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## Receipts from January 1, 1910.

	1910	1909	Dec.	Inc.
Cattle.....	49,337	40,715		2,315
Hogs.....	1,560,991	1,390,481		170,510
Sheep.....	409,678	487,287		78,194
Horses.....	15,743	18,187		2,488

## Live Stock in Sight.

	1910	1909	Dec.	Inc.
Chicago.....	45,000	14,100		45,000
Kansas City.....	10,000	5,000		10,000
St. Joseph.....	7,900	4,800		11,700
South Omaha.....	1,800	2,400		1,800
East St. Louis.....	5,000	7,600		2,600
Total.....	75,800	34,700		85,800
Yesterday.....	42,000	36,000		109,800
Week ago.....	62,000	41,100		87,700
Month ago.....	49,000	49,800		49,000
Year ago.....	49,100	34,100		73,000

## Receipts by Cars.

	1910	1909	Dec.	Inc.
C. B. & Q. west.....	19			
C. B. & Q. east.....	44			
G. B. I. F.....	14			
United Western.....	3			
Missouri.....	3			
St. Joseph & Grand Island.....	8			
A. J. & S. F.....	29			
Total.....	119			

## CATTLE

### Better Tone Springs Up in Beef Cattle Trade—Few Fed Natives.

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### Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.

8.....	908.7	700	7.....	977.4
19.....	697.5	500	1.....	1090.4
9.....	1096.5	500	1.....	840.4
4.....	1080.5	200	1.....	850.3
6.....	952.4	800	1.....	900.3

### COVS, MILK AND MIXED.

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### Heifers.

1.....	480.5	000	2.....	715.4
2.....	580.5	000	2.....	890.4
3.....	720.5	500	2.....	570.3
4.....	902.4	500	9.....	596.3
7.....	901.4	25	10.....	682.3
1.....	920.4	25	1.....	820.3
1.....	820.4	25	1.....	822.3
12.....	841.4	25	5.....	808.3
14.....	788.4	25	1.....	659.3
1.....	700.4	25	4.....	892.3
3.....	791.4	00	1.....	750.3
5.....	470.4	00	2.....	675.3
1.....	600.4	00	3.....	773.3
1.....	609.4	00	1.....	840.3

### Cows.

3.....	1182.4	500	1.....	900.3
2.....	1320.4	400	1.....	1010.3
1.....	1120.4	300	1.....	1020.3
2.....	1140.4	250	1.....	1000.3
4.....	1160.4	250	1.....	1050.3
1.....	1060.4	100	3.....	1110.3
1.....	1110.4	100	1.....	1030.3
1.....	1400.4	100	1.....	940.3
1.....	1100.4	000	2.....	1005.3
3.....	1043.4	000	1.....	900.3
1.....	1100.4	000	9.....	920.3
1.....	900.4	000	1.....	940.3
3.....	1028.4	000	1.....	760.3
1.....	1320.4	000	1.....	820.3
2.....	1010.4	000	2.....	1025.3
3.....	1116.4	000	3.....	1036.3
4.....	980.4	000	1.....	930.3
2.....	1180.4	000	1.....	730.3
1.....	1000.4	000	6.....	796.3
7.....	944.4	000	5.....	984.3
6.....	1130.4	000	6.....	931.3
9.....	1111.4	000	3.....	850.3
2.....	1095.4	000	5.....	970.3
2.....	1126.4	000	2.....	1025.3
1.....	910.4	000	8.....	943.3
1.....	1050.4	000	12.....	971.3
10.....	554.4	000	1.....	980.3
1.....	1200.4	000	1.....	980.3
1.....	1110.4	000	4.....	875.3
1.....	1130.4	000	4.....	872.3
4.....	1045.4	000	1.....	810.3
2.....	952.4	000	3.....	750.3
1.....	1030.4	000	1.....	750.3
1.....	1070.4	000	1.....	840.3
2.....	940.4	000	1.....	930.3

### Bulls and Steags.

1.....	1370.4	000	1.....	1380.3
1.....	1040.4	000	1.....	1450.3
1.....	1350.4	000	12.....	1208.3
4.....	1400.4	000	1.....	950.3
1.....	1300.4	000	2.....	1020.3
1.....	1170.4	000	2.....	1100.3
1.....	1210.4	000	1.....	1230.3
1.....	1480.4	000	1.....	1380.3
2.....	1415.4	000	2.....	1310.3
1.....	1420.4	000	1.....	830.3
1.....	1230.4	000	1.....	1010.3
2.....	1230.4	000	1.....	940.3

### Veal Calves.

6.....	151.8	25	2.....	190.6
4.....	190.8	000	4.....	177.6
2.....	183.8	000	1.....	210.6
3.....	153.8	000	2.....	190.6
2.....	235.8	000	1.....	230.5
1.....	150.8	000	2.....	185.5
1.....	160.8	000	1.....	250.5
1.....	140.8	000	1.....	210.5
4.....	135.8	000	1.....	240.5
1.....	190.8	000	1.....	100.5
1.....	150.8	000	1.....	300.5
10.....	166.8	000	25.....	378.5
2.....	150.8	000	6.....	230.5
3.....	146.8	000	2.....	185.5
2.....	180.8	000	13.....	186.5
18.....	172.8	000	1.....	160.5
1.....	440.8	000	3.....	286.5
2.....	195.8	000	1.....	290.5
3.....	160.8	000	4.....	370.5
1.....	170.8	000	1.....	340.5
2.....	215.7	50	1.....	130.4
1.....	200.7	50	1.....	360.4
4.....	180.7	00	2.....	145.4
2.....	190.6	50	8.....	182.3
1.....	200.6	50	5.....	270.3

### Stockers and Feeders.

161.....	1041.5	10	1.....	800.4
55.....	1010.4	65	10.....	781.4
9.....	821.4	35	58.....	527.3
2.....	285.3	50	1.....	430.2

### Yearlings and Calves.

11.....	588.3	75	1.....	470.3
2.....	625.3	75	2.....	580.3
1.....	830.3	65		

### Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.

1.....	588.3	75	1.....	470.3
2.....	625.3	75	2.....	580.3
1.....	830.3	65		

### Feeding Bulls and Steags.

1.....	650.3	65	1.....	1020.3
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### RANGERS—NATIVE DIVISION.

20Kan1229.5	75	40Kan123.5	10
39Kan1291.5	50	50Kan1123.4	85
19Kan1274.5	40	2Kan1205.4	75
1Kan1160.5	40	25Kan1052.4	75
126Kan1260.5	40	66Kan1019.4	65
21Kan1224.5	20	27Kan1043.4	65
28Kan1846.5	90	12Kan1730.2	85

### Packers' Cattle Purchases.

Swift & Co.....	900
Morris & Co.....	600
Hammond Packing Co.....	400
Total.....	1,900

### OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS

### CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill. Oct. 5.—The Live Stock World reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 22,000. Market 15

## HOGS.

Sellers Have An Landing and Score 5 to 10 Cent Advance.

There was a better tone to the hog trade this morning and the selling interest was able to secure an advance of 5 to 10 cents over yesterday prices for the moderate receipts. There were 2000 hogs estimated as arriving and the quality was a little better than it has been on former days of the week, which, of course, makes some difference in the appearance of sales as they appear on paper compared with yesterday. Strictly prime heavy hogs sold up to \$8.55 this morning which is relatively higher than such weights have been selling of late. The best light butchers sold at \$8.40 and the bulk of all hogs went at \$8.40 to \$8.75. The market had a good and active tone at the prices and an early clearance was made.

The total supply at the local market for the half week is only 7000 and is 5800 less than for the same time last week and less than half the number of a year ago. At the five markets and shows a decrease of 10,000 compared with last week and is 45,000 less than a year ago.

Prices ranged from \$8.25 to \$8.80, with the bulk selling at \$8.40 to \$8.75. The bulk yesterday sold at \$8.25 to \$8.75, a week ago at \$8.40 to \$8.90, a month ago at \$9.15 to \$9.70, a year ago at \$7.40 to \$7.70. Two years ago at \$6.60 to \$6.30, three years ago at \$6.20 to \$6.35, four years ago at \$6.15 to \$6.42 1/2.

### Heavy and Mixed—200 lbs. and Upward.

No.	Av. Sbk.	Price	No.	Av. Sbk.	Price
401.....	214	8.60	877.....	307	8.40
51.....	228	8.80	64.....	276	8.40
25.....	225	8.60	67.....	275	8.40
56.....	270	8.60	87.....	302	8.40
68.....	250	8.60	63.....	347	8.40
67.....	216	8.60	58.....	297	8.40
53.....	225	8.40	55.....	288	8.40
83.....	234	8.55	66.....	353	8.40
235.....	378	10.00	64.....	312	10.00
20.....	277	8.00	62.....	282	10.00
64.....	280	8.00	55.....	277	8.75
61.....	256	8.00	55.....	277	8.75
72.....	244	12.00	45	50.....	295
40.....	241	8.45	62.....	324	10.00
60.....	273	8.45	61.....	269	10.00
65.....	248	8.40	48.....	179	8.20
69.....	273	8.40	43	325.....	8.35
71.....	273	8.45	67.....	337	8.35
36.....	176	8.45	60.....	325	8.30
35.....	238	8.40	40.....	372	8.25
87.....	265	10.00	40.....	372	8.25

### Pigs and Light—180 lbs. and Under.

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Horses	18,743	18,147	598	

**Live Stock in Sight.** The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal live stock markets:

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South Omaha	7,000	4,800	31,700	
St. Joseph	1,500	3,400	1,250	
East St. Louis	8,000	4,000	2,500	

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

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C. R. I. P.	14
West. Union	2
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**Cows.** 3000-1183.4 50 1000-900.3 50 2000-1320.4 40 1000-1019.3 50 1000-1140.4 25 1000-1000.3 50 4000-1100.4 25 1000-1010.3 45 1000-1360.4 20 3000-1110.3 40 1000-1110.4 10 1000-1490.4 10 1000-940.3 40 1000-1100.4 00 2000-1005.3 35 3000-1043.4 00 1000-900.3 35 1000-1100.4 00 9000-905.3 30 1000-500.4 00 1000-940.3 25 3000-1026.4 00 1000-760.3 25 1000-1320.4 00 1000-820.3 25 3000-1010.3 90 2000-1035.3 25 3000-1116.3 90 3000-1036.3 25 4000-980.3 85 1000-930.3 25 2000-1180.3 85 1000-730.3 15 1000-1000.3 85 6000-798.3 15 7000-930.3 80 6000-1130.3 75 6000-921.3 15 9000-1111.3 75 3000-820.3 15 2000-965.3 75 5000-970.3 19 5000-1126.3 70 2000-1025.3 19 1000-910.3 65 8000-943.3 05 1000-1050.3 65 12000-971.3 00 1000-554.3 55 1000-980.3 00 1000-1200.3 55 4000-870.3 00 1000-1110.3 50 1000-872.3 85 4000-1025.3 50 1000-810.3 75 8000-953.3 50 2000-770.3 75 1000-1030.3 50 1000-750.3 20 1000-1070.3 50 1000-840.3 20 2000-940.3 50 1000-830.3 20

**Bulls and Steers.** 1000-1370.4 10 1000-1380.3 65 1000-1940.4 00 1000-1450.3 65 1000-1250.4 00 12000-1200.3 60 4000-1400.3 75 1000-950.3 50 1000-1120.3 85 2000-1020.3 50 1000-1170.3 85 2000-1190.3 50 1000-1210.3 75 1000-1220.3 50 1000-1480.3 75 1000-1280.3 50 2000-1415.3 75 2000-1310.3 40 1000-1420.3 75 1000-830.3 25 1000-1330.3 85 1000-1010.3 25 2000-1230.3 65 1000-940.3 25

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**STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.** In the stocker and feeder trade there was a fair demand sprung up late yesterday afternoon for the good heavy grades of feeders and this cut down the number of holdings in the stocker division. The fresh supply this morning was not large and the local dealers were on hand ready to take hold of the attractive grades at full steady prices on a basis of the recent severe declines. A big string of good heavy westerns was taken early in the day at \$5.10 and they were considered the kind that packers were going around for \$3.50 for a short time ago. While there is a fair demand for the heavy weights of attractive quality there is a very slack call for light weights and the yards are carrying a big supply of these.

Choice to fancy feeding steers are quotable at about \$4.50 to \$5.25; medium to good grades \$4.00 to \$4.50; medium to fancy stock steers \$3.50 to \$4.25, and common to fair \$3.25 to \$3.50. Stocker heifers \$3.60 to \$3.75 for fair to strictly good kinds; stock cows \$3.00 to \$3.50, and stock calves \$3.50 to \$4.50.

**Stockers and Feeders.** 161100-1041.5 10 10000-800.4 25 90000-1010.4 65 10000-781.4 15 50000-821.4 35 58000-527.3 70

**Yearlings and Calves.** 20000-285.3 50 10000-430.2 25

**Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.** 11000-588.3 75 10000-470.3 60 2000-625.7 25 2000-580.3 50 1000-830.3 65

**Feeding Bulls and Stags.** 1000-880.3 65 1000-1020.3 40 1000-680.3 50

**RANGERS—NATIVE DIVISION.** 20Kan1229.5 75 40Kan1223.5 10 39Kan1201.5 50 50Kan1123.4 85 19Kan1274.5 40 2Kan1205.4 75 1Kan1150.5 40 23Kan1092.4 75 13Kan1260.5 40 63Kan1019.4 70 21Kan1224.5 20 27Kan1043.4 65

**Cows.** 38Kan846.8 90 12Kan739.2 85

**Packers' Cattle Purchases.** Swift & Co. 900 Morris & Co. 600 Hammond Packing Co. 400

**Packers' Hog Purchases.** Swift & Co. 1744 Hammond Packing Co. 529 Morris & Co. 977 Total 3250

**Range of Prices.** This Week Last Week Monday, \$5.80 to \$6.85 8.40 to \$9.35 Tuesday, 8.25 to \$9.15 8.35 to \$9.35 Wednesday, 8.25 to \$9.80 8.40 to \$9.10 Thursday, 6.25 to 8.40 6.90 to 8.40 Friday, 6.25 to 8.40 6.90 to 8.40 Saturday, 6.25 to 8.40 6.90 to 8.40

**SHEEP.** Small Supply on Sale, Movement Active to 10 to 15 Cents Higher Prices.

Packers had use for all fat grades of sheep and lambs included in today's arrivals and the small supply was out of first hands before noon. With packers hot after everything that would suit their requirements sellers were in a better position to quote values than on any day this week. With the small supply on hand and packers anxious to fill orders competition was keen and the supply found a ready outlet at 10 to 15 cents higher prices compared with yesterday. Receipts, estimated at 1200, were practically all killer grades and were pretty evenly divided between lambs and sheep. General quality was about as usual. Best lambs sold at \$9.50 with the bulk of these offerings selling in a range of \$6.75 to \$8.30. A band of strictly good handy weight ewes sold at \$4.00.

Native lambs, good to prime, \$6.50 to \$7.00; native lambs, inferior to fair, \$5.50 to \$6.40; range lambs, good to best, \$6.70 to \$7.00; range lambs, common to fair, \$6.00 to \$6.40; lambs, culls, \$4.25 to \$5.25; feeding lambs, poor to good, \$5.50 to \$6.25; native wethers, poor to best, \$3.75 to \$4.25; wethers, all grades, \$3.90 to \$4.25; feeding wethers, common to good, \$3.50 to \$3.75; yearlings, poor to best, \$4.50 to \$5.00; native ewes, inferior to choice, \$3.75 to \$4.00; western ewes, good to choice, \$3.60 to \$3.85; feeders, \$3.50 to \$3.25; breeding ewes, young, \$3.75 to \$5.25; cull ewes, common to good, \$2.00 to \$3.00.

53 nat lambs..... 69 6 90 10 nat lambs..... 88 6 90 1 nat lamb..... 70 6 90 1 nat lamb..... 69 6 90 11 nat lambs..... 71 6 90 57 nat lambs..... 75 6 85 132 nat lambs..... 77 6 20 22 nat yrs..... 103 5 00 15 nat lambs..... 66 5 00 24 nat ewes..... 56 4 50 14 nat ewes..... 140 4 00 9 nat ewes..... 116 3 90 12 nat ewes..... 98 3 90 3 nat ewes..... 119 3 90 2 nat ewes..... 85 3 00

**Packers' Sheep Purchases.** Swift & Co. 550 Morris & Co. 100 Hammond Packing Co. 322 Total 972

**OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS.** CHICAGO. CHICAGO, National Stock Yards, Ill., Oct. 5.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 25,000. Market 15

**HOGS.** Sellers Have an Inning and Score 5 to 10 Cent Advance.

There was a better tone to the hog trade this morning and the selling interest was able to secure an advance of 5 to 10 cents over yesterday prices for the moderate receipts. There were 3000 hogs estimated to arrive and the quality was a little better than it has been on former days of the week, which, of course, makes some difference in the appearance of sales as they appear on paper compared with yesterday. Strictly prime heavy hogs sold up to \$8.55 this morning which is relatively higher than such weights have been selling of late. The best light butchers sold at \$8.80 and the bulk of all hogs went at \$8.40 to \$8.75. The market had a good and active tone at the prices and an early clearance was made.

The total supply at the local market for the half week is only 7000 and is 5800 less than for the same time last week and less than half the number of a year ago. At the five markets the total for the three days is 102,000 and shows a decrease of 10,000 compared with last week and is 46,000 less than a year ago.

Prices ranged from \$8.25 to \$8.75, with the bulk selling at \$8.40 to \$8.50. The bulk yesterday sold at \$8.25 to \$8.75, a week ago at \$8.40 to \$8.90, a month ago at \$9.15 to \$9.70, a year ago at \$7.40 to \$7.70, two years ago at \$6.00 to \$6.30, three years ago at \$5.20 to \$6.25, four years ago at \$4.15 to \$6.42 1/2.

**Heavy and Mixed—500 lbs. and Upward.** No. Av. Shk. Price No. Av. Shk. Price 100-214-8 80 67-307-8 80 100-228-8 80 68-312-8 80 25-226-8 80 67-275-8 80 40-279-8 80 57-287-8 80 68-259-8 80 53-347-8 80 87-218-8 60 68-297-8 80 51-228-40 80 55-388-8 80 63-234-8 80 55-280-200 8 80 235-313,100 8 55 64-372,100 8 37 20-277-80 8 60 62-324,100 8 37 54-290-8 50 50-477-8 80 61-256-8 50 47-302-8 80 72-244,120 8 45 50-290-8 80 60-273-8 45 61-294,120 8 25 63-248 40 8 45 61-328,100 8 35 60-273 40 8 45 61-325-8 80 35 71-274-8 45 67-337 40 8 35 35-216-8 75 67-323 80 30 38-228-8 45 20-372 40 8 25 37-265 160 8 40

**Pigs and Light—400 lbs. and Under.** 100-149-8 80 57-179-8 80 28-182-8 80 68-192 80 80 19-176-8 80 89 48-179-8 80 21-172-8 80 89 56-184 40 8 65 83-154-8 80 49-190 40 8 65 74-108-8 80 19-163-8 80 2-190-8 80 70 12-358-8 80 2-190-8 80 70 2-270-8 80 2

**ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET.** Today's cash values: Receipts wheat, 4 cars; corn, 6 cars; oats, 0 car.

**Wheat.** No. 2 red 97 1/2 @ 98 No. 3 red 95 @ 97 No. 3 hard 95 1/2 @ 1 02 No. 2 hard 94 @ 1 00 1/2

**Corn.** No. 2 white 50 1/2 @ 51 No. 3 white 50 @ 50 1/2 No. 2 corn 50 1/2 @ 51 1/2 No. 3 corn 50 @ 50 1/2

**Oats.** No. 2 white 33 @ 33 1/2 No. 3 white 32 @ 33 No. 3 oats 31 1/2 @ 32 Bran 37 @ 38 Corn chops 98 @ 99 Shorts 1 05 @ 1 10

The above cash quotations are based on actual sales each day and are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1005-1008 New Corby-Forsce Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

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**Options.** Open-High-Low-Close 1910 1909

**WHEAT—** Dec 97 1/2 98 1/2 96 3/4 98 1/2 97 1/2 May 103 1/2 104 1/2 102 1/2 104 1/2 103 1/2

**CORN—** May 50 1/2 50 1/2 49 1/2 50 50 May 58 3/4 59 3/4 57 3/4 59 3/4

**OATS—** Dec 33 3/4 35 3/4 32 3/4 35 3/4 33 3/4 May 36 3/4 36 3/4 35 3/4 36 3/4

**PORK—** Jan 17 65 17 72 17 62 17 72 17 60 May 17 05 17 15 17 02 17 15 17 07

**LARD—** Jan 10 55 10 55 10 55 10 55 10 55 May 10 15 10 25 10 15 10 25 10 15

**RIBS—** Jan 9 37 9 42 9 35 9 42 9 37 May 9 32 9 37 9 32 9 37 9 32

**ST. JOSEPH HAY MARKET.** Local Quotations Corrected to Date by Local Dealers.

The following quotations are furnished daily by the St. Joseph Hay Receivers and Shippers association for the benefit of Stock Yards Daily Journal readers:

Timothy—Choice, \$11.50 to \$14; No. 1, \$12 to \$13; No. 2, \$10 to \$12; No. 3, \$8 to \$9. Clover mixed—Choice, \$11.50 to \$12; No. 1, \$10 to \$11; No. 2, \$7.50 to \$10; No. 3, \$5 to \$7.

New clover—Choice, \$10 to \$11; No. 1, \$8.50 to \$9.50; No. 2, \$7 to \$8. Prairie—Choice, \$12; No. 1, \$11.50 to \$11.75; No. 2, \$10 to \$10.75; No. 3, \$8 to \$9. Alfalfa—Choice, \$14 to \$15; No. 1, \$13 to \$14; No. 2, \$10 to \$12; No. 3, \$6.50 to \$9.50. Packing hay—\$5 to \$6. Straw—\$5.25 to \$5.50.

**COITONSEED, LINSEED, ALFALFA PRODUCTS.** Lined seed, old process, is quoted in cots at \$15 per ton; ton lots, \$25; 1,000 lbs, \$19; low quotations, \$2 per 100 lbs. Bulk oil cake, \$34 per ton. All orders from Kansas should include 25c a ton for inspection fee.

Lined oil, raw, per gallon, in car lots, \$1; bottled, \$1.01. Single bbls, raw, \$1.02; bottled, \$1.04. Five-bbl lots, 1c less.

Cottonseed meal—Carlots, per ton, in St. Joseph territory, choice \$29.90; ton lots, f. o. b. in St. Joseph, \$31. Ko-pes-ko cake—Carlots, per ton, St. Joseph territory, \$27; ton lots, \$29. Cold pressed cottonseed cake—Carlots, per ton, Kansas City territory, \$27; ton lots, \$29. Alfalfa meal—Per cwt., choice \$18.50; prime, \$15.50; standard, \$12 to \$13.

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**PROBLEM SOLVED** Cheerful Story Comes From Isolated Region in Extreme Southwest Kansas.

**A CHICAGO MAN'S IDEA** Ernest C. Wilson Writes of Artesian Well Flowing 250 Gallons Per Minute.

**NEW LIFE IN DESERT TOWN** Theory That There is Water Enough in the Earth For Man's Needs Proving Good in Most Southwestern Kansas County—Discovery of Artesian Water Puts New Hope in Sparsely Settled Section—Railroad Building Active.

Garden City, Kans., Oct. 5.—"The desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose," a biblical prophecy which is soon to be realized by the scattered settlers of Morton county, is the most cheerful story that has come out of that isolated region in the extreme southwest corner of Kansas. A Chicago man, Ernest C. Wilson, who, a quarter of a century ago left family and friends of the city for a life on the parched plains, and who picked upon Morton county as probably the community farthest removed from railroad and the civilizing influences which follow it, has solved the problem of water for the arid lands. Mr. Wilson has believed all these years he has resided at the little village of Richfield, the county seat of Morton county, that somewhere down in the earth there is an abundance of water for man and beast, as well as for rich areas which only need it to produce abundant crops. Wilson, with others, knew that the great floods of water coming down the Arkansas river from the Rocky Mountains annually, and which appeared to sink into the earth near the Western Kansas line, leaving the bed of the river a dry sand-bar, found an underground current and spread out over vast areas of desert land. But it was not thought that this underflow reached twenty-five miles to the south of the river's main channel; nor was it believed that the great sheet of water underlying Morton county was more than 500 feet below the surface.

The story of Mr. Wilson's big strike comes in a letter to a friend here, and it tells of an artesian well on the town site of Richfield which flows 250 gallons of water per minute. The apparently limitless underground lake was reached at a depth of 580 feet. It is estimated by men who are capable of judging that the supply of water from this well will easily irrigate a quarter section of land. A dozen or more wells will be drilled at once in and around Richfield, and the men who have lived on hope in that desert region for the past third of a century now believe that a revolution is at hand, and that great agricultural development will follow.

There is much interest in this, the extreme southwest corner county of Kansas. Thirty or more years ago it was known as Kansas county, and its area was larger than the entire state of Massachusetts. Thousands of settlers flocked into that region to secure government homesteads, and the legislature found it necessary to organize about twenty-five new counties across the western end of the state. The bill, as it was offered in the house, left the southwest corner as Kansas county, and when it was under consideration in the committee of the whole, David Overmyer, a former leader of the Democratic party, who was a member from Topeka, and who had recently come to the state from Indiana arose and made a speech that thrilled the assembly. He eulogized the life and public services of the great war governor of Indiana, and declared that it would be a fitting tribute to Governor Morton to name a Kansas county for him. Overmyer won his point, and Kansas county was changed to Morton.

The courthouse in the village of Richfield was built in the early 'nineties at a cost of \$50,000. Clustered around it are the home and the stores of probably not more than 150 persons. This courthouse tells the story of boom days of Western Kansas. Within it is beautifully finished. In its spacious deserted courtroom, larger probably than any other similar room in Kansas, pigeons now roost and breed. On the lower floor is the treasurer's office. Its furnishings also tell of a glory departed. Eight windows are there to accommodate eight deputies and to receive county taxes. It was more than a quarter of a century ago that Richfield and a town four miles south, known as Frisco, were fighting for the county seat. Both towns imported, fed and clothed hundreds of outsiders in order to swell the voting population. Hired marksmen patrolled the outskirts of each town, and although there were several "shoot-tips" nobody was killed, and Richfield won the county seat.

A few years later the Cherokee Strip and No. Man's Land, to the south, were opened to settlement, and then followed a rush of Morton county settlers to the new country. Block-

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Omaha Journal-Scarcer: One
thing that makes the corn feeding
proposition look good this fall is the
fact that there will be less competi-
tion from western hay and beet pulp
feeders. The scarcity of hay all over
the west has sent the price of that ar-
ticle to practically prohibitive figures.

A LESSON TO MISSOURIANS.
Do the real estate men of St. Jo-
seph, or the whole state of Missouri,
take full account of the advertising
that is being done within the borders
of the state to induce residents of the
state to go to other states for the pur-
pose of investing in lands?

Colorado's Beet Crop.
Estimates Place This Year at 750,000
Tons.
Denver Times: The farmers of
northern Colorado tomorrow will be-
gin to harvest the 1910 crop of sugar
beets. The crop for the state this
year will mean the distribution of
approximately \$3,210,000 for beets,
labor and supplies, according to es-
timates compiled by the sugar beets
interests. About \$4,125,000 will be
distributed among the farmers of the
state, between November 15 and the
middle of January.

China's Destructive River.
The Hoang-ho, the "Yellow river,"
of China, is probably the most de-
structive of rivers. In one flood it is
believed to have killed 1,300,000 per-
sons. It cut a new channel to the sea
through hundreds of miles of densely
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"Well, I've seen fresh air feeds be-
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Daddy's Bedtime
Story — Sir Walter
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ONE day Jack had been very nice to his sister Evelyn and had helped
her carefully across a muddy road. When daddy heard about it that
evening he said, "Well, I declare, Jack, you are just like Sir Walter
Raleigh!"
"Who was he, daddy, and is there a story about him?" asked Jack and
Evelyn, who are always on the lookout for stories. "Yes," said daddy, and he
told them the story that very same evening.

TRUTH TELLING IS A VICE
Philadelphia Startles Teachers' Insti-
tute by Saying Tendency to
Lie is Natural.
Pittsburg, Pa.—That an alarming
proportion of children between the
ages of 7 and 18 years are addicted to
lying, was the statement made by Dr.
Earl Barnes of Philadelphia, in an ad-
dress to teachers attending the Alle-
gheny County institute. In an address
he referred to a specific instance in
drawing this conclusion and declared
that the tendency to lie is natural un-
der the natural law of self-preservation,
and that the average child can't help
but lie.

The Audubon
Club

By CLAUDINE SISSON

All along the Long Island shores it
was known that there was a state law
to protect the domestic birds and the
sea gulls from destruction, but only
here and there was it feared or en-
forced. The residents of the villages
respected the law to some extent, but
when strangers broke it they had noth-
ing to say. It was the stranger who
left money among them, and they
looked at that more than at the life
of the birds. Even if he shot and sent
away to the taxidermist in the city a
score of the beautiful white gulls skim-
ming along the surf, what great harm
was there in it? There were gulls in
plenty. No one could eat them. They
just flew about in an idle, useless
way.

Shot and Secured Five Gulls.
The little schoolm'am put on her
hat and went with Johnny to the ju-
stice of the peace. He grumbled as he
saw them approaching. He knew the
law, and must issue a warrant and
impose the penalty, but his neighbors
would look at him askance for doing
his sworn duty. Johnny told his story,
and Miss Nina demanded a warrant.
As it was being made out, the gun of
the sportsman was heard firing on the
gulls. The constable wanted to delay
serving the warrant. He also feared
his neighbors. He was talked to in a
way to put springs under his heels.
He had always supposed little women
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he was saying "Gee!" to himself as he
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Male Friendship.

Remarks have been made lately as regards the apparent decline of close personal friendships between men. Perhaps something in our busy modern life accounts for our lower note in masculine friendships.

Complaint Was "Incurable."

A remarkable fraud has just been worked on the Institut Pasteur in Paris by a negro hailing from eastern Africa. Alleging that he was suffering from the terrible malady of sleeping sickness, the negro was admitted to the hospital to undergo treatment.

Dickens Nearly Popular as Bible.

Dickens' public passes beyond the bounds of the British Empire. There is America—with its eighty-five millions of people and its widespread, its fervent, regard for Dickens. There is France, where Daudet could write: "Little Nell and Paul Dombey came to me as a revelation of purity and innocence."

HEARD DURING THE WAR

Password Given Out to Sentinels Undergoes Change Owing to Soldier's Blunder. The following anecdote was told by Col. John A. Riker of Philadelphia, a veteran of the Civil war, at the National: "In the army of the Cumberland one of the officers whose duty it was to furnish the guards with a password for the night gave the word 'Potomac.' A German, on guard, not understanding distinctly the difference between 'b's' and 'p's', understood it to be 'Potomac,' and this, on being transferred to another, was corrupted to 'Buttermilk.'"

Burlesque Wedding Guests.

Poulbot, a Paris caricaturist, having determined upon so commonplace a step as getting married, decided that he would be married in no common place way. He asked all his friends to the wedding, but there was a sine qua non condition attached to the invitation.

Wasps to Cure Disease.

Paris.—M. Roubaud has asserted, according to a paper read at the Academy of Science, to have found a means of exterminating the deadly sleeping sickness microbe. He has discovered in Dahomey a member of the wasp family whose appetite is apparently only satisfied with the bacilli of sleeping sickness.

Mere Matter of Speed.

The Reading Railway's lawyer was cross-examining a negro woman who had sworn that she saw a train hit a milk wagon whose handaged driver had just testified. No, she had not heard the engine blow any whistle whatsoever.

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**TALK ON ETIQUETTE**

**Beau Says United States More Polite Than France.**

World's Most Famous Cotillion Leader Calls on Youth of His Nation to Recover Lost Science of Politeness.

Paris, France.—M. Fouquieres, who is called the world's most famous leader of cotillions and is also known as the "last true dandy of the Beau Brummel type," finds that the United States and England are now more polite than France, thus contradicting F. Hopkinson Smith, who has held up France as a model in matters of etiquette. The noted society leader has issued a stirring appeal to Parisians in which he describes the decline of courtesy, calls politeness a most useful quality and urges his fellow citizens to regain their reputation for good manners as they are recovering in acronautics their reputation for heroism.

"Politeness is disappearing," declared M. Fouquieres. "It must be admitted that we are no longer the most courteous people in the world. The politeness which was formerly a national virtue, and the former gallantry which always characterized Frenchmen are today neglected, ridiculed and almost despised.

"Look at our young folk. They are formal, stiff, indifferent and disdainful; their movements are identical and bombastic like a funeral ballet, and they affect a phlegmatic ennui which it is vain to criticize, for it is the mode.

"Foreigners trusting to our reputation for courtesy are astonished to find themselves inspected insolently when they venture into public places. Women do not escape sly, gay looks and vulgar murmurings and whoever makes malicious jokes at their expense is applauded with the laugh of approbation. Lack of tact is considered witty. Our savants, aviators, automobilists and sailors perform heroic deeds daily and their glory is undiminished. Only politeness is lost.

"Yet there is no quality more useful in a democracy. It incites and wins indulgence. All ambitious persons ought to be polite, but foolish persons cannot be, for politeness is a science requiring an understanding of psychology. An opportune compliment can create a precious ally.

"During centuries we ridiculed English manners. Now we think we are following the phlegmatic English fashion, but we are wrong, for in the meantime England has changed. The modern Englishman, although he has a true compassion for all born on English soil, is always perfectly courteous. Even America is improving in this respect and only France is deteriorating.

"There is hope, however, that the growing interest in sport and athletics will renew the old-time courtesy. For does not the fencing room preserve the tradition of elegance? The new generation will remember, perhaps, that their ancestors risked life for a smile and that the learned Pontonella at the age of 80 picked up a fan for a young girl."

**CONSERVES HER JAW POWER**

Nebraska Man Has Device by Which Mother-in-Law's Maxillaries Run Machine.

New York.—"By a system of differential pulleys and strings I have devised a scheme to make my wife's jaws do useful work when she chews gum," says a man who avers he is J. Montgomery Gubbins, Omaha, Neb.

"With this device attached to her jaws," he continued, "my wife runs her sewing machine and thoroughly enjoys herself while doing so. I invented this simple machine because my wife has rheumatism in both ankles and has a stiff wrist. With a similar machine I have got my mother-in-law to work running a churn. It takes more power to run a churn than it does a sewing machine. I came east to look over the field with the view of trying my invention on the New York public if I found gum chewing popular.

"I am highly pleased with what I found, and I know I'll have tremendous sales of this machine when I return to New York. I found the biggest number of gum chewers among the subway travelers. I'm sure they will jump at the chance to buy my invention when they find I've got an attachment that will provide fresh air as the traveler works his jaws."

**Cured by Long Fast.**

Denver.—Roland Moeller, a young civil engineer, who went 57 days without food in order to cure stomach trouble and a partial deafness induced by catarrh, has begun taking nourishment in the form of orange and plum juices. He can hear without difficulty, but is weak.

When Moeller's whose father is a physician of Milwaukee, began his fast he weighed 148 pounds. Now he weighs about 87 1/2 pounds.

**Passport Made of Cement.**

London.—Dr. Carl Peters, the German explorer, said that he had discovered, near Umfall, a cement tablet which so far as he knew contained the first actual aculeon inscription found in South Africa—probably half of an ancient passport, bearing Greco-Phoenician characters.

**SHE HAD 1,001 PROPOSALS**

Young Seattle Widow, a Telephone Operator, to Marry the Last One to Declare.

Seattle.—New York may have its herd of 185 loves in the person of one Roscoe H. Sanborn, but Seattle has a real merry widow with 1,001 proposals to her credit. The one thousand and first man is the lucky one and the wedding will occur shortly.

The merry widow is Mrs. Rita May Dike, a 'phone operator. It is questionable if Mrs. Dike ever saw more than a scant half-dozen of the 1,001 suitors. But that did not detract from the ardor of their love epistles. They wrote from the north, the south, the east and the west.

Mrs. Dike was formerly an Iowa girl—Ottumwa being her home. Three years ago she married and with her husband went to South Dakota. He was killed in a wreck and Mrs. Dike bravely faced the world and took up a claim.

She called her place "Ottumwa," and it is still known by that name in South Dakota.

At the state fair in Huron, S. D., in 1908, Mrs. Dike was awarded the prize for being the prettiest young woman in the state. Newspapers devoted columns to her photo and beauty.

At first letters came by two and three, but finally the rural delivery man had to put on an extra mule to aid in hauling the mail out to "Ottumwa."

Mrs. Dike has a bungalow on her 100 acres. There she opened and read every one of the proposals.

Her house needed papering. Nothing would better serve the purpose than a ton or two of love letters. Mrs. Dike plastered the walls and the ceilings and used the photos for roofing, and with the surplus built a chicken corral. Over all the pasted this large sign:

"Love letter shack. Tack new proposals on vacant space."

Mrs. Dike was literally driven off her claim. She came to Seattle in 1909 and found employment. There, however, her beauty attracted other wooers, and though she fought them off with her rugged South Dakota experience she at last fell victim to Cupid, and a Seattle business man won her hand.

**CHANCE OF PLAYING HOOKEY**

Little Boys of St. Louis Must Be Really and Truly Sick to Escape New Order.

St. Louis.—You can't play "hookey" any more, kids. That is, you can't get away with it. You'll have to get sick enough for a diagnosis to prove it if you expect to lay off from school next term.

The board of education has hired a special staff of nurses whose business it will be to call at the homes of all absentees to determine just how sick they are. There are to be five of these young women to start with, and while they are not appointed as truancy officers they are expected to be more efficacious in keeping children at school. Whenever a note reaches the teacher that Johnny Jones is sick one of the nurses will make a visit to Johnny's home. Should it happen that Johnny is not at home and the mother has no recollection of having written any note to the teacher, well—you've all been there.

If Johnny is absent a couple of days without any excuse the nurses will visit his home just the same. The new system of the board has Johnny coming and going. So he might as well give up the idea of playing hookey next term. Among the various duties of the nurses will be to examine all absentees returning to school before they have entered the rooms, with the view of detecting evidence of infectious or contagious diseases.

**FISH DRAGS MAN FROM BOAT**

Enormous Muskellunge Lunges at Captor When About to Use Gaff—Fight in Water.

Minocqua, Wis.—An enormous muskellunge, weighing 62 pounds, and lacking only four inches of five feet in length, pulled Howard Kennedy, a Milwaukee fisherman, into the lake before being captured. Mrs. Kennedy fired four shots at the fish with a deer rifle before placing a bullet in a vital spot.

The fish was hooked on Loraine lake, between Minocqua and Rhineland, in the woods south of here, where the Laura Fishing club of Milwaukee has a camp. The Milwaukee man and his wife were fishing when Kennedy got the strike and reeled in his prize until he was almost ready to gaff it.

As he reached out with his gaff hook, the fish gave a lunge and Kennedy was in the lake. His wife helped him to catch the painter of the boat, and then he hung to the fish while Mrs. Kennedy used the rifle.

**Plows Up \$800 in Coins.**

Newark, N. J.—Charles M. Webb, a farmer of Mount Freedom, is \$800 richer as the result of a few hours' plowing. While turning over the ground he came upon four remarkable old copper pennies. Two pieces were dated 1737. One of these has a horse's head and plow on one side, the second has a shield on one side and "Nova Caesarea" on the other. Another of Mr. Webb's finds is a large copper cent of 1848, United States mintage. The fourth is an English copper piece of 1776. The coins are appraised by dealers at \$200 apiece.

**CAUGHT MANY FLIES**

Ancient Mexican Industry Ruined by Modern Improvements.

Since Days of Aztec Lords Small Band of Natives Supplied Canaries and Other Pet Birds With Delicacy.

Mexico City.—When the government of Mexico decided to drain Lake Texcoco, just east of the city, in order to lessen the danger of floods during the rainy season and also to get at the rich soda deposits in the bed of the lake it sounded the doom of one of the queerest and most ancient industries in the new world, that of catching flies for market.

Since the days of the Aztec lords of Mexico a small band of natives has made a comfortable living out of the business of supplying the canaries and other pet birds and fine poultry of the United States and Mexico with the delicacy of dry, salted flies. Now the lake is drying up, the flies have disappeared, the birds are to go hungry and the fly catchers have abandoned their pleasant vocation for the drudgery of digging soda from the bottom of a smelly lake.

Catching flies for market on the shores of Lake Texcoco has been a profitable industry since the days of the Aztecs. Until recent years the annual production of dried insects was measured in tons and until this year was sufficient to afford a means of livelihood to a small colony of native fly catchers.

These market flies are a little smaller than the ordinary house fly. Preserved in the natural salts they were found to be an excellent food for caged birds and chickens and hundreds of sacks were shipped annually to bird dealers in the United States and Germany.

The insects are caught in nets as they swarm near the lake's surface, killed by drowning in the water and immediately spread out on sheets to dry. After this simple curing process they are sacked up and are then ready for market.

Some are used in this city and the republic, but the excellent demand which has grown up for them in other countries within the last few years has greatly increased the price and lessened the local demand. During the year 1909 more than \$10,000 worth were shipped to Europe alone.

The profession of fly catching and fly preserving has been handed down from father to son in a few families who have held a monopoly on the industry since the days of Netzahualcoyotl, when that monarch signed a treaty with the Casique Chimalpopoca of Tenochtitlan whereby a number of Tenecans received a concession to gather flies in the former's realm to feed the sacred quetzals in the great island.

**OLD GARDEN OF MONTEZUMA**

Belief is Prevalent in Mexico City That Ancient Aztec Lords Grew Rare Flowers.

Mexico City.—That an unknown, highly cultured people, of whom neither history, tradition or legend has preserved any record, flourished in or near the valley of Mexico and enjoyed spiced chocolate and aromatic beverages from transplanted tropical fruits grown by them in a marvelous built garden at Oaxtepec, from 1,600 to 2,000 years ago, is the latest theory of Guillermo Tellez, regarding the recently discovered garden of Montezuma.

Mr. Tellez applied to the department of public instruction for a special permit to make exploration in the garden. He states that concerning 21 successive cañiques on the land with codices in possession of the national museum has led him to believe that the garden has great antiquity.

He has been devoting a large part of four years to studying the plans found there. Through the inscriptions he has been able to glean historical data concerning 21 successive cañiques. Tropical trees, flowers and fruits were transplanted from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and Central America to this garden, and there were grown cocoa, vanilla, parota, yolloxochitl, mexasochitl and another rare flower which gives of its odor in the night. These plants and their friends were ingredients of the delicious chocolates which were the favorite beverage of the Aztec lords when Cortez arrived.

The garden was visited by Acemapixtle and Ilhucamina, the second named being identical with Montezuma I. It is claimed that Montezuma Ilhucamina appropriated this beautiful garden to his personal use and pleasure.

**Helen Gould Gets Degree.**

New York.—The degree of law of laws has been conferred on Helen Gould by the College of Girls at Constantinople. This institution, which is under the control of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, has for years been befriended by Miss Gould.

**Midnight Weddings Barred.**

Washington.—Rockville, Md., for years the Greens Green of this vicinity, has suddenly lost its romantic glamour. In future there will be no midnight weddings for young elopers. Marriage licenses will be issued only during regular office hours.

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