below the cost of production.

There is wealth for Texas beyond the dreams of the optimist in the utilization of all the means of creating wealth which exist here. There is poverty for all in universal dependency upon a single industry. At last the people, under the pressure of low-priced cotton, have made a start in the right direction, and the results are manifest in the greatest prosperity that has come to the state since the early days of heavy immigration and rapidly advancing prices. It would be a calamity far reaching in its effects if another era of one-crop slavery should be inaugurated. Better would it be for the farmers of the state if the soil were instantly changed in

character so that not another stalk of cotton could be produced.

Cotton at present prices is a good crop in moderation, but cotton at five cents per pound represents the most odious form of industrial slavery that ever afflicted a civilized race of men.

We want no more of King Cotton, no more industrial booms for the man who toils in the field. He should see to it that cotton remains his pliable servant, or again send it in disgrace to the rear.

FLYING MACHINE DESIGNED TO REACH THE PLANET MARS.  
 If Herr Granswindt be crazy he will at least pay the penalty of his projected trip to the planet of Mars with his life. He is a rich German manufacturer who has planned a car in which he proposes to journey to Mars, which is the nearest planet to our earth, and is but 47,000 miles away. He fully explains his scheme in a book, which he dedicates to Emperor William. He has thought out every detail of the project with characteristic German thoroughness and is now building the rocket principle. The project has aroused the interest of the nation. In other words, it will be propelled in the same principle as a rocket. The inventor will occupy a chamber in the interior, with machinery to control the continuous explosions.

This plan recalls Jules Verne's famous romance "From the Earth to the Moon," but differs from it in that the pioneers in that work were sent straight to the moon by a discharge from a cannon, while Herr Granswindt proposes to go by the safer if slower rocket principle. The rocket will be a large cylinder containing the same principle as a rocket. The inventor will occupy a chamber in the interior, with machinery to control the continuous explosions.

The Ganswindt machine consists principally of a steel tube just high and wide enough to admit one passenger and his baggage, with a small rudder on the trip. On account of the great rapidity with which the voyage of 47,000 miles will be made it will not be necessary to carry any provisions. A few packages of compressed food tablets and a little water will be ample. The well of the tube is of steel of great strength and thickness and the upper end has a pointed shape so that it closely resembles a modern shell. The bottom of the projectile is so constructed that the shock caused by the initial explosion and those needed to keep it in motion will not be felt by the passenger. The bottom is double, consisting of two double steel plates. The space between these is filled with water, which is known to be the best medium for lessening a concussion. In the water and passing from one steel plate to another are three powerful spiral springs, which are intended to control the starting and landing of the tube. In the thick steel walls of the shell are drilled long, circular tunnels running from near the top of the machine down through the bottom to the outer air. The shell is completely encased with them. These tunnels are filled with the nitro-glycerine cartridges by means of which the car is to be kept in motion. The director of the machine has a lever at the height of his hand with which he controls the discharge of the cartridges. He can explode all the tubes or a few of them or those on one side only. In this way he can regulate the speed of the rocket car to a nicety. By keeping up the discharge at one side only for a long enough time he can turn the car completely around.

When the operator moves his lever a steel block turns to allow the passage of a cartridge. Then it turns back and fills up the space, making it impossible for the explosion to get into the car in that direction. An electric current discharges the cartridges after they have reached this position.

In the head of the car there is a powerful telescope, through which the voyager can study the solar system. In case of the glass breaking a steel door automatically closes the apex of the car. There is a door near the head of the car which he can open or close at will. This will only give the car a moderate velocity, but it is the shock of starting which the inventor fears most and against which he has taken the most elaborate precautions. Through which the rocket will make a preliminary trip to the limits of the atmosphere before actually starting for Mars. The atmosphere is generally believed to extend to about 40 miles from the earth's surface. It is estimated that the miles it becomes so rarified as to make life insupportable. Some recent investigators believe that the atmosphere extends much further than forty miles, but the inventor does not care to rely on this. Herr Granswindt succeeds in making any discoveries concerning the unexplored upper atmosphere he will render great service to science.

One of the merits of this German pioneer's plan is that by starting from a gun he is sure to get away from the earth, which so many men who have experimented with flying machines have failed to do.

THE SIN EATER'S TASK.  
 An odd custom prevails at funerals in some parts of Wales. A poor person is hired—"a long, lean, ugly, lamentable rascal"—to perform the duties of sin eater. Bread and beer are passed to the man over the corpse, or laid on it, these he consumes and by the process he is supposed to take on him all the sins of the deceased, and free the person from walking after death. When a sin eater is not employed, glasses of wine and funeral biscuits are given to the bearer across the coffin. The people believe that every drop of wine drunk at a funeral is a sin committed by the deceased, but that by drinking the wine the soul of the dead is released from the burden of the sin.

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OKLAHOMA BAT CAVES.

MILIONS OF BATS ARE FOUND—EXPERIENCES OF AN EXPLORING PARTY.

For many years there have been rumors that there were many strange things to be found in the western part of Oklahoma territory, but while the Indians inhabited it there was no movement made to ascertain the truth or falsity of them, as the Indians were very jealous of the pale face and guarded their lands so well that no one had the hardihood to attempt to see what could be found. These lands now being released from the domination of the red man, it will not be long until the secrets of nature are laid bare. A start has already been made by the Oklahoma Geological society, and from a report recently made by them to the state authorities it is learned that on the bottom of the canyon that the Canadian river, immense caverns were found in which lived millions upon millions of bats. The expedition referred to was led by Dr. A. H. Van Vleet, who had heard of the existence of mineral deposits, strange waters and freakish natural formations, and he and a party of local scientists determined to ascertain how much truth there was in the rumors of rich pickings in this section of the country.

What the result of Dr. Van Vleet and his party's explorations so far as mineral deposits are concerned has not as yet been divulged, but what interested the scientists most was the discovery in this western canyon that Great Salt stretches unbroken for miles away and which at a casual glance gives no sign of any unaccustomed thing connected with the cavernous life. It was the wonderful cave of bats he was looking for, and he found them in their attempt to ride across the valley.

In the center almost of the level plain they found their free passage barred by a great chasm between 300 and 400 feet in depth. This wide, vast formed of immense perpendicular cliffs of gypsum rock and clay. In the bottom of this immense gorge flows the waters of Salt Creek, and it is rightly named, as the waters have a distinct, but not a disagreeable, saline taste. This creek is of small importance, but in the spring time, when the annual freshets comes, this insignificant stream rises to the dignity of a river and sweeps with resistless force down the bottom of the canyon. It has formed a gorge, showing that in the past it must have a tremendous power, as it has cut a deep way for itself through the red clay. Its downward course, however, was met by the resistance that the water of the canyon had formed, but even this finally yielded to the great masses of wearing water, and when this was conquered the stream found a yielding substance nearly as soft as putty, and it has formed a deposit of gypsum, that stretches away for miles. As the years passed with their ever recurring floods the waters cut their way through the gypsum and finally found a solid rocky bed. Further down the canyon the water is in the water cut its way on either side through the gypsum, and the eddies tore out new places constantly though gradually, until now the creek has fashioned for itself a splendid channel outside of its original bed. It is marked these channels the waters cut away the supports of huge masses of this gypsum, and as they fell and wasted away, they in turn made deep caves supported by pillars arising from the bottom of the caverns. It is in making these channels the waters cut away the supports of huge masses of this gypsum, and as they fell and wasted away, they in turn made deep caves supported by pillars arising from the bottom of the caverns. It is in making these channels the waters cut away the supports of huge masses of this gypsum, and as they fell and wasted away, they in turn made deep caves supported by pillars arising from the bottom of the caverns.

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Andrew E. Burke, meanwhile, had been working his way from the farm of his original guardian in Indiana to the cashiership of the bank in a neighboring town. He was elected his first governor.

NEWSBOYS WHO BECAME GOVERNORS AND MAYORS.  
 Gov. John Green Brady, of Alaska, began life as a newsboy in New York. So did former Gov. Andrew E. Burke, of North Dakota. So did Mayor James K. McGuire, of Syracuse.

Mayor James Gray, of Minneapolis, began life as a newsboy in that city.

It was an extraordinary coincidence that Brady and Burke, both destined to become governors, were in the same batch of waifs sent west by the Children's Aid society forty-one years ago.

John Green Brady was born in the attic of a ramshackle house at the River end of Roosevelt street. As soon as he could run his father compelled him to sell newspapers and beat him when he did not bring home money enough.

Johnny, after the death of his mother, ran away once or twice, but his father recovered him and flogged him sorely. Made wise by experience, he ran away so effectually that the elder Brady's next search was fruitless.

But Johnny after some pitiful adventures, found himself starting in at Chatham square one dreary night that he begged a policeman to arrest him. He was taken to Randall's island and thence delivered over to the Children's Aid society.

Meanwhile coincidence had been at work with Andrew E. Burke, another street arab. Deserted by his father and mother he had made shift to live by selling newspapers and polishing shoes, sleeping the while in dry goods boxes; but these means of support had failed, and the police had gathered him up with other small outcasts.

Hence it happened that on Aug. 21, 1859, he and Johnny Brady and twenty-five other New York gutter-snipes started west in the care of the Children's Aid society.

If Brady and Burke so much as spoke to one another neither has any recollection of it. Although destiny held the same title for them, their paths lay far apart. What became of their twenty-five little companions heaven only knows.

Brady was apprenticed to a lawyer named John Green, and was treated well. Green, appreciating the youngster's exceptional intelligence, wished to educate him for the bar. Brady hankered for the ministry, and in the end he had his way.

By dint of chopping wood, sweeping the school house and so forth he got himself a primary education and even went through Yale.

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CENSUS GUESSING GONTEST.  
 We have just been notified by the Press Publishing Association that the census guessing contest is about to close.

No guess will be received by the Journal later than November 5th.

If you have not registered a guess in this contest, you should do so to-day.

A guess costs nothing to a subscriber to the Journal. He pays a year's subscription, gets his money's worth in the paper, and receives the guess absolutely free.

By making a guess at the result of the new census a Journal subscriber has a chance to participate in the distribution of \$25,000 in prizes to be awarded by the Press Publishing Association.

would be alive with them. They were always on the wing—would alight nowhere. Finally, when full darkness came, the entire army of countless thousands of these creatures would sail forth from the caves, from every crevice and opening of the place. They would literally swarm in clouds thicker and thicker each moment until it seemed to the watchers of this weird sight as though every inch of space in the canyon was taken up by these canny creatures. The surveying party regarded this exodus as a break for the plains in order to obtain food, but, strangely enough, the countless millions did not seem to be diminished in the least. Still they came out of the openings in the cliffs in a constant stream, all the while wheeling upwards, but still coming, as though they were passing and repassing through some subterranean passage on an endless chain. There was no way to compute the numbers, even approximately; they tried to do several times during the half hour's time they were watching them, but it was given up as utterly impossible to even make a good guess. But all agreed there were millions of them.

When the first streak of dawn appeared in the east the countless horde of black-winged mysteries would return to their hiding place, being preceded a little time by the ever faithful scouts. Next would circle in sight the vanguard and close behind it the entire army, and all seemed to take the cave to be rid of the light that is welcomed by nearly every other living thing save a bat. When full daylight was on and the sun had begun to peep above the horizon nothing broke the tranquility of the scene, but still it remained until the darkness came again and the Van Vleet party in the meantime would catch themselves wondering if this tremendous army of winged creatures, with up to a hundred torches had not all been a wild dream. But it was not, and Oklahoma's bat caves will probably be one of the most wonderful things found in the newly explored territory.

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### MARKETS

DALLAS. Oct. 1.—The demand for all kinds of livestock is still good. Live cattle—choice steers \$1.50 to \$1.60; good steers \$1.40 to \$1.50; poor steers \$1.30 to \$1.40; calves \$1.20 to \$1.30; hogs \$1.10 to \$1.20; sheep \$1.00 to \$1.10.

SAN ANTONIO. Oct. 1.—Today's market quotations are as follows: Choice steers \$1.50; good steers \$1.40; poor steers \$1.30; calves \$1.20; hogs \$1.10; sheep \$1.00.

HOUSTON. (Reported by the Box-Stackers Commission Co.) Houston, Sept. 23.—Wholesale Dealers—Choice steers \$1.50; good steers \$1.40; poor steers \$1.30; calves \$1.20; hogs \$1.10; sheep \$1.00.

KANSAS CITY. Sept. 22.—Cattle Receipts \$1.50; hogs \$1.10; sheep \$1.00. Choice steers \$1.50; good steers \$1.40; poor steers \$1.30; calves \$1.20; hogs \$1.10; sheep \$1.00.

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### HORSE.

At Pecos, Texas, Lee Harbert sold to Fort Worth buyers 63 head of horses at \$17 around.

James McDonald, of Madison county, bought twenty-three mares from Geo. Flint, of Sterling City, Texas, at \$10.

Liut. Gibson will never race again. The great 3-year-old, who was the hot favorite in the American derby and for whom \$20,000 was raised by Charles H. Smith, has broken down completely and Mr. Smith says he will be retired to the stud.

Mule breeding is now being taken up by South Australian breeders. As an experiment, a few jacks were introduced several years ago and the experiment proved so successful that a considerable number of mares are now being bred to jacks.

A horse show of the fashionable kind, with all the embellishments that society can bestow upon it, will be one of the features of the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo next year.

Two world's records were lowered at Terre Haute a few days ago. The Abbott, driven by Geers, clipped another half second from the world's record for a mile in 2:03.4.

MULES IN SOUTH AFRICA. The Boer war has made the mule a familiar figure in South Africa, but until the breaking out of hostilities the animal's worth was not appreciated in that country, though it is probable that hereafter there will be a considerable demand for mules.

AMERICAN HORSES IN GERMANY. American horses, as well as manufactures, are making inroads upon the German market.

WARING GIVEN TO GIRLS BY FEMALE CIRCUUS RIDER. Mme. Watson, for years a charioter, trapeze performer and the once famous bareback rider of Barnum & Bailey's circus, says the life which she led as a young girl was not as bad as she had been led to believe.

PROFIT IN DRAFT HORSES.—Chas. L. Bush, speaking of the horses that prove most serviceable to the farmer, says: "Every state in the Union has her large breeding establishments in which immense amounts of capital are invested."

QUEER TRAITS OF GOLD FISH. "Breeding goldfish is a very interesting pastime," says Edward J. Loyt of St. Louis, who has made a hobby of it. He tells of some of the peculiarities of his pets.

### COST TO THE BRITISH.

PURCHASE OF ANIMALS FOR BRITISH WAR—SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT BY THE UNDER SECRETARY. During the Boer war about 10,000 horses were shipped from the United States for the British army in South Africa. Apparently, however, the British war office is inclined to conceal, so far as possible, the cost of the purchase and particularly the cost of the American animals to the government.

The draft horse is lymphatic in temperament, is easily broken to harness, and submits cheerfully to labor. The farmer has no need of a professional driver for service in South Africa.

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NO. 883—This is an excellent little stock farm, and is located on Santa Fe railroad in Parker county, in excellent neighborhood. It contains 850 acres, all fenced, and divided by cross-fences into two main pastures and a farm. Fencing is of four wires with good cedar posts 15 feet apart. There are two dwellings and sets of improvements, abundance of living, running water. All were grassed, and half of it is fine farming land. Write us for map, price, etc.  
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**SHEEP--GOATS**  
Barney Riggs, whose ranch is near Fort Stockton, Texas, recently sold out his entire stock of sheep, 4500 head, at \$2.85.

In the Devil's river country, Bob Mauley bought from J. R. Hamilton, of San Angelo, 1500 head of sheep, wool on, at \$2.75.

Sixty-two Southdown rams were recently sold at Chichester (England) at an average of \$57. One individual brought \$225.

The Howard Well Ranch Co., of Crockett county began shearing a few days ago. The company has about 11,000 sheep to shear.

Carl Ferguson, of Haskell county, has bought about 1400 sheep at \$1.95 for lambs and \$2 for grown sheep, and will move them to the Devils river country.

J. D. Pepper, of Edwards county, sold to R. F. Halbert, of Sonora, Texas, 200 ewes usually retained on the range until matured. In some instances wethers were not shipped eastward until four years old, as a result of this mode of managing range stocks, the animals sent to the feed lots were full grown, rather than old ewes, but after the great drop in wool in 1893, the mutton feature of the business began to assume a relative importance which it had never previously possessed.

Stanley Turner, of Water Valley, reared at San Angelo five registered Delaware rams from Ohio. One of them is a 4-year-old, valued at \$150. The other four are yearlings.

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The South African Angora Goat Breeders' association has completed another year of its work. Twelve hundred goats have been examined by the association's inspectors, Messrs. R. P. Houldard, A. E. Nothard and P. E. Hobson, who have given much time to the work, though it has been more one of love in assisting to improve and maintain the breed, than for direct pecuniary consideration, since the fee allowed by the rules for inspection is merely nominal. It may be of interest to goat breeders to know that the association is open for any breeder to join, and already there are on its books many breeders of pure-bred Angoras.

The examination of goats relative to the quality of goats are exceedingly strict, each animal passed for registration is required to pass three examinations; the progeny of these goats are also required to pass one examination before being placed on the register.

During the past three years, members have had some idea of the value of pounds for having their goats examined; this one fact shows the value colonial breeders place on maintaining the purity of the breed and the importance of securing a stud book for some of the best stock.

**PROFIT IN FATTENING RANGE LAMBS.**—Prof. Thomas Shaw, of Minnesota, in a report on the feeding of range lambs, says: "The writer held the latter view, and it was considered of too much value relatively to justify such shipments. Sheep were usually retained on the range until matured. In some instances wethers were not shipped eastward until four years old, as a result of this mode of managing range stocks, the animals sent to the feed lots were full grown, rather than old ewes, but after the great drop in wool in 1893, the mutton feature of the business began to assume a relative importance which it had never previously possessed.

This, along with the depression in the wool trade, led to the wholesale shipment of lambs, many of which were also brought up for the feed lots. In consequence of this change, the question naturally became prominent as to whether the feeding of lambs or wethers was more profitable. Feeders were divided in their opinions, some of them argued that because of the greater weight at the time of purchase more wool would be made on them through the advance in value on the head of Angora goat at \$3 per head.

The Merino-Mutton Cross.—For this country a cross between a Merino and a Mutton cross is the one to be realized in the sheep industry for this kind of a sheep than any other. The pure-bred mutton sire, and I would have no other in my flock, I would have of the Shropshire breed, because with the experience I have had, his blood makes better than the blood of any other sheep with Merino and grade Merinos, producing a fleece which is sought after by the manufacturer, and which weighs well when put upon the market, and producing a carcass which is more profitable in the most severe tests to be equal to the best carcasses produced by pure-bred mutton sheep on both sides.

The sire in formation should be broad on the back, long in the body, square in the form, with wide shoulders between the eyes, and long from the center of the eyes to the top of the poll, with jaws all powerful, muzzle large, and nostrils opening wide. He must have neck arched and attached to body with such regularity will present to the eye a regular union. He must be active in his movements and have a tiger expression in the eye, so well bred that he will be very prepotent, so that a shepherd when he uses him in his flock, he may not be certain that what the offspring will be. Such a ram as this may be worth \$100 to turn in with a flock of 100 Merino or grade Merino ewes, where a ram you might buy for \$5 or \$10 would make you feel before the season is through that he was a very big money maker.

**GOATS AS LEADERS OF SHEEP.**  
"On an average Mexican sheep flock numbers about 2000, and there were ten or more billi-goats with every flock I saw on the range," said A. C. Grimshaw, who recently returned to New York after six months' stay in Mexico and the West. "I learned that the goats are kept with the flock as leaders. Being venturesome and intelligent, they will go anywhere the shepherd directs and the silly sheep, who might otherwise balk or stampede, follow some trifling obstacle or alarm, follow them unhesitatingly. The goats set the pace for the flock, as they are brisk, untiring walkers, keep the sheep on the move, saving the shepherd much trouble." "The Mexican shepherd also has his dog, though not a true blue, clear-cut, handsome animal like the Scotch collie. The dogs are mongrels, in all varieties and degrees, the only point of uniformity among them being their extreme ugliness in appearance and disposition toward strangers. Some are shaggy beasts with pointed muzzles, and bight at a little distance be easily mistaken for wolves. But ugly as many of them are, the Mexican shepherd has the art of taming them so that they are as servicable as is the collie to the shepherd of the Scottish moorlands. The Mexican sheep dog is loyal to his master and quick to understand. Many a Mexican shepherd owes his life to his dog, who has notified him of the sneaking approach of hostile Indians or of their ambush in his path ahead.

"Returning to the original subject, a pair of goats once led a flock on to the range, which had been alive he could have sent him to the home range to summon assistance. As it was, he had to see the sheep wander away, while he dragged himself to the place where his provisions were stored, and wand for such help as chance might bring him. Five days later the sheep, led by the corporal goats, appeared at the path of their own finding, and out of a flock of 1500 only seven were missing. There was, of course, much good luck in this, for a dash of timber wolves among them would not only have meant the killing of many sheep, but the spot but would have scattered the rest of the flock far and wide. The marvel was the intelligence of the goats in returning by an unfamiliar path to the place where they had been bred

and the implicit faith of the sheep in their leadership. Of course the arrival of the sheep at the home ranch led to the sending out of a searching party for the shepherd, and it was a relief on a tight right between two donkeys, and although his injury had become very painful through neglect, proper surgical treatment brought him around all right."

**CARE OF THE FLOCK.**—The time is now at hand when the successful flock-master will give special attention to the sheep, writes S. H. Todd in National Stockman Farmer. We are now selecting and laying the foundation for another year's success or loss in the sheep business.

In the first place we have a choice to make. It behooves us to exercise our best judgment that no loose holes are left open. Notwithstanding all that has been said relative to blood and its value, I venture that I am safe in saying that half the farmers in the state select their breeding sheep with no other thought than that it is a sheet, sparingly covered with wool. There isn't anything in blood!

First, the important thing that we should consider is the formation of the sheep—both sire and dam. If we are going to raise sheep for mutton, we want the ewe good sized, low down, parallel-lined, broad-backed, with good bone, well breasted, brisket well down and level between fore legs, without the breast bone sharpening up like your hand; it was not customary to ship lambs from the ranges to the eastern markets unless where the pastures had been overstocked. The fleece was considered of too much value relatively to justify such shipments.

The Merino-Mutton Cross.—For this country a cross between a Merino and a Mutton cross is the one to be realized in the sheep industry for this kind of a sheep than any other. The pure-bred mutton sire, and I would have no other in my flock, I would have of the Shropshire breed, because with the experience I have had, his blood makes better than the blood of any other sheep with Merino and grade Merinos, producing a fleece which is sought after by the manufacturer, and which weighs well when put upon the market, and producing a carcass which is more profitable in the most severe tests to be equal to the best carcasses produced by pure-bred mutton sheep on both sides.

The sire in formation should be broad on the back, long in the body, square in the form, with wide shoulders between the eyes, and long from the center of the eyes to the top of the poll, with jaws all powerful, muzzle large, and nostrils opening wide. He must have neck arched and attached to body with such regularity will present to the eye a regular union. He must be active in his movements and have a tiger expression in the eye, so well bred that he will be very prepotent, so that a shepherd when he uses him in his flock, he may not be certain that what the offspring will be. Such a ram as this may be worth \$100 to turn in with a flock of 100 Merino or grade Merino ewes, where a ram you might buy for \$5 or \$10 would make you feel before the season is through that he was a very big money maker.

**GOATS AS LEADERS OF SHEEP.**  
"On an average Mexican sheep flock numbers about 2000, and there were ten or more billi-goats with every flock I saw on the range," said A. C. Grimshaw, who recently returned to New York after six months' stay in Mexico and the West. "I learned that the goats are kept with the flock as leaders. Being venturesome and intelligent, they will go anywhere the shepherd directs and the silly sheep, who might otherwise balk or stampede, follow some trifling obstacle or alarm, follow them unhesitatingly. The goats set the pace for the flock, as they are brisk, untiring walkers, keep the sheep on the move, saving the shepherd much trouble." "The Mexican shepherd also has his dog, though not a true blue, clear-cut, handsome animal like the Scotch collie. The dogs are mongrels, in all varieties and degrees, the only point of uniformity among them being their extreme ugliness in appearance and disposition toward strangers. Some are shaggy beasts with pointed muzzles, and bight at a little distance be easily mistaken for wolves. But ugly as many of them are, the Mexican shepherd has the art of taming them so that they are as servicable as is the collie to the shepherd of the Scottish moorlands. The Mexican sheep dog is loyal to his master and quick to understand. Many a Mexican shepherd owes his life to his dog, who has notified him of the sneaking approach of hostile Indians or of their ambush in his path ahead.

"Returning to the original subject, a pair of goats once led a flock on to the range, which had been alive he could have sent him to the home range to summon assistance. As it was, he had to see the sheep wander away, while he dragged himself to the place where his provisions were stored, and wand for such help as chance might bring him. Five days later the sheep, led by the corporal goats, appeared at the path of their own finding, and out of a flock of 1500 only seven were missing. There was, of course, much good luck in this, for a dash of timber wolves among them would not only have meant the killing of many sheep, but the spot but would have scattered the rest of the flock far and wide. The marvel was the intelligence of the goats in returning by an unfamiliar path to the place where they had been bred

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**FIGURES ON THE COTTON CROP.**  
James J. Lea, commercial editor of the New Orleans States and a Cotton Exchange authority, commenting on the cotton crop and events, says: "The crop outlook is very poor and Texas is relied upon as a saving grace. Should there be another disaster in Texas in the shape of an early frost or a season of long-continued hot winds preceding the frost period, the total crop production will fall far below the level of 1898-1899. Throughout the belt, growing crops have suffered extensively from rust, shedding and immature opening, while in some sections in Mississippi, Texas, Louisiana and Alabama the boll worms' work has proved disastrous. The generally accepted opinion is that the production in Mississippi will not be better than 50 per cent of last year's crop, while the average of condition throughout in the corresponding belt, laid fallibly to anticipations of a distressingly short yield.

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**PAINT TALKS.**  
XXXIII—"Inside" Painting. Whatever questions may honestly divide experts as to the proper composition of paints for use on the outside of buildings, probably all distinterested people are in accord in their opinion that zinc white is the only satisfactory paint for use on the exterior of buildings.

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