

DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts 11 Cars, 300 Cattle; 56 Cars, 4,200 Hogs; 7 Cars, 2,500 Sheep.

QUIET TRADE IN CATTLE

Light Friday Run of Beef Steers and Butcher's Stock Cleared at Steady Prices.

VALUES HIGHER FOR WEEK

Fair Call For Best Stockers and Feeders, Plain and Inferior Grades Closing Lower—Hulls Stronger for Week—Some Improvement in Calf Trade—Hogs Steady to 5c Up—Sheep Steady.

Receipts from January 1, 1911. The following table shows the receipts from January 1, 1911, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1910:

Table with columns for 1911, 1910, Dec., and Jan. Rows include Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, and various livestock categories.

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

Table showing estimated receipts for Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, and other markets.

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

Table showing receipts by cars for various livestock types.

CATTLE

Fat Steer Market Shows Considerable Strength for Week. An estimate of 500 cattle to arrive was posted this morning but this was delayed down to about 300 later in the day.

As a whole, the fat cattle market has acted creditably this week. Receipts were curtailed following the hammering prices received early last week and the market during the early sessions of the week displayed a snappy buoyant tone.

Stronger Tone in Hog Trade, Prices Steady to 5c Up. Light receipts here, moderate runs and firm prices at outside markets, brought out a better feeling and a slight reaction in values in the local market.

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The first half of the week. Some weakness was felt Thursday on cows and fat heifers and mixed yearlings remained firm.

Taking account of Thursday's weakness the market is closing 10 to 20c higher than a week ago, mixed yearlings showing the greatest strength.

A few heifers sold up to \$6.15 but not many straight lots landed above \$5.75 during the week.

Mixed lots ranged from \$5.25 to \$6.20, mostly from \$5.40 to \$5.90. Choice heavy beef cows sold at \$5.25 and up but most of the fair to good butcher grades went at \$4.60 to \$5.10.

Medium killers ranged from \$4.19 to \$4.50, with canners and cutters at \$3.25 to \$3.60.

Bulls are closing 10 to 15c higher than a week ago. Veal calves close a little stronger than the low spot a week ago.

Heifers. 2... 125.5 80 1... 790.5 25 9... 224.5 80 4... 662.5 10 2... 1200.5 75 1... 920.4 75

Cows. 23... 1021.5 00 1... 880.4 40 1... 1150.5 00 1... 1000.4 25 1... 140.7 00 3... 740.4 10 2... 1205.4 75 1... 970.3 90 2... 905.4 65 1... 800.3 50 1... 950.4 50 1... 850.3 25 2... 892.4 50

Bulls and Steers. 1... 92.80 1... 1100.4 50 1... 1229.4 65 1... 1060.4 50 1... 1110.4 65 1... 1230.4 50

Veal Calves. 1... 150.7 00 1... 170.6 50 1... 160.7 00 3... 113.6 00 1... 149.7 00 3... 110.6 00 1... 152.7 00 1... 110.6 00 4... 132.6 75 1... 220.5 50 1... 140.6 75 2... 115.5 50 1... 170.6 75 1... 130.5 40 1... 139.6 75 2... 249.4 75 1... 130.6 50 1... 190.4 50 2... 145.6 50 2... 225.4 50

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS. There was no noticeable change in this branch of the business today and for the most part the limited supply was readily disposed of at prices that showed no appreciable change as compared with yesterday.

Despite the fact that country demand has been a bitter disappointment this week, the demand for the most desirable grades of both stock and feeding steers is holding up in very creditable fashion and anything good enough to attract competition is finding a ready outlet at steady figures as compared with last week's close.

Better competition for short fed half fat steers has been largely responsible for a stronger tone in prices for these kinds, while common light and medium weight stuff is still rather hard to move at more or less lower figures, salesmen calling the market on this class of stuff around 10 to 15c lower for the week.

Receipts for stock heifers has been very good through the week and values are quite stronger for anything in this line. There is a good steady market for this week for anything desirable in the way of either stock or feeding steers but common light and medium weight stuff is meeting with little favor from all quarters.

Good to choice feeding steers are quotable at \$5.40 to \$5.80; medium to good grades \$4.50 to \$5.40; good to fancy stock steers \$4.75 to \$5.50, and common grades \$3.75 to \$4.50. In the local market \$4.65 for fair to strictly good kinds, stock cows \$3.25 to \$3.75, and stock calves \$4.25 to \$5.50.

Stockers and Feeders. 5... 596.5 35 2... 820.5 30 Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers. 1... 460.4 00 4... 415.25 1... 753.4 50 1... 820.4 25 1... 760.4 50 3... 925.4 00 2... 965.4 25 1... 970.3 50

Packers' Cattle Purchases. Swift & Co. 100 Morris & Co. 100 Hammond Packing Co. 25 Total 175

HOGS

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Packers' Hog Purchases. Swift & Co. 2,500

Range of Prices. This Week Last Week Monday... 16.25 @ 16.75 16.25 @ 16.75 Tuesday... 16.45 @ 16.90 16.50 @ 16.90 Wednesday... 16.45 @ 16.90 16.50 @ 16.90 Thursday... 16.25 @ 16.70 16.50 @ 16.85 Friday... 16.30 @ 16.80 16.45 @ 16.85 Saturday... 16.25 @ 16.70 16.40 @ 16.85

SHEEP

Generally a Steady Market Through Week for Both Sheep and Lambs. Early estimates of today's sheep supply called for 3500 but supply on the opening session was not such as to warrant salesmen to ask higher prices as no class of buyers were particularly anxious for supplies, as they had filled all reserve orders from yesterday's big run and consequently did not want to overload unless at shaded figures.

Results was that it was close to 11 sales with prospects of an all day session if late shipments due to arrive came in.

Conditions surrounding the general market this week have been favorable for a good active trade. Demand has been broad at all times and receipts none too large to suit the trade requirements. In a general way trade has been a good active affair with salesmen making daily clearances a little earlier than usual.

Although lambs have made up a liberal portion of the week's supply, demand has been good and although prices were inclined to sag the middle part of the week, any weakness noted has been entirely eliminated during the middle days and at the close today prices are about on a par with last week's closing quotations.

Best lambs offered this week came in Tuesday and sold at \$6.40, the same as last week's top. However, it has taken a pretty good class of stuff to realize that figure and for the bulk of the week supply in that division prices have ranged from \$5.25 to \$5.35, with several strings of ordinary in-between kinds selling at \$6.15 and as low as \$5.85.

In the sheep branch of the trade variety has not been such as to give prices a thorough test. In a general way mature mutton is selling much in the same notches as a week ago and prices are quite steady with last week's close. As usual, ewes have made up the bulk of the sheep supply. Best of these kinds sold at \$4.90, with the bulk at \$4.85 to \$4.90.

Nothing in the way of yearlings or wethers has been offered and there are quite a number of them in sympathy with ewes. Not enough clipped stock is coming to put the market on that class of stuff on a quotable basis.

However, several strings of short lambs sold in a range of \$5.60 to \$5.75, with the bulk at \$5.65 to \$5.70. 396 west lambs... 79 5 10 110 west lambs... 98 5 90 6 west lambs, culls... 67 5 90 11 west lambs, culls... 57 5 90

TOPPED LAMB MARKET

Both Kansas and Colorado Stock at the High Point Yesterday. A big quota of the lamb offerings on Thursday's market, sold at \$6.25, the high point on that day.

L. D. Pughett of Beloit, Kan., disposed of two loads at that price. Mr. Pughett was in a week ago with two loads of lambs that sold at \$6.40. On the same day he had two cars of the same stock on the Kansas City market.

The Kansas City offerings are as follows: Cotton Rhodes, of Las Anhas, two cars of 76-pound Mexicans; McNaught & Robinson of Las Animas, one car, averaging 83 pounds; J. R. Grier of Rice, Colo., one load weighing 79 pounds; the largest shipment at the price, five loads of Mexicans, averaging 72 pounds.

OLDEST NEBRASKAN DEAD

Aaron Bradford, Aged 115, Had Never Ridden on a Train. Lincoln, Neb., March 31.—Believed to have been the oldest person in Nebraska, Aaron Bradford, just died at the home of Peter Jensen, a neighbor near here, aged 115 years. Bradford retained his mental faculties up to the time of his death. He never married and is not supposed to have a relative living. He had resided in this portion of the state for more than forty years and until a week prior to his death for many years had lived on a Kincaid homestead.

He never rode on a railroad train, a steamboat, nor in an automobile; never saw an electric street car. He was able to read Latin and German, but never attended school after he was 25 years old. He never sat in a photograph, never was in a building in which there was an elevator, and never had a razor put to his face, always trimming his beard with shears.

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EPIDEMIC OF HYDROPHOBIA

Quarantine of Dogs Only Recourse in New Jersey. New York, March 31.—Rabies has become so widely epidemic in northern New Jersey that quarantine of dogs throughout the state for a whole year is the only way in which the disease can be stamped out, according to Dr. W. V. Curry, state veterinary surgeon of Hackensack.

"That was the way England wiped out an epidemic of hydrophobia," he said, "and it is the only way to wipe it out in New Jersey. Have every dog kept in close confinement for a year, prevent their presence in the streets, even on a leash, and in that way the dread disease is bound to spend its life."

Dr. Curry declared the entire northern section of the state was infected with the rabies.

The two slabs should be held thirty inches apart by the stakes, straight-grained timber should be selected for the stakes so that each stake shall fit snugly into the two-inch hole when the two slabs are in the proper position. The stakes should taper gradually toward the ends. There should be no shoulder at the point where the stakes enter the slab. The slabs should be fastened in place by wedges only.

When the stakes have been placed in position and tightly wedged, a brace two inches thick and five inches wide should be placed diagonally to them at the ditch end. The brace should be dropped on the front slab so that its lower edge shall lie within an inch of the ground, while the other end

Street tramways were first opened in London in 1861.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1002-1004 New Corby-Borsee Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Table with columns for Options, Opened, High, Low, Close, and Close Yesterday. Rows include WHEAT, CORN, OATS, and PORK.

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@14; No. 1, \$11.50@13; No. 2, \$9@11; No. 3, \$5.50@8.50. Prairie—Choice, \$11.50@12; No. 1, \$9.50@11; No. 2, \$7.50@9; No. 3, \$6@7. Clover—Choice, \$7.50@8.50; No. 1, \$6@7; No. 2, \$4@4.50. No. 1, \$10@11.50; No. 2, \$7.50@9.50; No. 3, \$5@7. Alfalfa—Choice, \$14.50@15.50; No. 1, \$11.50@14; No. 2, \$8@11; No. 3, \$5.50@7.50. Packing hay—\$4@4.50. Straw—\$4.50@5.

CHICAGO

CHICAGO Union Stock Yards, Ill., March 31.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 1000. Market strong, top steers \$6.60, cows and heifers active strong, feeders steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 2000. Market steady. Top \$6.30, bulk \$6.40 to \$6.70. Sheep—Receipts, 6000. Market slow weak.

KANSAS CITY. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 31.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 1000. Market steady, cows and heifers steady to strong, stockers dull, calves weak.

Hogs—Receipts, 8000. Market steady to 10c higher. Top \$6.80, bulk \$6.40 to \$6.70. Sheep—Receipts, 7000. Market steady to weak. Top lambs \$6.35.

SOUTH OMAHA. SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., March 31.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports: Cattle—Receipts, 200. Market stronger.

Hogs—Receipts, 7200. Lights 5 to 10c higher, closing shade higher. Top \$6.45, bulk \$6.25 to \$6.30. Sheep—Receipts, 3500. Market steady.

EAST ST. LOUIS. EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., March 31.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: Cattle—Receipts, 700. Market steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 7000. Market 5c higher. Top \$7.10, bulk \$6.60 to \$6.90. Sheep—Receipts, 3500. Market steady.

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

Wheat. No. 2 red... 86 @ 87 No. 3 red... 83 @ 86 No. 2 hard... 81 @ 82 No. 3 hard... 81 @ 91

Corn. No. 2 white... 45 1/2 @ 45 3/4 No. 3 white... 44 1/2 @ 45 No. 2 corn... 43 1/2 @ 44 No. 3 corn... 44 1/2 @ 45

Oats. No. 2 white... 31 @ 32 No. 3 white... 29 1/2 @ 30 No. 2 oats... 29 1/2 @ 30 Bran... 1.00 @ 1.02 Corn chops... 88 @ 90 Shorts... 85 @ 87

The quotations are based on actual sales each day and are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1002-1004 New Corby-Borsee Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

SPLIT-LOG DRAG

Inventor Explains Benefits of Simple Device Over Other Types of Construction. NOW USED IN MANY STATES

Explicit Directions Given for Its Manufacture, Showing Mistakes to Be Avoided.

2-SLAB LOG SATISFACTORY

After Experimenting With Variety of Devices D. Ward King Pronounces Split Log Best For Road-Making—Sharp Edges On Split Log Does Work of Leveling—Seven or Eight Feet Right Length For Log.

TALKS BEEF PRODUCTION

Iowan Discusses Several Phases of the Cattle Situation. Geo. W. Stitt, grain dealer, farmer and shipper of Iowa, who was on the market with a mixed load of stock yesterday, reports a very light crop of cattle on feed in his locality.

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ITEMS IN BRIEF

L. H. Graff of Rosendale, Mo., contributed a car of cattle to the day's receipts. Hise & Sale, of Gentry, Mo., had in a mixed load of stock on the market today.

Geo. E. Griffith of Reading, Ia., had hogs on the market today. R. W. Wheeler, a regular patron of the local market, had in two cars of stock from Osborn, Mo.

Henry Elwood of Cameron, Mo., swelled receipts of hogs to the extent of a one-car consignment. Joe Buck, of Essex, Ia., was noted among those having in hogs for the market today.

J. L. and J. K. Gwynn of Shenandoah, Ia., were represented on the market by a shipment of hogs today. H. C. Bunn and Aug. Stutz of Nelson, Neb., were on the market today with hogs.

Chas. Lunden of Tarkio, Mo., a regular shipper to this market, came in today with one car of hogs. A. Boyer of Burlington Junction, Mo., sent in one car of hogs for today's market.

Change of management at Transit House? Try our meals. Chas. Banks, who operates around Coln, Ia., contributed one car of cattle to today's receipts.

Champion Molasses Feed by actual test has proven by far to be the best feed for hogs. No feed equals Cooper & Philbrick's molasses and feeders of Conway, Ia., marketed a car of cattle here today.

Buy Champion Feed for quick results. Cattle relish it. Champion Feed Co., Tarkio, Missouri. Larrierson Bros. of Bedford, Ia., successful feeders and shippers, are a consistent of hogs in for today's market.

Al. Bright sells Champion Feed. A. W. Goff of Bedford, Ia., accompanied a car of hogs to the local market today. AUTOS FOR HIRE—5 and 7 passenger. Taxicab at carriage rates. Beckley, phone 2904.

E. Harding of Nelson, Neb., a prominent farmer and shipper, was here today with one

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FROZEN MEATS.
London Meat Trades Journal: European markets are slowly opening to frozen meat. Argentina will divert a portion of her trade to southern Europe. The distance can be covered in fourteen days, and numerous direct lines of steamers are running between the Plate and Lisbon, Barcelona, Naples, etc. From far east a note of encouragement comes from Japan. A government official there predicts a big trade in frozen meat from Australia, so that in the course of a year or two there will be a considerable diversion of the frozen trade to fresh markets.

HORSE IS TAMER.
Horsemen are generally agreed, and as a rule others hold to the same opinion, that there is a much smaller percentage of unruly, unintelligent horses in use now than ever before. By inescapable degrees horses with those characteristics have disappeared. Heredity has much to do with it. The constant proximity of automobiles and other distractions has increased the brain development of the entire species and lessened their senseless fear. Colts require less training to become tractable and self-possessed in the midst of alarming sights and sounds now than the colts of a dozen years ago did.

EATING BACON NOW.
After two years of absence from the table of the average ultimate consumer the pork chop is gradually being introduced into the ration again, and tables to which bacon has been a luxury are getting an occasional slice of the delicacy. All this may have some effect when the spring chicken season arrives. If the little fry don't come down from the high perch the average consumer will simply console himself that pork chop is within reach and tastes pretty good after such a long absence. This is the sentiment of many South Enders at the present time.

PROBABLE WOOL CLIP.
A forecast by the Boston News Bureau, a leading authority in financial matters, gives the United States clip of wool this year as about 27,000,000 pounds, or 25,000,000 pounds less than the normal clip. It states that the clip this year will be of good average quality, but on account of the hard winter a year ago, drought and marketing of sheep during high meat prices last year, the clip has been reduced to the estimated figures above given. Owing to the decline of prices the past year the grower probably will receive at least 10 per cent less than a year ago. There is very little contracting ahead for the new clip. Some 2,000,000 pounds taken by a St. Louis house probably would represent about the total of transactions to date. Boston dealers have contracted for little or none. This is in striking contrast to 1909, when, on a rising wool market, Boston, New York and St. Louis dealers contracted for fully 50 per cent of the clip prior to April 1.

RANGE IS NARROW.
The Breeder's Gazette: Never before in live stock market annals have fat cattle and stockers sold so close together. At Omaha one day last week a bunch of the Norrell cattle, from Colorado, weighing less than 900 pounds, went to a feeder at \$6.19 while the best price paid by killers on the same session was \$6.05. On Monday a Chicago salesman received a consignment of three cars of 1225-pound fat steers that carried eighteen head of 1000-pound feeders. He sold the latter at \$5.60 as soon as the drove had been fed and watered, but did not get the others over the scales

Daddy's Bedtime Story IN WOMAN'S REALM

Mary in School
ONE evening daddy could not think of a "really, truly story," as Evelyn calls the bedtime stories, so he said he would tell Jack and Evelyn some funny things that were said by a young friend of his when he was a boy.
"Such was a bright little girl," daddy began, "and some of the things she said were very funny. One day she went to visit a little girl friend. They were playing together when the other girl said:
"'When I grow up I'm going to be a schoolteacher.'
"'My little friend said, 'Well, I'm going to be a mamma and have six children.'
"'Well, when they come to school to me I'm going to whip them, whip them, whip them," said the other little girl.
"'You mean thing," said Mary. "What have my poor children ever done to you?"
"'Mary liked to sit up late at night like some children I know," said daddy, looking at Jack and Evelyn and smiling. "One night her mother tried to coax her to go to bed early. She said:
"'You know, Mary, the little chickens always go to bed at sunset.'
"'Yes," said Mary, "I've seen them, and the old hen, their mother, always goes with them."
"'Mary was a good little girl, and generally she behaved herself nicely in school. But one day she was very naughty, whispering all the time, so that the teacher had to scold her. The next day, however, she sat up straight and prim and never whispered or turned her head. The teacher said to her:
"'Why, Mary, you are a good little girl today. How is it that you have behaved so much better than you did yesterday?'
"'Why, I've got to be good," said Mary. "I've got a stiff neck."
"'Mary's mother taught her never to carry tales. She said it was mean and wicked to 'talk about people behind their backs,' as the saying is, and Mary never forgot the lesson even when she was grown up. One day the minister visited Mary's house and asked the little girl some questions to see whether she knew what had been taught to her. He asked:
"'What does 'bearing false witness against thy neighbor' mean?'
"'It's telling falsehoods about them," answered Mary.
"'That is partly right and partly wrong," said the minister.
"'Oh, I know now what it means," said Mary. "It's when nobody did anything and somebody went and told of it." And the minister said she was quite right.

RARE OWL IN HEART OF TREE
Taken Out Alive, Is Believed to Have Been Imbedded Many Years.
South Norwalk, Conn., March 29.—Frogs that are found alive in the hearts of trees hundreds of years old, must take a back jump. Fire Warden George W. Mills of Broad River cut down a great oak, and says he found in its interior a live owl, which had apparently been there for years, living on the grubs.
Mills has the owl, alive, to back up his statement. Bird fanciers say the bird is of an unknown species, which opinion Mills cites to uphold his contention that the hooter is of an extremely ancient species. The owl is grayish white in color, and his eyes are immovable, the result of his being continuously in the dark, and never having to close them. Light seems to cause him actual pain.

RATE INJUNCTION UPHOLD.
Finds Oklahoma Two-Cent Law Controversial—Does Not End Case.
St. Louis, March 29.—The United States circuit court of appeals, sitting in St. Louis today, upheld the temporary injunction granted against the corporation commission of Oklahoma by United States Circuit Judge Hook nearly a year ago, by which the state of Oklahoma is enjoined from enforcing the two-cent passenger fare law and a reduction in freight rates.

WIFE SEEKS TO BREAK WILL
Mrs. Busch Claims Suicide Pact Forced by Husband.
St. Louis, March 29.—Mrs. Ella Busch filed suit in the circuit court to break the will of her husband, William Busch. In his will it was set forth that Mrs. Busch, who was a second wife, had entered into a pact to kill herself when he died. He gave this as his reason for leaving her nothing in his will.
Mrs. Busch admits that there was an understanding that she would kill herself when her husband died, but says her husband compelled her at the point of a revolver to assent to the pact and that she had no intention of carrying it out.
Busch's part of the agreement was that if his wife died first he was to kill himself.

BACHELORS TAXED.
Fee of \$6 a Year to Go Toward Helping Poor Children.
Oconto, Wis., March 29.—The city council has adopted an ordinance imposing a tax of \$6 upon all unmarried male residents between the ages of 21 and 50 years, the money so raised to be used for the support of orphans or other needy children. The adoption of the ordinance was received with practically unanimous acclaim by the women, but the bachelors are vigorously opposing its enforcement.

GREEN BUG IS BUSY.
Threatens Havoc to Wheat Crop in Eastern Oklahoma.
Oklahoma City, Okla., March 29.—The green bug pest, which wrought such havoc in Oklahoma in 1907-8, has infested the eastern part of the state and is threatening the wheat and oat crop there, according to a report made today to the state board of agriculture by C. E. Sanborn, state entomologist.

FOSSIL EGGS IN COAL MINE
Miner Finds Petrified Specimens 500 Feet Below Earth's Surface.
Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 29.—In a rock 500 feet below the surface, twenty-five petrified eggs were found by Michael Olapi, a Slavish miner, employed in the Susquehanna Coal Company colliery at Nanticoke.

MEATS.
Scrapple—One and one-half pounds of beef and one-half pound of pork, boiled together and season with salt, pepper and sage. Drain and chop fine. Then add to the liquor corn meal, as you would for mush; add seasoned meat, mold, slice and fry.

IN WOMAN'S REALM

EASTER RECIPES.
Lily Salad—Remove the shells from as many hard-boiled eggs as there are persons to be served. Begin at the small end of each egg cut the whites lengthwise in five sections. Cut almost to the base, taking care to leave the yolks whole. Turn back the petals thus formed so as to make each egg resemble an open lily. Roughen the surface of the yolk with a fork. Place these imitation lilies, not too near to gether, on a small crisp lettuce leaves spread on a shallow flat dish or clear glass. Serve with mayonnaise and bread and butter crisps.

Yellow Cream Soup—Cook three carrots until tender. Press through colander. Beat two egg yolks well and add a cupful of condensed cream. In to this mixture stir four cups of boiling water and the carrots. Add one level teaspoon of onion salt, a pinch of salt, two tablespoons of oyster cocktail dressing, and serve hot.
Bunnies—One small cupful of light sugar, one tablespoonful of butter or lard, one pint of pastry flour. Rub the butter and sugar into the flour with the fingers. With beaten egg yolk flavored with vanilla wet to a paste. Sufficient to roll out thin. Cut into shape with cardboard form, insert bits of raisins for eyes and bake in a light brown.
Croquettes—Take some fresh mashed potatoes, well seasoned, try to a golden brown in hot fat, croquette shaped. Remove carefully to a hot platter. With a tablespoon make a deep depression in each one and fill with highly seasoned minced chicken. Strew the grated yolks of hard-boiled eggs over the tops.

Sunshine Cream—Rub one can of apricots through a sieve into a basin. Add one cupful of sugar, one and one-half heaping tablespoons of dissolved gelatin and one cupful of whipped cream, one-half cupful of cold water. Pour into individual molds. Turn out when set and garnish with yellow flowers.
Orange Juice—Orange juice can be drunk for luncheons if only a little thought and time be spent upon it. Serve chilled in tall glasses with some sliced bananas, a grape or, and seeded, a bit of pineapple or any reasonable fruit is an agreeable drink to sip throughout a luncheon.

FAVORITE RECIPES.
Rhubarb Short Cake—Cut one small bunch of rhubarb into small bits. Cook in a stone crock with one cupful of sugar and half a cupful of water. Make a dough of one quart of flour, one-half cupful water, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoon of sugar, two teaspoons of baking powder, and milk to make a soft dough. Lay on a greased baking tin and bake in a hot oven for twenty minutes. When cool, separate into two parts (upper and lower) without cutting; spread with the rhubarb sauce. Place together and serve with cold sweet cream.
Pork Tenderloin—Select thick tenderloin and place in roasting pan with a little bacon fat or butter. Have in readiness the sweet potatoes, pared, and parboiled, and place them around the meat. Bake in a hot oven for nearly an hour, basting frequently with hot water and butter. Season well and when done make a gravy in the pan with milk instead of water, and thicken with flour. Boil five minutes and then pour around the meat.

Sweet Potatoes—Sweet potatoes, southern style—Pare and slice, large slices, six sweet potatoes. Put into kettle and add one-half cupful brown sugar, two tablespoonsful of butter, one-half cupful hot water, a little salt. Let cook on back of range one hour.
Chicken Dumplings—Use plump year old fowl if possible. Cut up as for boiling. Put plenty of butter or, if you have it, chicken grease into a hot double roaster. Roll each piece of chicken in well salted flour and put in roaster in rather hot oven. Brown each piece, turning once, and then cover with boiling water. Put on roaster lid and cook about two hours. To make dumplings: One cup flour, one-half teaspoon salt, one heaping teaspoon baking powder, sift well, add one tablespoonful butter, work well into flour; add enough milk to make a dough. Remove chicken from roaster to covered platter. Now drop into the broth a spoonful of dough at a time. Cover tight and cook in oven about twenty minutes. Dumplings will be light and chicken tender and juicy.

FRENCH DRESSING.
I have seen so many try their hand at the simplest form of French dressing without success that I venture to give this process to the inexperienced. Have a clean quart fruit jar with a good rubber lid. Into the jar put two tumblerfuls of best salad oil, one-half cupful of white vinegar, a heaping teaspoonful of salt and a salt spoonful of cayenne. Place on the rubber lid, screw lid down tight, then shake until the whole is mixed and forms an emulsion. Shake the jar sideways rather than up and down. It is then ready to pour over the salad. Will keep for weeks in an ice chest and is ready for use when wanted. Always prepare the salad at table, when convenient.

STRAWBERRY PIE.
Make nice, rich pie crust, put over the bottom of pie pan turned upside down on table; put three or four egg yolks in it to keep from rising up from the pan. Bake by itself. When baked light brown take the crust, turn on to a plate, then the crust is ready to fill. Have ready one quart fresh strawberries, washed, stemmed to taste. Fill the crust with the strawberries, cover the top of the berries with the whites of two well-beaten eggs, sketched with sugar. Put in the oven just long enough to light brown the whites of the eggs.

Grog, the sea term for rum-and-water, got its name from Admiral Edward Vernon, who introduced the mixture in the navy. He was nicknamed "Old Grog," because he fore program breeches

FURTHER INFORMATION.

Did You Win Second Prize?

If so, you received a letter from the puzzle piano dealer which began as follows:

"We have been notified by the judges that you are entitled to the Second Prize, consisting of a Lady's Locket and Chain, also \$150 credit which applies the same as so much money towards the purchase of any new piano in our store.
"All you have to do now is to come in, select any new piano in the store before the expiration of the limit named in this letter—the sooner the better. After you have selected your piano, present this letter, which shows that you are entitled to \$150 credit same as cash towards the purchase of a new piano."

- 1. How can dozens and even hundreds of contestants all receive the same prize?
2. Why did the judges see fit to award so many hundred second prizes?
3. Who were the judges?
4. If they were to ward the prizes in vast quantities, surely some of the many second prize winners would prefer to have received the FOURTH PRIZE, which was a DIAMOND RING, or the FIFTH PRIZE, which was a handsome pair of OPERA GLASSES.
5. Why not take your complete second prize back to the contest dealer and offer to exchange it for one of the diamond rings or opera glasses?
6. It must be agreed that the judges were "bum" judges, or else they had instructions what to do.

More Sound Facts

To prove how careless the learned judges must have been and how inconsistent the whole scheme is we engaged a party who purposely (at our instructions) sent in the WRONG answer to the puzzle and also made it a point NOT to send in the name of a family who did not own a piano. Nevertheless, she received a letter which we have in our possession stating that she had won second prize. Thus it is plain: Whether the answer be RIGHT OR WRONG, you are practically sure of winning second prize, which is a piece of jewelry so cheap that a child would almost refuse to wear it.

Disappointed

On the morning of March 28th Mr. G. B. Clark of Agency, Mo., came into our store fairly boiling with indignation. He had received, the day before, a long letter from a contest dealer, advising him that he was winner of THE SECOND PRIZE, and thinking that he was the ONE AND ONLY WINNER of the second prize, made a special trip to St. Joseph to claim the prize, and when he arrived at the contest dealer's store and found that the prize was a piece of "phony" jewelry, he was so disgusted that he then and there told the salesman waiting upon him that he thought he had been badly mistreated. When he called at our store he admitted that he had been fooled by the puzzle dealer in that he had wasted a day's time, his railroad fare, hotel bill, etc., to come after the cheap piece of jewelry, and inquired if there was not some way to prosecute concerns conducting such schemes.

The letter from the contest dealer to Mr. Clark is here and can be seen by anyone interested. The above is published with the consent of Mr. Clark.
This is but one of the many instances where people taking part in a contest have been sorely disappointed, for it has just come to light that there are fairly HUNDREDS of people who ALL WON THE SAME INEVITABLE SECOND PRIZE.

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BIG VOTE OUT AT SALINA.
Majority and Commission Plan Spring Record Registration.
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NO MONEY FOR OLD SCRIP
Five Dollars Issued to James H. Lane Refused by State Treasurer.
Topeka, March 29.—Colonel W. H. Sears, secretary to the late Senator Harris, presented to the state treasury for collection a piece of free state scrip for the sum of \$5 which had been issued in 1856 to James H. Lane, and was made payable in ten years. The state treasury turned it down, there being no appropriation. Colonel Sears acted as attorney for the owner of the scrip, which was signed by Governor Charles Robinson.
OIL EXPORTS EXCEED GOLD.
Los Angeles, Cal.—The United States has exported more oil in the fifty years since the industry was started—\$2,990,000,000 worth—than the entire North American production of gold amounts to since Columbus discovered. Last year the sum received for crude oil in California amounted to \$40,000,000, or almost double the value of the gold produced here in the same time. At the close of 1909, the value of the crude oil at the wells in this state was in excess of the aggregate value of the entire citrus crop packed in boxes and loaded on the cars for shipment. Growing up with the oil industry is that of refining. There are, or were on January 1, thirty-five refineries in the state, headed by the \$12,000,000 Standard plant at Point Richmond.
TO BUILD GRAIN ELEVATOR.
Little Rock, Ark.—A new grain elevator constructed of reinforced concrete and equipped with thoroughly modern machinery at a cost of about \$20,000, will be in operation in this city by the early part of the summer. The Darragh Warehouse Company on East Sixth street expects to build a large elevator in addition to their warehouse business. Plans have not been concluded for the building of the structure, but it will be located just west of the two warehouses of the firm and will have a capacity of between 40,000 and 50,000 bushels. The Darragh Warehouse Company is formed of the partnership of T. J. F. K. and T. A. Darragh, sons of Capt. T. J. Darragh, and has been in operation nearly five years.

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ASPHALT IN FAVOR

London Engineer Recommends It for Macadam Roads. Points Out Its Advantages Over Coal-Tar Spraying and Resists Weather—Is More Durable and Economical.

London.—Cecil Nathan, an engineer who gives especial attention to road making, expresses the belief that Cuban asphalt is destined to take the place of tar as a binder of macadam roads. He defines the "essential desiderata" of a satisfactory road as "smooth appearance and even surface following the camber of the road, which must be sanitary, dustless, noiseless and nonslippery."

"This is the tar age, and, as an independent palliative, tar is serving its purpose today as a temporary expedient; but something much more permanent than the primitive methods of tar spraying or even tar macadam is required for the future, and I maintain that permanency will be obtained only from the adoption as waterproof road-crust binders of either Lake Trinidad asphalt or Cuban asphalt, but preferably Cuban asphalt, owing to its having a higher melting point and its ability to withstand the rotting effects of water."

"Although this country may congratulate itself on being ahead of the continent in the matter of roads, it still has a good deal to learn from America, where asphaltum base oils are used on a very large scale with good results as a palliative for spraying on roads in preference to crude or refined tar, such as is in general use here."

"Furthermore, in America asphaltums are now nearly always employed as binders in constructing macadam roads, and naturally this has thoroughly demonstrated and proved that asphaltums are far more economical for this purpose. Such roads, even on steepish gradients, provide a surface which affords a good foothold for horses and prevents motor skidding also, owing to the nature of the binder, such roads remain quiet, elastic and resilient under all extremes of temperature and under the most trying mixed traffic conditions."

"Very little reflection is necessary to convince even a layman in road matters that coal tar varies too much in quality and is, per se, far too susceptible to the changes of climate and temperature to be of any real permanent service as a road binder. Not only does it soften the macadam in summer, but also makes it brittle and crack in winter, so that tar-bound macadam roads cannot be expected and are not likely in these circumstances to withstand the strains to which they are subjected by fast and heavy motor traffic for any period of reasonable length."

"Again, tarred macadam is by no means dustless, and the question has recently been raised as to whether the dust from roads, when treated with tar, is injurious to the eyes, but as tarred dust, like ordinary dust, can produce only a mechanical irritation upon the mucous membrane of the eye, and in view of the fact that the dust from a tarred road is naturally considered less than from a road not so treated, it is therefore obvious that tarred roads is likely to tend to diminish the chance of injury to the eyes."

"Climatic conditions have so important a bearing upon the life of roads—it is no exaggeration to say that at least 50 per cent. of the wear of water-bound macadam roads is due to weather—that, knowing this, and admitting that macadam is the right material for the construction of main country roads, it is necessary only for the road engineer to consider the best material to employ as a waterproof binder capable of withstanding climatic conditions for binding the crust of such macadam roads so as to make each piece of stone adhere to its neighbor and at the same time be able to withstand any tendency toward disintegration, the ideal binder for this purpose being Cuban asphalt."

Morgan Buys Old Enamels. Paris.—Jacques Seligman has bought the Swenigorodskoi collection of Byzantine enamels on gold of the ninth century. It is understood that the price paid was \$200,000. Mr. Ray, New York partner of the Seligman firm, said the collection had been bought for J. Pierpont Morgan.

Free Lunch for Hoboes. East Liverpool, Ohio.—A lunch room for hoboes who happen to be caught in the city over night may be installed by Mayor Samuel Crawford in the city hall.

GIVES ATHLETICS BIG BOOM

Gen. Wingate Reports 50 Per Cent. Improvement in United States Public Schools.

New York.—That the introduction of systematic athletics in the public schools in the United States has resulted in a 50 per cent. improvement not only in physique, but in ethics, discipline and mental alertness is the assertion of Gen. George W. Wingate, president of the New York Public Schools Athletic League, in his annual report just given to the public. He says in part:

"The day of experiments in this matter of athletics has now long passed. It has now become established upon such a firm foundation in both the schools and the public estimation that the future is assured. "With every year the standard of athletic ability in our public schools becomes higher and records which were considered wonderful when made are surpassed. Accompanying this is a marked improvement in carriage of the person, alertness of mind and body and the general air of strength and health resulting from the athletic exercises which the children have pursued. Gratifying as this is from the physical side, the improvement on the side of ethics, school discipline and esprit du corps is even greater, a fact which has converted the supervising and teaching force of the schools into firm supporters of the work."

"The New York Public School Athletic League, formed in 1903, is now the largest athletic organization in the world. Its success has caused the formation of similar leagues in sixteen of the great cities of the country and more are constantly adopting its methods. One hundred thousand school children took active part in the league's competitions in the last year. For example, 32,750 children participated in jumping contests, while 14,500 boys competed in "chinning" and 3,000 in class running. Thirty thousand were entered in the various field-day games, at which 3,700 medals and 150 banners were awarded."

CAESARIAN SURGERY ON DOG

Mother Getting Along Splendidly and Three Puppies Are Saved by Veterinarian.

Spokane, Wash.—Caesarian surgery was resorted to in the veterinary hospital conducted in Spokane by the Washington state college, to save three puppies.

The operation was performed by Frank H. Mason, V. S., assisted by Dr. Walter Ferguson, on a blue blooded Boston terrier, owned by John L. Mathieson, head of a department in a local paper house, who bought the animal in Chicago several months ago. The operation was successful and it is believed that the pups will live.

The dam is getting along nicely, but is unable to feed the pups, which are being raised on a bottle. Mathieson was so elated over the news of the recovery of his prize dog that he invited the staff of the hospital to a banquet in the leading hostelry in Spokane. He declares the animal cost him more than \$300 and that he would not part with it now for ten times that amount, also adding that money cannot buy the pups. He will send the quartet to his country home as soon as possible.

PLAN FOR PREVENTING FIRES

Expert Tells New York Legislative Investigating Committee of Great Problem.

New York.—Before the Merritt joint legislative committee the other day, Fire Marshal William Beers testified that the problem of fire prevention is as important as any that confronts the country. "Recent figures show," he continued, "that fires are rapidly increasing all over the United States. This year the loss has already gone \$300,000,000 beyond that for 1909. At least 15 per cent. of the cases that come before me are of incendiary origin, but in 90 per cent. we cannot establish proof."

The marshal agreed with Chief Croker that careless housekeepers were responsible for the larger proportion of fires, but added: "Careless underwriting, I think, comes next. The companies insure too many people who ought not to be given insurance under any circumstances. Mighty few fires come under my notice where the people burned out are not well insured."

RUSSIAN INVENTS X-RAY EYE

With It Person Can Stay at Home and Witness Performance Going On at Theater.

St. Petersburg.—Prof. Rosik, of the Institute of Technology, has announced in a public lecture a discovery which, he says, is the most remarkable ever made by a scientist. It is nothing less than an electro-telescopic apparatus, which gives the user what might be termed a Roentgen ray eye.

With it, says the professor, an employer sitting in his office is able to see other parts of the building, or a theater performance can be watched at home, while generals are enabled to watch the movements of an enemy as well as those of his own forces. The details for the moment are withheld.

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STILL USE DIVINING ROD.

Curious Belief in Its Power Dates Back to Early Ages.

Joplin, Mo., March 29.—In view of the extensive use of the divining rod in the Joplin district and other mining districts, the following extract from Dr. R. W. Raymond's fascinating paper on the "Divining Rod," published in the early volumes of the Transactions of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, will prove of interest:

In ancient times much dependence was put on the divining rod. Mining can not lay claim to the first use of the instrument. In olden times it had a moral use and was in evidence whenever guilt was to be discovered or predictions of future events were to be made. There was a mixture of demonology in the belief in the divining rod, especially in the Middle Ages. Before the rod was used there were many incantations and frequently the rod was baptized by a bishop, being laid for this purpose in the bed with a newly baptized child. Those of us who have much experience with the uncivilized natives of Africa realize that the superstitions of earlier times remain among them, in the "smelling out" by "witch doctors" and the use of twigs and branches for divination.

Powers Claimed Limitless.
The divining rod has played an important part in the history of engineering. Claimants by the thousands have announced to the world their power of finding water or ores by the use of this instrument. A few hundred years ago the possessor of such a secret had to be careful how he announced his accomplishment, for if he were not cautious, there was a chance of being accused of sorcery by the rabble, and being burned at the stake as a co-worker with the evil one. But all the danger has passed now, and the large numbers of believers in the divining rod scattered over the world are no longer considered suspicious characters.

Along with each science there grows up a pseudo-science. Astronomy had astrology; chemistry, alchemy; and mining the divining rod. The contributions of astrology were not all negative, and alchemy did a great service for chemistry. Along with the jargon of astute remarks about rocks and springs. The use of this instrument was common in Cornwall and Germany. In the United States the divining rod has been extolled by engineers. Dr. Raymond mentions the case of a gold mining company in Colorado that employed one of these diviners to point out where a lost vein was to be found. After many incantations the gentleman showed the management where to look for the vein. They set to work in good faith in the firm belief that the vein would be found, but after spending thousands of dollars they came to the conclusion that the diviner must have had an "off day" and that his rod was not working when he located the vein.

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NEW JAG PRODUCER.

Texas Farmer Makes Discovery That Silo Fumes Exhilarate.

San Antonio, Texas, March 29.—It has remained for a Texas farmer to discover an entirely new "jag" producer. According to the statement of a man making the discovery, the person who takes aboard a package of this new stimulant wants to be joyful, climb trees and play pranks. When one partakes there is no danger of getting hold of the bottle with fights in it. For some time a well-known farmer, recognized as one of the leading "drys" of the state, had noticed that a number of the hands on his place appeared unusually hilarious. He was quite sure that something was being consumed by them and began an investigation. He went out where his men were engaged in removing green feed from a silo. After working about this for a time and breathing the fumes from it, he discovered that he wanted to dance, play tag with his wife, and go through all those unusual capers characteristic of those who took on board too much of the principal product of Kentucky. Realizing that the entire force of men were quite as intoxicated as himself, he stopped the work for a time and all were soon in their normal condition. A second attempt to take the contents from the silo brought on another jagged condition of the entire crew, thus convincing the farmer that as a modern and cheap boozetorium a silo is the latest thing out.

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