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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 47 Cars, 1297 Cattle; 93 Cars, 6423 Hogs.
9 Cars, 2061 Sheep.

SUPPLY OF STEERS LARGE

But Local Demand Was Quite Good and Clearance Made at Steady Prices.

BEST STEERS HERE MAKE 6.05

Small Supply of Butcher Cows and Heifers Met Active Demand at Steady Basis of Prices—No Change in Stock Cattle Situation—Hogs Mostly a Nickel Lower—Sheep and Lambs Again Higher.

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

	1911	1910	Dec. Inc.
Cattle	173,570	192,504	19,204
Hogs	684,782	633,378	151,504
Sheep	264,404	186,398	106,016
Bees	50,587	11,883	9,004

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	18,000	25,000	17,000
Kansas City	6,000	21,000	5,000
St. Louis	4,700	10,000	2,200
South St. Louis	1,200	3,000	1,100
East St. Louis	2,000	10,000	3,500

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., west	20	20	20
C. & O., east	20	20	20
G. I. R.	20	20	20
Great Western	20	20	20
Missouri Pacific	20	20	20
St. Joseph & Grand	20	20	20
A. T. & S. F.	20	20	20

CATTLE

Moderate Receipts Cleared Freely at Steady Prices.

Steers met a fairly active outlet at this point today with prices holding steady at the previous day's level. The supply on sale was moderate, estimated cattle receipts calling for 1,200 head, the big percentage of which consisted of big steers. Conditions at outside markets were rather bearish but as the local demand was good these adverse reports had no undermining effect on prices here. All of the local dressed beef men were in market with fair orders to fill and there was the usual call from the shipping contingent. The market opened in good season and bids and sales were generally on a parity with prevailing values on the previous session. The local trade has shown good tone this week considering general conditions at outside markets. Trend of prices elsewhere has been toward a lower level but the fact is that there has been a ready outlet for everything offered here and current prices are in practically the same position as late last week. Supplies have been moderate and the demand uniformly good, resulting in last week's final scale of prices being generally well maintained. Conditions at outside centers considered, trading at this point thus far this week has been on a very satisfactory basis from the viewpoint of the selling interest.

For the week to date receipts locally foot up approximately 4,900 head, as compared with 5,512 for the first three days last week and 4,231 for the corresponding period a year ago. At the five leading markets receipts for the half week aggregate 103,200, as compared with 98,800 for the same period last week and 88,900 a year ago.

A good clearance of the pens was made before mid-day and as a rule traders were quoting prices about in the same notches as yesterday. A drove of good 1425-pound Missouri fed steers, branded, went to the scales early at \$6.05, the high point for the day, and some branded Nebraska, of lighter weight, made \$6.00. Bulk of the fair to pretty good cattle cleared at \$5.60 to \$5.85, with common to fair light weight killers dropping in at \$5.15 to \$5.50.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers.

No.	At Price	No.	At Price
21	1438.8 05	59	1219.5 70
4	1122.6 00	4	1102.5 70
51	1352.6 00	16	1242.5 70
4	1327.6 00	30	1275.5 65
1308	5 85	29	1246.5 65
18	1321.5 85	22	1035.5 65
2	1080.5 85	25	1200.5 60
81	1331.5 85	20	1072.5 60
23	1224.6 80	20	1093.5 55
21	1140.5 80	1	805.5 40
22	1217.5 75	1	1070.5 50
1	1640.5 75	4	1367.5 50
83	1226.5 75	3	1133.5 45
1	1110.5 75	4	1259.5 40
1	1205.5 75	8	805.5 40
19	1445.5 75	5	848.5 15
41	1275.5 70	1	928.5 15

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.
Butcher grades comprised the small end of the biller offerings on sale at this point today and there was little trade. Buyers seemed to have a place for all the cows, heifers and yearlings available and trading was

of brief duration. Prices were without material change as compared with Tuesday. The market has been in good shape all this week and there has been a ready outlet for the moderate supplies offered at last week's closing level of values. The comparatively meager run of butcher classes this morning included few choice lots, the bulk being made of medium to good grades, mostly in small packages. Packer demand for the plainer grades of cows was not very broad but a fair call from country buyers for thin feeding and breeding stock helped clear the market for this class with the result that prices were firmly held.

Bulls and stags were sought for at steady prices and the late advance in calves was fully held, bulk of the good yearlings selling at \$6.75 to \$7.00.

Heifers.

	26mx.	912.5 90	7 <th>827.5 25</th>	827.5 25
18mx.	902.5 80	16	779.5 20	
14mx.	896.5 55	23mx.	835.5 15	
12mx.	870.5 50	2	870.5 10	
10mx.	864.5 50	14	823.5 10	
8mx.	857.5 50	1	830.5 00	
3mx.	866.5 45	2	940.5 00	
2	855.5 35	2	785.5 00	
3	870.5 30	5	810.5 00	
2	843.5 25	1	825.5 00	
15mx.	887.5 50	1	830.5 00	
3mx.	866.5 45	2	940.5 00	
2	855.5 35	2	785.5 00	
3	870.5 30	5	810.5 00	
2	843.5 25	1	825.5 00	
60	865.5 30	2	720.5 00	
12	651.5 20	3	783.4 75	
1	1090.5 25	3	793.4 50	

Cows.

	6 <th>1216.5 25</th> <th>2<th>1155.4 50</th></th>	1216.5 25	2 <th>1155.4 50</th>	1155.4 50
7	1053.5 85	5	1109.4 40	
1	1090.4 80	5	1068.4 40	
2	1150.4 75	1	1270.4 25	
1	1180.4 75	1	970.4 25	
1	1050.4 75	1	1050.4 25	
1	1090.4 75	1	1090.4 25	
1	1200.4 75	1	1230.4 75	
3	900.4 75	1	1070.4 65	
4	1002.4 70	2	1065.4 65	
1	1150.4 65	1	1160.4 30	
1	1140.4 60	1	1140.4 25	
1	1250.4 55	1	830.4 20	
2	1285.4 50	1	917.3 00	

Bulls and Stags.

	1 <th>1570.5 10</th> <th>1<th>1350.4 50</th></th>	1570.5 10	1 <th>1350.4 50</th>	1350.4 50
1	900.5 00	1	1300.4 45	
1	1700.5 00	1	1130.4 40	
1	1780.4 90	1	1490.4 25	
1	1520.4 85	1	1110.4 15	
1	2080.4 85	1	1253.4 15	
3	1700.4 75	1	1040.4 10	
1	1350.4 75	1	1110.4 10	
1	1320.4 65	1	1123.4 10	

Veal Calves.

	1 <th>170.7 25</th> <th>2<th>140.7 00</th></th>	170.7 25	2 <th>140.7 00</th>	140.7 00
3	170.7 00	1	180.6 75	
1	170.7 00	2	140.6 75	
11	155.7 00	2	115.6 50	
1	170.7 00	1	140.6 25	
1	140.7 00	7	143.6 00	
2	140.7 00	1	220.6 00	
2	175.7 00	2	105.5 50	
2	165.7 00	1	370.5 35	
1	150.7 00	1	250.5 25	
2	205.7 00	1	90.5 20	
2	150.7 00	2	265.4 75	
4	165.7 00	2	265.4 50	
5	142.7 00	2	350.4 00	

STOCKS AND FEEDERS

The following cattle consigned to this division this morning was a little larger than usual, but at that there was nothing like a normal supply. Owing to a good exterior demand connected with the fact that yard dealers have only a light supply of state cattle on hand, demand from local account was fully as good as any time this week. All buyers were out in good season and movement of the moderate supply was accomplished within the morning hours. Steady prices were the rule, although undertone displayed evidence of strength and had there been any change in the price level it would probably have been toward a higher level. Country demand is reaching up to all expectations so far this week and as a result there is a good deal of optimism among local traders in the outlook for the rest of the week. Stock holders have been rather scarce so far this week and with a demand that is broad in every sense of the word the country will be safe in letting more of this class of cattle come, as the few coming are being picked up as fast as they show up regardless of quality at prices prevailing.

As to choice feeding steers are quotable at \$5.25 to \$5.75; medium to good grades \$5.00 to \$5.50, common to fair \$4.25 to \$4.75, stock heifers, fair to good kinds, \$4.50 to \$4.80; stock cows \$4.50 to \$5.00; stock calves \$4.25 to \$5.25.

Stockers and Feeders.

	8 <th>989.5 40</th> <th>6<th>708.5 25</th></th>	989.5 40	6 <th>708.5 25</th>	708.5 25
12	805.5 35	11	732.5 25	
45	987.5 35	5	798.5 25	
3	703.5 30	5	320.4 75	
9	802.5 25	7	701.5 70	
4	717.5 25	1	801.4 50	

Yearlings and Calves.

	5 <th>672.5 25</th> <th>1<th>520.5 00</th></th>	672.5 25	1 <th>520.5 00</th>	520.5 00
2	510.5 15	5	566.4 75	
4	695.5 10	1	621.4 75	

Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers.

	1 <th>530.4 50</th> <th>1<th>1060.4 00</th></th>	530.4 50	1 <th>1060.4 00</th>	1060.4 00
1	440.4 40	1	970.4 00	
5	704.4 30	1	1080.3 85	
2	735.4 30	1	1050.3 75	
1	620.4 25	1	1000.3 60	

Feeding Bulls and Stags.

	2 <th>655.4 75</th> <th>1<th>1030.4 35</th></th>	655.4 75	1 <th>1030.4 35</th>	1030.4 35
1	520.4 50	1	1290.4 00	
2	510.4 50	1	1281.4 00	

Packers' Cattle Purchases.

	Swift & Co.	500
Hammond Packing Co. <td>500</td>	500	
Morris & Co. <td>500</td>	500	

HOGS.

Mostly a Nickel Lower Deal, Quality Considered.

A weaker feeling dominated the market for hogs today, slight price recessions being required to move supplies at all points. Locally, the market on paper looked steady to 5c lower, but the general quality of offerings taken into consideration it was not far from a nickel lower trade, based on the general market of yesterday. Buyers put forth efforts to get their prospective choice lots right from the start in line with the quoted declines at other centers and when a trading basis was reached it was at slightly shaded figures. The movement was fairly active and the crop was practically all out of first hands by noon. Quality was considered about the best seen here for some time. Light hogs were fairly numerous and the general run was made up largely of good butcher and mixed grades. Heavy packing stuff was not conspicuous among the offerings, although quite a few old skips and culls were fairly active and the crop was sold at \$5.50 to \$5.60. Owing to the uniformity of quality hogs sold within a narrower spread than usual,

a good share of the trade being on a \$6.00 to \$6.10 basis, with a top of \$6.15. Receipts in the aggregate were fairly heavy, although smaller than a week ago. The five markets had 69,500, while the run at this point was estimated at 6,500. Prices ranged from \$5.95 to \$6.15, with the bulk selling at \$6.00 to \$6.10. The bulk yesterday sold at \$6.00 to \$6.15, a week ago at \$5.82 to \$5.95, a month ago at \$6.05 to \$6.20, a year ago at \$9.45 to \$9.60, two years ago at \$6.80 to \$7.15, three years ago at \$6.27 to \$6.50, and four years ago at \$5.72 to \$6.35.

Heavy and Mixed—900 lbs. and Upward.

No.	At Price	No.	At Price
62	209. 6 10	71	227.160. 6 02 1/2
183	209. 6 10	71	227.160. 6 02 1/2
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44	205. 6 10	67	239. 6 02 1/2
65	207. 6 10	69	238. 6 02 1/2
74	219. 6 10	72	244. 6 02 1/2
78	207. 6 07 1/2	69	238. 6 02 1/2
83	218. 6 07 1/2	67	246. 6 02 1/2
49	212. 6 07 1/2	61	286. 6 00 00
60	219. 6 07 1/2	21	243. 6 00 00
69	208. 6 07 1/2	61	286. 6 00 00
44	215. 6 07 1/2	66	247. 80 00 00
86	214. 6 07 1/2	66	248. 40 00 00
76	215. 6 06 00	64	300. 6 00 00
65	224. 6 05 00	68	250. 6 00 00
68	232. 6 05 00	32	257. 40 00 00
77	211. 6 05 00	69	282. 6 00 00
70	228. 6 05 00	62	293. 6 00 00
67	239. 6 05 00	71	240. 80 00 00
74	217. 6 05 00	45	273. 80 00 00
73	237. 80 05 00	70	242. 6 00 00
65	226. 6 05 00	45	331. 6 00 00
60	235. 6 05 00	45	331. 6 00 00
62	250. 6 05 00	67	239. 80 00 00
69	225. 6 05 00	81	244. 6 00 00
65	254. 120 05 00	68	242. 6 00 00
74	241. 6 05 00	281. 6 00 00	
74	204. 80 05 00	65	245. 40 00 00
80	214. 6 05 00	71	239. 80 00 00
38	223. 6 05 00	60	299. 6 00 00
65	224. 6 05 00	68	250. 6 00 00
74	219. 6 05 00	68	253. 6 00 00
79	224. 120 05 00	65	267. 6 00 00
71	242. 6 05 00	69	319. 6 00 00
70	227. 120 05 00	281. 6 00 00	
65	228. 40 05 00	65	275. 40 00 00
66	242. 40 05 00	62	349. 6 00 00
49	241. 120 05 00	62	349. 6 00 00
71	233. 6 05 00	62	349. 6 00 00
75	218. 6 04 26	271. 6 00 00	

Pigs and Light—100 lbs. and Under.

	93 <th>156. 6 15</th> <th>85</th> <th>198. 6 07 1/2</th>	156. 6 15	85	198. 6 07 1/2
191	193. 100. 6 10	75	193. 6 07 1/2	
52	174. 6 10	6	19	

Olds and Wagon Hogs.

	8 <th>180. 6 10</th> <th>1<th>450. 80 5 60</th></th>	180. 6 10	1 <th>450. 80 5 60</th>	450. 80 5 60
18	211. 6 10 <td>1</td> <td>470. 80 5 60</td>	1	470. 80 5 60	
8	200. 6 10 <td>3</td> <td>550. 240 5 60</td>	3	550. 240 5 60	
6	185. 6 10 <td>2</td> <td>465. 160 5 60</td>	2	465. 160 5 60	
6	210. 6 12	2	465. 160 5 60	
6	205. 6 05 <td>1</td> <td>410. 5 60</td>	1	410. 5 60	
8	225. 6 05 <td>1</td> <td>500. 5 60</td>	1	500. 5 60	
6	222. 6 06	1	390. 5 60	
18	272. 80 07 1/2	6	475. 5 60	
1	250. 5 60	2	400. 5 60	
1	540. 80 5 60	3	260. 5 60	
1	521. 80 5 60	4	380. 5 60	

Packers' Hog Purchases.

	Swift & Co.	2,787
Morris & Co. <td>1,684</td>	1,684	
Hammond Packing Co. <td>1,584</td>	1,584	

Range of Prices.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Monday	5.90	6.00	6.20	6.30	6.50	6.50
Tuesday	6.00	6.10	6.30	6.40	6.60	6.60
Wednesday	6.10	6.20	6.40	6.50	6.70	6.70
Thursday	6.20	6.30	6.50	6.60	6.80	6.80
Friday	6.30	6.40	6.60	6.70	6.90	6.90
Saturday	6.40	6.50	6.70	6.80	7.00	7.00

ST. JOSEPH HAY MARKET.

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Little Rock, Ark., May 16.—Threatened five years ago by an infuriated citizenship with leveling because he had organized a drainage district...

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We are written to by purchasers of animals complaining that they cannot get the pedigrees for their purchases...



Daddy's Bedtime Story—The Hungry Boy Who Said, "Oh-h, Paw"

DICKY sees the sausages.
"DON'T suppose you care much for a story tonight, do you?" asked daddy.
"Ob-h-h, daddy!" came in chorus from Jack and Evelyn.
"There you go again," said daddy, "with your 'Oh-h-h, daddy!' You remind me of little Dicky Wogglespoon, who lived on the next farm when I was about as big as Jack is now...

IN WOMAN'S REALM

MOCK DISHES.
Imitation Chicken—Have ready a granite steamer with a generous tablespoon of butter browning. Wash 15 cents worth of veal, cut in pieces, toss in the butter until seared on every side, then cover for five minutes.
Mock Duck—Make stuffing as follows: One-half cup of bread, soaked and minced fine, one onion cut fine, a sprinkle of sage and thyme, salt and pepper, and one-half teaspoon of baking powder...

LITTLE HELPS.
Housekeeper's Pencil—It was when making a visit that I learned how pencils may simplify housekeeping. My friend took me first to her storeroom, at the top of the house where were many trunks, boxes, and packages. Each one bore a paper or card on which was written a list of its contents...

Social Features Growth.
Three years ago Ed Walker, a prominent farmer of Harper county, inaugurated a social feature that is spreading to other communities. Walker lived in a great wheat belt and by the use of the party-line telephone was able to chat with his neighbors about the crops and health of their families...

MAY REACH 3 BILLIONS.

Kansas Taxable Wealth Expected to Show This Sum.

Topeka, Kan.—Much interest centers about the forthcoming report of the state tax commission, which is expected to show that the taxable wealth of Kansas this year will reach almost \$3,000,000,000. Last year it was \$2,752,198,678. Under the present law all property is presumed to be assessed at its true value...

SOUTH'S GALA DAY.

Confederate Veterans and Their Sons to Gather in Little Rock.

Little Rock, Ark., May 16.—Gala week for the south, the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, will open in Little Rock on Tuesday, and for three days the sponsors and their court will reign under the stars and bars, the battle-flag of vanquished Dixie.

FARMHOUSE CONVENIENCES.

The growing of better varieties and greater crops, more intensive farming and the spreading out of orchard and vineyards, are all of the things that tell of Kansas' wonderful agricultural prosperity. The thousands of new homes being constructed out on the farms this year into which are installed all the modern city conveniences, constitute the most convincing evidence...

JEWISH IMMIGRATION.

Large Colony to Be Brought West by a Kansas Company.

Hutchinson, Kan., News: Two hundred Jewish families, from Philadelphia and New York City will soon be moved west and locate on farms, through the agency of a company of Kansas men, headed by E. T. Bidwell, of Hutchinson, Dr. A. L. Bennett, of Nickerson, and E. M. Traylor, of Mullinville.

Spring Tie Drive.
Big Number Floating Down Mountain Streams.
Albuquerque, N. M., May 17.—The annual drive of the Santa Barbara Tie and Pole Company, one of the greatest industrial events of the territory each year, is now on, and within a short time approximately 520,000 ties will be thrown into the Rio Grande in the northern part of the territory and carried on the waters of the Rio Grande for fifty or sixty miles...

fed first, then the young men and maidens, then the old folks sit at the table and laugh and joke at ease.
No matter how much the visiting women help, there is a lot of extra expense, work and horse feed called for from the host and hostess.

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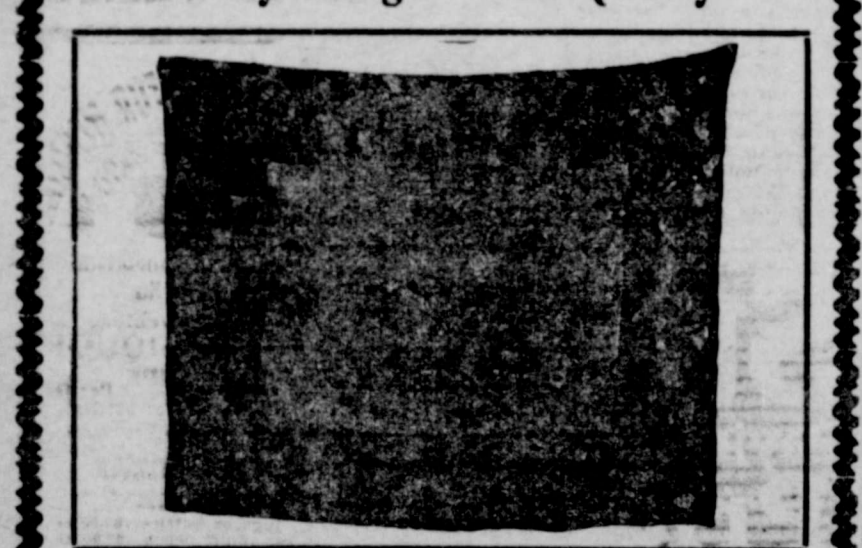
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Politics—and Priscilla

By Stacy E. Baker

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Andy Morgan bought a controlling interest in the Arlington "Morning Arrow," and realized a cherished ambition by settling down to the none too prosaic life of an editor.

Arlington was a thriving little city of about 12,000 population. The "Arrow," under the old editorial management, had long been a sluggish dispirited sheet, with limited patronage and little voice in civic affairs. The town smiled broadly when Morgan fortified himself behind this decadent timber.

Before Andy Morgan had gone away to complete his college course he had been more than ordinarily interested in pretty Priscilla Wilson. His return to the home town found Priscilla blossomed to as dainty a flower as ever he had hoped to see. Morgan's subjection was complete.

Dan Wilson, father of Priscilla, was a politician of some note in the community. "Honest Dan" was his sobriquet, and his "square" methods were matters of pride with his constituents.

Wilson was one of the first callers at the "Arrow" sanctum under the new control.

"Congratulations," he said, as he entered the presence of the young editor.

Morgan laughingly waved the older man to a seat. "Wait until I've made good," he cautioned. "It isn't going to be the easiest thing in the world to steer the water-logged old craft into the current of present times and methods, and even when this is done, no one will care to ship on her until she has proven herself seaworthy."

"Just so," agreed Wilson. "But I, for one, have confidence in your ability to handle the tub. Just how, if the question isn't personal, do you stand in politics?" Wilson stared straight at the young man.

"I shall affiliate myself with no party," came from Morgan. "The 'Arrow' will be for the best man, always."

"Quite right," approved Wilson, with a keen glance analyzing the new editor. "But sooner or later, my boy, you will find that influence will be brought to bear upon you to bring you



He Could Not Understand It.

to the editorial aid of men not capable. I have a pretty keen insight into things, and I can see it coming. You must remember your best man platform then."

"Trust me," promised Morgan, and "Honest Dan" left the office.

Andy Morgan called often upon pretty Priscilla Wilson. Their friendship sprang into an intimacy that bade fair to lead to matrimony. The tall youth with his serious ideas of life, and his strong affection for her too plainly seen in his eyes, was encouraged by the trim little maid, Priscilla Wilson, despite her daintiness and littleness, was also of a serious trend of mind.

The "Arrow," under its new manager, prospered from the start. Advertisers increased their space and Morgan's fair methods and the improved appearance of the paper added new subscribers.

"Priscilla," began the youth one evening. "It is now almost a year since I took the 'Arrow.' I have succeeded, even beyond my expectations—and they were not modest. There is only one thing in the world now that can make my happiness complete."

The girl blushed. It is more than possible that she surmised the question to come. "The feminine instinct is capable of much. And that is—"

she asked, bravely. "You!"

Priscilla's lips were silent, and the flush suddenly faded from her cheeks, leaving them strangely pale. After a little she spoke.

"You wish to marry me?" she asked in a low voice.

"Priscilla," breathed the man hoarsely. "Why do you ask? You know I do."

A little hand stopped his advance. "You love me, then? Do you love me well enough to do something for me? To sacrifice something—for my sake?"

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BOY BANDIT RUNS AMUCK

Earle Raines, Captured at Kingsville, Held Up One, Shot Another. Halden, Mo., May 16.—Earle Raines, a 15-year-old boy from Kingsville, was arrested at Kingsville yesterday morning on the charge of holding up Sam R. Cochran, a farmer, near this place and shooting Ruff Wilson of Kingsville, who made an attempt to detain him. Wilson, who was wounded in the abdomen, it is thought is not seriously hurt. Young Raines says he is a gasoline stove cleaner and that when in Sedalia he lived with an uncle, Robert Ferris, 203 West Main street. While walking on a road near Kingsville he was overtaken by Cochran, who gave him a "hit" in his buggy. A few minutes later he drew a revolver, Cochran says, and commanded him to give up his money. When the farmer convinced the boy that he had no cash the latter jumped from the buggy and started back toward Kingsville. Cochran went to the nearest farm telephone and told Kingsville to be on the lookout for the boy bandit. Then he followed the lad. When the farmer caught up with Raines in the village he called Wilson to assist him in stopping the boy. Wilson seized an arm of the youthful "bad man," who drew his revolver and fired. Constable Joel C. Smith later arrested the lad and brought him to Halden, where he placed him in charge of Sheriff Faulconer, who took him to jail at Warrensburg. Two sprinklings a week with kerosene oil should keep the house free from insect pests. But be thorough.

DEFEATS ICE TRUST

Boy Lets Pails Filled With Water Freeze and Stores Cakes.

Dot Idea by Thawing Out Pail in Henry and Now Is Capitalist Himself—Sells Product to His Neighbors.

Ware, Mass.—How would you like to be independent of the ice trust next summer when the hot rays of the sun are beating down and your refrigerator is empty, though you have had a card in your window for several days and have telephoned the ice trust and been choked off with the reply, "You will get your ice when it arrives and not before?"

The 11-year-old son of a Ware sign painter has solved the problem. Having already made two tons of ice and sold it to his father for 30 cents a hundred pounds, he is busy making a further supply which he proposes to sell to neighbors next summer. Jerome is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Henry Eldredge of 57 East street and is one of nine children.

It is a case of hustle to keep the family supplied with the necessities of life, and to each of the children old enough to be of assistance is assigned a task which makes the burdens lighter for all. Jerome feeds the hens, which are supposed to keep the family table supplied with fresh eggs, but usually fall in coming up to expectations. He also feeds the lone family pig and keeps Mrs. Eldredge supplied with coal and kindlings from the shed. Jerome has a longing to get a college education and become a lawyer, but has been told repeatedly that a college education costs money, and the only way he can get it is by strict economy and thrift.

It was while watering the hens one cold morning that Jerome hit upon the scheme of the ice plant. The pan containing the water was filled with a cake of ice each morning, and it was necessary for Jerome to turn the pan bottom side up and pour hot water on it. The cake of ice then dropping out, in a short time there was a pile of ice that worried Jerome, because it came from water that had been rendered muddy and impure by the hens and was unfit for use, but it occurred to him that he could draw water from the kitchen faucet that was pure, place it in receptacles, allow it to freeze, then get the cakes of ice out in the same manner as he did from the hens' pen. He asked his father if he would pay him the same price for ice that he had paid the freeman last year. Mr. Eldredge said he would be glad to do so if the ice were of good quality and he would contract for two tons. The ice has been delivered and paid for.

Jerome has about two dozen receptacles of various styles and sizes. He first began with what steppans and kettles he could scrounge from his mother's pantry, but now he has pressed the family washbasin, coal hod, washing pan, wash basin and about everything else into use, and has made square wooden boxes, which he fills with water and makes large cakes of ice in. These boxes he has already sold to his mother for use next summer for flower beds. The price was more than cost of the lumber to make them.

The cakes of ice vary in size from two to seventy-five pounds, and during zero weather Jerome has made as many as fifty cakes of ice in a day. Jerome attends the seventh grade in the South street school. His four-year-old brother, John Harold, suggested a few weeks ago that he be taken into partnership on a percentage basis, and he would keep the business moving while Jerome was in school. The suggestion was favorably received, and Johnny is as interested in the business as any one could be. When the neighbors' boys come around Johnny keeps his eyes open and allows none of them near the ice plant, explaining that the ice must be clean and pure or it cannot be marketed.

The boys have met some discouragement in the ice making business. At first Jerome used ordinary wooden pails and tin pails, but with the first freezing the pails were hopelessly ruined, as the ice burst the pails in many places. The boys have learned that common enameled ware is best. Tin pails that are small at the bottom and large at the top are also useful, as the ice swells at the top much like a loaf of bread, and does not burst the receptacles.

Warm weather is also discouraging, as the ice that has already frozen in the dishes thaws. Jerome says they can literally see their money melt away. Each morning the ice made during the previous 24 hours is packed into large dry goods boxes and sawdust is packed around the cakes. Jerome says that he will build an ice-house in the spring.

Seattle Will Build High.

Seattle, Wash.—The last obstacle to the erection of a 41-story building in this city by the estate of L. C. Smith of Syracuse, N. Y., was removed the other night when the council committee that has been going over the plans voted to grant the permit. The skyscraper will be the highest office building outside of New York.

German Army Orders Balloon.

Berlin.—The German war office the other day placed an order for another dirigible balloon of the Parosval type for the use of the army. A wireless outfit is to be a part of the equipment.

TONES TO SUPPLANT WORDS

Head of Musical Department of Los Angeles High School Has New Method of Harmony.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Los Angeles eventually will be a paradise of perfect linguistics if the plans of those at the head of the music department of the public schools can carry out their modern ideas of voice using. The system lately introduced aims to make conversation a continuous harmony delight and to free it from many of the everyday defects of enunciation.

Children are to be taught to form words and sentences as they would the phrases of a song and to have a mellifluous effect always in mind in speaking.

Miss Katherine D. Stone, head of the musical department of the public schools here, has started on a tour of all the principal cities in the country with the purpose of giving and accepting suggestions as to the successful working out of the new method of voice culture.

Each voice has a different dominant note, that is, a note upon which all the speaking sounds are based. From this note every modulation and inflection of the voice should be regulated.

Usually in an ordinary sentence, unless the emotion is violent, the dominant note is used at the commencement and different tones are afterward employed through the different colors of a sentence.

Grief, hatred and enmity all have distinct and varied rules for correct intoning. Grief and deep emotion are expressed in the minor key entirely, just as a song of sorrowful cast is written in a minor strain. In the exclamation, "Oh, my," said sadly, the whole chromatic scale is employed for a complete octave.

On the other hand, joy and conviction are shown by the major key and an exclamation such as "Hurrah!" will in complicated order cover all but one major octave from a low note to a high one.

In a question the high note should come at the point in the sentence when the query is most pronounced; thus, in "Where are you going?" the high note would come in "where," but if a person asked the question to single out a certain individual, thus, "Where are you going?" the upper tone would be upon the "you."

Miss Truslow states that the Americans as a rule speak with a closed throat, which is not only very inharmonious, but is deadening to the voice and causes a person of thirty to speak like one of fifty.

The old Italian method of singing emphasized the importance of the open throat. Other methods have come and gone, but this has survived as the true method of "bel canto."

All the words are formed on the lips and as far to the front of the teeth as possible. In this way a correct speaker can often be understood by the movement of his lips alone.

Nasal, throaty and harsh voices are all caused by the tone being produced in either the nose, throat or chest. A child who is shown how to place each tone correctly will always do so through force of habit.

The children are reported as taking readily to the new order of things in the schools and lectures have been given on the subject before various clubs in the city.

RETURN OF 17-YEAR LOCUST

New Yorkers Fear Appearance of Injurious Insects—Chinamen Use Them for Salads.

New York.—The seventeen-year locusts, which are due to return this summer, have made their appearance in this vicinity. Curator Dittmars of the New York Zoological society has discovered the first grubs, several thousand in number, in an excavation near Nyack, N. Y.

During the last previous visitation the locusts covered suburban New York, stripping trees, bushes, hedges, lawns and truck farms of everything green. The individual locusts lived only a few days, but each female laid 500 eggs on the branches of denuded trees. When the larvae hatched they fell to the ground and burrowed straight down for more than a foot.

There it is said they have rested for 17 years, and as soon as the frost leaves the ground they will dig their way to the surface.

Chinatown will welcome the visitation. The Chinese cook makes them into pies, roasts them, eats them as a salad and dresses them in many mysterious ways.

HOUSE KEEPS ITSELF

One Woman's Experience in Automatic Housekeeping.

Not a Bit of Bother for the Modern Housewife as Mechanical Labor Saving Appliances Are Now Applied.

London.—The modern woman demands, above all else, that her time—or the greater part of it—shall be her own. She insists on freedom to earn her own living, to acquire culture, or to educate her children and be a companion of her husband, and therefore the modern housewife must needs "keep" herself.

This it will not do if the vexed domestic servant question is continually to the fore, and some women are at last grasping the great comfort of letting mechanical labor saving appliances do their work for them. I happen to know one of these present day women, says a writer in the Daily Mail. She is married and has two children, but she is busy every day with many interests outside her home. Yet her house is better managed than any I know.

Some days ago she showed me over her dwelling, and let me into some of her work-and-worry saving secrets. "My wonder box" is packed with insulating material and lined with steel. The children's nurse or I merely cook our dishes on a gas stove for a few minutes, then pop them in here, and go out and forget about them. When I come back in the evening they are cooked and hot—ready to serve, in fact. The children's meal is put in earlier in the morning and is ready by midday. Delightfully simple, isn't it?"

On the sideboard were several devices for producing breakfast with the least possible effort. This meal was always cooked on the table, I learned. An egg steamer, a chaffing dish, a coffee percolator and an electric radiator for making toast were the most prominent items.

In a corner of the room stood a small electrically worked vacuum cleaner which made light of the tollsome business of sweeping and dusting. The floors, which were all linoleum covered, were washed with the aid of a self-wringing mop.

A porcelain anthracite stove occupied the hearth, and over this the friend waxed regretful. "I hated to give up my beloved open fire," she confessed. "But it went dead against my principles, and it made more work than all the rest of my household put together. This stove is the next best thing, for at least I can open the front and toast my toes at it. It only requires stoking every twenty-four hours, and it makes no dust."

When I demanded to see the kitchen, she told me there was none. "A kitchen only exists for the comfort of servants," she reminded me. "I have no servants, so why should I have a kitchen? Come and see my workshop, though." And she led me into a small square box of a room, containing only a sink, a gas stove, a table, and two cupboards built into the wall. Of that coal devouring, work producing monster, the kitchen range, there was no sign.

"But hot water?" I protested. "How can one live without constant supply of hot water?"

I was told to put my head inside one of the cupboards, which I did, but I withdrew it again hastily. The temperature was at least 80 degrees. The cupboard, it appeared, contained an automatic gas hot water heater, from the tank of which small pipes extended and circled round the walls. They met again in large pipes, one of which carried off the water to the kitchen sink, the other to the bathroom.

The gas burners under the tank were lighted each morning and burned at full power for ten minutes or so, till the water became heated. Then the burners lowered themselves automatically to mere pin points of flame. When the tank was emptied, or partly so, it refilled itself with cold water, and the burners popped up again and heated the tankful once more.

"And the cost of keeping house by your methods?" I asked.

"The initial cost of furnishing—is perhaps rather high. But I think our weekly bills would make most housekeepers open their eyes," was the answer.

War on Rats.

New York.—An association in restraint of rats—in other words, the New York Vermin Exterminators' association was organized here the other day, with Charles M. Frey as president. Frey is a scholar and a professional rat catcher who escaped jury duty some time ago by writing to Mayor Gaynor that the public would suffer if his duties were interrupted.

Announcement was made that the association has the support of the United States department of agriculture, which will assign a lecturer to address the members at a conference and dinner to be held here.

BIRDS FOLLOWED IN FLIGHTS

Aluminum Rings Are Placed on Their Legs to Aid Naturalists in Study of Their Habits.

London.—Some striking facts have resulted from the ingenious plan adopted by some English and continental naturalists to find out the lines of flight and fondness for home of wild birds.

In England the bird-marking scheme was taken up on a large scale by Mr. Witherby in 1909, and since then several thousand birds, many of them nestlings, have been decorated with a light aluminum ring. The example was eagerly followed by naturalists.

The divergent lots of two starlings from one nest were traced by Mr. Ticehurst, the first author of the scheme as preached in "British Birds."

One of the youngsters, ringed during infancy in its nest in an English cherry tree, has been picked up wounded close to Boulogne, in France, rather more than a year later. The other, a home-keeping bird, was found in a nest box within 100 yards of its paternal cherry tree.

The black-headed gulls, the species that especially haunt London, have provided some very interesting evidence. One killed by flying into some telegraph wires near Lowestoft had been ringed at Rosenthal, Germany, a spot 800 miles nearly due east, 17 months before; and curiously enough, another bird ringed at the same place on the same date was shot at Lowestoft on the same day. Another black-headed gull ringed in Cumberland is reported to have been found at Cape Finistere.

Swallows have proved the love of home with which they are always credited by returning to the eaves of their English home after a journey of several thousand miles to and from Africa.

An interesting record is given in "British Birds" of the ringing of English tits. Some of these courageous little birds have been caught four times at varying dates within the same neighborhood, and one particularly unsuspecting bird was caught "almost every day." One begins to think that he did it on purpose and entered into the game.

It is hoped that naturalists all over the country will share in this game of ringing and catching birds. The rings do no manner of harm and the news they may convey is of the greatest interest.

MASONRY MAKES LARGE GAIN

Seventy-One New Lodges Are Organized in England During the Year Just Closed.

London.—Freemasonry is making steady progress in England. Last year 71 new lodges were added to the list, compared with an average of 70 for the last five years, and 66 for the last ten, while if the total of the last 47 years is taken into consideration—that is to say, the period since the last closing up of the register—the returns show 2,500 new lodges created, an average of 53 per annum on the period.

The growth of recent years, an average increase of 66 per annum on the last ten, is quite consistent with the progress of the order, although it may appear small in comparison with past periods, for the reason that lately the new lodges have been more confined to the home districts than formerly, by reason of the establishment of independent grand lodges in many of the colonies, and the consequent discontinuance of new creations from the home authority, as was the case when all parts of the empire were Masonically supervised by the constitutions of England, Ireland and Scotland.

Of the 71 new lodges warranted during the last year, London accounts for ten, Cheshire seven, Northumberland and East Lancashire four each, West Lancashire and Warwickshire three each, Leicestershire, Surrey, Kent and West Yorkshire two each, while single lodges have been created in a number of districts.

London is now accredited with 1,671 lodges, the provinces with 1,655, and foreign stations with 627, the remaining 640 odd numbered on the register being accounted for by transfers to independent grand lodges, erasures and lapses since the last closing up of the records.

EXCAVATE OLD ROMAN RUINS

Remains of Town of Tiburnia, in Carinthia, Are Uncovered—Many Graves Are Found.

Carinthia.—On a thickly wooded hill crowned by the Church of St. Peter im Holz, there formerly stood the Roman town of Tiburnia. In the early Christian era from the fourth to the sixth century this was the seat of a bishopric.

The present minister of the little church, in making some excavations, came upon the remains of the old Roman basilica, cruciform in plan. A splendidly carved catafalque and many graves were found among the ruins.

In the graves were numerous bones, which will prove interesting to anthropologists from the fact that they date from the days of the Teutons, who inhabited the country prior to the incursions of the Slavs. Some beautiful frescoes and mosaics were also unearthed.

OLD INVENTOR BUSY

Johnson of Portland Cement Fame Translates Greek.

Noted Englishman Finds Work is Necessary and Tells Something of His Life as Patentee, Preacher and Magistrate.

London.—In a neat little cottage called Maywood, at Gravesend, lives Isaac C. Johnson, J. P., the inventor of Portland cement. On January 28 he attained the age of 100 years. The closing days of his life he is spending in translating the new testament and parts of the old from Greek into literal English.

Mr. Johnson has been not only a wonderful chemist, mathematician and business man, but a close and loving student of the scriptures. "Though only a layman," says he, "I have preached the gospel in very many of the countries of England and also on the continent. But what I have done I have done by the will of God and I do not myself seek exaltation." The old man occupies himself in the translation of Greek, because, as he says, he now has nothing else to do, and does not believe that anybody should be idle. "An object in life," he declares, "is necessary to mental, moral and physical health. Let it be a language, or some branch of research, or even a thing like amateur photography."

Mr. Johnson was born at Vauxhall of working class parents and received only very humble schooling. For some time he was employed in a bookseller's shop in Craven street, Strand. Later he entered the service of a firm of cement manufacturers at Nine Elms, where he worked in every branch of the business and eventually obtained an appointment in the office of the manager. Here, making his first acquaintance with mathematical instruments, he attended a night school for architectural drawing and became so proficient in the "science of lines" that he was able to supplement his income by giving instruction to young joiners.

In the course of years he became a manufacturer of cement on his own account and finally invented the world famous Portland cement. He says he got on simply by hard and persistent work, doing everything that lay before him in the most thorough manner of which he was capable. His longevity he attributes to the fact that he has been a total abstainer for eighty-two years. He explains that at one time he was very near to becoming a drunkard, "cast as I was into London as an apprentice in the midst of men of low habits."

Referring to his career as a magistrate, Mr. Johnson states that he always took the merciful side as far as he could. "Punishment is necessary for the welfare of society, but it must be, as near as possible, proportionate to the offense committed. With regard to capital punishment, I think that this should be abolished, because it gives a man no space for true repentance; and I do not believe in flogging. Nine-tenths of the cases brought before the bench are traceable to drink. Destroy the traffic and poor rates would be comparatively small, jails comparatively empty, cost of maintenance saved and the present excessive commutation for lunatics greatly reduced."

Asked how he came to invent Portland cement, Mr. Johnson said: "That is much too long a story to tell you now. I was manager on the estate of Messrs. White & Sons at Swanscombe at the time and it was not until after a long series of experiments—with many failures—that at length I was able to turn out a cement of the strength and hydraulicity of which secured Messrs. White a large demand for it from the French government and the English market, as well as from Germany and other countries. My company supplied the cement for the Tower bridge foundations and for that great work, the Assouan dam."

ODD PROPOSALS OF MARRIAGE

German Statistician Collects Figures Showing How Swains Act at Psychological Moment.

Berlin.—A German statistician has calculated that in the case of proposals of marriage 26 per cent. of the suitors press the hand of their beloved, 24 per cent. conclude their speech with an embrace, four per cent. kiss the hair, two per cent. kiss the hand, two per cent. fall on their knees, and 20 per cent. swallow nervously before they declare their passion.

Ten per cent. open and close their mouth without being able to utter a single word, and two per cent. make their proposal while standing on one foot.

With regard to the women, on the other hand, 60 per cent. sink helplessly into the lover's arms, for whose proposal they have been waiting; 20 per cent. blush and hide their faces; one per cent. swoon away, four per cent. are genuinely amazed, 14 per cent. gaze silently into the suitor's eyes, and one per cent. run away to tell a girl friend.

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