

STEER TRADE STRONG

VALUES SHOW ADVANCING TENDENCY UNDER INFLUENCE OF LIGHT SUPPLIES.

ALL GRADES FIRM TO 10c UP

Larger Quota of Natives But Nothing Choice Offered—Sheep Strong—Stockers and Feeders Steady to Strong.

Activity and strength were again dominant features of the fat steer trade. There was a further shrinkage in receipts all around the circuit and the market is gradually recuperating losses sustained last week when offerings were in excess of actual requirements. Estimates called for only 2,000 cattle at this point today, a run less than half as large as arrived a week ago and 1,700 head fewer than a year ago. At the five markets the total supply of cattle reported 35,900 head, was 12,000 less than last week and 11,800 head less than a year ago. Two days' aggregate at the five markets shows a decrease of approximately 39,400 cattle as compared with the corresponding period last year and the falling off has been sufficient to bring about a materially better tone to the beef cattle trade.

The shortage in supplies is chiefly in shipments of western and southern western range cattle, confirming reports to the effect that supplies from that source will be lighter from now on. Less than half of the cattle on sale here today were under the range classification, whereas this class of cattle has comprised from 60 to 85 percent of the total receipts during recent weeks. There was a larger quota of the offerings in corned beefs than for some time past but the supply along this line was composed principally of the short-end varieties and included nothing of outstanding quality. All of the local packers and order buyers were in the competition for the native steers and it was a short, snappy session in which things useful or attractive at prices strong to 10c higher than the former level of the previous day. Best corned steers available went at \$7.45 while the bulk of the sales ranged from \$6.25 to \$7.25.

Western steers also opened up active and a stronger tone ruled in this division. Packers were in the market for steers, which failed to get very lively action yesterday, moved off freely with bulk showing 10c gain in prices.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers

Table with columns: No., Av. Price, No., Av. Price. Lists prices for various grades of dressed beef and shipping steers.

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED

The offerings in the butcher line were comparatively light on this market today. A sprinkling of fair to good cows and heifers was noticed in the receipts. Packers were in the market fairly early and seemingly had good orders. All grades of cows and heifers met with a ready outlet at prices that were many 10c higher than last week. Very little corn-fed stock was on offer. Mixed yearlings continue to be scarce. One lot of grass heifers sold early at \$5.10. Canners and others were in demand for strong grades. Western cows and heifers were in small quota. What few that were offered were ready sellers at strong to 10c higher than the close of the last week. Bulls found a ready outlet and sold firm at yesterday's figures. Calves were slow sellers again today. Packers were trying to buy them locally but little success was attended. At the close of the session prices were about in line with sales of yesterday.

Heifers

Table with columns: No., Av. Price, No., Av. Price. Lists prices for various grades of heifers.

Cows

Table with columns: No., Av. Price, No., Av. Price. Lists prices for various grades of cows.

St. Joseph Cash Grain Market

Table with columns: No., Av. Price, No., Av. Price. Lists prices for various types of grain including wheat, corn, and oats.

HOGS FORCED LOWER

INCREASE IN SUPPLIES FOLLOWED BY GENERAL DOWN-TURN IN PRICES.

LOSS ON BULK A DIME

Heavy Butchers Top at \$6.35—Largely a \$6.00 to \$2.50 Trade in Fair Light Mixed and Heavy—Pigs Off 25c.

Packers renewed hostilities against current prices for live hogs this morning and sellers were unable to prevent a general lowering of values. Receipts were not particularly heavy, the five market aggregate of 79,700 head falling 6,400 under the total of last Tuesday but the general run showed a material enlargement over the supply for the opening day of the week. Provisions were lower yesterday and opened 5 to 7 1/2 points at this morning and this figure as a bear factor in the market for live pork. The supply at this point was estimated at 8,000 head as compared with a run of 10,243 last Tuesday and 5,310 the corresponding day a year ago. With early receipts all indicating cheaper rates at other centers buyers here started out to put up their droves at less cost and they were successful in reducing prices 5 to 10c compared with yesterday's average range, with probably the big end of the supply showing right around a dime out. At least sellers claimed a 10c loss as a general rule, although conceding a few spots only a nickel off. At the lowest level there was a fair degree of activity to the scaleward movement and the noon hour found few hogs still in first hand.

Quality was fair, though the weights ran lighter than on Monday. The proportion of light lights and light mixed was somewhat larger. There was quite an aggregate showing of pigs about in proportion to the total marketing the supply was not overly large as compared with recent runs of this stuff. The run, however, was sufficient to cause a break in prices, most of the pigs finding outlet at prices around a quarter lower than Monday. Pigs under 100 lbs. sold largely at \$4.00 to \$4.10, 100 to 125-pound stuff went at \$3.00 to \$3.25 generally, and 125 to 150-lb. light lights, as they are classed, sold largely in a spread of \$5.35 to \$5.75. Light mixed found sale principally at \$3.50 to \$4.50, and hogs weighing 200 lbs. and up went at \$5.65 to \$6.25.

Stockers and Feeders

Table with columns: No., Av. Price, No., Av. Price. Lists prices for various grades of stockers and feeders.

Feeding Cows and Stock Heifers

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RANGE AND NATIVE DIVISION

A scant half of the light range marketing at this point today was in range cattle, Colorado and Kansas furnishing all of these. All grades of steers were readily sold at prices that were prompt attention and the market was active and a dime higher in most cases. Medium and plain classes which showed a tendency to drag yesterday were taken freely today. Best steers offered in the western line made \$6.90. Some fairly good Colorado steers sold at \$5.40. Plain light "Collies" landing \$4.40 were compared with a similar class of stuff selling at the low point last week at \$4.15 to \$4.25.

St. Joseph Cash Grain Market

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LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS

Today's Receipts. Cattle, Hogs, Sheep.

Receipts from Jan. 1 to Date

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

Table with columns: 1911, 1910, Dec., Inc. Lists receipts for cattle, hogs, and sheep for 1911 and 1910.

Receipts by Cars

Table with columns: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep. Lists receipts by cars for various locations.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

Table with columns: Options, Open, High, Low, Close, Prev. Lists grain and provision prices.

WHEAT

Table with columns: Dec., May. Lists wheat prices for December and May.

CORN

Table with columns: Dec., May. Lists corn prices for December and May.

OATS

Table with columns: Dec., May. Lists oat prices for December and May.

FORK

Table with columns: Jan., May. Lists fork prices for January and May.

LARD

Table with columns: Jan., May. Lists lard prices for January and May.

RISES

Table with columns: Jan., May. Lists rises prices for January and May.

SHEEP AND LAMBS UP

GENERAL MARKET ACTIVE AND MOSTLY A DIME GAIN IN VALUES.

RANGE LAMBS UP TO \$5.65

Feeder End of 3,000 Head Supply Met With An Active Demand at Good Firm Figures.

Moderate supplies of sheep and lambs at this point today met with a fairly active demand from all quarters and trading, although late in getting started as usual, the result of sorting and shipping bunches up in selling form, started off in healthy tone. Good fat stock ruled a dime higher in most instances, while feeder classes under the influence of a healthy demand, moved readily at steady rates as compared with yesterday. Receipts amounted to seven cars of straight Wyoming lambs and a couple of decks of natives, mostly lambs, which in all made up a supply that figured around 3,000, thereby bringing the two days' marketing up to 65 native lambs, which, while unofficial and subject to change, shows an increase of around 300 as compared with the same time the previous week and is about half the number received for the like period a month ago. Improvement in fat lambs was reflected by packers neglecting warmed-up half-fat westerns of doubtful dressing appearance, and the sale of native lambs up to \$5.50, that figure taking the big end of the native lamb delegation. A string of westerns went up to \$5.50, but it was evident they were not the kind that went over the ranges "in an aeroplane." Fat sheep with killing qualities acted equally as well as fat lambs but there was not enough of this class of mutton received in the day's run to make comparisons accurate, although on the few sales booked prices looked a dime higher. A band of good ewes, the market daily, that is the reason for a big demand. Almost everything in the feeder line changed hands yesterday, leaving the trade in good stead for the 15th of the month. Demand on local account seemed responsive at the start and prospects for a good clearance was evident. Sales with this class of stuff indicated no change as compared with yesterday. A bunch of 57-lb. lambs suitable for dry lot feeding went to the country at \$4.60 and were called fully 541 Wyoming lambs, 72 5 65, 199 Wyoming lambs, 70 5 65, 82 native lambs, 68 5 50, 6 native lambs, 109 5 50, 12 native lambs, 81 5 50, 12 native lambs, 78 5 50, 114 Wyoming sheep, 68 5 50, 4 native lambs, 69 5 00, 12 Wyo. feeding lambs, 57 4 60, 209 Wyo. feeding lambs, 53 4 60, 141 Wyo. feeding lambs, 53 4 60, 25 native lambs, 55 4 60, 25 western ewes, 107 3 30, 122 native ewes, 107 3 30, 40 feeding ewes, 95 3 35.

Packers' Sheep Purchases

Table with columns: Swift & Co., Hammond Packing Co., Morris & Co. Lists sheep purchase prices.

Local Quotations Corrected to Date by Local Dealers

Table with columns: Timothy Choice, Alfalfa Choice, Clover mixed, etc. Lists local market quotations.

TOPPED HOG MARKET

Nebraska Here With Initial Shipment Carries Off The Top Price. Vacar Kastrock, a prominent feeder and shipper of Western, Neb., was on yesterday's market with a one-car consignment of heavy packer hogs that were absolutely necessary in successful dairying. And now comes an Ohio state commissioner with proof that he has cured a tuberculosis cow by giving her the fresh-air treatment. Moreover, he believes he has solved that important question. When the owner found that his prize animal was afflicted he erected a tent near his residence and he moved the cow into it in a paddock. After living in these quarters ten months she was practically cured—or, in a word, worth ten times what she was when she first came into the world. From a financial standpoint alone the treatment is worth the farmer's consideration.

WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES

Table with columns: No. 1, No. 2, No. 3. Lists wholesale beef prices.

PIMBLEY PAINT AND GLASS CO.

213 Sixth Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

LANDED THE TOP PRICE

St. Joseph, Mo., Sell at \$7.45 Today. W. S. Cook & Son, of Hempfle, Mo., were on the local market today with a three-car shipment of steers, included in this consignment was one car of good beefs that sold at \$7.45, which was the day's top on steers, also two loads of fair to good steers that sold at \$7.25. The two lots averaged 1450 and 1350 pounds, respectively. This is the last of a large string of cattle that Cook & Son have been feeding the past summer, all of which have done exceedingly well. They have made good gains both in price and weight.

FRESH AIR FOR COWS

Chicago's Live Stock World: Best picture on the dairy show now on here at the International Live Stock Exposition building agree that light and air are absolutely necessary in successful dairying. And now comes an Ohio state commissioner with proof that he has cured a tuberculosis cow by giving her the fresh-air treatment. Moreover, he believes he has solved that important question. When the owner found that his prize animal was afflicted he erected a tent near his residence and he moved the cow into it in a paddock. After living in these quarters ten months she was practically cured—or, in a word, worth ten times what she was when she first came into the world. From a financial standpoint alone the treatment is worth the farmer's consideration.

At the Amusements

At the Amusements—Saturday matinee and night, Eddie Fox, in "Over the Hill" did not set in comedy. At the Lyceum—Tonight, Wednesday matinee and night, "McAddan's Flats" Thursday and Friday nights, Saturday matinee and night, "The Funkin' Huskers."

ITEMS IN BRIEF

T. J. Sullivan, a well-known Colorado shipper, was represented on this market today with a shipment of two cars of cattle from Ohio.

Comparative Census Figures

Meat animals in 1910 171,825,491. Meat animals in 1909 152,091,164. Increase 18,734,327.

W. G. Rife, a frequent patron of this market, was represented today with one car of cattle from Laird, Colo.

Free—25 lbs. U-need-A Hog Powder

W. W. Frank, a well-known Union Star, Mo., man, was on market today with two cars of good grass steers from Alma.

Beats the city, 50 cents per night. Transit House.

R. B. Cox, of Maitland, Mo., had a consignment of one car of cattle on sale today.

Number and Average Value

Table with columns: 1910, 1909. Lists number and average value of various livestock.

Other Live Stock Markets

CHICAGO. The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 7500. Market steady to strong, westerns \$7.15. Hogs—Receipts, 25,000. Market 10c lower. Top \$6.50, bulk \$6.00 to \$6.35. Sheep—Receipts, 30,000. Market 10c higher, top \$6.10.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 31

Cattle—Receipts, 15,000. Market steady to 10c higher, top \$8.15, cows and heifers firm, stockers active, westerns 7 1/2 to 8 1/2.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 31

Cattle—Receipts, 6200. Market steady to stronger. Hogs—Receipts, 6200. Market 10c lower, closed strong. Top \$6.20, bulk \$6.10 to \$6.15.

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., Oct. 31

Cattle—Receipts, 5500. Market steady to strong, top \$7.75. Southern 1500, market strong. Hogs—Receipts, 14,000. Market 5c lower. Top \$6.50, bulk \$6.05 to \$6.30.

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was here yesterday with one car of fairly good steers that sold at \$7.00, which was the top sale of the day. Included in the consignment was 24 head, averaging 1350 pounds. These cattle were not finished but carried a fair amount of fat. They had been on full feed for a couple of months and made a satisfactory gain both in price and weight.

WEATHER FORECAST

For Missouri: Fair tonight and Wednesday; colder tonight with frost. Kansas and Nebraska: Fair tonight and probably followed by an increasing cloudiness Wednesday; continuing cold. Iowa: Generally fair tonight but with some cloudiness tonight and Wednesday; colder east portion tonight.

Swine Values Increased

Swine have advanced materially in total value and now represent 8.1 per cent of the total for all live stock. The increase during the decade being \$165,000,000, or 71.6 per cent and the present total value being nearly \$400,000,000.

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LIVE STOCK CENSUS

REPORT SHOWS BIG LOSS IN NUMBER OF MEAT ANIMALS IN UNITED STATES.

CATTLE 6 1-2 MILLION LESS

Also Fewer Hogs and Sheep But Big Gain in Valuation For All Classes Between 1900 and 1910.

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There is a profit in feeding Excello

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CHOLERA HELD THE MARKET UP. Live Stock World: Yes, hog sickness is bad business, but there are those who think pigs wouldn't be worth six bits in bunches of half a dozen if it were not for this shut-off on production. But that is extracting a grain of comfort by a poor process of reasoning. If all the pigs dropped would be safely to maturity there would be too many of course at the present rate of breeding, but that would regulate itself naturally. Anyway, let no man delude himself into thinking that "hog cholera"—whatever that is—is a good thing simply because it occasionally prevents a glut. Let us cut out that and all other forms of waste as rapidly as possible. The Illinois State Board of Live Stock Commissioners is doing pretty well in helping to hold this plague down and should be given all the encouragement possible.

THE HOG SITUATION. Twentieth Century Farmer: The hog situation is variously estimated by hog growers upon the feed supply that these various districts represent. In a locality where the corn crop is about up to the ten-year average the feeling on the hog trade is not alarming. These districts talk of feeding cattle and the hog is needed to go in the feed yards. The next report comes from a district where the earlier rains missed and the corn crop is from a partial to an almost entire failure; here the hog is not needed and the hog raiser is anxious to market his young stuff before it gets of hog age and profitable pork size. The shortage of feed in some districts and the prevalence of hog cholera in others are factors that are going to take care of the surplus hog production of these localities. There has never been such a spotted condition of corn crop—good, bad and indifferent—as prevails this year over a large area of the corn belt. The corn country has the hog proposition under pretty good control. The chance in hog supply that can be brought to bear to accommodate a big supply of cheap feed, or a light supply of high-priced feed, can soon be adjusted by the breeders.

TAFT ON AGRICULTURAL WORK. President Taft in his recent address at Chicago, relative to the agricultural extension work of the federal government, spoke as follows: "The land-grant colleges established by the federal government have vindicated the policy in making the grant. Now the department employs 11,000 persons, many of whom are engaged in conducting experiment stations and spreading information all over the country. The co-operation between the state agricultural school system and the federal government's publicity bureau and experimental work is as close and fine as we could ask. It is difficult to justify the expenditure of money for agricultural purposes in the Agricultural Department with a view to its publication for use of the farmers, or to make grants to schools for farmers, on any constitutional theory that will not justify the government in spending money for any kind of education the country over; but the welfare of the people is so dependent on improved agricultural conditions that it seems wise to use the welfare clause of the constitution to authorize the expenditure of money for improvement in agricultural education, and leave to the states and to private enterprise general and other vocational education. The attitude of the government in all this matter must be merely advisory. It owns no land of sufficient importance to justify its maintenance of so large a department or of its sending into all states agents to carry the news of recent discoveries in the science of agriculture. The \$50,000,000 which has been spent



The Fairy Shows Daddy the Garden

Daddy's Bedtime Story

"LAST night," said daddy, "I had a curious dream. Do you want to hear about it?" "Oh, yes; do tell us about it," cried Jack and Evelyn. "Well, I came to a beautiful country where there were all sorts of pretty gardens—hundreds and hundreds of little plots laid out with little hedges between. And at the gate to each garden was a little sign bearing a name. Willie and Ethel and Mary and George and Julia were some of the names I saw."

"The children smiled, for these were the names of their cousins. "But I shall not tell you anything about those gardens, for I came to two little gardens, side by side, and over the gate of one was Evelyn's name and over the other was yours, Jack. "Presently I saw a little figure flying through the air. It was the dearest little fairy. First she perched on one of the hedge plants and peered down into Jack's garden. "Oh, dear," cried the fairy, "there is another horrid thorny cactus coming up in Jack's garden! And those weeds! Oh, dear, if he could only see his garden!"

"I stepped up to the little fairy and said politely: 'Ma'am, it would be a favor if you would tell me about these gardens. I'm rather well acquainted with Jack and Evelyn.' "Oh, you really know the dear children?" cried the fairy joyously. "So we had a good chat, the fairy and I. I found out what all those little gardens meant. They are the Gardens of Thought. Whenever a little boy or girl thinks a good thought a little seed begins to sprout in his garden, and by and by it opens out into a nice flower. The nicer the thought the nicer the flower. But whenever they think a mean or naughty thought a horrid weed comes sprouting up, or an ugly cactus all covered with spikes and thorns. There was a nice big dahlia growing in Jack's garden of which I was very proud. The fairy said that was the thought that led Jack to give up his afternoon at the baseball match and stay with Evelyn when she had that sprained ankle. There were several nice roses in Evelyn's garden, and one of them, I heard, grew there when she pricked her fingers so patiently working that nice birthday pincushion for daddy. But it grieved me to see that the weeds were so many."

"And after that the garden faded away, and I awakened up with Jack snoring in the next room, but I'm sure that garden is over there in Dreamland just as I saw it, and you, Jack and Evelyn, as well as those other little boys and girls, would better be careful what you plant."

for research work in the department, however, has come back many fold to the people of the United States, and all parties unite in the necessity for maintaining these appropriations and increasing them as the demand shall increase. "It is now proposed to organize a force of 3,000 men, one to every county in the United States, who shall conduct experiments within the county for the edification and education of the present farmers and of the embryo farmers who are being educated. It is proposed that these men shall be paid partly by the county, partly by the state, and partly by the federal government, and it is hoped that the actual demonstration on farms in the county—not at agricultural stations or schools somewhere in the state, but in the county itself—will bring home to the farmers what it is possible to do with the very soil that they themselves are cultivating. I understand this to be the object of an association organized for the improvement of agriculture in the country, and I do not think we could have a more practical method than this. It is ordinarily not wise to unite administration between the county and state and federal governments, but this subject is one so all-compelling, it is one in which all people are so much interested, that co-operation seems easy and the expenditure of money to good purpose so free from difficulty, that we may properly welcome the plan and try it."

BARNYARDS FOR DAIRY COWS. Urgent Demand for More Sanitary Dairy Equipment. The cost of producing milk has advanced rapidly of late years and has resulted in forcing the dairyman to pay closer attention to the methods of production. At the same time a demand has arisen for milk produced under sanitary conditions and many cities have compelled these conditions by establishing inspection. Chief among the items of equipment necessitated by such inspection is a sanitary dairy barn where cows may be milked with the least possible likelihood of the milk becoming contaminated, either by filth or undesirable bacteria. And as such a barn can scarcely be built for less than \$50.00 per cow housed, exclusive of barn room for fodder, it will be seen that interested and depreciation charges on this equipment alone add quite a considerable amount to the cost of each cow's product in a year. "This fact, added to the knowledge that dairy cows are much better off when kept in the open air as much as possible, and that the leading dairy sections of Colorado have on the average less than two weeks of below-zero weather at night, led the writer to believe that it is not necessary to build a barn with stall capacity for all cows in milk. And the experience of several good dairymen in the state bears out this belief. I know of two or three of the best herds in Colorado that are never housed except at milking time. In some cases a shed is provided to which the cows may go at will, and in other cases the cows are not sheltered except during milking time. It is found that cows shrink in their milk flow when left out of doors during the brief period of cold weather which we usually get sometimes during the winter; but it is also found that they likewise shrink if housed continually during such a period if they are not accustomed to being confined. And in view of the better health of the cows when kept in the open it seems best to accept this brief and slight reduction in milk flow rather than to do the expense and labor of housing in warm barns with the increased danger of tuberculosis which this involves. My observation leads me to the belief that the system best adapted to those sections of Colorado possessing mild winters, comprising practically the whole of the eastern and the western slopes, is what may be called the shed housing system. This pro-

washing to the laundress. A big, durable bag is excellent to use. Buy enough unbleached sheeting so cut a large circular piece—the width of the sheeting will determine the amount required. Make a casing all around about three inches from the edge when hemmed. Run in each wide tape. Lay the bag out flat on the floor and toss the clothes in as they are counted. This bag saves your nice big sheets that are often used to tie up the family washing.

LASSALLE'S SWEETHEART. Springfield (Mass.) Republican: The tragic death of Mme. Helena von Doehniges Sehevitsh, who committed suicide at Munich by drinking chloral, ends a romantic life closely connected with the stirring revolutionary days of Europe's fifths last half century. It was for love of Helena von Doehniges that Ferdinand Lassalle, the most brilliant of the early German socialist leaders, fought the duel which ended his life, while he was still scarcely more than a youth. Baron von Schweitsh, whom Lassalle's boyhood sweetheart last married, was an exiled Russian nobleman, prominent at one time among the socialists of New York City. Mme. Schweitsh was noted for her beauty, which recent photographs show had not left her in her later years. It is believed that she killed herself on account of financial reverses.

So many people, if they were asked to define what they meant by justice and answered truthfully, would, I think, be obliged to say that justice means giving the decision in our favor. —Sir Edward Grey.

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An Ambitious Mother

By Donald Allen

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Up to the time the hair hanging down her back was coiled up, and her dresses lowered to her shoe tops, Miss Irene Nixon eyed life. She had her childish diversions and her playmates, and if she also had her disappointments they were not bitter ones. Her widowed mother belonged to the middle class, and she had just a fair income.

Then things changed almost in a day. It was a legacy to the mother that did it. It disclosed a side of her character that on one had suspected. Miss Irene was at once forbidden to associate with this one and that one, and when the list had been culled out she found herself standing almost alone. She must hereafter act so and so, and she must hereafter not act so and so. Where she had chummed with a girl she must now give her only a distant bow. Where she had walked home from school with this or that boy, she must now pass him as if unaware of his existence. That money was to make all the difference in the world. The daughter understood that money was a good thing to have, but she could not understand why it should almost outlaw her. In forming friendships she had never considered the money side of the question. She had judged by character instead of wealth.

None of the Widow Nixon's friends had ever considered her ambitious in a social way. Perhaps that feature was lying dormant. At any rate, she had scarcely counted the money left her by a rich sister when social ambition came to the surface to work great changes.

She decided almost at once that the daughter could not be exclusive enough at home to finish her education, and the girl was sent to a boarding school where exclusion was the motto. Then came the family tree.



A Genealogist Called.

Mrs. Nixon had never been greatly worried as to whether the Nixon family dated back to a king or a pirate. Her husband and her husband's father had been business men of good character, and that had sufficed her. Now it was different. She had the money and she wished for a lineage.

There are so-called genealogists who make it their business to keep in touch with the newly rich and furnish them with pedigrees to match their cash. It had scarcely become known to the widow's circle that she had received a legacy when a genealogist called. He had the look of a professor even to the dandruff on his coat collar. He had been in the profession thirty years. He had traced the ancestors of 3,000 families and hauled them into the light of day. He had never made a mistake. His terms were the lowest of any responsible party. For the sum of \$500 he would trace the Nixons back to the cave dwellers of England.

The Widow Nixon agreed to the bargain so promptly that the fellow never forgave himself for not asking a thousand. Yes, he was commissioned to hunt, and hunt he did, and in the course of ninety days he had turned in his report and received his cash.

And from whom had the Nixons descended and Jacob Nixon never suspecting it through all his life? It did not go back to the cave dwellers, but started at Harry, king of the Norsemen. Right there was the beginning, and it came down to the widow as straight and easy as a streak of molasses skating across a kitchen floor. Not a single break in the whole chain. The genealogist begged leave to doubt if there was another family in the state that could go back within a hundred years of Harry, and he was graciously permitted to do so.

Two years elapsed after the discovery of this fact when the proud widow informed her daughter of the need to be still more exclusive. With their wealth and lineage the girl could become a duchess. Still another auto must be purchased, and so on, and so on.

Meanwhile, Miss Irene, even though almost a prisoner at the school, and having "exclusiveness" dinged into her ears every hour in the day, had

fallen in love. The young man was the son of a lawyer who couldn't trace his ancestry back over 200 years, and didn't care a copper cent if he couldn't.

Young Bennett in time came to understand the ambitions of the mother. If he had been the son of a merchant, things might have turned out differently, but being the son of a lawyer he went at it to prepare his case for a jury. When it came time to go into court, as one might say, there was no weak joint to be tinkered up. What does a girl of eighteen in love with a young man of twenty-one care for ancestry? What does she care for dukes she has never met? What does she care for the spectacle of old maid who runs the boarding school? The elopement would only add to the romance.

And there was an elopement and marriage. When the widowed mother was telegraphed to she fainted away. The duke of Harford had left her house that very afternoon. For the first time since King Harry went sloshing around, a Nixon girl had eloped to bring obloquy on the name! It was just awful—terrible!

The widow Nixon first resolved that she could never forgive her daughter, and then that the law should be appealed to to annul the marriage. Before steps were taken, however, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett appeared before her. In her righteous anger and mortification she ordered them out of the house. They didn't go. The late Miss Irene sat with a smile on her face, and the nervous Bennett arose and said he had a few remarks to make before going.

"We will first take up the case of the family tree," he began. "The genealogist you employed is now in prison as a swindler. You are not his only victim by hundreds. I have looked into the matter myself. There was no Norseman named King Harry. Even if there had been he would have been a bloody old pirate and marauder."

"But—but he assured me—" replied the widow.

"Certainly. He also assured the court, but he got three years just the same. The name of Nixon can be traced back about 150 years, the same as the name of Bennett. For the first fifty years our ancestors were leather dealers."

"You're right have been, but the Nixons, never!"

"I have it all written out here and certified to as authentic, and you will find that while the Bennetts sold leather the Nixons worked it up. That is, Jobb Nixon of a hundred years ago was a cobbler."

"You insult me, sir!" almost moaned the widow.

"Your late husband's great-grandfather was a green grocer, but as the Bennett of that date patronized him we are about even on that score."

"Irene, I am your mother!"

"Yes, mamma, but Charlie wants to tell you about the duke."

"We now come to the Harford," continued the young man. "There is no such duke in England. The fellow who has been playing that line over here is a fraud and a swindler. Didn't you see by the papers this morning that he had at last been arrested?"

"Mercy, no! Why, he—"

"He has borrowed money of you, of course, and you may have to go into court as a witness against him. Mrs. Nixon, I loved your daughter and prevailed upon her to elope and marry me. Shall we say that the Nixons are all right, the Bennetts are all right, and that the happy couple are to receive a blessing?"

"Irene," replied the mother in tears and sobs, "you—you shouldn't have done it!"

"No, mother."

"And Charlie, you shouldn't have done it!"

"No, mother."

"But being you have, I—I guess—guess I'm glad!"

FAKIR FOOLS IRISH

Scamp Poses as Son of Peer and Hoaxes Dunshaughlin.

People of Quiet Little Town Rise to Occasion of Entertaining Sprig of Aristocracy—Wish They Hadn't.

Dublin.—It isn't every day that the people of Dunshaughlin, a quiet little town near Dublin, have the chance to entertain a young sprig of the aristocracy, but when the chance does come they rise to the occasion. They rose to it a couple of days ago, but now they wish they hadn't.

He was an uncommonly aristocratic looking young man and when he walked up to the Dunshaughlin workhouse he was dressed in the most approved motoring outfit and was smoking a big and expressive looking cigar. He introduced himself to the master of the workhouse as "the Hon. Dr. Moore," and said he was on his way to take holiday duty for Dr. O'Reilly of Trim. He explained that his motor had broken down just outside the town and that he had walked in to see if he could borrow the car belonging to Dr. O'Reilly of Dunshaughlin, which he seemed to know was kept at the workhouse.

Now, in Ireland, when a man has an "Hon." before his name it means that he is the son of a peer, and this young man looked the part. The master was extremely sorry Dr. Moore's motor car was not in at the time, and he offered to lend "Dr. Moore" his own bicycle, which offer was accepted. "Dr. Moore" rode off and sold the bicycle in the village and then went to the inn and had a substantial dinner, and left, saying he would come back and stay for a day or two. He didn't pay for the dinner.

He was next heard of at Lord Dunsany's house, where he introduced himself as "Lord Clifford." Unfortunately, Lord Dunsany was away from home, but his servants exerted themselves to make his aristocratic friend comfortable. He stayed for lunch and, in fact, stayed so long that he had to borrow Lord Dunsany's motor car to take him to Dublin. He also discovered just before his departure that he was ridiculously short of money, so he allowed Lord Dunsany's house steward to advance him \$10 to see him through until the banks opened in the morning.

When he got to Phoenix park he dismissed Lord Dunsany's chauffeur, saying he would walk across the park to the Kildare Street club. After that he dropped out of sight. Of course, there isn't any "Hon. Dr. Moore" or "Lord Clifford," and the workhouse master and the innkeeper and Lord Dunsany's steward are all anxiously waiting for the police to find the pleasant young man.

The Dublin corporation is not at all an admirable body, but it did an admirable thing the other day when it conferred on Prof. Kuno Meyer and Rev. Canon O'Leary the honorary freedom of the city of Dublin. These two men have been responsible for the restoration of the Irish language to its proper place among the tongues of the earth more than any others.

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DID MOSES MAKE MISTAKE?

First Chapter of Genesis Conforms in Many Instances With Late Discoveries in Science.

We have often heard "the mistakes of Moses" in the first chapter of Genesis commented upon, but what especially strikes us in that chapter is not its contraventions of science, but its harmonies with late discoveries. How did the writer, many centuries before the story of the rocks had been deciphered, know that there was a beginning and then a pause before life appeared on the earth? Who taught the writer that the earth was "without form and void" before it was divided into continents? How came it that the long delayed, slow emergence of land should be set forth as it is? Was it mere guesswork that prompted the writer to say grasses were created before animals, and not for animals already existent? Is it a happy accident that life in the water appears before life upon the land? And ages before the scientist dreamed of paleontology we find man last in the series just as he appears today by his remains in the drift instead of in the stratified rocks? Further investigation may explain discrepancies, but what except inspiration can account for these coincidences?—The Advance.

WILL RUN IN THE FAMILY

Boy Gently Breaks to Father the News of His Expulsion From School.

"That boy will be the death of me some day!" declared the head of the family. "I'm sure I don't know where he gets all his impudence and self-assurance—surely not from me. He returned home from school the other day to spend the holidays, as I supposed, and, entering my office, he threw his hat on the floor, selected an easy-chair, put his feet on my desk, lit a cigarette, inhaled a few puffs, and then, turning languidly to me, he drawled:

"I say, dad, do you remember the time when you were expelled from school?"

"I did. There was no use denying it, for one day in a burst of confidence I had told him some of my escapades as a boy, and lived to regret that I had been so indiscreet."

"Well," said he, "history has repeated itself."

"What do you mean, you rascal?" I roared.

"Oh," said he, easily, "I've been expelled, too. Astonishing, isn't it, dad, how such things will run in a family?"

Banks Guarded by Soldiers.

Like the Bank of England, the Bank of France is now guarded every night by soldiers, who do sentry duty outside the building, a watch being likewise kept inside its precincts. But within quite recent time the officials at the French bank resorted to a very novel method of protecting their bulion. This consisted in engaging masons to wall up the doors of the vaults in the cellar with hydraulic mortar as soon as the money was deposited each day in these receptacles. The water was then turned on and kept running until the whole cellar was flooded. A burglar would be obliged to work in a diving suit and break down a cement wall before he could even begin to plunder the vaults. When the bank officials arrived next morning the water was drawn off, the masonry torn down and the vaults opened. Curiously enough, within a few months after this obsolete manner of protecting the bank's cash was done away with, burglars did actually get into the vaults and decamp with about \$45,000 in gold coin.—Strand Magazine.

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The stamp clerk was still too nervous to answer, but one of the others said, with a smile:

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The custodian tried every method of inducing slumber. He draped old bags over the turtles' box and tried shutting them up in a dark closet.

Secretary Wiggins was appealed to to find some method of bringing relief to the sleepless eyes of the six turtles.

"I think they have been overfed," said the secretary, "and would advise a prolonged fast. Dyspepsia often causes sleeplessness. Maybe that's the trouble with the turtles. Anyway, I can't see but what they look pretty lively."

"They ought to be lying down nice and quiet," said the attendant. "Instead of that they waddle to the edge of their pen whenever visitors come near. They want fresh lettuce, and water every five minutes. These turtles didn't get much green food when they lived in the desert."

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SERUM TAKEN FROM ROOSTER

Dr. Kyes of Chicago, Reports on Obtaining Antibodies Preparation With Aid of Chanticleer.

New York.—Serum with a protective action against pneumonia when inoculated into certain animals has been perfected by Dr. Preston Kyes, of Chicago, who contributes an article on the experiments he has made to the current number of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Most of the studies which have been made regarding the germ of pneumonia have been made upon animals which are very susceptible, and Dr. Kyes has selected what he believes are the most insusceptible of creatures available—barnyard fowls. One of the most elaborate experiments has for its subject a White Leghorn rooster weighing almost five pounds. The preparation obtained from a human lung involved with acute lobar pneumonia.

Dr. Kyes believes that it is possible by the inoculation of fowls with extreme doses of pneumococci to obtain a serum of specific antibodies and possessing distinct protective action against pneumococci within certain hosts. He shows by a series of tables and reports that the immune serum which he made did not in any case fail to show a protective influence against the disease.

FOG HORNS ROAR OUT TUNES

One is to Be Set Up on the California Coast and Can Be Heard for Distance of 12 Miles.

San Francisco.—The time when a ship will be welcomed twelve miles out to sea by national airs, popular tunes and, perhaps, eventually phonographic records bellowed from gigantic fog horns, seems not far distant.

Pleased with the tuneful tooting of electric automobile horns, Lieut.-Com. William A. Moffatt, lighthouse inspector of the sixteenth district, made inquiries as to the possibility of making a similar horn for lighthouse service to replace the dismal blare of the fog horns now in use. He learned that one could be made which would be heard at the Farrallone Islands, 23 miles out at sea. As a sample, however, he decided to order one with a 12-mile range. It will be installed immediately on Blunt's point, Angel Island.

HORNETS OWNED THE STREET

Yellowjackets in Oregon Town Roused by Boys Take Full Possession of Side of Thoroughfare.

Hood River, Ore.—Yellowjackets in a crevice beneath the boardwalk at the west end of cascade avenue were aroused by small boys the other morning and took complete possession of the north side of the street. Pedestrians were forced to take the opposite sidewalk, and even then wandering yellowjackets found several victims.

Marshal Lewis was stung on the nose by a vindictive hornet. The marshal returned to town, obtained a beeman's mask, gloves and other safeguards, matches and sulphur, prepared for battle. The fire was applied and most of the yellowjackets were killed. A few escaped, and were so violent in their attacks that the crowd that had collected was unable to get close enough to extinguish the fire that was burning the sidewalk.

Seed Crop Nets \$30,000. Halleck, Minn.—A. L. Briggs the other day sold a wagon of timothy seed from this year's crop for \$350. Briggs, who is a retired merchant, coming here from Colorado two years ago, has just finished harvesting 700 acres of timothy, which will net him approximately \$30,000.

ART GALLERY TO TEACH BOY

Costly Collection of Colonial Prints Placed in Magnificent Newport Home to Instruct Youth.

Providence, R. I.—To teach his young son, heir to millions, the principles of patriotism and the great events in American history, Marsden J. Perry of this city has had placed in his magnificent Newport summer home the finest collection of colonial prints in this country.

As a central figure in an elaborate system of training, worked out before his birth and constantly improved upon during the few years that have up to now passed over his head, Marsden J. Perry, Jr., is the subject of one of the most costly experiments in education yet recorded.

The study of America and its history has been one of the things in which it has been long planned young Marsden shall specialize, and better to do this the child has a private picture gallery of incalculable worth and illustrative of the great periods of his native land placed before him as a first aid.

The remarkable collection of prints which are the envy of all wealthy collectors of colonial objects, practically cover the salient points of the United States' early progress. The wars, the treaties, the famous scenes in the courts and on the battlefields are all depicted.

An upper hall in the Perry mansion in Ocean drive is the gallery which contains these prints. They cover one entire wall, opposite to which is a glass partition through which one gets a view of the sea.

"Washington Entering New York After the Battle of Trenton," "Martha Washington's Reception," "Franklin at the Court of France," "Franklin at the Court of St. James," are the titles of some of them. Each picture is of practically the same size and mounted in a carved and gilded frame of simple design. They are the result of years of collecting.

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As yet no one has been permitted to view these pictures. With the exception of the servants, the Perry mansion has been deserted for weeks. No one has been allowed to enter or to remain about the grounds. Within a few days, however, the family will arrive to take possession for the season, and the new picture gallery will be under inspection. Also one of the most unique educational experiments known will have been begun.

HUNDREDS OF TONS OF CARP

Fish Are Rushing Down Bear River in Idaho to the Great Salt Lake—Mud Lake Is Wiped Out.

Boise, Idaho.—Carp by the hundreds of tons are rolling down the Bear river, fairly tumbling over each other in their hurry and swallowing every living thing in their path. This flood of fish will not stop entirely till it reaches Great Salt Lake and is pickled in the brine.

This is the interesting situation Heber Q. Hale, chief clerk of the state land board, left at the outlet of Mud lake in the southeastern part of Idaho just before his return to the city from his vacation.

"Bear river is not the direct outlet of Bear lake, as many suppose," said Mr. Hale. "Bear river flows through Mud lake and there is a short stream that empties Bear lake into Mud lake."

"Some years ago the carp was introduced into Mud lake. They have multiplied with wonderful rapidity. They were not disturbed. Being a low grade fish, nobody seemed to care to catch and eat them, especially as there was an abundance of fine high-grade fish in Bear lake, near by. As a result Mud lake fairly swarmed with great fat carp."

A short time ago the Telluride Power company undertook to straighten out the channel of Bear river to give increased power. This resulted in draining the water out of Mud lake almost entirely. In this way the fish were forced into the river, and there they are now in immense quantities trying to force their way down the stream.

"Of course Mud lake is now a thing of the past. It was a very shallow lake with a mud bottom, a fine field for carp, which delights in burrowing in the mud for food. Now with the water drained off the lake bottom will be brought under cultivation or converted into pasture land."

Water Girl in New Feat. New York.—Adeline Trapp, 20 years old, of Brooklyn, the little school teacher who surprised the sporting world five weeks ago when she swam from Yonkers to Forty-third street, 17 miles, accomplished a more difficult feat the other day when she swam from North Beach to Robbins Reef, near Livingston, Staten Island. She covered the 2 1/2 miles in 5 hours 7 minutes and 30 seconds.

Game Birds Plentiful. Grand Rapids, Minn.—Game Warden Jesse Harry says game birds of all kinds will be more plentiful this fall than during the last five years. He says ducks are more plentiful, and that partridges are present in great numbers.

Deer are plentiful also, and on the less frequented roads it is not unusual to see five or six during a day's travel.

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