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LESS STOCK ON COLORADO FARMS

Denver Record Stockman: According to the latest census, Weld county is the richest agricultural county in Colorado, the total value of farm property there being over \$56,999,999.

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QUALITY IN EGGS. Farmers and those handling eggs commercially, as well as the housewives and other consumers of eggs will be interested in Secretary Wilson's remarks on two systems in vogue in the egg trade.

The system of marketing eggs in general use in the middle west, known to the trade as the "case-count" system, has proven detrimental to quality.

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Success in Pig Raising. Essentials Are Constitution, Aptitude to Fatten and Prolificacy. The essentials in breeding pigs are constitution, aptitude to fatten, prolificacy, and in the sows, a good yield of milk, says a writer in the Northwest.

Available Supply of Grain. An Increase Is Shown in All Three Cereals. New York, Jan. 15.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supply, as compared with previous accounts:

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Daddy's Bedtime Story

When Little Polar Bear Went Coasting

Chubb Floated to Sea on the Ice Cake

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When they heard their mother coming the bear cubs all toddled to meet her, for she always brought them something good to eat.

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Gretchen's Ghost

By Dorothy Blackmore

The ringing of the telephone bell startled Gretchen. "Hello!" she said, taking down the receiver.

It was November and the most melancholy time of the year to the girl. She disliked the eerie sounds of the autumn winds and the whirling of the leaves about the porches and walks.

After a few minutes in which she tried to conquer the fear that had overcome her at the first awful thought of being alone, she raised her head and determined to do something to keep her mind occupied.

She sat in the cozy chair before the fire in the big living-room and tried to sew, but that gave her too much time to think—and listen.

Patrick's Preference. The bugle sounded. Into the barracks square marched the regiment, then formed a hollow square and waited.

After hanging up the receiver once more she wrapped a shawl about her and dashed out of the front door looking neither to right nor left.

Presently she stopped short and pulled the shawl tightly about her. "Oh-h!" she shrieked. "Oh-h!" and her blood seemed to stop in its course.

was a figure clad in white. It walked noiselessly as if, in its ghostly way, it would come unawares upon anyone who chanced to be out that night.

Gretchen gave one more faint cry and fell to the ground. Her overtaxed nerves had given way and for the first time in her life, she fainted.

Almost stumbling upon her, he stopped and bent over the girl. He felt her cold hand; then, without further delay, he picked her up in his arms and followed the trail.

"Oh," she sighed in a tremulous little voice. "The—ghost—where is it? Where—"

"I was running to the Graham house for protection," she explained, "and—"

"I beg your pardon," Gretchen hastened to say. Mrs. Conklin joined them. "Oh, it's Mr. Arthur in his play clothes," she said.

"But—listen," Gretchen cried, suddenly. "That's what frightened me so terribly—that dropping, knocking sound on the roof."

"Any such romantic beginning is sure to end in the right way," she soliloquized as she fell asleep amid the strange surroundings of the little bungalow in the woods.

Patrick stepped forward, and as he heroes do, looked uncomfortable. Still, there was one request he wanted to make.

"If—if it's all the same to you, sorr," he blurted out, "I'd rather ye'd pin the £5 note on me chest, and place the medal to me credit at the bank, sorr!"—London Mirror.

Which is Worse? "Many a man has never recovered from the blow when some woman turned him down."

PAPER BAG COOKING

Great System Perfected by M. Soyer, Famous London Chef.

MEANS ECONOMY IN FOOD.

By Martha McCulloch Williams. Economy, which is now the cry in all things, from postage to politics, has no more valiant helper than M. Soyer's system of paper bag cooking.

Vegetables also taste better, and are better, for bag cooking. Bag cooking preserves in them their essential salts, which boiling takes away.

Here is a way of using up cold dinner meat that hearty children will relish, and even the man of the house neither too thick nor too thin, and as broad as possible, butter them, sprinkle them well with salted flour, and a very little pepper.

Quick Potatoes.—Take a large white potato for each person to be fed. Peel, slice thin, drop in cold water for five minutes, then drain, sprinkle with salt and pepper, and pack compactly in a well-greased bag, adding a tablespoonful of stock or milk and water, for each two potatoes. Seal, and cook twenty minutes. Baked apples can be used, and take only half as long.

Baked Apples.—Wash well, but do not peel, cut out specks and bruises, core, fill the bottom of the core-space with a lump of butter, over which pile sugar, and add a bit of cinnamon. A clove stuck in the side may take the place of the cinnamon. Seal inside a well greased bag, and bake eighteen to twenty minutes in a fairly hot oven. Serve with sugar and cream or a hard sauce.

Broiled Chicken.—Split the chicken down the middle of the back, spread flat, and put a skewer in each side to prevent it from curling. Beat up a very fresh egg, with a pinch of salt, black pepper to taste, an ounce of melted butter, a teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce or something similar, and a teaspoonful of made mustard. Mix well. With a brush glaze the chicken with the mixture. Place in a greased bag with bread crumbs around and over it. Be careful that the skewers do not tear the bag. Seal up tight and cook thirty-five to forty minutes in a very hot oven.

Mushrooms.—Peel and wash the mushrooms, brush them lightly over with melted butter, dust with salt and pepper, and put into a buttered bag with a lump of butter, a little water, and a spoonful of lemon juice or port or sherry wine. Seal tight and cook in a hot oven twelve to twenty minutes.

Asparagus.—Trim and scrape as for boiling, wash very clean. Tie in bundles and put into a buttered bag, with a little salt and half a gill of water. Seal and cook thirty-five to forty minutes in a hot oven.

Pudding a la Mayence.—Rub half a pint of breadcrumbs through a fine wire sieve, add to them a tumblerful of wine and water, half an ounce of rind of a small lemon, washed, dried and grated, three heaped tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar, and an ounce of butter. Mix well, pour into a buttered soufflé dish, add the beaten yolks of two eggs, and the strained juice of the lemon. Beat the whites of the eggs to a very stiff froth, add powdered sugar to taste, and a pinch of salt. Color with a few drops of green spinach color, or pale pink with a little carmine or cochineal, pile on top, place in bag, put in a very moderate oven, and bake till the meringue is firmly set.

RISHMAN'S WORK IN CHINA

Late Sir Robert Hart Served Celestial Empire for Forty-Nine Years.

Irishmen have made careers for themselves in the most unlikely quarters throughout the whole period of modern history. While the distinction won by Irish noblemen in the service of Spain and France and the exploits of the Irish Brigade, who turned the day at the decisive battle of Fontenoy, are familiar to the world, and Irish names are found prominent among the soldiers and sea fighters and statesmen of the South American countries, it is not so well known that they have played their part in Russia and in eastern lands.

This capacity of the Irishman for winning success in a foreign land received another notable illustration in the case of Sir Robert Hart, who died after serving China for forty-nine years. This keen little man had wonderful constructive ability. It might be objected that his family had been settled in Ireland for only a couple of hundred years. His ancestor was a Captain De Hardt, an officer who received a grant of land from William III. after the battle of Boyne.

COCHINEAL IS NEAR END

Soon to Become Thing of History Like Tyrian Purple of Antiquity.

It is the opinion of M. Leon Digue, who has been studying the state of the cochineal industry in Mexico for some time, that before many years have passed cochineal scarlet will have become a thing of history only, like the Tyrian purple of antiquity.

How many people are aware of the method of manufacture of this well-known dye. It is made from the dried female of the cochineal insect (coccus cacti). They are gathered by brushing the branches of the nopal cactus, on which the insects feed as soon as they begin to lay their eggs. They are then desiccated in ovens or killed with boiling water. It has been estimated that one pound of cochineal contains no fewer than 70,000 distinct insects. The color is brought out and fixed by chloride of tin. The Indians had cultivated the coccus cacti in pre-Columbian days, but the commercial possibilities of the insect seem to have been first realized by the Spaniards in 1518. It was introduced into Europe about 1523, and into India in 1795. The city of Oaxaca was the center of the cochineal country in the days of Humboldt, but only a few plantations of the nopal cactus now remain—hence the fear that the dye will soon become a thing of the past, at any rate unless some other substance is found on which to feed the insects.

Believed Doctors Poisoners.

An extraordinary story of popular ignorance is reported from Apricena, a small town in the south of Italy. A tradesman was found to be suffering from gastric enteritis, and his doctor prescribed a mixture containing a proportion of morphia. The tradesman and his wife, however, decided to test the medicine by giving some of it to the cat. Of course, the mixture, while innocuous to an adult male, was fatal to the cat, and the report was at once spread that all the doctors in consequence of the increase in the population of Italy, had received orders from the government to introduce poisons into their prescriptions, in order that the poorer people might be got rid of. It was only with difficulty that the townspeople were calmed, and, in spite of all the official explanations it seems evident that the doctors will be avoided by the poorer classes for some time to come.

That End Seat.

The season for the "end seat hog" is passed, so far as the trolley cars are concerned, but it is just beginning elsewhere—shall we say it, and we hate to say it, in the churches? Is it possible that there is where the warrant for the practice in the trolley comes from? People see it in the church, and of course justify it in the street car. It may not always be so, but insisting on holding an end seat and making others push by or climb over has a tinge of selfishness in it that looks very strange in a church whose gospel is unselfishness. There is no place where the Christian spirit shows up more finely than where one moves up and gives his brother or sister a choice seat. It is a way of "preferring one another" that the Scriptures speak of.—Columbus (Ohio) State Journal.

Bare Sawdust From River.

Sawdust contaminates water, according to the decision of a Virginia court in the case brought by residents along the banks of a stream to prevent the owners of a sawmill from dumping the dust from their mill into the water. The farmers testified that the sawdust gave the water such a color and offensive odor that the cattle could not drink it. On the strength of this testimony and other facts brought out the court ordered the sawmill people to make other disposition of their refuse.

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FORM TOMATO LINE

Evanston Has Procession That Gets Vegetables Free.

Col. Henry M. Kidder is the Giver and He Also Contributes Flowers From His Garden—Hospital One of Beneficiaries.

Chicago.—Evanston has no "bread line," for there is no institution to which the poor may line up with baskets as they do every night around a certain group of Chicago restaurants maintained by a charitable management that gives away bushels of bread and cake and rolls at the day's close. What Evanston has, though, and it is even more unique, is a "tomato line."

Col. Henry M. Kidder is the only one of a "farm" which distributes tomatoes gratis. So far as he knows his is the only recognized and regularly operated free tomato dispensary extant.

Its beneficiaries number scores of families of the poor of Evanston proper and North Evanston, besides many less impecunious ones who accept gifts from the distributor in consideration of his plea that the vegetables will spoil on the vines unless housewives contrive to convert large quantities into pickle, piccalilli, catchup, chili sauce and allied concoctions.

As a result of his invitation there are daily pilgrimages to that quarter of North Evanston where the Kidder homestead is situated, and children form a large proportion of the basket bearers who go to get the tomatoes.

A charity hospital for convalescents in North Evanston also shares kindly in the distribution. Colonel Kidder supplies the hospital with flowers also, and almost every little girl who goes with her basket for tomatoes returns with a bunch of fresh cut posies as well.

SHIFTS A DISPLACED HEART

Fluid in the Left Pleural Cavity Had Pushed It Out—Surgeon Put It in Place Again.

Philadelphia.—With his heart in the right place again, Harry Baylies of Bloomfield, N. J., left the Mountain-side hospital, Montclair. The boy, son of Police Sergeant John R. Baylies, entered the hospital a few weeks ago. The history of his case was not clear. The surgeons found that much fluid had accumulated in the cavity that contains his left lung; its pressure had pushed his heart out of its normal position and to the right, so that Harry would have had to lay his hand over his breastbone if he wanted to make love with appropriate gestures.

The surgeons tapped Harry's left pleural cavity very much in the same way and with the same kind of instrument as a nurse taps a bottle of champagne to draw off one glass for the patient. But the surgeons drew all the liquid from the cavity. Then Harry's heart, being relieved from pressure, returned to its proper position and resumed pumping at the same old stand. Literally, Harry breathed freer, but that had not so much to do with his heart as with his left lung; there was more room for air in it after the fluid was removed.

The surgeons advised Harry to keep as quiet as possible, else the fluid may accumulate again. But if it does they will draw it off.

PROUD OF BOYS' CORN EARS

Exhibits Grown by Pennsylvania Youngsters Is One of Most Interesting Products at Fair.

Harrisburg, Pa.—"Exhibits of corn grown by boys' corn-raising clubs and sons of farmers have formed one of the most interesting displays at every county fair and agricultural exhibition visited this fall," declared A. L. Martin, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, today. Mr. Martin is in charge of the supervision of county fairs, and has visited most of those held in this state so far. He says the boys' corn shows are among the most valuable adjuncts to the agriculture of Pennsylvania.

"I was struck with the quality and the size of the exhibits made by boys at the various county fairs, and marked the keen rivalry between clubs representing townships or districts and between boys in the same neighborhood. The exhibits were well presented, and in some cases histories of the corn were given. There is no question; these corn clubs are proving a stimulus to agriculture and inculcating in the boys greater interest in the farm."

Mr. Martin declared that, considering weather conditions, the exhibits of products were excellent this year, and as for the attendance, in some instances it has broken records.

War on Plague Squirrels.

Stockton, Cal.—One thousand farmers, representing 80,000 acres, have imposed a tax of five cents per acre on themselves to exterminate ground squirrels in San Joaquin county, which are said to be infected with bubonic plague.

UNIQUE TRIP OF A BOTTLE

Letter Makes Journey From New York to Ireland and Thence Back to Its Author in Chicago.

Chicago.—From New York city to Erin's isle in a bottle was the journey of a letter which returned to its author, Fred J. Butler, 1407 Republic building, Chicago.

With a party of friends, Mr. Butler went abroad last November. They sailed from New York and when two days out inclosed the note in a bottle and tossed it overboard. For nearly ten months the glass-encased message was washed by the waves. Then it was found by P. L. MacHale of Allebrack, Clifden, County Galway, Ireland.

In a letter to the Chicagoan Mr. MacHale said:

"In compliance with your request, I beg to inclose your note—found at Shyne Head, 53 degrees 40 minutes north and 10 degrees 4 minutes west—and remain, yours faithfully."

The letter found was only a brief note, as follows:

"To Whom It May Concern—The finder of this note is requested to write to the Moose club, 56 State street, Chicago, Ill., care of Fred Butler."

The letter was dropped overboard from an Atlantic liner on November 6 and the reply, inclosing the original, was dated August 24. The original note was darkly stained, the cork of the bottle probably having leaked during its ten months at sea.

Mr. Butler is wondering whether he will ever receive two other notes thrown overboard in bottles at the same time as the one just returned. With one of the letters he says he inclosed a five-dollar bill. With the other he says he sent a check for \$100, payable at a Washington (D. C.) bank. Neither has been heard from yet and payment has not been demanded on the check.

ASKS PRISONER BE STRIPPED

Man Who Finds Stolen Clothes Wants to Wear Them Home—Suggests Barrel for the Thief.

New York.—John Dougherty reported to the police of the East Thirty-fifth street station two weeks ago that a new suit of his clothes had been stolen from his office at East Forty-second street, but, having got no results, he decided to do his own detective work.

Passing the corner of Twentieth street and Second avenue Dougherty met a tall man wearing a suit exactly like the stolen one. The clothes were much too small for the wearer. Dougherty approached him and said:

"You have on my clothes. Take 'em off."

The man ran. Dougherty followed, and after a chase of three blocks overhauled the fugitive. In the station house the man said he was Edward Marsh, an aviator, living at Mills hotel, No. 3. He asked:

"These are my clothes, but I have grown a lot in two weeks, and the clothes couldn't keep pace with me." Dougherty said he had a scapular and a small horseshoe in an inside pocket of the coat. The scapular and horseshoe were found. Then Dougherty demanded his clothes, explaining he wanted to wear them today.

"But what will the prisoner wear to court?" Lieutenant Burk asked.

"Get him a barrel," said Dougherty. "I don't care whether it fits or not." Marsh was locked up, charged with grand larceny. Dougherty was told he could get his clothes after the prisoner had been arraigned in police court.

CONVICTS WITNESS A PLAY

Unguarded Except by "Honor" Many Notorious and Desperate Prisoners Visit Reno Theater.

Reno, Nev.—Accompanied only by Warden Ray Baker and three unarmed assistants, 52 convicts from the state penitentiary at Carson City, many of them "life termers" and the most desperate men of the prison, attended a theatrical performance at a local theater the other night.

Driving through the streets in automobiles, the convicts went to the theater, witnessed a performance of "Alias Jimmy Valentine" and then returned to their cells without a single convict making an attempt to escape.

Every man was "upon honor" to Warden Baker and not a man violated his word in what was probably the most unique test ever made in a prison.

In seven automobiles, accompanied by only Warden Ray Baker and three guards, the prisoners arrived at the theater as crows swarmed the streets to witness the remarkable spectacle.

In the first machine were three "life-termers" for murder and Warden Baker.

In the second car were five "life-termers," and in the entire number many were supposed "desperate criminals." Popcorn and peanuts were distributed freely among them, all at the expense of Warden Baker, who gave the "party" as a reward for work done by the convicts.

Gets Relic of Washington.

Dedham, Mass.—The notes from which Washington delivered his farewell address are bequeathed to Miss Lizzie C. Faxon of this city by the will of her grandmother, filed for probate here.

Miss Faxon is a descendant of Thomas Jefferson and has a valuable collection of Jefferson letters and papers.

END OF OLD GARDEN

Horse Show Last in the Famous Old Structure.

Foreign Army Officers to Compete With Those of Our Establishment in Riding Classes—\$40,000 Worth of Prizes.

New York.—New York's twenty-seventh annual horse show, which opens November 18, will have more than usual significance, for it will be the last of these famous gatherings to be held in Madison Square Garden.

The abandonment of this famous building marks the passing of many things written intimately into the history of the city, but especially its loss will be felt by the thousands who for years have thronged its arena at the horse shows. While a home can be found for the show, it will take some of the older patrons a long time to accustom themselves to new surroundings.

For a sentimental reason, if for no other, the management of the National Horse Show of America, Limited, has planned to make the show of November 18-25 more brilliant than any of its predecessors in order that the farewell to the old home literally may be made in a blaze of glory. Plans to this end have been under way for months, and as the day for the opening approaches it becomes more and more evident that they will succeed.

One feature that will contribute largely to the success of the coming event is the imposing array of prizes, their total value being \$40,000. Among those who have individually and jointly offered cups and cash prizes are Alfred G. Vanderbilt, president of the association; J. W. Harriman, Robert A. Fairbairn and Frederick M. Davies, as well as various societies including the English Hackney society and the International Horse Show of London.

Several trophies which must be won two or three times in order to be retained by the winner probably will be won permanently during the coming show. Among these is the \$500 gold cup for the best mare or gelding sired by a stallion registered in the English Hackney Stud book. The cup is one offered by the English Hackney society and must be won three times to be retained. Both J. W. Harriman and Judge Moore have two "legs" on the trophy and one of them will probably win it for all time next month. Judge Moore and Fairmorn Farms each has a leg on the \$600 cup offered by Jay F. Carlisle for park teams.

In all there are 152 classes shown, the most of them being the same as last year. An entirely new class is that for delivery wagon outfits in actual service to be shown in single harness. The prizes for this class were donated by Frederick M. Davies. Of the total number of classes 35 are to be judged as breeding stock.

But what will add as much as anything else to the spectacular features of the show will be the array of foreign army officers who will compete with the officers of our own army. Chief interest will center on Lieut. C. F. Walwyn of the Royal Horse Artillery of England, who last year won the Canadian Challenge cup donated by Adam Beck of Toronto. He will defend the trophy this year on The Nut, the same horse that he rode so successfully when here before. Lord Deedes, who married Miss Vivian Gould last spring, will be one of the British team.

MAKING A SCIENTIFIC TEST

Vegetable Diet Being Tried on Two Representatives of Harvard University on Long Hike.

Chicago.—Engaged in a scientific test to establish the relative value of meat and vegetables as training diet two representatives of Harvard university arrived in Chicago the other day. They are walking from Boston to California, one of the conditions of the test being that they sleep only in the open.

The pedestrians are Warren H. Buffum, who eats only vegetables, and his brother, Jesse H. Buffum, who eats meat whenever he wants it. Their trip is being made under the direction of Dr. Dudley A. Sargent, director of physical training at Harvard.

They weigh themselves daily, and keep a careful record of the amount and character of food consumed, the daily distance traveled and the time of each day's walk.

"Dr. Sargent selected us after having made unsatisfactory tests with others," said Jesse Buffum, "because we are brothers and almost alike physically. I am twenty-five years old and my brother is twenty-three. When we left Boston on July 15 I weighed 120. I have dropped to 123. Warren weighed 129 at the start and has lost only three pounds, so his vegetables seem to have the better of the argument to date."

Best for Fattening Chickens.

Washington.—"Milk or beef broth three times a day," is the prescription the department of agriculture offers as the best for fattening chickens. The cost of this treatment the department finds is 9.09 cents a pound of gain for the average cost of feed and labor for a large lot of poultry, the feed alone costing 7.10 cents. From 14 to 17 days are required for successful treatment. The bureau of animal industry has issued a bulletin on the subject, giving complete data on the feeding of 100,000 birds.

Consignment HIDES STEADY

Owing to the extremely cold weather throughout the country hide receipts have been held back in the country very materially and in consequence a temporary shortage is being experienced which gives a little more strength to the market. Note below revised prices.

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Bulls, side branded flat	8c				
Green salt cured glue flat	8c				
Green salt cured deacons, each	50c@35c				
Stunks, each	25c@15c				
Green uncured hides 1 1/2c less than same grade cured.					
Green frozen hides bought as No. 2's.					
Green half cured 3-4c less than cured.					
Horse hides, green, No. 1	\$3.50@3.00				
Horse hides, No. 2	\$2.50@2.00				
Green pony hides and glue	\$1.50@75c				
Ewey pelts, green	\$1.00@25c				
Dry, according to weight, per pound	9c@7c				

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MINK—Central		MUSKRAT—Continued		CAT—Continued	
No. 1, large	\$7.50@6.00	No. 2	30c@20c	No. 2, Wild	\$1.00@75c
No. 1, medium	\$6.00@4.50	No. 3	25c@15c	No. 3, Wild	75c@50c
No. 1, small	\$4.00@2.50	No. 4	10c@5c	No. 4, Wild	50c@25c
No. 2	\$4.00@2.50			No. 1, House, large black	20c@15c
No. 3	\$2.00@1.50			No. 1, House, medium, colors	10c@5c
No. 4	\$1.00@.50				
RACCOON—Central		FOX—Red and rey.		CIVET—Central	
No. 1, large	\$2.75@2.00	No. 1, large, red	\$7.00@5.00	No. 1, large	75c@50c
No. 1, medium	\$2.00@1.50	No. 1, medium, red	\$5.00@3.50	No. 1, medium	50c@25c
No. 1, small	\$1.50@1.00	No. 2, Red	\$3.00@1.50	No. 1, small	30c@25c
No. 2	\$1.00@.75c	No. 4, Red	\$1.50@1.00	No. 2	30c@25c
No. 3	\$0.75@.50	No. 1, large, grey	\$1.50@1.25	No. 4	10c@5c
No. 4	\$0.50@.25c	No. 1, medium, grey	\$1.50@1.25		
SKUNK—Central		WOLF—Prairie and Timber.		OTTER—Central	
Black prime	\$3.25@2.50	No. 1, Prairie, large	\$4.00@2.75	No. 1, large	\$10.00@14.00
Short prime	\$2.50@2.00	No. 1, Prairie, medium	\$3.00@1.75	No. 1, medium	\$12.00@10.00
Narrow prime	\$1.50@1.25	No. 1, Prairie, small	\$1.50@1.25	No. 1, small	\$8.00@7.00
Best unprime	\$1.00@.50c	No. 2, Prairie	\$1.00@.75c	No. 2	\$5.00@2.50
Poor unprime	\$0.50@.25c	No. 3, Prairie	\$1.00@.50c	No. 4	\$2.00@1.00
OPOSSUM—Central		CAT—Wild and House		BEAVER—Central	
No. 1, large	\$5c@30c	No. 1, Timber, large	\$1.00@.50c	No. 1, large	\$6.50@5.00
No. 1, medium	40c@30c	No. 1, Timber, medium	\$1.00@.50c	No. 1, medium	\$4.50@3.50
No. 1, small	35c@15c	No. 1, Timber, small	\$3.00@1.20	No. 1, small	\$2.50@1.50
No. 2	30c@15c	No. 2, Timber	\$1.25@1.25	No. 2	\$2.00@1.00
No. 3	15c@5c	No. 3, Timber	\$1.25@.75c		
No. 4	worthless	No. 4, Timber	75c@.50c	BADGER	
MUSKRAT—Central				No. 1, large	\$1.00@.50c
No. 1, large	65c@50c			No. 1, medium	75c@50c
No. 1, medium	50c@35c			No. 1, small	50c@30c
No. 1, small	35c@25c			No. 2	25c@15c
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RATTLER CAVE IN MONTANA

People of Neighborhood Kill 290 Snakes in Their Efforts at Extermination.

A posse of extermination was organized and at least 290 rattlesnakes of all sizes were killed in Rattlesnake Gulch, near Three Forks, yesterday.

The source of the hundreds of the reptiles, from which the gulch takes its name, was found in the shape of a small cave, discovered by accident by Amos Smith. Mr. Smith notified his friends in Three Forks and nearly a hundred men and boys proceeded to the scene, armed with all variety of weapons.

For three hours the battle raged and at its close 290 rattlers were counted strewn on the ground, and not a man had been bitten. The reptiles were slightly dormant, owing to the coolness, but when aroused would sally forth from the cave. Clubs, shotguns and rifles were used in the slaughter. When no more snakes emerged from the cave a repeating shotgun was discharged into it and about fifty more were dragged forth.

Some of the specimens killed measured more than three feet long, while others were only a few inches in length. Some of the larger ones will be stuffed and placed on exhibition. For years the farmers in the neighborhood have been bothered by the great number of rattlesnakes. The gulch of that name was literally alive with them. The den discovered by Mr. Smith is on the People's ranch. After cleaning out this den it was decided to continue the crusade and there are a number of men and boys scouring the community for more snakes—Bozeman correspondence Anconda Standard.

Mountain in the Sky.

Probably few persons are aware that somewhere, many miles away from this earth, an enormous mountain twenty miles high is flying through space. This mountain is known astronomically as the planet Eros. The ordinary man has long taken it for granted that all the planets are more or less round in shape. The small planet Eros, however, is an exception to this rule. According to the latest astronomical information it is a mere mountain in space, "without form and void," and as it turns upon its axis first one corner and then another is presented to view. These small worlds (few are over ten or twenty miles across) are not large enough to have sufficient gravity to draw their structure into symmetry and remain as when launched into space—mammot meteorites. A tantalizing fact for astronomers is that Eros passed close to us about Jan. 24, 1894—before the planet was recognized—and that quite so near an approach is not due again till 1975.

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FARMER'S DAUGHTER ELOPES

Seventeen-Year-Old Brookfield Girl Marries Farm Hand.

Brookfield, Mo., Jan. 15.—Miss Blanche Brewer, 17 years of age, a sophomore in the Brookfield high school and daughter of E. W. Brewer, a well-to-do farmer of this county, eloped Sunday with Leo Grant, 31 years old, who had been employed on her father's farm. The bride had been boarding in town and attended school as usual all last week. They went to Chillicothe to be married and have returned here for the parental blessing, which as yet has not been received.

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