

A Daily Commercial Newspaper for Modern Farmers and Stockmen and an Advertising Medium That Reaches the Buyers

STEERS MAINLY STEADY

Little change was noted in today's market for stock and finishing cattle...

SHORT-FEDS WERE QUIET

Light run of cows and heifers, values unchanged—calves strong...

GOOD CORN-FED STEERS CONTINUE IN GOOD REQUEST

Good corn-fed steers continue in good request at this point. Buyers demonstrated this fact again this morning...

EARLY ESTIMATES CALLED FOR 1,500 CATTLE

Early estimates called for 1,500 cattle for this market but arrivals for the day figure at only 2,200...

MISSOURI-FED BEEVES, AVERAGING 1,451 LBS.

Missouri-fed beefs, averaging 1,451 lbs., was put over the scales at \$7.40...

DERESSED BEEF AND SHIPPING STEERS

There was only a small supply of butcher stuff on sale today. Quality was only fair to good...

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED

There was only a small supply of butcher stuff on sale today. Quality was only fair to good...

HEIFERS

There was only a small supply of butcher stuff on sale today. Quality was only fair to good...

COWS

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BULLS AND STAGS

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STOCKERS AND FEEDERS

Little change was noted in today's market for stock and finishing cattle...

GOOD TO CHOICE FEEDING STEERS ARE FEASIBLE

Good to choice feeding steers are feasible at \$1.75 to \$2.00, medium to good grades...

YEARLING AND CALVES

Yearling and calves market shows steady demand with prices ranging from \$4.00 to \$6.00...

FEEDING COWS AND STOCK HEIFERS

Feeding cows and stock heifers market shows steady demand with prices ranging from \$3.00 to \$5.00...

RANGE-NATIVE DIVISION

Range-native division market shows steady demand with prices ranging from \$2.00 to \$4.00...

PACKERS' CATTLE PURCHASES

Packers' cattle purchases for the week ending October 5, 1911, total 1,900 head...

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS

Live stock receipts for the week ending October 5, 1911, total 1,900 head...

RECEIPTS FROM JAN. 1 TO DATE

Receipts from Jan. 1 to date for various livestock categories...

RECEIPTS BY CARS

Receipts by cars for various livestock categories...

HOG MARKET ACTIVE

Moderate supply met with ready clearance at firm to higher prices...

QUALITY WAS FAIRLY GOOD

Bulk of the offerings sold in a spread of \$6.25 to \$6.40—top \$6.45—fewer pigs in the run...

TRADING IN LIVE PORK TODAY WAS MODERATELY ACTIVE

Trading in live pork today was moderately active and at somewhat stronger prices...

PRICES RANGED FROM \$5.35 TO \$6.45

Prices ranged from \$5.35 to \$6.45 with the bulk selling at \$6.20 to \$6.40...

HEAVY AND MIXED—200 LBS. AND UPWARD

Heavy and mixed—200 lbs. and upward market shows steady demand...

PIGS AND LIGHTS—100 LBS. AND UNDER

Pigs and lights—100 lbs. and under market shows steady demand...

PACKERS' HOG PURCHASES

Packers' hog purchases for the week ending October 5, 1911, total 5,500 head...

RANGE OF HOG PRICES

Range of hog prices for the week ending October 5, 1911, total 5,500 head...

OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Other livestock markets including sheep, goats, and calves...

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET

Today's cash values: Receipts: wheat, 1 car; corn, 19 cars; oats, 2 cars...

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

The following Chicago Board of Trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1095-1103 New Corby-Forsee Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Table with columns: Options, Opened, High, Low, Close, Change. Rows include WHEAT, CORN, OATS, RIBS.

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...

WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES

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

TROUBLE OVER CAR TICKETS

Some difficulty in enforcing new order aimed at ticket scalpers. The local street railway company is enforcing the order that its conductors shall not accept the new form of tickets stamped 'void if detached'...

KANSAS CITY, MO., Oct. 5

Special to The Journal: The Drivers Telegram reports: 7,000. Market steady to weak, cows and heifers show stockers steady to weak, calves dull lower.

SOUTH OMAHA, NEB., Oct. 5

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EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., Oct. 5

Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports: 2,500 southern. Market steady.

SHEEP RULED STRONG

Keen feeder demand and a trade feature—few killing lambs available...

THESE RATED 10c HIGHER

Market for feeding stock active and prices firm—fat sheep again offered in Meager Volume.

BULLISH SENTIMENT PERVADED TRADE

In this department but with a decided scarcity of good mutton material included in the fresh supply, packing interests made a creditable effort to keep it under control...

PACKERS' SHEEP PURCHASES

Packers' sheep purchases for the week ending October 5, 1911, total 1,972 head...

FOR DUSTLESS ROADS

Bulletin prepared by Office of Public Roads of Interest. Washington, D. C., Oct. 5.—Dust prevention and road preservation are becoming increasingly subjects of public interest...

STEERAGE TRAVEL JUMPS

Exodus of laboring people toward Europe larger than last year. New York, Oct. 5.—Steamship men and those who study industrial conditions are watching with considerable interest the outgoing tide of stowaways...

HAD \$7.50 BEEVES

Dallas Pickett, a well-known Stearns, Mo., farmer, disposed of two cars of fat steers on today's market...

CONCRETE FOR THE FARM

Farmer Last to Feel the Effects of High Priced Building Material. Washington, D. C., Oct. 5.—The early settlers, colonists, and pioneers encountered a trackless forest extending from his own farm to the prairie...

AMUSEMENTS

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

ITEMS IN BRIEF

Claycomb & D., regular patrons of this market, disposed of two cars of fat steers on today's market...

REVIEWERS SOLDIERS' PARADE

Great Show Arranged for Pleasure of President of United States—Tariff Bill Voted Defeated in Another Public Speech.

TAFT IS IN WYOMING

Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 5.—President Taft saw a bit of the old West yesterday. He drove through the streets and listened to presidential oratory...

WISER FEEDERS USE EXCELLO FEEDS

Frank Walters, of Rockport, Mo., increased today's receipts with a car of hogs.

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ERROR IN HOG SALE

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KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE SOUTH.

One of the most important meetings of commercial and industrial organizations ever held in the South will convene in Memphis, Tenn., next Monday. It is known as the All-South Conference and thousands of delegates, representing the commercial and industrial life of practically every important center of the great southland will be in attendance.

Col. D. C. Collier and G. Grosvenor have completed a five thousand mile trip through the Southern states in the interest of the conference. Practically every commercial organization in every principal city of the South was visited by Messrs. Collier and Dawson and the purpose and aim of the conference explained.

Keep your eye on the South for the next few years. The South has caught step with the march of progress and developments below the Mason and Dixon line will bear watching for the next few years by the whole nation.

THE WORLD UNREST.

The hot weather is over, says the Editor of Wallace's Farmer, but the world unrest which was coincident with it in point of time continues. Spain under martial law growing out of a labor strike; Vienna using soldiers to patrol the streets, and the government negotiating for the importing of large quantities of meats to reduce the cost of food; labor troubles in Australia; labor strikes of a very serious character in Ireland, in Russia, and rumblings of strikes in the United States; all this following labor strikes seriously threatening temporary famine in England; these are manifestations of the world's unrest.

When we come to study them closely, the reason given for all of them, as well as for troubles which may in time be serious in our own country, is the increased cost of living. There is no argument against the hungry stomach. The rapid increase of urban population and the relative decrease of rural population indicates that we have now reached a time when there are too few people producing and too many consuming. This seems paradoxical and unthinkable in view of the fact that one man on the farm can now do twice as much, and in many cases four times as much as he could fifty years ago.

Omelettes or Briles.

Senator Martine of New Jersey—the "farmer senator," as it is his pride to be called—was relating in Washington memories of his farm life. "What quaint minds," he said, "have those New Jersey colored folks who work New Jersey's farms! I remember an old uncle who once paused in a job of potato hoeing to sing in my ears the praise of chicken. 'Chickens,' he said, 'is so accomodatinn. Dey's so accomodatinn, sub. Yo' can eat 'em befo' dey's bawn, an' yo' can eat 'em aftah dey's dead.'"

Daddy's Bedtime Story

The Splendid Trip That Made Little Miller a Sailor



American Boy Learning to Use Water Sled of Honolulu

"I WAS very much interested in reading today," began daddy after Jack had pretended to wind him up like a clock so as to get him started on the inevitable bedtime story, "about a little chap like your name was Miller Reed and whose grandfather, the captain of a trading ship, took him clear around to Honolulu and back for his health. 'The youngster was gone 130 days, picked up sixteen pounds in weight, earned \$46.50 in wages, learned how to steer and the knots and brought back enough stories to make him the most sought after boy in school. 'One of his best is how he killed an albatross measuring fifteen feet from tip to tip of his wings. You must have heard in school of those great birds, who really seem to sail rather than fly, for they hardly flap their wings at all. 'Well, one of the men made him an albatross hook, which is a flat piece of wood, half round and with a sharp piece of tin shaped like a triangle stuck firmly in it. Stuck a piece of pork on the tin and let the thing float out about 100 feet behind the ship, and Mr. Albatross will do the rest. 'Not matter how high up in the air he may be loafing along his wonderful eyes can see that bit of pork, and he'll just flap his big wings and fall right down like a bullet until just an instant before he reaches the water. Then out come the wings, and he lands on the water as lightly as a piece of down. 'Only one peck of his cruel, curved beak and the whole thing is gone, and then the albatross is 'gone' also. The tin holds fast in his jaws, and, right hard as he may to fly off, he has got to come on deck and get a crack over the head that ends him. 'Then in Honolulu Miller learned to use the surf board, which is about the same in the big waves as a sled is in our winter time on a steep hill. You put the board under your arm and swim far enough out to get back of the big rollers. Then you jump on your board, holding tight with both hands and feet at first, and up you go clean to the top of the big wave and come in dripping and laughing on to the warm sand of the beach. 'After awhile he became so used to the sport that he could stand up straight on his board like the native boys and girls do, and then he flung like a king. 'Is he going to be a sea captain?" asked Jack. 'No," said daddy; "he has got to finish his education. But he learned a splendid lot of things on that trip that he can never forget."

CUPID WITH GLOVES ON

By CLARA INEZ DEACON

When the sign of "Charles Blaisdell, M. D.," appeared over the door of a modest little office in the village of Stoneham, there were those who said that unless Providence interfered the new-comer would fetch up in the poor-house within a year. Stoneham was not only one of the healthiest places in the state, but it had more physicians per capita than any other. It wasn't the doctors who kept the town so healthy, but it was the healthy people who kept the doctors without practice. Doctor Blaisdell was young. The people who might possibly fall sick and need his services said his age was against him. It wouldn't inspire confidence. He was also a good-looking young man. They also said that was against him. He must be vain and flighty. It was rumored that he was athletic, but he made no friends through that. The idea in Stoneham was that a doctor should be at least forty years old, gruff of speech and manner, and that when not sitting in his office and waiting for patients he should be walking about with his hands behind him and his head down. The big man in Stoneham was known as Old Harper. He was not yet fifty years old, but they gave him the title because he employed many men, and was very brusque and blunt. Mr. Harper was rich. He also had a daughter Minnie. He was also a bit eccentric. Had Doctor Blaisdell been told these things when he hung out his sign he might have asked what difference it could have made to him, but he wasn't told. He was left to find it out for himself, which was the better way. He was sitting in his office one morning when Old Harper walked in on him and roughly began: "Young man, what fool advised you to hang out your shingle in this town?" "I am not chummy with fools, sir!" was the reply. "You know me, don't you?" "I don't." "They call me Old Harper." "Yes?" "Most people come to me for advice before settling down in this town." "Then they must be weak in the spine!" "Um! Um! Pretty cocky for a young doctor, ain't you?" "Just enough to keep my self-respect. I've noticed you on the streets."

"Don't plague her," said the mother as the girl ran away. "But there's trouble coming. I know what sort of a son-in-law I want, and he's got to pass muster with me before he does much loafing around here. The Doc is all right so far, but—"

The next afternoon Old Harper walked in on Doctor Blaisdell and said: "See here, Doc, I don't like the way you talked to me the other day. I'm boss of this town." "But you can't boss me," was the reply. "We'll see about that. I'm told you have boxing gloves here. I'm a bit of a scraper myself. If I do you up—"

"But you can't." The two prepared themselves and began. Old Harper meant to knock that young doctor's head off. He liked him, but he wanted to settle the question of who was boss. He was a powerful man, and he sailed in for all he was worth. When he came to his head was lying on a sofa pillow, and some wine had been forced between his teeth. "Was it a knockout, Doc?" he asked. "Clean as a whistle." "Then come and have dinner with us tonight and make yourself at home. I know you'd have your way the first time I talked to you!"

Bells and Sentiment. We are swindlers in sentiment. Let that be confessed at once to the correspondent who has noticed that the "Bells of Aberdovey" is to be sung at the investiture of the prince of Wales. He learned the music of the song 50 years ago, and then in old age made this pilgrimage to hear those famous bells. And he found only one church in Aberdovey, and that one church had only one bell. It appears that we are receiving thousands of American visitors who go to Aberdovey for the sake of the bells and come away disappointed. As a mere matter of international courtesy it should be explained that when we say "bells" we are usually singular or evasive. Do not—dear, creditous stranger—be too expectant as to the "Bells of Haslemere." And when that most delightful of phrases strikes on your ear, "The Bells of Ouseley," remember that this is merely the name of certain licensed premises on the border of the Thames.—London Chronicle.

The Beauty of New York. It was in all probability the intelligent foreigner who discovered this city for the American artist, says the New York Evening Post. The foreigner sailed up New York harbor, saw the battlements of lower Manhattan rise from out the waters and wondered what our painters had been doing all this time. He was reinforced by that other intelligent foreigner who discerned in our skyscrapers and our canyons a new spirit and a new gospel. Our poets and painters responded to the hint. We learned that we had a soul and that it was expressing itself in office buildings, elevated transit lines and subways. The poets began to sing skyscrapers, elevated lines and subways. But they have been outdistanced by the painters, of whom a small army is now engaged in putting the new spirit upon canvas. The work is being done with a deal of skill and, it must be confessed, with a great deal of self-consciousness. We have gone at it with characteristic national passion for the new thing.

HAS THEORY OF STONEHENGE

Professor Norton of Harvard Believes It Connected With Similar Erections in North Africa.

Prof. Richard Norton of Harvard is credited with the theory that the cyclopean structures at Stonehenge are connected with similar erections that are found in northern Africa. Professor Norton has just returned after a period of research in the Greek city of Cyrene in Africa, and his theory of Stonehenge is partly the result of his work. Stonehenge is ordinarily supposed to be the work of the Druids, and it may be said that the Druids in British archaeology have always occupied the place save to the cat in domestic matters. Whatever was inexplicable upon any other theory would always yield to the Druidic hypothesis. The Druids, in fact, were a sort of lesser Providence whose powers it was impious to doubt. If one asked how the gigantic rocking stones of Cornwall were balanced upon a point all perplexities were banished by a reference to the Druids, while the feat of erecting Stonehenge and bringing those mighty monoliths from a distance, a feat well-nigh impossible to modern engineering, was explained in a moment and to the meanness of intelligence by a simple reference to the Druids.

A Rossini Joke.

One of Rossini's jokes. Rossini promised a place in the opera orchestra to a trombonist, and then forgot it, says the Musical Courier. At one of his dinner parties the butler announced the visit of this same forgotten trombonist. Rossini hastened to welcome him, and relieving him of his instrument disappeared a few minutes to request to let the company hear him. Rossini prepared to listen. Trombone to lips the musician blows—dismay—no sound; cheeks bulging, eyes distended. In vain the unhappy man makes superhuman efforts to produce harmonious sounds. At last! O effort supreme! With a sound like a hoarse goose cackle there shoots from the trombone a mass of sticky macaroni. "No harm, my friend," said Rossini, "you have proved yourself a strong musician." And the next day the coveted position was offered to the trombonist.

Her Reason.

"Why did you lead me on to propose to you?" he asked, on the night of the dance. "Why did you encourage me if you intended to refuse me?" "You do me a great injustice," she answered. "What have I ever done to make you think that I loved you?" "When you danced with the other men," he replied, "you kept them at arms' length. But when you danced with me you leaned on my shoulder—you almost let me carry you." "That was to keep my feet off the floor so that you wouldn't step on my toes. You are a very bum dancer, you know. Have you no other reasons?"

Really Interesting People.

Stevenson says he once sailed on a steamer which turned out to be a ship with no style on, but with plenty of sailors to talk to. "Plenty of sailors to talk to" suggests most anything but that "you can always tell a man by the company he keeps." The great man loves to rub elbows with what too often are unjustly called the common people, people who live their own queer way regardless of man-made laws or the whims and edicts of society. The common people are the only people who, wise or foolish, are natural and interesting.

DOG BRING HIGH PRICES.

It is not only in England and America that fantastic prices are paid for dogs, but in Germany fanciers will pay high prices. At the recent exhibition of dogs at Cassel a Frenchman offered 12,000 marks, about \$500, for a police dog. The dog rejoices in the name of Tell, and the sum offered might be considered as conclusive evidence that Tell is worthy of his famous name, but this is not all. The dog belongs to Sergeant Decker, who refused the tempting offer, observing that his dog should not quit Germany at any price.

Mutton a Muscle Builder.

Dr. D. W. Burbank, graduate manager of the Stanford university student body, in researches for more nutritious proteids upon which to feed the varsity football squad, has discovered that mutton contains a large portion of muscle-bearing properties. He has purchased 15 sheep and is fattening them. "The student body will erect a slaughter house," declares Burbank, "where sheep will be butchered and supplied to the training table. This year the feeding of the varsity squad on well-fattened mutton would be conducted as an experiment, and if the Cardinals can beat the University of California team this fall we will make mutton the main article of diet hereafter."



"Fifteen More, Please."

three or four times with your hand tied up. What's the matter with it?" "These fools of doctors around here call it blood-poisoning, and I have got to go to the city to find out." Doctor Blaisdell pushed his visitor into a chair and proceeded to remove the bandage from his hand. When he had examined it he got out his case of instruments and prepared bandages. "Young man, what do you think you are going to do?" asked the caller with a grim look. "You've stuck a silver or bone into your palm and it's silver or bone. Just hold still a moment." Old Harper grinned. If it had been the amputation of a finger he would have grinned. He watched the young doctor and continued to grin. He liked a nifty man, and he detected no sign of trepidation. A tough silver inch long was removed, some soothing ointment applied, and the hand bandaged. With a grunt the patient rose up and laid a five-dollar bill on the table. "Fifteen more, please," said the doctor.

Old Harper looked at him with a scowl, but banded out three more fives and backed out without a word. It was when he had turned the corner that he smiled and said to himself. "He'll get on. Always ask a good price for good work, and when you meet the big man of the town don't let him bluff you." Doctor Blaisdell had a punching bag and Indian clubs in the back room of his office. He also took a two-mile walk or run before breakfast.

It was on one of these excursions that he met Miss Minnie Harper, who was taking a gallop on her pony. He met a boy who could tell him who she was, and she met a boy who could give her information. His curiosity was because she was good-looking.

Townsend & Wyatt Dry Goods Co.

THE OCTOBER SHOE SALE

The selling of the first three days has completely outstripped that of the corresponding days last year, showing conclusively that the styles and values are very unusual even for our October Sale. These great October Shoe Sales of ours have been built up by value-giving of a very unusual character on goods of unquestioned merit as to



styles and quality features and if enthusiastic buying is to be taken as a criterion, those features in this sale must be more marked than in any previous one. Another thing that makes the interest in this sale more widespread is that in addition to the regular sample lines there are a number of choice lots, in which we show a complete range of sizes and lasts, so that every size and type of foot can be fitted.

Women's Regular \$4, \$5 and \$6 Shoes, at sale price, pair \$2.95. Misses' Regular \$2, \$2.50 and \$3 Shoes, sale price, pair \$1.35. Women's Regular \$3, \$3.50 and \$4 Shoes, sale price, pair \$2.50. Children's and Infants' Shoes, at sale price pair 95c and 25c.

The sale continues all week, but don't wait until the last day, as there are always advantages to be gained by early choosing. Shoe Department, Second Floor.

Caruso Buys the Only Player-Piano—an ANGELUS—He Has Ever Bought

This cablegram has been received by the Wilcox-White Company from their London representatives, Sir Herbert Marshall & Sons: "Sold Caruso an Angelus Piano. First and only player-piano purchased. Great tribute to artistic supremacy by world's greatest singer."



Signor Caruso made this choice after satisfying himself that no other instrument among the many player-pianos on the market possessed equal flexibility of control or the same marvelous facility of expression for accompanying the human voice in all its work, from the simplest ballad to the most exacting operatic "aria."

THE GRADUATING MELODANT, which brings out the melody of a composition while subordinating the accompaniment—both to any varying degree. THE DIAPHRAGM PNEMATICS, which duplicate the resilient touch of the human fingers. THE MELODY BUTTONS, which permit variation of tone volume. THE SUSTAINING PEDAL DEVICE, which gives the tones the desired sustained resonance. THE ARTISTYLE MUSIC ROLLS, which are so completely, yet so simply marked with one single line of expression characters, that anyone can give a correct rendition. THE ANGELUS provides the singer with a faultless accompanist and the music lover with a helpful, sympathetic medium for artistic expression.

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You Need a Set of Good Harness

Our Number 30.

We Will Sell You This \$22 Harness for \$16.40



Read the Description

SINGLE STRAP SINGLE BUGGY HARNESS—NO. 30.

BRIDLES, 3-4-inch, box loop cheeks, overcheck with noseband, round winker stay, layer on crown, patent leather blinds.

LINES, 1x1-8-inch, spring billets.

BREAST COLLAR, 3-1-4 inch, V-shaped, 1-3-8-inch single strap traces attached, 1-4-inch forked neck straps with line rings, box loop buckle tugs, scalloped points.

BREECHING, 13-4 inch, 1x1 5-8-inch scalloped, doubled and stitched turnback with crupper sewed on, hip straps 3-4-inch, forked, side straps 1-inch, box loop buckle tugs, scalloped layer.

BELLY BANDS, Swelled, "Griffith," doubled and stitched, with 1-inch wrap strap.

SHAFT TUGS, 1-inch, raised, box loops.

SADDLE, 3-1-2 inch, single strap skirts, wide swelled patent leather, jockey and housing, headed edge, swing bearer.

TRIMMINGS, Nickel or brass swedge, or imitation rubber.

HITCH STRAPS, 5-8-inch.

PRICE, Per Set..... \$16.40

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H. & M. Harness Shop

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TALKED OF "TRIAL" MARRIAGE

Colored Man Fell Into the Trap and Had Nothing But Tribulation.

"Tanky, sah; 'tanky!" gratefully said a ramshackle-looking colored citizen who had percolated into the office of a prominent attorney of Polkville, Arkansas. "And dis yuh am what yo' kin do for muh, cuhnel, if yo' please; I wants to git dis trial marriage dat I's into busted up so's I kin git out'n it ag'in."

"Trial marriage?" echoed the legal luminary.

"Yessah! Dat's what it's done been—a trial—fuh 'de beginnin' twell plumb yit! Trial, sah—trial and tribulation!—all de time! And I knowed how 'twould be befo' I got into de trap. Diddn' want to marry, nobow; allus was uh-skereed o' de marryin' notion, and now—"

"Well, then, why did you marry if you didn't want to?"

"Who?—me? Eh-kaze I hatter, sah! Hatter do it; dat's why! Dar wa'n't no way 'round it! 'twuz de law! When dat 'ar yaller lady fell into de creek at de plenie an' I plunged in an' drug her out at de risk o' muh life, right dar, sah, I got up ag'in de law—de marry-law! De young white men told me 'bout it, soon 's dey found out what I'd done; had'n't uh-told me I'd uh-gone 'bout muh bidness like a fool twell I landed in de penitency for muh ignucee. Dey done told me what I was 'bleeged to do—man saves a 'oman fuh drownin' he's sho' gatter marry her. Fo'ced to do it, sah, an' I done did it. An' now, cuhnel, for goodness' sake won't yo' please tell muh how to git out'n de scrape? Kin I git a divorce, or suppin', or must I take de lady down to de creek whuh I drug her out, an' 'show her in ag'in?"—Tom P. Morgan, in Puck.

FATTENER OF SPRING POETS

Farmer Took Them Lean and Mournful and Taught Them Life is Worth Living.

"That feller, settin' on the fence yonder," said the local historian of rural life, "has plowed more spring poets than any farmer in the settlement."

"Plowed them?"

"Yes; learn 'em how to plow—how to run a straight furrow and manage a Georgia mule. Plowed 'em, an' 'fatten 'em, and made 'em know that life's wuth livin'." They come loafin' 'round, lean as a razor-back shoat, an' hungry an' lonesome, singin' songs 'bout trees an' flowers, an' cowbells, an' cool grass, an' Lord knows what, an' that feller takes 'em in an' astonishes 'em with three-meals-a-day—lets 'em hang 'round easy, an' rest up for a week, mebbe, then puts 'em to plowin', with 'hoefu' on the side for recreation, an' before you know, they're too fat to sing!

"You see, these here poet-fellers never do none of that melancholy writin' or 'singin', as they call it, 'cept when they're short on vittles, an' as holler as a dead tree; then they feel that the world owes 'em a living; but they ain't gittin' it, an' midnight owls can't beat 'em at complainin'." But you jest work 'em an' fatten 'em, an' there's change in their dispositions an' life looks as bright as a torchlight procession to 'em. "Stidder singin' 'bout beautiful trees, they git healthy exercise cuttin' 'em down, an' they soon find that a breakfast of ham an' eggs is fur an' away ahead of rose-leaves an' dreams.

"Here come two new ones—they lean-looking chaps, climbin' the fence. Watch that farmer git 'em!"—Atlanta Constitution.

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Might Have Been Worse.

A clerk in a Washington street hotel says the Boston Traveler, tells this story: "My first hotel job was in a Texas city. One morning a guest who had been celebrating unwisely the night before swayed up to the desk and asked for some information. His name was Colonel Hawkins, and he was the soul of politeness under all circumstances. And this morning he was looking worried. 'Frank, he whispered, my memory of last night, I regret to say, sub, is pretty hazy. Confidentially, now—what did I do?' 'Colonel,' said I, 'you got drunk and shot a man.' 'Anything else?' 'Gee, isn't that about enough?' 'It's unfortunate, yes, sah. But I was afraid I had insulted somebody.'"

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The Railway Company believes that the citizens of St. Joseph desire to have the ticket selling nuisance abated, so that one may become a passenger upon a street car without being annoyed or insulted by ticket sellers, and so that the Railway Company may not unnecessarily suffer by reason of its having voluntarily inaugurated the selling of four-cent tickets. This the Company believes can be done to the satisfaction of the traveling public by selling books containing twenty-five tickets for one dollar, the tickets to be void unless detached in the presence of the conductor. This will enable anyone so desiring to purchase two books of tickets for the same price formerly paid for one book, and in this way the family may be supplied with a book of tickets as well as the head of the family.

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BANKING REFORM FOR SOUTH

President Watts Asks That Banking Legislation Be Kept Out of Politics.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 4.—F. O. Watts, of Nashville, Tenn., president of the American Bankers' Association, has written a personal appeal to all bankers in the south, from Maryland to Texas, asking them to exert their influence to arouse their business friends and their representatives in congress to the importance of keeping banking and currency legislation out of politics. Mr. Watts has sent with his letter

extracts from President Taft's recent speeches on the need of immediate currency reform to prevent another disastrous panic like that of four years ago this month. He also encloses a speech made by John V. Farwell, the Chicago merchant, president of the National Citizens' League, for the promotion of a sound banking system, in which Mr. Farwell says that we have "the worst banking system in the world."

"Non-partisan organizations of business men," says Mr. Watts, "are now working to keep this legislation out of politics. Foremost among these is the National Citizens' League. No section should be more interested than the south toward making and keep-

ing the subject non-partisan, and no one interest could exert a greater influence in the south than its bankers."

New Orleans will be the scene of the annual convention of the American Bankers' Association in November. The bankers believe this will be the most important convention ever held by the association. Only one subject will be discussed—banking and currency reform. Fifteen leading bankers, representing all sections of the country, will make addresses on the subject.

A southern banker will discuss the cotton country's need of a better banking system. The south is now paying millions of tribute yearly to foreign money centers because American banks have no means of financing the huge export trade in cotton. One southern cotton expert figures that the south pays \$100,000,000 a year to foreigners to finance its great crop.

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