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DAILY MARKETS

Cattle Receipts, 111 Cars, 2920 Cattle; 90 Cars, 7,230 Hogs; 20 Cars, 3,412 Sheep.

A LARGE RUN OF STEERS

Increased Proportion of Useful, Corn-Fed Beeves—Trade Slow and Weak.

6000 YEARLINGS AT \$7.00

Cow and Heifer Trade Rather Lifeless But Values Hold Generally Steady—Bulls Sell Steady—Calf Market Steady to Strong, Top \$7.25—Stock Cattle Steady to Easier—Slow Opening Trade in Hogs, Values Hold About Steady—Sheep Uneven.

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908.
The following table shows the receipts from January 1, 1908, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1907:

	1908	1907	Dec. Inc.
Cattle	562,090	602,444	39,774
Hogs	2,257,627	1,829,913	427,614
Sheep	673,797	745,620	171,823
Horses	22,206	26,704	4,498

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT.
The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal western markets:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Chicago	29,000	20,000	8,000
Kansas City	11,000	20,000	8,000
South Omaha	8,000	8,000	11,700
South St. Joseph	2,900	7,200	3,400
East St. Louis	5,000	15,500	4,500

RECEIPTS BY CARS.
The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the stock yards:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
C. & O.	20	110	24
C. R. I. & P.	17	17	17
Missouri Pacific	18	25	25
A. T. & S. F.	9	9	9

CATTLE.

Increased Proportion of Good Steers—Market Tone Weak.
More really good fat beeves were here today than have been seen at this market for some time and in the offerings were a few that were on the Christmas order in quality. The demand is not favorable to liberal receipts and while there is some falling off compared with the big receipts of last week, the shrinkage has not yet been sufficient to stimulate any turn to strength in the market.

The total cattle at five primary markets for expired portion of the week is 91,000, a decrease of 10,000 compared with two days of last week. At the local market the falling off is about 1,000.

Buying interests all felt that the market here, quality of cattle considered, is relatively higher than at points farther east and on this belief were disposed to buy cattle at lower prices. Their movements early in the day were slow and bids were on a lower level from the start. Sellers hung for a steady level of prices and the market was finally started at a steady to shade lower basis at which the bulk of business was done.

Offerings in the choice beef line included a very nice class of yearlings that sold at \$7.00 for 1,027 lb. averages. Other good kinds of medium to strong weight steers sold in a range of \$6.00 to \$6.75 and were considered steady to a shade lower while lower priced grades were slow sale and weak to 10 cents lower with sales ranging from \$5.75 for pretty fair steers down to around \$4.25 for common killers.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.
No. Wt. Price. No. Wt. Price.
25kbs. 1151.7 20 22... 1237.5 40
20yrls. 1027.7 00 20... 1226.5 40
17... 1413.7 00 1... 1349.5 25
33UDH1424.6 40 28... 1142.5 15
25UDH1427.6 40 16... 1199.5 00
41... 1386.6 25 40... 1133.5 00
30... 1414.6 25 20... 1129.4 85
45... 1408.6 25 1yrl. 630.4 75
17... 1320.6 25 19... 971.4 65
34... 1417.6 30 20... 1149.4 65
31... 1109.6 00 27... 885.4 25
34... 1294.5 85 28... 866.4 00
22... 1283.5 85 27... 849.4 00
38... 1124.5 50

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.
Trade in cows and heifers this morning was rather lifeless, but range of prices was not materially changed compared with the previous day. Receipts were of moderate proportions and quality was much the same as has been noted recently, there being a sprinkling of good to choice stuff, but a preponderance of the common and medium styles. An outside order helped the market for good, fleshy heifers and the movement in this class was active at steady prices. Early sales ranged from \$4.00 to \$5.00 for fair to good styles, choice to prime being quotable at \$5.50 and up. Receipts included a few loads of yearling steers and heifers mixed, some being on choice order. Good, beefy cows

sold with fair freedom at steady prices compared with yesterday's average and while the common and medium grades did not sell very lively, values were not materially changed.

Trade in bulls showed no change of consequence, decent offerings selling comparatively freely at steady prices.

The calf market was steady to strong. Tops landed at \$7.25, although not many sales were recorded at this figure.

20th & 1010.5 40
4... 977.5 00
216... 816.5 00
4... 865.4 25
3... 856.4 25
1... 480.4 25
1... 706.4 20
2... 790.4 15
2... 745.4 00
1... 709.4 00
3... 620.4 00
2... 635.4 00
1... 770.4 00
2... 440.4 30
1... 629.3 85
2... 455.3 85
6... 1069.3 75
5... 662.3 55
1... 580.3 55
2... 830.3 65
5... 918.3 65
8... 727.3 60

Heifers.
4... 509.3 60
1... 670.3 55
1... 420.3 50
1... 580.3 50
1... 630.3 50
2... 670.3 50
15... 664.3 45
4... 612.3 35
2... 625.3 35
18... 673.3 25
10... 706.3 35
6... 670.3 35
1... 480.3 25
4... 812.3 25
8... 771.3 25
9... 715.3 25
4... 819.3 25
2... 749.3 25
3... 800.3 25
1... 719.3 00

Cows.
4... 1117.3 30
6... 1052.3 25
1... 1096.4 75
1... 1020.4 75
1... 1040.4 75
1... 1042.3 20
9... 1042.3 20
10... 928.3 20
4... 992.3 10
11... 841.3 10
9... 887.3 00
4... 1115.3 00
3... 1036.2 85
5... 940.2 85
1... 1040.2 85
2... 989.2 85
6... 1030.2 75
1... 1090.2 75
1... 720.2 75
1... 820.2 65
2... 975.2 50
1... 960.2 50
8... 932.2 50
4... 1029.2 50
3... 845.2 50
2... 919.2 50
1... 1070.2 50
3... 940.2 40
5... 926.2 40
7... 921.2 40
43... 918.2 40
6... 940.2 35
5... 926.2 35
3... 903.2 40
6... 791.2 25
21... 1022.2 40
3... 1010.2 35
13... 1065.2 35

Bulls and Steers.
1... 1320.4 75
1... 1610.4 25
1... 1460.4 25
1... 1149.4 00
1... 1073.4 75
1... 1460.4 75
1... 1199.4 75
1... 1359.4 75
5... 1546.3 75
1... 1480.3 65
1... 1640.3 60

Veal Calves.
1... 110.5 50
1... 190.5 50
2... 105.5 00
1... 120.7 00
1... 160.7 00
1... 158.7 00
3... 306.4 00
1... 120.4 00
3... 326.4 00
1... 130.7 00
1... 179.7 00
1... 150.7 00
1... 140.7 00
1... 169.7 00
1... 170.7 00
1... 190.6 75
8... 146.6 50
4... 105.6 50
2... 120.6 00
1... 130.6 00
1... 140.6 00
1... 140.6 00
1... 130.5 50

Stockers and Feeders.
Not many stockers and feeders arrived today and apparently not many were wanted. Demand was of an indifferent and discriminating character, the feeders of good weight and quality meeting much favor. Bulk of the feeders and attractive kinds of feeding steers sold steady to weak compared with yesterday's lower range, or around 10c under last week's closing transactions. Rough, off-colored feeders and anything on the stocker order sold slowly and prices were lower than late last week. Yard dealers have a good accumulation of stockers and feeders on hand and are anxious to reduce holdings. Some bargains are offered in the stocker line.

Stock heifers sold about steady to up with best grades selling at \$2.85 at \$3.15.

Stockers and Feeders.
18... 1103.5 00
2... 1035.4 65
8... 986.4 65
1... 910.4 60
19... 899.4 30
53... 690.4 10
1... 540.3 90
2... 450.3 90
7... 648.3 75
3... 440.3 75

Yearlings and Calves.
1... 509.3 60
1... 540.3 65
2... 450.3 65
7... 648.3 75
3... 440.3 75

Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.
5... 540.3 75
40... 614.3 15
2... 685.3 00
6... 526.3 00
1... 640.3 00
7... 538.3 00
6... 475.2 75

Feeding Bulls and Steers.
1... 530.3 25
1... 910.3 20

Packers' Cattle Purchases.
Swift and Company... 800
Hammond Packing Co... 600
Morris Packing Co... 600

Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.
5... 540.3 75
40... 614.3 15
2... 685.3 00
6... 526.3 00
1... 640.3 00
7... 538.3 00
6... 475.2 75

Feeding Bulls and Steers.
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6... 475.2 75

Feeding Bulls and Steers.
1... 530.3 25
1... 910.3 20

Packer's Purchases Yesterday.
Cattle Hogs Sheep
Swift & Co... 714 172 805
Hammond... 474 902 579
Morris... 640 1,125 261
Total... 1,828 3,759 1,645

Stock Cattle Purchases Yesterday.
J. V. Atkins... 315
Joseph Baker... 93
Maxwell, Spayde & Co... 93
W. R. Roundtree... 64
Charles Tramp... 54
J. C. Peters... 50
Peter Hansen... 23
Reynolds & Wilkerson... 11
B. Maxwell... 9
P. S. Wright... 6
Richard Shehan... 4
George Rockwood... 2
Country and order buyers... 321
Total... 1,050

HOGS.
Packers Still Averse to Stronger Prices on Lighter Receipts.
Lighter receipts this week are failing to stimulate any marked strength to the prices for hogs. At five leading primary market points the supply for two days has fallen off 57,000 compared with the same time last week and the local points falls off 4,000. But in the face of this sharp falling off the buying interests appear bearish and strenuously oppose any reliable strength. It is possible that they look for increased marketing during middle and last days of the week and in this they have the fact of large delivery of wagon hogs at this point which is generally taken as indicating free movement of hogs from feed lots to shipping stations.

On the start this morning all bids were on a lower level, but sellers would not let go at a lower level and, on a better quality of hogs than was here yesterday, they were finally able to start a market at a steady to 5 cents higher basis of values compared with the market of Monday.

While droves were largely of mixed weights with big proportion of unfinished hogs there was a better top to the supply than on the previous day.

Prices ranged from \$4.90 to \$5.70, with the bulk selling at \$5.15 to \$5.70. The bulk yesterday sold at \$5.15 to \$5.50, a week ago at \$5.20 to \$5.50, a month ago at \$5.30 to \$5.65, a year ago at \$4.45 to \$4.60, two years ago at \$6.25 to \$6.30, three years ago at \$4.75 to \$4.85, four years ago at \$4.45 to \$4.65.

Pigs and Lights—199 lbs. and Under.
No. Av. Shk. Price No. Av. Shk. Price
81... 199... 5.40 101... 168... 5.15
60... 194... 5.85 36... 155... 4.05
82... 190... 80.85 32... 145... 4.05
115... 178... 5.35 45... 142... 5.15
85... 189... 5.30 43... 144... 4.05
92... 186... 46.30 30... 153... 5.15
80... 190... 120.50 102... 140... 5.10
81... 198... 5.30 46... 151... 5.10
82... 184... 80.25 45... 145... 5.15
85... 185... 6.25 41... 146... 80.40
94... 176... 5.25 54... 180... 4.90
91... 189... 5.25 79... 98... 4.40
86... 181... 200.50 42... 105... 4.35
47... 182... 40.25 38... 108... 4.35
77... 180... 80.25 18... 95... 4.35
98... 178... 120.25 93... 101... 4.35
83... 184... 80.25 36... 95... 4.35
100... 168... 6.25 8... 108... 4.35
34... 168... 5.20 10... 89... 4.30
48... 197... 5.20 99... 98... 4.25
80... 188... 200.25 23... 97... 4.25
81... 168... 5.17 25... 97... 4.25
90... 170... 80.15 22... 98... 4.25
89... 196... 80.15 4... 102... 4.25
62... 162... 5.15 16... 101... 4.20

OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS.
CHICAGO.
CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 15.—The Live Stock World reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 6,000. Market slow; dull; cows weak; feeders steady. Hogs—Receipts, 27,000; heavy steady; top, \$5.82 1/2; bull, \$5.40 to 5.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000. Market 10 to 15c lower.

KANSAS CITY.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 11,000. Market steady; heavies slow; cows and heifers steady to strong; stockers steady to strong; calves firm to 25c higher.

Hogs—Receipts, 20,000. Market opened weak, closed fully steady; top, \$5.75; bulk, \$5.00 to 5.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 8,000. Market opened steady, closed 15 to 25c lower; lambs \$7.25.

SOUTH OMAHA.
SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 15.—Special to The Journal: The Drovers Telegram reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 8,600. Market slow to 10 to 15c lower.

Hogs—Receipts, 8,500. Market steady; top, \$6.60; bulk, \$5.30 to 6.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 11,700. Market slow, 10 to 20c lower.

EAST ST. LOUIS.
EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 15.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 5,500. Including 1,500 Texas. Market steady; natives steady to weak.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,500. Market steady; top, \$5.30; bulk, \$5.35 to 6.15.

Sheep—Receipts, 4,500. Market 15 to 20c lower.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET.
Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 7 cars; corn, 5 cars; oats, 0 car.

Wheat.
No. 2 red... 1.05 @ 1.06
No. 3 red... 1.00 @ 1.03
No. 4 red... .98 @ 1.00
No. 2 hard... .99 @ 1.02
No. 3 hard... .97 @ 1.01
No. 4 hard... .93 @ .98

Corn.
No. 2 white... 57 1/2 @ 57 3/4
No. 3 white... 57 @ 57 1/2
No. 4 white... 49 @ 50
No. 3 oats... 56 @ 56 1/2
No. 2 corn... 56 1/2 @ 57
No. 3 corn... 56 1/2 @ 56 1/2
No. 4 corn... 55 @ 55 1/2

Oats.
No. 2 white... 51 @ 53
No. 3 white... 49 1/2 @ 50 1/2
No. 2 oats... 49 @ 50
No. 3 oats... 48 @ 49
No. 4 oats... 45 @ 46
No. 2 hard... 48 @ 49
No. 3 hard... 47 @ 48
No. 4 hard... 45 @ 46

Butter Fat.
The Blue Valley Creamery Co., St. Joseph, Mo., quotes butter fat today at 29c for No. 1.

PIMBLEY PAINT AND GLASS CO.
213 South Sixth street, St. Joseph, Mo.

otherwise the market was inclined to dullness. Receipts numbered 4,000 and while there was a fair showing of desirable offerings a good many medium and inferior lots were noted. Proportion of sheep was heavier than usual. The five points had an aggregate of 46,500 against 44,000 a week ago. For two days this week total marketing of 124,300 is 15,000 larger than for same period of last week.

Only a few lambs were available and it did not take long to clean them up, prices ruling strong to 19c higher. The top was \$7.15, paid for two cars of westerns from the same feed lot as yesterday's \$7.00 styles.

However, today's bunch was sorted a little higher, yesterday's consignment sold straight, making it about a dime higher deal. While good lambs sold higher, there was no improvement in the common and medium grades; in fact, some weakness was noted in these classes here and there.

The movement in sheep was sluggish as none of the buyers seemed to have urgent orders. Early bids were on a lower level and the market for the day settled down to a weak to 10c lower basis for wethers and ewes, while desirable yearlings held about steady.

481 fed west lambs... 78.7 15
55 nat lambs... 73.7 00
75 fed west lambs... 63.5 75
171 fed west lambs... 68.5 75
73 nat lambs... 75.5 75
101 nat lambs... 62.5 25
57 nat lambs... 65.5 00
16 nat lambs... 58.5 50
52 nat lambs... 62.5 50
20 fed west lambs, cls. 67.5 50
30 west lambs, feeders. 61.5 40
125 west lambs, feeders. 62.5 40
186 fed west yrls... 94.5 25
106 fed west yrls... 94.5 25
39 nat weth... 134.5 10
39 nat lambs, culls... 68.5 00
29 nat weth... 133.4 85
61 fed west weth... 97.4 60
9 nat lambs, culls... 80.4 50
50 nat lambs, culls... 56.4 25
2 nat weth... 105.4 25
15 west yrls, culls... 81.4 00
18 nat ewes... 110.4 00
30 nat lambs, culls... 56.4 00
45 west ewes... 100.3 50
3 nat lambs, culls... 46.3 00
2 nat bucks... 155.2 00

Packers' Sheep Purchases.
Swift and Company... 2,000
Morris Packing Co... 300
Total... 2,300

THE LESSON OF ALFALFA.
Exactness and Nicety of Detail Required by this Legume.

FARM PRODUCTS.
Gain of Two Hundred and Ninety Millions in Year Just Closing.

SEC. WILSON'S REPORT.
Shows Marvelous Increase in the Two Year Period.

IMMENSITY OF CORN CROP.
Cash Proceeds From This Year's Crop Could Cancel the Public Debt, Build Panama Canal and Buy Fifty Battleships—Value of Corn For This Year Equal to Greatest Value of Cotton, Hay and Wheat Combined—Labor Has Been Benefitted.

Washington, Dec. 15.—After twelve years of service as head of the department, James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, in his twelfth annual report to the president, issued today, renders a comprehensive account of his stewardship.

Concerning the farm production of 1908, he says that the farmer has created wealth by the billions. Production has been above the average or recent years with few exceptions.

The farm value of all farm products of 1908 reaches the most extraordinary total in the nation's history—\$7,778,000,000, four times the value of the products of the mines, including mineral oils and precious metals.

The gain in value of farm products in 1908 over 1907 is \$290,000,000 and would have been much larger had not the prices of cotton and hay been low.

The value of products in 1908, the census year, being taken at 100, the value for 1908 stands at 165. During the last ten years the wealth production on the farms of this country has exceeded the fabulous sum of \$60,000,000,000.

More detailed information touching the more important agricultural products is given in the report, as follows:

Corn—Production this year, 2,642,000,000 bushels. Value of crop, \$1,615,000,000, enough to cancel the interest-bearing debt of the United States and to pay for the Panama canal and fifty battleships. This crop is worth this year nearly as much as the greatest crops of cotton, hay and wheat combined.

Cotton—One of the highest three ever produced, but with a value next to the highest, or perhaps more, although the farm price of cotton this year is below the price of last year by more than 1 cent.

Hay—This year has been harvested 68,000,000 tons. Its price is \$2 per ton less than it was a year ago, but still the farm value of the crop is \$261,000,000.

Wheat—The 660,000,000 bushels are estimated to be worth \$620,000,000 to the farmers, or 66,000,000 more than the most valuable wheat crop heretofore produced.

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CONSUMER AS A FACTOR.

Live Stock World: In forecasting future values of live stock the consumer must be taken into consideration as a factor. Whenever dressed beef manufacturers attempt the feat of marking up prices to retailers the latter invariably and not unreasonably put the added load on the shoulders of the meat eater.

THE DAILY WAGE OF RULERS.

An investigator who has spent time in looking over the payrolls of the several big nations that adorn the globe is authority for the statement that the president of these United States gets a smaller salary than the others who handle the destiny of their countries. And in this connection there are some interesting figures.

THE MAN WHO ADVERTISES.

Of course the farmer could not be expected to take a quarter or half page advertisement in a metropolitan paper to announce a clearance sale of remnants of machinery, horses or cattle. But there is a lesson to the farmer in the Christmas advertisements that now fill the pages of city newspapers.

EASTERN ABANDONED FARMS.

Years ago when the rich prairie lands of the west could be had for the asking many of the best farmers of New England pulled out and took up land in the Mississippi valley. The tide of emigration continued till western land appreciated to that point that eastern farmers figured they had better stay at home and improve their own soil.

IN WOMAN'S REALM

To Cover Hat Frame.

Cut the velvet the exact shape of the hat, allowing about half an inch for the turning of edges. Instead of sewing use liquid glue, and proceed the same as in sewing. Next, cover the top of the brim, and, lastly, paste the facing in. It looks much better than when sewed, and requires less than half the time. Try it; you will be surprised and delighted with the result.

Evening Gown Protection.

In wearing a long coat over thin dress or evening costume, make a long slip to fit the coat of Japanese or China silk. Any woman can make it as it requires little fitting. The lining slip may be tacked inside the coat or worn simply underneath. It is especially adaptable under fur lined coats, as particles of dust are apt to lodge in fur and thus color or soil the garment. Sleeves can also be made, although not essential. This can readily be laundered when soiled and has as much body as when new.

To Cut Economically.

When you wish to know exact amount of material required for a garment, procure sample and width of material from clerk, then use newspapers the exact width of material (if single width or half the width if double width). Place crackers, paper, being sure to remember which lay and down of goods. Use enough newspapers for whole garment and then measure exact amount required. Return sample to clerk by mail and have material sent C. O. D. A good plan when expensive material is to be used.

Roast Veal.

Take the cold veal chopped fine and stir into a well seasoned white cream sauce. When all is hot put little pyramids on triangles of bread toasted brown and well buttered; sew a little chopped parsley over each and serve.

Pressed Veal.

Boil two and one-half pounds of lean veal off the leg (and a bone) till tender, then grind it through a food chopper. Add three crackers rolled into crumbs, one onion chopped fine, half of a red pepper (omit the seeds), add a little salt and a little chopped parsley; boil the juice and the bone fifteen minutes longer till you have half a pint of juice, then add it to the meat. Put into a mold and press it down with a weight. Before putting in mold lay hard boiled eggs, sliced, in the bottom of the mold and sides and strips of red pepper, and form into a design in the bottom of mold.

Cabbage Meat.

Take one and one-half pounds of round steak ground, two pounds pork steak ground, one cup of soaked bread crumbs, two eggs, salt, pepper to taste. Mix well and shape into balls. Roll into a boiled cabbage leaf and fry in hot butter.

Dressing for Roast Duck.

Instead of the ordinary dressing for duck or other game substitute apples seasoned with salt and pepper and the strong taste of the meat disappears. How to Use Sage. When preparing dressing for poultry sage is generally used and the stems and leaves are found so disagreeable in the dressing. A good way of preventing this is to steep a tablespoon of sage in half cup of boiling water. This can be strained right into the dressing.

Chicken Hungarian.

Remove the seeds from one green and one red pepper. Slice them and one medium sized onion into a kettle. Add one teaspoonful salt, one-eighth of a teaspoon each of black pepper,

THE MEAT CURING SEASON.

Iowa Homestead: The farm meat making season is at hand, and between this date and seeding time next spring thousands and tens of thousands of meat animals will be cured for next season's consumption on the farm. We have no advice to give to the experienced man and the experienced woman who have been curing their meat for many years because when once a recipe is tried and found to work out satisfactorily it is scarcely ever advisable to change it. For the benefit of those, however, who have to put away meat for the first time a few suggestions might be in order. Thousands of new homes have been started in the corn belt since we wrote about this subject last year, and the occupants of these will probably be shouldering the proposition of curing a supply of meat for the first time.

The department of agriculture has given some attention to this subject, and much valuable information was recently embodied in a bulletin published by that department. One of the subjects dealt with is corned beef. It is pointed out that the pieces commonly used for corning are the plate, rump, cross ribs and brisket, or, in other words, the cheaper cuts of meat. The loin, ribs and other fancy cuts are more often used fresh, and, since there is more or less waste of nutrients in corning, that is well. The pieces for corning should be cut into convenient sized joints, say five or six inches square. It should be the aim to cut them all about the same thickness, so that they will make an even layer in the barrel.

Meat from fat animals makes choicer corned beef than that from poor animals. When the meat is thoroughly cooled it should be corned as soon as possible, as any decay in the meat is likely to spoil the brine during the corning process. Under no circumstances should the meat be brined while it is frozen. Weigh out the meat and allow eight pounds of salt to each 100 pounds; sprinkle a layer of salt one-fourth of an inch in depth over the bottom of the barrel; pack in as closely as possible the cuts of meat, making a layer five or six inches in thickness; then put on a layer of salt, following that with another layer of meat; repeat until the meat and salt have all been packed in the

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CACTUS VS. GRASS

New Order of Nature Is at Hand in South Texas Now.

MANY ACRES OF LAND LOST

Cactus Is Causing Trouble and May Result in Loss to Settlers.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 15.—Great changes of vegetation have been noted on the south Texas prairies during the past ten or twenty years. It is commonly known that extensive regions that were formerly grassy are now covered with cactus and other shrubs...

A new order of nature is at hand in south Texas. The change has come so gradually that even those who have the most intimate acquaintance with the facts have not appreciated their significance...

Caused Treeless Condition. That such fires were evidently the cause of the former treeless condition of the southwest prairies is also shown by the fact that trees are found in all situations which afford protection against fires.

There are those who are acquainted only with northern regions of hills and valleys, heavy rains and deep snows, may find it difficult to believe that the burning of grass can destroy or prevent the growth of forests and keep vast regions in a treeless condition...

There are no springs or streams on the upper slopes of the volcano so the grass is not saturated. Its long wiry stems and leaves accumulate until there are quantities of fuel sufficient to kill large trees and to drive back the forest for a long distance at each conflagration.

Burning Good for Grass. The lower the grass comes the more luxuriant its growth and the more destructive the next fire. This condition continues as long as the grass is ungrazed or care is not taken to burn it every year in order to prevent the accumulation of dangerous quantities of fuel.

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FARM PRODUCTS

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Foreign Trade in Farm Produce. The exports of agricultural products in the fiscal year 1908 were valued at \$1,017,000,000, an amount greater than for any year except 1907, the reduction of \$37,000,000 under that year being chiefly due to the falling off in value of cotton exports.

The exports of domestic agricultural products in 1908 being worth \$1,017,000,000, the exports of foreign agricultural products \$10,000,000, and the imports of agricultural products \$540,000,000, a balance of trade of the enormous value of \$487,000,000 in favor of the farm products of this country results, an amount exceeded only in 1901 and 1905.

In reviewing the past twelve years the secretary says:—The extraordinary prosperity of the farmers following their low financial condition a dozen years ago and earlier has enabled them to pay higher wages for farm labor than before. From 1895 to 1906 farm wages increased in a greater degree than general prices did.

The amount estimated for the department for the fiscal year in 1910 in the regular appropriation bill is \$14,610,626, which includes \$720,000 for printing, making a grand total of \$13,890,626, which is an increase over the fiscal year 1909 of \$2,084,520, or 19.7 per cent.

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IN HANDS OF ENTOMOLOGIST

Will Make Honest Effort to Carry Out Provisions of the Law.

Fort Collins, Col., Dec. 15.—At the last session of the Colorado General Assembly a bill passed, entitled "A Bill for an Act to Prevent the Introduction, Importation, or Spread of Injurious Insects and Plant Diseases in Colorado," etc. This bill goes into effect on the first of January, 1909, and makes the entomologist of the Colorado Agricultural College, state entomologist and also makes it his duty to enforce the provisions of the bill.

I shall endeavor to make an honest effort to carry out the provisions of the above mentioned act for the purpose of protecting the horticultural interests of Colorado so far as possible in reason, against the introduction or spread of insect pests or plant diseases of all kinds.

Realizing that you are likely to be shipping nursery stock into Colorado I am taking this method of notifying you in good time of the more important provisions of the act, relative to the introduction of nursery stock into Colorado.

Every owner or renter of a nursery in Colorado shall erect and maintain upon the premises or in connection therewith, a suitable structure for the fumigation of nursery stock, buds, and scions which are introduced into Colorado by a nursery, or a dealer in nursery stock, either within or outside the state.

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BISON RANGE IS SELECTED.

Washington.—The bison range in the Flathead Indian reservation in Montana, to establish which congress at its last session appropriated \$40,000, has been selected.

NURSERY IS PART OF CHURCH.

Syracuse Pastor Provides Toys, Crib and a Maid.

Syracuse, N. Y.—The only church nursery in the United States was opened here for babies the other Sunday when the Centenary Methodist Episcopal church, reconstructed during the summer, held its first service.

When plans for the reconstruction of the church were being considered a suggestion for a nursery was made. Its adoption came unanimously. Mothers and fathers liked the idea and it figured in the architect's instructions.

PLAN SCHOOL FOR MINERS.

Coal Company Will Start Instruction in Mining by Experts.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—The anthracite coal mining companies have embarked upon an educational scheme which, the officials think, will do more to lessen the number of accidents than any other which could be devised.

HAS USE FOR MARRIAGE FEES.

Money to Be Spent by Judge in Furnishing New Home.

Edwardsville, Ill.—For six years County Judge John E. Hillekoetter of Edwardsville and his wife have been saving all the fees paid him for officiating at marriages in a fund known to them as "Cupid's toll."

MANY BEETS IN GROUND.

Fort Collins, Col., Express: General Field Agent F. M. Wright of the Fort Collins sugar factory, stated that a careful estimate was made of the quantity of sugar beets produced this season still undelivered to the factory.

DIGNITY OF THE ENGLISH WAITER.

The English hotel waiter belongs to a race which is slowly but surely becoming extinct, and carries about him the melancholy aura of the doomed.

LAND-HUNGRY THOUSANDS.

Land-hungry thousands who have not been satisfied in Oklahoma, Kansas or the Dakotas, are now hearing of the attractions of south Texas.

THE MARRIED MAN WHO ADMITS THAT HE IS ALWAYS IN THE WRONG MAY SEEM VERY FAIR TO HIS WIFE, BUT PERHAPS HE IS MERELY DIPLOMATIC.

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Advertisement for a Cattle Center, highlighting services for homesteaders and drivers, and mentioning a new 50,000 head shipping point.

Advertisement for St. Joseph Stock Yards Company, listing various livestock and services available at the yards.

Advertisement for Morris & Company, specializing in hams, bacon, lard, and other meat products.

Advertisement for Blacklegoids, a vaccine for blackleg disease in cattle, provided by Parke, Davis & Company.

Advertisement for C. F. Rock Plumbing & Heating Co., offering modern plumbing and steam heating services.