

DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 63 Cars, 1541 Cattle; 133 Cars, 9235 Hogs; 25 Cars, 5823 Sheep.

BETTER CATTLE TONE SHOWN

Proportion of Steers Large But Inquiry Was Better, Some Sales Dime Higher.

TOP PRICE OF WEEK IS MADE

Good Active Tone to Butcher Trade With Prices Holding Steady—Easier Tone to Market For Veals, But Best Kinds Steady—Better Feeling in Stocker Trade—Bulk of Hogs Sold at Nickel Decline—Sheep and Lambs Steady.

Receipts from January 1, 1911.

Table showing receipts for cattle, hogs, and sheep from January 1, 1911, with columns for date, quantity, and value.

Live Stock in Sight.

Table showing live stock in sight for cattle, hogs, and sheep, with columns for quantity and value.

Receipts by Cars.

Table showing receipts by cars for cattle, hogs, and sheep, with columns for quantity and value.

CATTLE.

Market in Better Tone, Steers Firm to 10c Higher.

Signs of returning life were apparent in the fat cattle market today. Continued moderate receipts all around at length infused a better spirit in the competition and the downward drift of prices was checked and the market placed on a better footing.

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

Stockers and feeders were dominant in all branches of the stock and feeder trade today and although no betterment in the price schedule was recorded, the undertone was stronger.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.

Table showing prices for dressed beef and shipping steers, with columns for grade and price.

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

While not showing much strength in prices there was a good active tone to the market for cows and heifers.

Packers' Cattle Purchases.

Table showing packers' cattle purchases from various sources.

HOGS.

Prices Settle Back a Nickel, Supplies Increase.

With all western points pretty generally supplied with hogs packers market effective demand on bullish enthusiasm and prices receded a little from the higher level of Wednesday.

COWS.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

VEALS.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

WAGONS.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

WHEAT.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

BARLEY.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

RYE.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

BUCKWHEAT.

Prices 10c to 15c higher.

WHEAT AND PROVISIONS.

Table showing prices for wheat and provisions, with columns for item and price.

TOPPED BEEF MARKET.

Nebraska Fed Cattle at \$6.25, Highest of the Week.

G. A. Burger & Son, prominent feeders and shippers of Dominion, Neb., had in a load of steers from their feedlots today that put a top on the market for the day and week.

WANT THE PEOPLE

Comparative Figures Showing State's Population Per Square Mile.

ARE INVITING SETTLEMENT

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Big String of Western Steers Returned Profit on Short Feed.

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Thomas Hodgson, one of the prosperous farmers and feeders of the vicinity of Pauline, Neb., was on the market yesterday with a shipment of six cars of steers that made him a nice profit on a short feed.

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OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS

CHICAGO. CHICAGO Union Stock Yards, Ill., March 23.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 5000. Market 10c higher, top \$6.50, cows and heifers steady, feeders steady.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 23.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 4000. Market steady, top \$6.40, cows and heifers steady, stockers slow, calves steady.

SOUTH OMAHA.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., March 23.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 2900. Market steady.

EAST ST. LOUIS.

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., March 23.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: Cattle—Receipts, 1300. Market strong to the higher.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET.

Table showing cash grain market prices for wheat, corn, and oats.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Table showing grain and provisions prices for wheat, corn, and other items.

PACKERS' CATTLE PURCHASES.

Table showing packers' cattle purchases from various sources.

Range of Prices.

Table showing range of prices for various commodities.

SHEEP.

Supplies Unusually Large, Market Active With Prices Generally Steady.

Making allowance for the usual week-end shrinkage in supplies to the receipts of sheep and lambs was unusually large. An early estimate of 5000 was posted but final count is expected to figure up close to 5500.

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ITEMS IN BRIEF.

G. H. Palmer of Shickley, Neb., contributed a mixed load of stock to the day's receipts.

TRANSIT HOUSE CATERERS TO STOCKMEN.

Transit House caterers to stockmen. E. F. Pohlman of Dealer, Neb., was noted among those with hogs on the market today.

WISCONSIN FEEDERS USE EXCELLO FEEDS.

Wisconsin feeders use Excello Feeds. Fred Zabel of Western, Neb., was at the yards today looking after the disposal of a load of hogs.

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# Daddy's Bedtime Story—

## The Boston Tea Party

"YOU have heard, youngsters," said daddy one evening, "about the great war in this country about 130 years ago which the people of America fought in order to be free from the people of Great Britain. The Americans did not want to have the British king any longer for their king, for they believed that the British king of those days was a bad man and not willing to do what was right for the people of this country. Before the war began many interesting things happened. Some day you will learn about these things for yourselves in your history books. I am going to tell you tonight about one of the most interesting of them. It happened in Boston, and it was the biggest tea party that ever took place.

"You see, the British king needed money, and he wanted the Americans to pay him money for each pound of tea which they used. The Americans refused to pay this because, they said, they were not allowed to send men to the British parliament to help in making the laws by which they were ruled. They would not use any tea. The king and his men sent some tea over to Boston, which was then the biggest American city, in three ships. They thought that when the Americans saw the tea they would buy it.

"When the tea reached Boston the Americans held a great meeting and said they would never, never buy the tea. It was on the 16th of December, in the year 1773. The meeting lasted all day. It was a stormy day, and evening came early. The people were still talking about the king and the tea and the three ships which had brought the tea from England, when suddenly they heard a sound like Indians whooping. Then about fifty men dressed like Indians, but with white men's faces, appeared and led the crowd to the wharf to which the ships were tied. Everything became quiet while the men dressed like Indians went on board the ships, took out the chests of tea, broke them open and poured the tea into the water, so that it was spoiled and no one could use it. This is called the great Boston tea party.

"In other cities also the people refused to take the tea. Some of the ships reached Charleston, but the people would not let the captain of the ships offer the tea for sale, although he was able to get the tea chests ashore. He had to put the chests into cellars, but the cellars were damp, and the tea spoiled.

"At New York and Philadelphia the people would not even let the tea be landed. Of course when the news reached England the king and his men were very angry. They called the Americans harsh names for spoiling the tea. Less than two years afterward the war commenced which freed this country from England."

rean of animal industry, has so long sought and asked for.

In Massachusetts conditions in this local trade are probably as bad as anywhere, and have reached such a state that strong efforts at reform are being made. The National Provisioner has already reported the results of investigations made there and the filthy conditions found in many instances. In a recent issue the New England Grocer discusses this agitation, and reports a typical case of an unsanitary butcher shop which its representative found.

It is such cases that cast discredit upon the trade at large, and which are used by sensationalists both at home and abroad to attack our industry. They are by no means representative of conditions throughout the trade. But they should be remedied, and butchers and slaughterers should be among the foremost in effecting such reforms. It is to their own best interest to do so, for a good name means everything to them, especially in the face of the bad reputation given the trade upon every occasion by newspapers and sensationalists.

**NO FAMINE OF EATS.**

The breeders' classic, no longer is there a famine of edible fats. A year ago scarcity reached the acute stage, but our good corn crop furnished the necessary relief. Both hard and soft yields are now unusually heavy, even for the season, but at the new scale of prices manufacturers are experiencing no difficulty in the merchandising process. Everything has had access to abundant corn this winter. Stock cattle are fat and cows that have been running in stallfields carry more beef than those that were on fall feed last year. The average weight of hog receipts, officially, at Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joseph and Sioux City last month was 227 pounds, and would have been even heavier had Chicago been credited to the 225 pounds to which it was entitled, instead of 220 pounds, the discrepancy being due to re-weighing light stuff to shippers. The January average at these markets was 225 pounds, while that of February, 1910, was only 212 pounds.

**INFANT MORTALITY.**

Appalling Figures of White Plague's Ravages.

It is estimated that every year, in the United States, sixty-four hundred children die of tuberculosis. The average age at which they die is twelve and a half years, which means that for six years they have been receiving education from the state. Every year's education is computed to cost thirty dollars, so that each child has cost, for six years' teaching, one hundred and eighty dollars, and the sixty-four hundred children have cost considerably more than a million dollars. What community, the advocates of open-air schools demand, can afford to throw away such a sum every year? For a child that dies at twelve years of age, before he has rendered any service to society, through productive energy, must be estimated as a total loss to the community.

It is sentiment, it is the thing farthest in all the world removed from charity, say the open-air apostles, that such appalling waste of public money should be stopped. And if outdoor schools for normally healthy children will reduce the length of their school terms, and will simplify and cheapen the entire school apparatus, what vast economy there may be in the scheme, not to speak of its more appealing human features—thousands of young lives saved for happiness and usefulness—Munsey's Magazine.

**THEY WILL ARBITRATE.**

Denver Times: At a meeting of the American National Live Stock association, recently called at Washington by the secretary of agriculture to investigate the use of the forest reserves by the stockmen, plans were made by which the differences between the cattlemen and sheepmen will be settled. This plan of the department provides for a advisory board, composed of representatives from the cattle raisers, the sheep raisers, the department of agriculture and the forestry service, to meet periodically and adjust any questions that may arise between the cattlemen and sheep raisers. The question of rates and service of railroads in connection with the transportation of live stock is also receiving the attention of the American National Live Stock association. A committee from the association and a committee from the vice presidents of the large railroads will meet in Chicago March 29 and discuss the question. The stock growers anticipate much good in the way of better transportation from the conference.

**TRADE MUST KEEP CLEAN.**

National Provisioner: Conditions surrounding the bulk of the American meat trade are very nearly ideal under the splendid system of government meat inspection which has been in force since 1896. But there is much local trade, particularly in small towns and out-of-the-way places, which is badly in need of reforming. Here is where state and local supervision will have to come in, and it is the co-operation of such local authorities that the federal bu-

**OLDEST RESIDENT DEAD.**

Daniel Bartlett, Aged 110, Remembered Trial of Aaron Burr.

Sedalia, Mo., March 22.—Daniel Bartlett, aged 110 years, believed to be the oldest person in Missouri, died here yesterday. Bartlett was born in Boonville shortly after the inauguration of Thomas Jefferson as president. He remembered the trial of Aaron Burr in 1807. Bartlett was temperate in habits. He used neither tobacco nor intoxicating liquors.

Five children, four grand children and two great grand children survive.

**HALF MILLION DOLLAR THEATER.**

A new \$500,000 theater is to be built in this city by Alexander Pantages, head of the Pantages vaudeville circuit, according to an announcement recently. He decided to enter the local field when the Panama-Pacific exposition was assured San Francisco.

Contractors have gone to the Crow Agency, just across the Colorado line, in Montana, to establish an electric light plant. The Crow Indians are among the most progressive red men in the United States.

**RAISE MORTGAGES.**

Western Farmers Rent Lands and Then Retire, Says Mr. Holt.

The exaggerated inflation of western farm land values may be the cause of this country's next financial crisis, according to Byron W. Holt, former editor of Moody's Magazine. The purchase and repurchase of western farms, has become during the last ten years, according to Mr. Holt, merely a vast speculation, in which the actual raising of crops on the land is a very incidental activity. Western farm land values, indeed, have been increased by speculators to such an extent, Mr. Holt says, that the mere profit on the "crops has ceased even to be enough to pay the interest on the farmers' purchase price.

The trouble, according to Mr. Holt, began ten years ago, when the western farmers, finding real farming profitable, began investing their savings in other farm lands. As all the farmers became possessed with this idea at practically the same time, they began buying and rebuying the farm lands from each other, very much as stocks are bought, rebought, and raised to a top-notch speculative value on the stock exchange. In many cases the farmers have mortgaged their farms to buy other farms. This has led to the western banks, insurance companies and other financial institutions at one time last summer practically refused to lend any more money on farm mortgages. Another result of this vast system of western farm land speculation, according to Mr. Holt, is that the farmers themselves are retiring to the cities and selling their lands while waiting to make a sale, to be worked by a "tenant farmer" class, out of which they exact a tribute—in some cases as high as 50 per cent of the farm's earnings—in order to meet the interest on the mortgages. This speculative farming class is willing to pay as high as 8 per cent for money, secured by their farm lands.

"They are raising mortgages instead of corn," to use Mr. Holt's own words.

The United States census for 1910 shows that, while farm land values in the east have increased 30 per cent in the last ten years, farm land values in the west have increased more than 100 per cent in the same period," says Mr. Holt. "In Illinois the increase is 104 per cent. In Missouri 107 per cent. In Iowa 123 per cent, and in Montana 293 per cent. This rise in value of farm lands has led the farmers themselves to cease to be interested in raising crops and to retire to the cities. The farm land owners have indeed, retired to the cities to such an extent that the rural population of the middle west has actually decreased during the last decade.

"Ordinary farmers, however, have not retired to the cities to such an extent as the rural population of the middle west has actually decreased during the last decade. Statistics for 1909 show an unprecedented expansion of farm mortgages. During 1909, 17,504 farm mortgages for over \$50,000,000 were filed; while the releases numbered 17,500, for \$25,000,000 in the same year—a gain of nearly \$15,000,000 in the money raised by farm mortgages. At a point about midway between the cities and the farms, the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company alone made 4,489 loans amounting to more than \$27,000,000 on farm lands in 1909.

"During the last year, however, September over \$50,000,000 was loaned on farm mortgages and kindred property by country banks. This financial phase became so alarming that last summer the banks and the leading life insurance companies almost ceased to make loans on farm lands.

"In the west today an almost unlimited demand exists for money. The farmers are willing to pay 8 per cent for loans on mortgages. On the Pacific coast 8 per cent is indeed the prevailing rate.

"A large proportion of the corn lands in Iowa are selling at \$200 an acre. The farm price of corn there is now about 40 cents a bushel. The cost of raising corn, aside from the capital invested in the land, can hardly be less than 25 cents. An average yield on these lands is about forty bushels per acre. A profit of 15 cents, therefore, means \$6 per acre. At 50 cents, the profit would be \$10 per acre. At 55 cents per bushel, the profit would be \$12 per acre. These are liberal figures. Now, the owners of these 3200-per-acre farm lands have an opportunity to sell them and invest the proceeds in farm mortgages, drawing from 6 to 8 per cent. At 6 per cent the income is \$12 per acre, or twice the present profit made by raising corn. These farmers, in short, are finding that, without work or trouble, they can make twice as much by raising mortgages as by raising corn."

**WHAT SHEEP WILL EAT.**

Kansas College Finds Corn and Alfalfa Are Best Foods for Them.

Manhattan, Kan., March 22.—The following is sent out by the Kansas agricultural college: Sheep will eat 400 species of plants. Horses and cattle will eat only seventy-two species. Sheep eat grasses, weeds, shrubs, roots, grains, bark, and in times of scarcity, mosses. In Norway and Sweden the sometimes exist on pungent evergreens. Among the Laplanders, when other foods are scarce, they will eat dried fish.

The best results in winter fattening of range lambs at the Kansas state agricultural college was on a ration of alfalfa and corn. In districts where alfalfa can not be obtained clover is a good substitute. Corn is the best fattening grain for sheep. With 450 pounds of corn and 500 pounds of alfalfa you should produce 100 pounds of grain to every sheep. Barley is used instead of corn in some regions and produces nearly as large gains as corn.

Wheat is worth 10 per cent less than corn for sheep, as it tends to give growth instead of fat. Kaffir corn has about the same feeding value as corn. Oats produce more growth than fat. Speltz, when fed with alfalfa, has nearly as great feeding value as corn.

Ordinarily breeding ewes should be fed one-half pound of grain a day. The best grain ration would be a mixture of 60 per cent corn and 40 per cent bran. Corn alone is too fattening for breeding ewes. It should not be fed too heartily on nonnutritious feeds. There should be ample provision of roughage, as clover, alfalfa, hay, corn fodder or almost any kind of straw. The best roughage in this section is corn fodder and alfalfa hay.

About one month before the ewes are ready to lamb the grain ration should be increased. It is well to make a large portion of the ration of bran or oats if the eyes do not have clover or alfalfa, so that they will give plenty of milk. The young lambs should be fed from 2 to 2 pounds of grain a day, depending on the condition of the ewe. They should be fed separately from their mothers. A good ration is 55 per cent corn, 40 per cent bran and 5 per cent oil meal. It is a good plan to provide the pens with a "creep" for the lambs. Some persons may not know how to build a creep. It is simply an arrangement that allows the lambs to creep through to a feed trough but excludes the ewes.

After there is ample grass in the pasture ewes require no grain. The lambs should run in the pasture with them. They should be fed some grain in addition to the milk from their mothers. Grain never gives better returns than when fed to young animals, and the lamb is no exception.

The outlook for sheep seems to be brighter at present. In the last state farmers' institute a large number of inquiries were made about rearing sheep by farmers who expect to go into the business. A small flock of sheep will be a benefit to the farmer, but it is not advisable to go into the business extensively until he has had experience. A small flock will consume the extra roughage on the farm. No other animals build up poor land as do sheep. They have a tendency to seek the higher places for rest in the night, and on that account the poorer upland gets the benefit. This has caused people in older countries to refer to sheep as being the animal with the golden hoof.

**GREAT SNAKE REAPPEARS.**

Man-Eating Serpent Which Was Worshipped By Cliff Dwellers.

Albuquerque, N. M., March 22.—Many miles from the railroad and not far from the old town of Abiquiu, in New Mexico, are hundreds of cliff dwellings. Some of these are today in an almost perfect state of preservation, while others are in ruins. Not long ago a man who lives not far from

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On the Ground Floor

By Donald Allen

(Copyright, 1911, by Associated Literary Press.) There wasn't exactly a financial panic in the village of Mount Airy, but it amounted to a strong ripple. It wasn't because the blacksmith had fallen or the cooper had decided to remove. The milldam hadn't broken nor the grocer run out of kerosene. It was simply on account of an old maid, and the name of that old maid was Sarah Ann Lee.

Miss Lee was known to be fairly well off. She was known to be rather stingy. She was known to be so cute that no tin peddler had ever succeeded in cheating her. It was known that she knew a thing or two about finance, and that Wall street had held out scores of allurements to her in vain. While all the rest of Mount Airy had been trying to solve magazine puzzles where premiums of \$5 were offered, Miss Sarah Ann Lee had held aloof in contempt.

But now Miss Lee had received a circular by mail. It was typewritten and confidential. It was not written from an office on Wall street, but from one on Beaver street. Wall street signified trickery; Beaver street signified industry. Was it not named after an animal that worked hard and gave everybody a square deal; this, Miss Lee reasoned.

The Idaho Square Deal Silver Mining company had been formed and stock issued. The Square Deal was not an experiment. That is, it was not necessary to go looking over the big west asking where it was, and as for being a silver mine instead of coal, all a man had to do was to pick up the solid chunks lying around the mouth of it. It hadn't been discovered by an Indian squaw while hunting for her lost papoose, but had been bought outright from a man who had dug out all the silver he wanted and was now willing to give some one else an opportunity.

PARIS CLOCKS TURNED BACK

French Legal Time is at Last Made to Conform to That of Eastern Europe.

French legal time is at last to be brought into conformity with the international time of Eastern Europe, and is to correspond exactly to that of London. For this purpose the Paris clock will have to be put back nine minutes, the difference between Greenwich and Paris. When, by an international understanding, time zones with one hour's difference were adopted for Eastern, Central and Western Europe, with the meridian of Greenwich as the starting point, France held aloof. It would have come, of course, under the Eastern division, but it objected to adopting the meridian of Greenwich for that of Paris. The difference was only nine minutes, which was another reason for not making the change, as it seemed a small matter. But in 1898 the chamber voted the adoption of the hour in the international convention. The ministers at the time disagreed on the subject, and the senate left the matter in abeyance. A few weeks ago the minister of public works wrote to the commission of the senate, of which M. de Freycinet is chairman, and informed him that the ministers were now agreed. The commission at once met, and a favorable report was drawn up, and has now been submitted to the senate. The exact difference between London and Paris is 9 minutes 21 seconds, and the change will be made as soon as the senate has approved it by a vote.

HOW CAT WON LASTING FAME Kiddo, Feline Mascot of the Airship America, is Celebrated by Walter Wellman in His Story.

From the notoriety viewpoint "Kiddo," the cat mascot of the airship America during the recent sensational 1,900-mile voyage over the Atlantic has eclipsed the human portion of that dauntless crew. In writing the history of that voyage in Hampton's Magazine Walter Wellman has this to say about how the cat happened to be put aboard and how it nearly lost all of its fame:

"Just then attention was directed to that member of our crew destined to be the real hero of the voyage—because real heroes are never self-conscious—are always conscious of suspicion and slander, of danger, of over-generous praise—and therefore are never two-legged. The young gray cat, taken on board half in jest as a mascot, was howling pitifully amidst these strange surroundings. Chief Engineer Vaniman, afraid of having his short sleeps disturbed, insisted that "Kiddo" be left behind. Navigator Simon, sailorlike, vowed it was bad luck to let a cat leave a ship, and insisted kiddy should stay. Without any fear of midnight howls on the one hand, and without any superstitions on the other, I told Mr. Vaniman to do as he liked about it. He put kiddy in a bag and tried to lower him down to the motor launch, but the launch had cut loose and "Kiddo" was pulled up again, a narrow escape from losing all his fame."

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According to the last housing statistics 52.8 per cent of all the dwellings consisted only of one room, and in these 81,827 apartments lived 347,115 persons, almost half of the entire population of the city. The increasing scarcity of apartments brought a corresponding increase in rents. Single-room apartments—that is, one room and kitchen—in good quarters of the city were rented at \$90 to \$100 a year, and in some instances the best lodgings of this size brought the landlord \$250 or \$300. Such prices resulted in overcrowding rooms to an extent literally appalling.

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To remedy such evils the city authorities decided to build workmen's dwellings on a large scale, and as a beginning 1,623 of these have already been finished. Another 1,200 will be ready for occupation early in 1911. They have from one to three rooms, with kitchens, etc. The single-room dwellings let at \$60 a year, two rooms at \$100 and three rooms at from \$180 to \$220. Besides these houses, so-called barrack buildings have been erected in which single-room flats may be had for 80 or 88 cents a week. In some of the new buildings this price will be even lower, about 60 cents a week. At first all these new apartments were let to municipal employees, but now they are open to all.

One of the principal reasons for the lack of new houses in Vienna and Budapest is the enormously high taxation of property. In no other city in Europe are taxes as high as in these two capitals. In Paris the taxes on house property amount to eight per cent of the rents. In Berlin to 15 per cent and in Vienna to 43 per cent. Small wonder that capitalists prefer to seek other forms of investment. The best classes of house property in Vienna yield the landlord a bare four per cent per annum on his outlay, which is hardly enough to tempt many persons to build.

And so it has become necessary for the Austrian government to raise a fund to encourage local authorities and building societies to erect workmen's dwellings, so as to put an end to the present house famine and provide living quarters at reasonable rents for the rapidly growing population.

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Profits, however, are very extensive, often amounting to 100 per cent, or more on rare furs, though prices for skunk, raccoon and muskrat are nominal. The pelts of New England and Canadian foxes are the finest, thickest and most desirable found in America. Ten years ago the office of the Maine fish and game commissioners reported that from 50,000 to 70,000 foxes were captured every year, more than half of which were poisoned. Fur buyers here say the figures are too high, that not for more than 25 years have there been 10,000 fox pelts sold in one season in any Maine district.

In many of the old country towns are associations which keep fox hounds to run foxes in a sportsmanlike manner without any desire for profits or records. The best known of these organizations is the Brunswick Fur club, although hounds are run in Skowhegan, Dexter, Pittsfield and, until a few days ago, in Bucksport, Monroe and Frankfort.

Since the price of a fine fox pelt has advanced to \$5 each many hunters have saved the best for wives, daughters or sweethearts. An average pelt will bring 15 to 20 per cent, more this winter than a year ago, while the increase in rates on silver grays and blacks are even higher.

Raccoon and muskrat pelts are in better demand than formerly and the pelts of the despised bob cats are now worth \$2. Loup cervier skins are going at \$5 and are hard to get at that price. Mink, otter, fisher cats and American sable are constantly becoming more rare and the prices are advancing. A big black bear in Maine is becoming as rare as a moose with a perfect set of antlers. Records of bears weighing 400 pounds or more are rare, although many cubs and yearlings are found.

DRAPES CLOTHES ON STATUES

Male Works of Art at Pennsylvania Capitol to Be Toned Down to Prevent Shocks to Sensitive.

Harrisburg, Pa.—The male figures in the groups of sculpture which George Gray Barnard has created for the adornment of the main entrance to the state capitol are to be "draped" with rough patches of marble. This assurance was given by G. Piccarelli, member of the New York firm that is erecting the statues.

While imparting this information Mr. Piccarelli made no attempt to conceal his disgust at the "sentiment" which thus compelled the "disfiguring" of the statues.

"Of course the statues are nude," said he. "They are perfect masterpieces of art, and could not be otherwise. To drape them will be to destroy their artistic perfection, but it will have to be done, because the people here demand it."

"I can't understand why the people here should be different in their estimation of such things from the people of other places, including New York, where no protest has ever been raised against the nude statues at the custom house and elsewhere. Why in Europe nude statues are commonly found in churches, yet in Pennsylvania they are not allowed even in a public building like this."

MANY SLEEPERS AT THE ZOO

Several Animals Lead "Owl Lives" at London Gardens—Wildcat is One of Them.

London.—There is a night animal population at the zoo which the public never, or very rarely, sees, and included among them is the wildcat. The British wildcat has been at the zoo for four years, and in all that time he has never been known to come out of his box in the daylight unless he is driven. When he is driven out he glares round and spits in a fury of hatred.

How many people know that the zoo possesses two little deer, now all but fully grown, which are only the size of rabbits? They spend their days in the ostrich house, and they are called Javan Chevrotains. So long as it is light they remain cuddled together under a mass of straw, and they will not come out, though a bowl of chopped carrots awaits them.

Another prepossessing creature that never gladdens the eyes of little girls and boys is Mantell's kiwi. Kiwi loves his keeper, and likes to be clasped in his arms, if only he may keep his eyes quite tightly shut, for Kiwi is a bird whose eyes the sun hurts. He is as big as a good-sized fowl, and he feeds on earth worms.

DOCTOR FINDS NEW DISEASE

Sandy Fever is an Ailment Which May Be Widely Distributed, Says English Physician.

New York.—Sandy fever is a disease which may be found in sections of this country at no distant date, if an English physician's opinion that it probably is widely distributed is correct. Apparently this ailment is just beginning to be recognized. Dr. T. G. Wakefield tells about it in the British Medical Journal.

"Waking defines sandy fever as a nonfatal, three days' fever," says the New York Medical Journal, "with a week's convalescence and certain sequelae, due to the bite of the phlebotomus papatasi, known to exist in Egypt, part of Austria, Malta and in Italy, and it will probably be found widely distributed."

"The symptoms are local and general. The bite is followed by intense itching and irritation, which persists, and is followed by the formation of a raised lump with a small watery head and with a surrounding zone of inflammation. As the flies bite at night sleep may be prevented for some hours."

"The illness begins with a feeling of tiredness, loss of appetite, malaise, headache, aching in limbs, chilliness, disinclination to do things; rigors are uncommon, vomiting takes place sometimes. The temperature rises sharply to 101 or 104 degrees Fahrenheit (less in recurrent attacks). There is a disordered digestion, the hands and feet are hot, the pulse is bounding and increased in rapidity. Blood pressure is probably raised from the beginning. Later there is well-marked anemia and rapid loss of weight."

"The micro-organism is probably not got rid of easily and months after an attack chill or exposure to wet may bring on another attack of fever, accompanied by effusion into synovial or pleural cavities, or neuritis. He has failed to find any organism in the blood. The incubation period is about four days."

"Three days' fever in cattle is well known in Egypt and it is possible that the disease may be conveyed from them to human beings, as the flies are found in large numbers in the vicinity of dwellings and stables. The fly is said to be called by the natives 'akhl-uskut,' silent eater. This is hardly true, as the fly makes a high-pitched noise similar to that of the culex mosquito, only much higher pitched.

"The fly is light brown in color, so small that it can pass through the meshes of a mosquito curtain."

MAKING WAR ON HOOKWORM

Head of Military Hospital in Porto Rico Tells of Work—Result of Bare Feet.

New York.—Dr. Bailey K. Ashford, a major in the medical corps of the United States army and head of the military hospital at San Juan, Porto Rico, where he has pursued his work in connection with the hookworm disease, since his discovery of it on the island in 1899, arrived here on board the Caracas.

"The work of fighting the hookworm is going on favorably," Doctor Ashford said. "In addition to the 249,658 patients treated up to June 30, 1909, there have been treated from that date to February 28, 1910, 22,565 more. The sum total of persons who received treatment from 1904, when practical treatment began, to February 28 last, was 272,246. This was by government work alone. It would be impossible to fix the total number who have been treated apart from government work, but it cannot be less than 30,000. We may say, therefore, that the total number treated since March, 1904, has exceeded 300,000."

Doctor Ashford pointed out that the hookworm disease comes as a result of barefootedness. Dampness is essential to the life of the hookworm larvae at the infective stage, the physician explained. "In the ten years of American government of the island ending in 1908 smallpox and yellow fever as factors in the death rate disappeared," he said.

UNIQUE WAY OF SAVING TIME

New Jersey Banker Buys Big Farm So He May Cut Short Road to Railway Station.

Trenton, N. J.—It takes James M. Donald eight minutes to get from his home to the nearest suburban railway station, with fair consideration for New Jersey's speed law, and with regard to the mechanism of his high powered auto. Eight minutes is more time than Donald feels he can spare at the start of his daily trip to New York, where he is chairman of the Hanover National bank.

So, to cut down the running time, he has bought a 100-acre farm that lies between his home and the station. He will cut a road through the farm at his own expense, dedicate it to the public and reduce his running time by five minutes.

Paper Dictates Man's Styles.

Paris.—Paris has produced a new paper for men, La Mode Masculine, with a mission to improve the male Parisian's dress. The new authority lays it down that Fallieres is the only Frenchman who is justified in wearing a dress suit in any hour of the day. A man's wardrobe must include four silk hats, one of which is for rainy days; two soft, two derbies, one straw; a real Panama, an opera, and a soft felt.

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