

DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 140 Cars, 3452 Cattle; 113 Cars, 8222 Hogs; 15 Cars, 2755 Sheep.

CATTLE SUPPLIES INCREASE

Steers Freely Offered—Best Dry-Lot Kindly Steady, Others 10 to 15c Off.

BIG SHOWING OF GRASSERS

Kansas Pastures Contribute About a Third of Local Receipts—Cows and Heifers Steadily to 10c Lower—Bulls Easier—Calves Slump Again—Sharp Drop in Stock Cattle—Hogs 10 to 15c Lower—Sheep Firm.

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 Receipts from January 1, 1911, and Receipts for the corresponding time in 1910. Rows include Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep.

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 of cattle, hogs and sheep at five principal western markets: Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joseph, and St. Louis.

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

CATTLE

Supplies Show Increase, Market Has Slower Pulse.

As was expected, the fourth of July holiday resulted in a liberal run of stock for the Wednesday markets. Cattle receipts at this point were estimated at 3,500, or more than double the supply received last Wednesday and a year ago, while the total run at the five big markets was 63,400, 25,000 in excess of the number in sight a week ago and double the run for the corresponding day last year.

General marketing was about the heaviest of the season and represented a lot of grass fed cattle from the south and southwest at river markets. Almost a third of the local arrivals consisted of cattle from the pasture districts of Kansas and Oklahoma, most of which were in the native division.

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS

Trade in the stocker and feeder division today was again soggy, and pressure was applied to the price bid by purchasers. The deal was irregularly quoted and the market exhibited a very ragged edge, with the general trend of values to a lower level.

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED

The proportion of cattle landed small among the day's offerings was small. The showing of dry fed heifers and mixed yearlings of quality was particularly meager, practically everything at hand showing the effects of a grass diet.

QUARANTINE DIVISION

Only a few loads of cattle landed in this division today. Steers formed the big end of the limited supply and these sold 10 to 15c lower than Monday in sympathy with the general market for beef cattle.

HEIFERS

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BULLS AND STAGS

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PACKERS' CATTLE PURCHASES

Swift & Co. 1,400; Hammond Packing Co. 900; Morris & Co. 500; Total 2,800.

HOGS

Fairly liberal post-holiday receipts gave buying interest in sight in the hog market today and most of the advance noted on the opening day of the week was swept away.

HEAVY AND MEDIUM

Heavy and medium grades of hogs were the main feature of the market today. Receipts were liberal and prices were generally higher than a week ago.

VEAL CALVES

Receipts of veal calves were liberal today. Prices were generally higher than a week ago.

PIGS AND LIGHTS

Receipts of pigs and lights were liberal today. Prices were generally higher than a week ago.

PACKERS' HOG PURCHASES

Swift & Co. 4,000; Hammond Packing Co. 2,484; Morris & Co. 1,800; Total 8,284.

RANGE OF PRICES

This Week Last Week Monday \$9.37 to \$9.75 Tuesday \$9.37 to \$9.75 Wednesday 6.25 to 6.00 Thursday 6.25 to 6.00 Friday 6.25 to 6.00 Saturday 6.25 to 6.00

SHEEP

Market Holds Steady With Moderate Supply, Trade Fairly Active.

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YORKINGS AND CALVES

Receipts of Yorkings and calves were liberal today. Prices were generally higher than a week ago.

FEEDING COWS AND STOCK HEIFERS

Receipts of feeding cows and stock heifers were liberal today. Prices were generally higher than a week ago.

NEW HEAT MARK

Local Temperature Went to 105 Degrees Yesterday, Highest of the Year.

HOTTEST SPOT IN COUNTRY

Five Prostrations, However, and No Deaths in St. Joseph From the Heat.

A BIG SECTION SWELTERS

More Than a Hundred Deaths Caused by Heat in Various Cities of the Country—No Change in Weather in Sight—Missouri Corn Crop Seriously Menaced—Heavy Damage to Grain, Hay and Pastures.

OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS

CHICAGO

CHICAGO Union Stock Yards, Ill. July 5.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 20,000. Market steady, top steers \$7.95, cows and heifers steady, feeders 10 to 15c lower.

KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 5.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers' Journal reports: Cattle—Receipts, 4,200. Market generally 10c lower.

SOUTH OMAHA

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EAST ST. LOUIS

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., July 5.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: Cattle—Receipts, 12,500, including 4,500 southern. Market 10c lower.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET

Today's cash values: Receipts wheat, 18 cars; corn, 10 cars; oats, 2 cars.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1005-1008 New Corby-Porco Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Table of grain and provision quotations including Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and Hides.

FOURTH RATHER SANE

Only 13 Deaths Due to Celebration Reported Over Whole Country.

THIRTEEN DEATHS

Thirteen deaths from the old-fashioned celebration of the Fourth of July was the total reported in the United States last night.

The nation-wide spread of the same old-fashioned celebration, with its small amount of celebration casualties ever recorded, in nearly every city where the use of explosives by individuals was prohibited, no accidents were recorded.

St. Joseph, Mo., was no exception. In the semi-sane Fourth idea carried out better than in St. Joseph. But a few burns and bruises remain to tell of the celebration. There was some noise, but not much, and there were no fires and no accidents of consequence.

The heat kept most of St. Joseph at home during the day. At night crowds were out but the general fireworks display was not very small. Altogether it was the most sane Fourth the city has had.

The death list of thirteen compares with twenty-eight reported in the night of last year's celebration, when the same Fourth movement was established in fewer cities. The number of injured reported is 294, as against 1,281 reported in the same month last year. In 1909 there were forty-four killed and 2,361 wounded.

The larger cities of which this year absolutely forbade dangerous fireworks, including Atlanta, Ga.; Birmingham, Ala.; Cleveland, O.; Columbus, O.; Kansas City, Mo.; Los Angeles, Minn.; St. Paul, Minn.; and Washington, D. C. Of the fifty large cities which have prohibited the use of fireworks, the restriction of their use to the least harmful nearly half had their new ordinances in force for the first time.

St. Joseph's celebration was not far behind. The south was relatively cool. The border of the northernmost of the Great Lakes also were cool.

The Pacific coast also was a notable exception, that part of the country enjoying pleasant weather.

Crops Suffering. In the great farming sections of the west, crops suffered damage. Continued drought in Kansas, together with the stifling heat which has recently prevailed, has worked great damage to all the grain crops, the oat crop being reported as virtually ruined.

Hay crops, likewise, are almost ruined in the west, while the fruit crop will not average more than half its usual yield.

More than a hundred deaths are reported from the cities of the country, and the heat prostrations will be well into the thousands. The summer resorts in the neighborhood of cities prostrated largely from the weather, hundreds of thousands being induced to leave the sweltering towns by the combination of a holiday and the weather conditions.

No Decided Change. No decided change in temperature is in prospect for St. Joseph. There may be a little rain but even this is not promised definitely.

In spite of the fact that St. Joseph showed the highest temperature of the country, the heat prostrations were reported and no deaths were traced directly to the heat. This is a record of its kind also.

Kansas City, July 5.—Approximately 100 of the best cotton in Missouri are now getting in need of rain. Missouri stands today to make or lose one of the best cotton crops in the history of the state, according to a crop report issued today by T. C. Wilson, secretary of the Missouri state board of agriculture. The report declares that with plenty of rain from now on, the crop of the 114 counties will be good, but if the drought continues the crop will be virtually ruined.

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WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES

Following are today's wholesale prices for beef cuts as given out by Swift & Company:

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PIMBLEY PAINT AND GLASS CO. 113 South Sixth Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

AMUSEMENTS. At the Majestic—Best picture show in town with two first class vaudeville acts.

As soon as the potatoes are planted and the soil is sufficiently warm, it is becoming customary, and necessary, to spray with some poison solution to kill the bug.

ITEMS IN BRIEF

J. A. Slaton & Co., big shippers of Rush Springs, Okla., had three cars of cattle on sale today.

G. W. Hill and Barleson & Dryden of Rags Springs, Okla., were here today with cattle.

Hoggett & Son, extensive feeders and shippers of Stewartville, Mo., had two cars of cattle here today.

A. J. Pleckett was here today with two cars of cattle from his feedlots at Stewartville, Mo.

W. T. Olston, a regular shipper to this market, had two cars of cattle on sale today billed from Stewartville, Mo.

Following are the shippers here today from Hempfle, Mo.: Geo. Everett, two cars of cattle; A. Soper, four cars of cattle; J. M. Lewis, three cars of cattle and R. M. Keller, one car of cattle.

J. E. Hirk of Lorimer, Ia., had a car of cattle on sale today billed from Barney, Ia.

H. Welch of Stanberry, Mo., was here today disposing of two cars of hogs.

J. A. Ross of McFall, Mo., had a car of hogs here today of his own feeding.

Prices right. Champion Feed Co., Taylor, Mo.

Henderson & Wilson of Guilford, Mo., contributed a car of hogs to today's receipts.

J. P. Kennan of Blockton, Ia., had a car of cattle here today of his own feeding.

Franklin & Wilcox of Amity, Mo., had a car of cattle on sale today billed from this district. A Soper, four cars of cattle; J. M. Lewis, three cars of cattle and R. M. Keller, one car of cattle.

Little Bros., regular patrons of this market, had a car of cattle on sale today billed from Amity, Mo.

E. W. Willitt of Weatherby, Mo., a prominent farmer and feeder, had a car of mutton on sale today.

Champion Feed the best fat producer.

E. E. Sutton of Weatherby, Mo., contributed a car of mutton to today's receipts.

E. S. Shuman had a car of cattle here today from his feedlots at Weatherby, Mo.

S. S. Hinchbaugh of Weatherby, Mo., who markets here quite regularly, was here today with a car of cattle.

Champion Feed a balance ration on grass.

Robt. Redman, a successful farmer and feeder of Weatherby, Mo., had a car of cattle on today's market.

A. J. Williamson and Johnson Bros., of New Hampton, Mo., had consignments of stock on today's market.

For Sale—Cedar poles suitable for barns and sheds. A Soper, four cars of cattle; J. M. Lewis, three cars of cattle and R. M. Keller, one car of cattle.

W. H. Seane of Bedford, Ia., one of the largest shippers who come to this market, was here today with two cars of hogs.

S. H. Prather of Tarkio, Mo., sent in a car of hogs for today's marketing.

Transit House caters to stockmen.

T. T. Christian, who operates around Tarkio, Mo., accompanied a car of hogs to the local market today.

B. A. Richards of Rockport, Mo., furnished the local market today with a consignment of mutton.

Best meals, best rooms, "Transit House."

C. McConnell and W. H. Thomas of Fairfax, Mo., were here today with cattle.

G. H. Palmer of Shickley, Neb., was here today with one car of mixed stock.

There is a profit in feeding Exello Feeds.

J. A. Losby of Chester, Neb., had two cars of hogs on today's market that sold well.

The Byron Farmers' Elevator Co., of Byron, Neb., had in a car of cattle for today's market.

Wise feeders use Exello Feeds.

DON'T LIKE THE WEATHER

But M. Levi of Chicago Pays Compliment to Local Market.

M. Levi of Chicago, was at the yards today doing the buying of butchers' stock for Morris & Co., taking the place of Otto Mason, the regular buyer, who is in on July duty this week.

"This is my first visit to St. Joseph," said Mr. Levi. "You certainly have reason to be proud of your modern stock yards and packing houses at this point. You also have a fine lot of traders here. Take about 25 deer would like to stay here, but as it is it is me for old Chicago where the lake breeze blows."

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, \$18@19; No. 1, \$16.50@17.50; No. 2, \$15@16; No. 3, \$13@14.

Rever mixed—Choice, \$15@15.50; No. 1, \$14@14.50; No. 2, \$13@13.50; No. 3, \$12@12.50.

Clover—Choice, \$13@13.50; No. 1, \$11.50@12.50; No. 2, \$10@11; No. 3, \$9@10.

Prairie—Choice, \$14.25@15; No. 1, \$13@14; No. 2, \$12@13; No. 3, \$10@11.

Lowland prairie—No. 1, \$8.75@9; No. 2, \$8@8.50; No. 3, \$7.50@8.

New Alfalfa—Choice, \$15.50@16; No. 1, \$14@15; No. 2, \$12@13; No. 3, \$9.50@11.50.

Packing hay—\$3@4. straw—\$4@5.50.

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HARD WHEAT. The Western Canadian farmer has an enormous advantage in the soil and climate that enable him to grow the hard wheat of which he has almost a monopoly. Parts of Dakota and Minnesota are similar to Manitoba and Saskatchewan, but the extent of the hard wheat region in those states is insignificant, and even if it were otherwise the conditions are more favorable farther north. It is a natural law, apparently, that the nearer one approaches the northern section of wheat growing, the quality of the product improves until the conditions become too severe to be safe in getting a crop every season. The natural opportunity and its natural limitation become alike familiar to the intelligent agriculturist, who learns to utilize the one without transgressing the other.

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WHAT'S BECOME OF 'EM? What has become of the old fashioned rain makers who always blossomed out in drowsy times with plans for saving growing crops by making the clouds give up their moisture?

MISSOURI CROP SUMMARY. The Missouri crop report makes the corn condition 82.4, as against 83 in June and 76 in July last. The crop in August last year was \$2 and the final yield 252,000,000 bu. Corn acreage this year is 3.6 per cent short of the last crop. Wheat yield 14.8 bu. per acre, quality good. Ninety-one per cent of the crop has been harvested, as against 23 per cent a year ago. Oats condition 41, against 42 in June and 38 in July when the crop turned out 25,000,000 bu.

THAT CUDAHY PROPHECY. Mr. Cudahy, who predicted five cent hogs by July isn't saying very much about it at the present time, says the Denver Record-Stockman. Mr. Cudahy's statement also included the prediction of four cent porkers by fall. Most of those in close touch with the situation, while admitting that the crop of pigs is large and allowing the possibility of prices by fall being somewhat lower than at present, believe Mr. Cudahy's guess for the fall price will prove little if any more accurate than his July prediction.

MAKING PROGRESS. Continued agitation for a "safe and sane" Fourth is beginning to show some real results. The list of casualties including deaths, injuries and fires in yesterday's celebration of the country's natal day was the smallest on record. Many cities and towns have adopted legislative measures for the protection of life and limb on Independence day and this probably had considerable bearing on the small number of deaths and injuries yesterday, but it is likely that the continued agitation carried on in the American press for a more sane observance of the day has had greater influence in the direction sought than had the edicts and proclamations of councils and mayors. The power of the press was never greater than it is today.

CORNFIELD MOISTURE. Two hundred barrels of water per acre would be a big amount if one had to carry and distribute it over the cornfield, says an exchange. When we fail to keep the surface of our soils cultivated, when we do not create a dust mulch and maintain it, we will permit the loss of moisture to the amount of two hundred barrels per acre every day, to say nothing of the amount used and evaporated by the corn plants. Of course, the amount of loss is varied by the kind of soil, condition and other things tending to affect, but the loss is so great that we must prevent it or lose in yield at harvest time. This loss of moisture can be saved by frequent and shallow cultivation. Keep the surface in a fine condition. Use fine cultivators or harrows. Being careless in the use of the cultivators means loss of profit.

Recently we had an inch of rainfall in one day and night. This means one hundred and thirteen tons of water per acre. We need every drop of it to grow our corn crops. If we fail to help save it we lose our share of the profits to be gained by saving it.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY. Interesting information relative to improved methods of turpentine chipping is imparted in Bulletin 99, forest service, United States department of agriculture. The results of the findings contained in the bulletin, based on experiments made in the south to determine the best method of obtain-



Daddy's Bedtime Story—Fourth of July Fireworks in a Bedroom Grate

There had been rather a fearful time before Jack and Evelyn crept into bed. Evelyn had loaned Jack her new doll to use in the new cart, which could be harnessed to the dog. Sheppie had overturned the cart and its doll passenger and upset Master Jack, who had thus cut his hand. "Dear, dear," said daddy as he came in. "Crying about a little thing like a doll? I suppose it won't be safe for me to bring home any Fourth of July fireworks this year if you have become so delicate." Jack stopped sniveling. Evelyn forced a smile. "We are always careful about fireworks," Evelyn added. "I was always careful about fireworks, too," said daddy soberly. "You never can tell about fireworks. When I was a boy father never cared to let us children have many firecrackers or things of that sort. He thought they were dangerous. He always had a lot of skyrockets and roman candles and colored fire for an evening display. His system was much admired by the neighbors. "I remember that he was unusually particular one Fourth in telling us that this year we could not spend any of our money for firecrackers or torpedoes. There had been a good many accidents the Fourth before, and he was not sure he would have even the usual evening fireworks. "It happened to be an unusually cold summer. One evening father came in with a sore throat. Mother said she would call in the doctor. She sent one of my brothers after him while she prepared father for bed by giving him 'er a mustard bath. "Run up and light a little fire in the spare room," mother said to me. "Your father's room looks so untidy I hate to have Dr. Brown go in there." "So upstairs I crept with one wood. My younger brother brought coal and matches. There was a fine bundle of paper in the grate, and I decided to lay the fire right over it. When we touched a match you could have heard it a dozen blocks away. Father dashed over the mustard bath and tore upstairs in his bare feet, moaning, shrieking, after him. "When the doctor got there my brother and I needed more attention than father. For safety's sake he had stored the fireworks in the grate in the spare room, thinking we children would never think of looking for them there. In summer a fireplace seemed the safest place in the world. "After that he let us have our firecrackers, but the evening exhibitions were cut out. "Father said our fingers and toes must take their chances, but he couldn't afford to have our hair singed over his head."

IN WOMAN'S REALM

Layer Devil's Food.—One cup butter, one cup white sugar, two cups brown sugar, one cup sweet cream, four cups flour, one-half cup grated chocolate, one-half cup boiling water, one-half teaspoon soda, one teaspoon cinnamon, one nutmeg, two pounds dates or raisins, one cup nuts, four eggs, one teaspoon cream of tartar. Filling: Two cups brown sugar, two tablespoons butter, one-half cup sweet milk, one teaspoon vanilla. Roll until it will thread from a fork; then beat until almost cold; add one teaspoon vanilla and spread on layers. Makes a large cake. Pineapple Cake.—One cupful butter, one-half cupful sweet milk, one teaspoonful baking powder, one cupful sugar, four eggs, one and one-half cupfuls flour; cream together one-half cupful of butter and a cupful of sugar, add one-half cupful of sweet milk and the whites of four eggs beaten light; stir in one and one-half cupfuls of flour into which a heaping teaspoon of baking powder has been sifted. Bake the cake in three layers. Filling: Beat until light whites of two eggs, three teaspoonfuls of pineapple juice, and a cupful of confectioner's sugar, add slowly a little more sugar till thick enough to be easily spread and not run off. Put aside enough of the icing for the top of the cake, into the rest stir very finely chopped pineapple till as much has been added as the icing will hold and stick together, when cake is cold put a thick layer of filling between the layers and cover top with plain icing.

OPENS A BOYS' CAMP.

William Jewell Coach in Charge of White River Venture. Hollister, Mo., July 3.—H. J. Campbell, physical director and coach of William Jewell college, Liberty, Mo., has opened a summer camp for boys of high school age here on the White river. There is a William Jewell club only here for the summer and the incident is that the college coach will have a large number of youngsters under his care. A concrete dam has been constructed in Turkey creek, creating a big swimming pool. Bass fishing here is better than ever.

DESTRUCTION OF WEEDS.

Wallace Farmer: An Iowa subscriber sends us a notice which he has received from the chairman of the board of trustees, and which notifies him to destroy weeds known as bull nettle on his farm. We do not know of any weed which goes by this name. There is a weed known as bull thistle, and there are several nettles, the worst of which is the horse nettle. The noxious weeds named by the Iowa law are the following: Quack grass, Canadian thistle, cocklebur, wild mustard, sour or curdle dock, smooth dock, buckhorn, or ribbed velvet weed or button weed and burdock. The law makes it the duty of the township trustee or other officers responsible for the care of the highways in each township or county to destroy or cause to be destroyed all of these weeds which grow on the highways, and if they fail to do this they are subject to the penalty of a fine not exceeding \$100. The law further makes it the duty of all owners of land adjacent to the public highways to destroy these noxious weeds and prevent them from blooming or coming to maturity, when such weeds are likely to be the means of infesting the public highway, or when any land owner makes complaint to the township trustee that his land is likely to be infested by weeds from the land of another. When complaint is made to the trustee they shall investigate, and if the complaint appears to be well founded they shall make an order within which time the weeds shall be prevented from maturing seed, and shall also order that within one year such weeds shall be completely destroyed, prescribing the manner of their destruction. When the occupant of the land receives such notice from the township trustee he must obey it within the time ordered or the trustee may have the weeds destroyed and the cost of the work shall be recovered from the owner by a special tax to be certified by the township clerk in the same manner as other road tax also makes it the duty of the township trustee to mow all the weeds, noxious or not, on the public highway. If the farmers of Iowa would take this law seriously to see that their crops are protected, it would save them an enormous amount of time and expense in fighting weeds on their own farms.

To grow old gracefully just watch an old weeping willow.

REMEDIES AGAINST ANTS.

Kindred Numerous and Habits Vary Greatly.

Port Collins, Colo., July 3.—The kinds of ants adding to numerous and their habits vary so greatly it will be to our advantage to discuss them in groups. ANTS IN HOUSES.—My kind of ants infest houses. Sometimes they establish homes there, but more frequently they are in search of food. They find in all sorts of edibles, and very often a well defined line of travel established between the ant nest and some source of supply such as a sack of sugar or a store of bread crumbs. The first rule in such cases is to keep all food and bits of food out of the reach of the insects. Tight jars and bread boxes should be used. Persistent trapping will reduce the pest and often drive them away from the premises. Moisten a sponge with sweetened water and put it in where the ants are frequently seen. They will collect in the sponge in great numbers. The sponge may then be thrown into boiling water and the ants killed. After the sponge has been washed to free it of the dead insects the trap may again be set. Progress in this way is not always very rapid, but in the course of a few days the trouble will be greatly lessened. When the nests can be found in the house or near it, a number of remedies may be applied. If the insects are under boards or stones, these may be lifted and boiling water poured on the inhabitants. Nests in the walls and foundations of houses are more troublesome. Often they may be reached with gasoline by pouring it in the cracks and crevices. Sometimes such a substance as carbolic acid or naphthalene may be used as repellants. When ants are in the habit of visiting a table, they may be kept away by setting the table legs in cups containing water. Of course, in this case, the table must not touch the wall.

Ants in the Road and Lawn.—Carbon bisulphide has been found to be about the best remedy in these cases. This is a very volatile and explosive fluid and may be purchased at the drug store. While using this substance, care of every description must be absolutely banished. With a sharp stick make holes in the nest and pour in from two to four tablespoonfuls of the fluid, depending upon the size of the nest. As the fluid is immediately turned over the nest and the edges about it tightly clinched with moist earth to prevent the escape of the fumes. The insects are killed by the gas which is given off when the fluid volatilizes. The tub should remain in place for some hours. There may be some danger to the grass from the use of this substance, but the result will be more serious than that which the ants will themselves inflict. The same remedy is often used under flagging, but it is somewhat more difficult to make a thorough application under these circumstances.

Mound Building Ants.—In this western country a large species of brown ants builds nests in the open fields almost everywhere. The center of the nest is conspicuous because of a mound which is built of sand and small pebbles which the insects collect or dig out of the earth beneath the nest. These mounds vary in height from a few inches to two feet, depending upon the size and age of the colony. The ground for several feet about the nest is kept scrupulously clean of vegetation, which makes the homes of the ants so striking. The interiors of the nests are formed of galleries, about three-eighths of an inch in diameter, which connect chambers one to three inches across. In some of these chambers the eggs of the young are kept; in others food, consisting of small seeds of all kinds, is stored; still others are used as living rooms. The chambers are arranged throughout the surface of the ground, but are sometimes built down for several feet. There are from one to eight openings to the nest, usually about three, which are the open doors. The greater part of the day, but closed at night. To kill the insects, enough poison must be used to penetrate every chamber. The Kansas experiment station has found that a tub of arsenic, the mouth so as to include as many of the openings as possible and stop the openings around the edges of the tub with dirt. Also, stop up any openings in the tub which the ants does not cover. The tub should be left over the nest not less than five hours. This remedy is not very expensive and will pay well where the ants are troublesome. —S. Arthur Johnson.

BUILD HIGHWAYS.

The proposal to build wagon roads across Missouri from east to west is in line with modern thought and deed. It would also be a good project to build a road or two from the north to the south lines of the state. Everybody agrees that good roads stimulate business, increase the feeling of multiple attendance at schools and churches. Not only state roads, but all public thoroughfares should receive the respect and care those who build them. In fact, there is little excuse nowadays for a poor road. A road from St. Joseph to Hannibal could easily be had if county courts and business organizations along the line would get busy. The road in Buchanan county should be macadamized. This highway should pass through county seats and be on an air line as nearly as practicable. A road from St. Joseph to Hannibal would pass through Buchanan county, on the line between DeKalb and Clinton, near the line between Daviess and Caldwell, through Livingston, Linn, Macon, Shelby and Marion to Hannibal. Branches to the main highway should be numerous, connecting with all nearby towns on either side. There should also be a highway to Savannah and thence north through Holt and Atchison counties to the Iowa line, to connect with another highway to Council Bluffs. Then there should be another road to Des Moines by way of Rochester, thence through Andrew, Nodaway and Worth to the Iowa line, with branch roads to all nearby towns. The value of such highways can hardly be estimated. Missouri should profit by what Iowa

has done. Hawkeye boosters attribute the prosperity of the farmers in their state largely to good roads. No state in the West has been quite so progressive as Iowa in the building of good roads. In the last few years there have been constructed hundreds of miles of highways and they have served to increase the value of farm lands in many instances as much as 25 per cent. Moreover, they have promoted social intercourse and it is claimed have done more than anything else to keep the young men and young women on the farms. There is no reason why this Iowa experience could not be duplicated in Missouri.

REBUILD CAPITOL AT ONCE.

The burning of the state capitol February 5 created an emergency which the legislature recognized. Acting under the constitution of the state, provisions were made for a special election to be held August 1 to meet this emergency by providing funds to rebuild the capitol at once. Public-spirited citizens all over Missouri are rallying to the support of the plan submitted by the legislature. Missourians generally have pride enough in the state to want to see a splendid new capitol building erected without needless delay, and it is very gratifying to know that the \$2,500,000 proposition is meeting with great favor at the hands of the people in every section of Missouri.

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When Bullets Flew

By DONALD ALLEN

It was Master Frank Gilbert, fifteen years old, and feeling himself of great importance in the world, who opened the morning paper at breakfast table, and a moment later almost shouted at his widowed mother and sister Mollie: "I told you it would come, and it has!"



There was lying awake until midnight, with troubled sleep thence to daylight, and Mr. Raffles was too cute to show up. He had no hankering for bullets. Other houses were robbed, but not the Gilbert house. The state of suspense was such that the mother thought of writing to the governor to call out the militia, but this idea was discouraged by Frank's reply.

more in the light of a lark, but never the less she had become nervous. She determined to keep awake until midnight, at least. The motto of Mr. Raffles was known to be promptness and dispatch, and he ought not to be much later than midnight. With him it was "burglary while you wait."

The girl knelt by the open window, the revolver on the floor at her right hand, and for long hours not a vehicle or a person passed on the highway. Then she caught the edge of an auto coming slowly along. It had no lights. The papers said that Raffles used an auto to transport himself from place to place. Just in front of the house the machine halted. The girl made out two men. She even heard them conversing in low tones.

Miss Mollie expressed her willingness to learn to kill burglars, and the mother's suggestion that six men be hired to guard the house at night was voted down.

There was target practice morning, noon and evening for the next three days. Frank had had practice, but it took the sister two whole days to learn to shut the left eye and keep the right open, and not to jump a foot high when the weapon was discharged.

CALLS CAT MENACE

Dr. Charles B. Reed Declares Family Pets Spread Disease.

Says Germs Thrive Upon Them and That Feline is More Dangerous Plaything for Small Children Than Red-Hot Poker.

Chicago.—Dr. Charles B. Reed, writing to the weekly bulletin of the Chicago health department, declares animal pets, particularly the cat, a menace to health. "The principal obstacle to a general and truthful realization of the dangers connected with the domestic pet," he says, "is found to be the sentimentalists who are unwilling to admit that anything on which their affections are centered can become in any degree a menace."

Both cats and rats are undeniable menaces to human life, and of two evils, why choose them both. The government scientists declare that the cockroach preys upon and destroys the bedbug, but no one bestirres on this account to destroy as many cockroaches as possible.

DIFFER ON GIRL'S EXERCISE

Harvard and Amherst Experts Engage in Controversy Over Woman's Muscles—Tough as Men.

Cambridge, Mass.—A controversy between Dudley A. Sargent, Harvard's famous strength expert, and Prof. John M. Tyler of Amherst college, as to whether grammar school girls should have physical exercise, was a feature of a recent session of the American Physical Education association, held at the Girls' Normal school.

SAFETY HATPIN IS INVENTED

Massachusetts Matron Has Novel Method of Fastening Bonnet—Has Tiny Lock Nut.

Cambridge, Mass.—No more dodging the stiletto-like hatpin, according to Mrs. Harry Eldridge Goodhue of this city, who has conceived a means for fastening millinery's hat to her head which is not dangerous.

EASY TO CUT YOUR OWN HAIR

London County Council Member Advocates Unique Plan to Even Matters With Grasping Barbers.

London.—British barbers—very many of whom are not Britons—are trying to introduce the custom of charging double prices for hair cutting to men who shave themselves. Many are the protests which are appearing in the correspondence columns of the newspapers, and Walter Reynolds of the London county council is one of the most vigorous in denouncing the attempt.

SPRING CAUSE FOR INSANITY?

Increase of Cases Usual at This Time of Year, Declares St. Paul Physicians—More Activity.

St. Paul, Minn.—Is spring, balmy spring, responsible for the wave of mild insanity noted in the police dockets? Some St. Paul physicians seem to think so. Insanity is prevalent in the city at the present time, according to Dr. Charles E. Smith, Jr., city and county physician. Within the last few days seven persons afflicted with "spring insanity" have been confined in the county jail. Dr. Smith, commenting on the case of a recent patient, said this is the time of year when insanity seems to be most prevalent.

MANY CURES FOR NOSEBLEED

Some of Them Tried on Two Prospective Jurymen in Chicago Court, But Fail to Work.

Chicago.—Two talesmen waiting for jury service were stricken simultaneously with nosebleed. Thomas Ruwe and William Neilson were in the courtroom, ready to enter a panel for examination, when their noses began bleeding.

TROUSERS OF BOY EXPLODED

Young Grocery Clerk Forgot He Had Been Sitting in Pool of Gasoline—Was Badly Singed.

Madison, Wis.—Ever hear of a man's trousers exploding? That is what happened to those which once adorned the limbs of Otto Slinde, 721 Atwood avenue, when he was engaged in delivering groceries.

WOMEN IN TROUSERS

Ida Husted Harper Goes Into History of Dress.

Most Atrocious Object in Art is High Silk Hat With Which Man Adorns Himself When He Tries to Be Impressive.

New York.—"Man has been trying to dictate woman's dress from the beginning of time. The Bible from cover to cover is filled with regulations concerning women's anklets, bracelets, veils and everything else that men could think of."

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BEAUTIES OF THE SIERRAS

John Muir Eloquenty Describes the Charms He Finds in That Mountain Region. Here with bread and water I should be content. Even if not allowed to roam and climb, tethered to a stake or tree in some meadow or grove, even then I should be content forever. Bathed in such beauty, watching the expressions every varying on the faces of the mountains, watching the stars, which here have a glory that the lowlander never dreams of, watching the circling seasons, listening to the songs of the waters and winds and birds, would be endless pleasure. And what glorious cloudlands I would see, storms and calms—a new heaven and a new earth every day, aye, and new inhabitants. And how many visitors I would have. I feel sure I would not have one dull moment. And why should this appear extravagant. It is only common sense, a sign of health, genuine natural all-awake health. One would be at an endless Godful play, and what speeches and music and acting and scenery and lights—sun, moon, stars, auroras. Creation just beginning, the morning stars, still singing together and all the sons of God shouting for joy.—John Muir, in the Atlantic.

FIRELESS COOKING FOR DOGS

How One Family Solved the Problem of Preparing the Food for the Animals. Cooking the dog's food had been rather a difficult problem in our household, either because the kitchen range was otherwise occupied or because the cook was, and the long, slow cooking necessary for cereals and tough meats was seldom accomplished without friction. Now we put the meat and bones, with enough water to cover them, in a fireless cooker receptacle, bring the contents of the pot to the boiling point in about five minutes, and then pack the kettle away in the fireless cooker for five or six hours. The meat is then tender enough to peel from the bone, and more water is added, and whatever cereal we wish to use. The whole mass is once more brought to the boiling point, and put back in the cooker. In another four or five hours we find a supply of richly flavored food that keeps fresh in a cool place for several days. The dogs seem to enjoy the food prepared in this way, and we are sure of its being thoroughly cooked, and never scorched, and the time occupied in the kitchen is minimized.—Country Life in America.

The Eyes and the Voice.

A physician in London, Dr. William Martin Richards, has had occasion to observe a relation existing between the eyes and the voice and has recently made a statement of two cases that came under his treatment where actresses who had lost their voices completely recovered them when treated for defective eyes and fitted with proper glasses. He tells of one young woman in whose family eye diseases were hereditary who found herself at the age of twenty-two losing her voice. Her eyes were found to be in need of attention and when she had been supplied with glasses she promptly recovered her singing voice. When she discarded the glasses some time later and her eyes were once more neglected her voice also relapsed into a husky state that precluded all singing. This practitioner has observed a number of similar cases and the discovery of the relation between the eyes and the voice should certainly be valuable to stage folk and others who depend largely upon their voices for their status in the world.

Manuscript of Thirteenth Century.

While reading a French book of the sixteenth century in the university library, St. Andrews, the German lecturer, Dr. Schaaffs, noticed some fragments of an old French poem which the binder had pasted on back and covers of the book. After loosening them he removed the glue and out of the four pieces obtained composed two larger pieces, parts of two leaves of a manuscript written in a beautiful and clear type in two columns of thirty-nine lines each, 144 in all, with red and blue initials. The names occurring in the text leave no doubt that the fragments contain parts of the old French chason "Le Roman de Girard de Viane," and from the language and the script it appears that the manuscript was written between 1250 and 1300.

Airing a Fumigated Room.

To air a room that has been fumigated after a contagious sickness, before entering it, this plan is suggested. Before sealing up the room for fumigating, fasten two screw-eyes into the lower edge of the upper sash of a window in the room; to these tie a heavy cord, leaving the loop between long enough to hang within easy reach of a window on the floor below. After the room has been sufficiently fumigated, pull the cord from the lower window, thus opening the upper window and letting the fresh air in and the close air out.—Woman's Home Companion.

Her Gain.

Mrs. Jones—Does your husband remember your wedding anniversary? Mrs. Smith—No; so I remind him of it in January and June, and get two presents.—Harper's Bazar.

MOUNTAIN SHEEP IS ROPED

Animal is Captured Alive by Indian With Use of Lariat Rope—Frightened to Death. Helena, Mont.—Wave Brown, a deputy sheriff of Lincoln, gives an account of how some Indians roped a mountain sheep just across the Canadian line from Gateway.

Brown's brother was riding along the wagon road just across the line in Canada from Gateway on his way home. At a point about two miles from the international line a mountain sheep with a magnificent set of horns ran across the road not over 100 yards from the team. From the action of the animal Mr. Brown gathered that it was bewildered.

The sheep crossed in front of the team three times within 15 minutes, running back and forth. Finally it ran up the side of a steep little knoll, and after getting on top of it sighted the main range of mountains to the east of the road. Without further hesitation the sheep started in a bee line for the mountains.

A few minutes after this an Indian came riding along, following the sheep's trail. Mr. Brown watched the Indian go up the side of the knoll and then disappear in the direction of the mountains. Mr. Brown learned the next day that this Indian and a companion had succeeded in running down the sheep and caught it with a lariat rope alive.

After being tied the sheep was taken to the Indian's camp, the intention being to sell it. During the night the sheep died from fear, it is said by those who know the animal and its habits. The mountain sheep is a very timid animal, and the constant walling and barking of the Indians' dogs during the night scared it to death.

The horns were about the largest ever seen in that part of the country, according to Mr. Brown, and are exceptionally beautiful. He thinks the animal was chased by the Indians from the west side of the Kootenai river across that stream and that the sheep intended to make for the Big range east of the Tobacco plains after crossing the river, but lost its bearings and wasted a lot of time in following along the wagon road.

As soon as it got on an eminence and could again get its direction it at once made straight for the big mountains. The chances are it was tired out from the long chase or the Indian ponies would not have been able to catch up with it. Mr. Brown says a live mountain sheep would command a big sum, as they are extremely rare in captivity. He also says this is the only time in his life that he ever heard of a mountain sheep being caught with a lariat rope. And to make the story better yet, it was caught right out on the open plains. As is well known, their home is in the wild and craggy mountains and they are seldom caught out of their native haunts.

CAT MOTHERS INJURED PUPS

Foster Parent Loses Brood When Disgruntled Owner Decides to Drown Them—Not Wanted. Chicago.—This is the sad story of three unweaned black and tan puppies that were drowned after a cat tried to mother them and had adopted them in the place of a litter of kittens that had been taken away from her a few days before. The puppies were dropped in a basket from the third-story window of a store and flat building at Thirty-sixth street and Cottage Grove avenue. The fall failed to kill them and the puppies lay maimed and bleeding on the ground in the rear of the building.

In the new act in the tragedy a gray and white cat while mousing around the alley discovered them. Disregarding her natural antipathy to the canine race the old cat carried the puppies to a place of safety. She was busy giving them a tongue bath when Mrs. Mary Brown, 837 Fifty-ninth place, found them. She inquired how they came to be there and learned of the basket and the third-story window from which they had been dropped.

Mrs. Brown called up the Anti-Cruelty society and notified Secretary Krause of the case and returned to the puppies, intending to take them to her home. In her absence the owner had picked them up and drowned them in a bucket of water. She found their little water-soaked bodies lying on a heap of rubbish and the story of the three unweaned puppies was finished.

HENS TRAVEL 12,000 MILES

Descendants of Champion Australian Chickens Arrive in England—Have World's Record. London.—After a 12,000-mile journey from Adelaide, South Australia, a flock of pedigreed white Leghorn poultry has arrived at the Garth Poultry farm, Glan Conway, Denbighshire. The fowls were obtained from A. H. Pudman, whose white Leghorns secured the world's record for egg laying in the twelve months' competition which terminated on March 31, 1910, held at Gatton, Queensland.

The six hens laid 1,631 eggs, valued at \$30, during the year, which works out to an average of about 255 eggs per hen. The hens now at Glan Conway are descendants of these birds.

Money to Burn.

New York.—More than \$5,000,000 in bills was shipped by the sub-treasury here to Washington to be destroyed as worn and mutilated currency. The amount constitutes a record for a single day.

Disaster for Ardent Lover

New Yorker Attempted to Climb to Lady's Bower Via Dumbwaiter and Encounters Janitor. New York.—Love started George Pearce for the presence of his adored one in a dumbwaiter the other day, but dropped him in jail. Ernest Herter, janitor of No. 404 East Ninety-first street, operated the switch that threw Pearce off the Cupid main line, booked for the apartments of Mrs. Bertha Kleinknecht, on the top floor, and put him on the Blackwell's island local. Magistrate Herber, in the Harlem court sentenced Pearce after hearing Mrs. Kleinknecht.

"Judge," she said, "I got a letter in every mail from this fellow for a week. First in the mornings comes a lettergram by the telegraph, telling me he loves me. Then some letters. The postman is worn out and there are holes in the carpet to the door. When evening comes and the letter carrier has made his last trip then telegrams begin. Sometimes three before I could get to bed with the door bell out off for the night. And I don't even know the man."

"How did he get your name?" the magistrate asked. "Judge, he didn't get my name," answered Mrs. Kleinknecht. "He addressed everything to 'The Lady on the Top Floor,' and he signed them all 'A Man With a Heart.' I wish he had less heart and more sense." Herter, the janitor, glared at Pearce, as he took the stand. "I'm near about crazy with that man," Herter said. "I had to neglect my work to watch for him. If I left the dumbwaiter a minute he was in it, ringing Mrs. Kleinknecht's bell and trying to call 'love' with a foreign accent, so she would pull him up. I've chased him out of the front door and the basement so often that neighbors have been around asking me if I am training for a Marathon. Today he ran up the steps and I caught him on the roof."

"Your honor," said Pearce, "my only crime is loving too much. Could you but know the passion—" "Six months," said the court.

FLIES DISLIKE BLUE PAINT

Also, Little Pests Are Not Partial to Hop Vines—Idea Comes From France. Topeka, Kan.—Dr. S. J. Crumline, secretary of the state board of health, has learned of two methods by which the common house fly can be kept away from kitchens and barns. One is to paint the barn and kitchen blue, almost any old shade, and the other is to grow hops around the doors.

The blue paint idea came from France where two scientists, Marre and Fe, in the course of some experiments with flies, found that cow stables which were painted blue inside were avoided by flies. It was also observed that kitchens and dining-rooms which were papered in blue or painted blue also seemed to keep the flies away as homes within a few feet where the blue paint or paper was not used were infested with the pests.

Doctor Crumline is working out some experiments himself regarding the growing of hops around the kitchen doors. A missionary from India told Doctor Crumline that hops were used by the natives of India in the place of screens. The hop vines were allowed to grow all over the little huts, and the people were never bothered with flies. Doctor Crumline and several of his assistants have set out hop vines around the back doors. The vines are growing all over the buildings, and Doctor Crumline is watching the vines this summer to note whether or not the hops are really effective against the flies.

IS ATLANTIC COAST SINKING? Inquiry to Be Made This Year as to Theory That There is Drop of Two Feet a Century. Trenton, N. J.—Whether the coast of New Jersey is sinking about two feet a century is to be ascertained this summer. At a meeting of the board of managers of the state geological survey, State Geologist Kummel reported that he had made arrangements with Prof. D. W. Johnson of Harvard university to make the necessary research.

Some scientists have held that the Atlantic seaboard was sinking at the rate of two feet every hundred years, and the theory has come to be generally accepted. Professor Johnson will come to this state and prosecute the study under a research fund established at Harvard. The result is expected to have an important bearing on the coast levels established in this state 25 years ago.

Weeps at Dog's Death.

Newark, N. J.—Intense feeling at the thought of losing his dog was shown by Theodore Deurer in the Greylock manor section of Belleville when he appeared at the Belleville police station with his pet and declared that he wanted it killed. He led the animal from his home to the police station with a rope. He wept bitterly as he told the police the animal was blind and that he wanted it put out of its misery.

Fright Restores Faculties.

New York.—Oscar Settner, deaf and dumb for two years from the effects of a fall from the roof of his home, had his faculties restored through fright at an approaching trolley car.

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