

WICHITA MARKETS

The Receipts of Stock at the Wichita Union Stock Yards for the Past 48 Hours Were: Cattle, Light; Hogs, 4590. Shipments: Cattle, None; Hogs, None.

WICHITA, July 25. The cattle receipts were light, and there was hardly a sufficient amount of stuff in to test the market. There were some good sales today of some fair stockers. The market is quoted strong at Saturday's prices.

The quotations here presented are to give the shipper an idea of the general range of prices. The various classes according to the quality of their carcasses and the state of the daily markets. These quotations are only for reference. The permanent change in the general market on the representative of the several classes is as follows:

Table with columns: No., Description, Price, and Remarks. Lists various stock types and their market prices.

Hog receipts were about 500 head and all found sale. The market was strong and active. Packers are objecting to the great number of light hogs that are being brought in.

J. F. Henderson of Burden, Kan., had hogs on sale today. W. L. Farberhansen, the well known shipper of Corbin, had a mixed load on the market this evening.

D. McLeWise, a shipper from Lewis, Kan., marketed hogs today. Houser & Jones, the well known shipping firm, had hogs on the market today.

Mr. Jones came in with the load and was well satisfied with the market. He states that the corn is in splendid shape in his part of the state, but that it is not so far advanced as ours. He says the wheat and oats crop is the biggest he ever saw.

WICHITA GRAIN MARKET. WICHITA, July 25. Following are the closing quotations: WHEAT—No. 1, 1.00; No. 2, .95; No. 3, .90.

WICHITA PRODUCE MARKET. FLOUR—Highest patent, 1.00; No. 1, .95; No. 2, .90. CORN—No. 1, .45; No. 2, .40; No. 3, .35.

LIVE STOCK MARKET. KANSAS CITY, July 25. Receipts: Cattle, 100; Hogs, 500. Shipments: Cattle, 50; Hogs, 200.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH. NEW YORK, July 25. COFFEE—No. 1, 15.00; No. 2, 14.50. SUGAR—No. 1, 12.00; No. 2, 11.50.

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FACTS ABOUT SPONGES. How They are Fished Up from the Bottom of the Sea.

Where the Finest and Most Expensive Varieties are Found—A Specimen Nearly Five Feet Long and Two Feet Thick. The gathering and preparation for market of sponges is an industry of peculiar interest, and notwithstanding their very extensive use in all countries, the details of the work are known to but comparatively a small number of the general public.

Upon the arrival of the boats they are quickly emptied of their contents by hand-leaved little pickaninnies, who for a penny will dive down in forty feet of water and pluck up a sponge worth a dollar when prepared. After having been spread out upon the dry hot sand the sponges are beaten well to remove the gelatinous, slimy matter constituting their animal life.



DIVING FOR SPONGES.

being discernible to a depth of 50 or 60 feet. When the surface of the water is slightly ruffled the sponge fisher uses a simple though very effective instrument to enable him to see clearly the bottom of the water. This consists of a plain piece of glass securely fitted to the ends of four pieces of wood in telescope style.

In the deep, placid bays of the blue Mediterranean and the Persian gulf grow luxuriantly the finest and most expensive varieties of the sponge. These often develop an extraordinary beauty of form and softness of texture.

The antiquity of the sponge in history is well known. Its extreme usefulness and universal growth has caused it to be utilized and appreciated by all peoples. In this country the sale of sponges is exclusively in the hands of the pharmacists.

Not afraid. Husband—If you don't stop using those cosmetics, you'll have facial paralysis. Wife—Well, you've often said my features look best in repose.—N. Y. Weekly.

ADVERTISE. THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN. Your Wants Supplied.

FOR SALE—20 ACRES OF MILE WEST OF WICHITA, Kan. 20 acres of land, well watered, with a good building, well located for a business house.

FOR SALE—ONE TWO-STORY BRICK BUILDING. 120 feet deep, 40 feet wide, with a good building, well located for a business house.

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DR. J. E. BENNETT. 143 N. Main St.

Preparing for an Emergency. Lieutenant (to his orderly)—Johann, go to the restaurant and bring me a beefsteak with onions.

Orderly—Lieutenant, I take the liberty of reminding you that you are invited to dinner to-day.

Where have I been invited out to dinner? "You have been invited to dine with the privy councilor, Von Schmidt."

"So I have to dine with the old miser. I must not go there unprepared. Johann, go to the restaurant and bring me two beefsteaks with onions."—From the German.

Despair. "Miss Hinckley, will you be my wife?" "Why, surely, Mr. Sappy, you must know I am engaged to Harry Watkins."

"Great Scott! Is there a girl in town that isn't engaged? You are the seventh I've asked this week."—Harper's Bazar.

Not a Tyrant. "You have got a new hired girl, I see, Mrs. Youngwife."

"Yes; I got her about a week ago." "How do you like her?" "Very much indeed. She lets me do almost as I like about the house."—N. Y. Press.

An Earnest Worker. Hungry Biggins—Where you been for de las' tree days? Heavy Watkins—Been workin' for de ticket.

"What ticket?" "Meal ticket. Wood yard."—Indianapolis Journal.

IT WAS HIS HAT. That Was What Caused Mr. Johnson So Much Embarrassment.

"A begum that once caused me considerable embarrassment," said Howard Johnson, an enthusiastic geologist, to the Globe-Democrat.

"In 1875 I was making some explorations in the mountains of North Carolina and eastern Tennessee. The natives were a very primitive lot, and few of them had ever seen a locomotive or a town of 3,000 inhabitants.

They spun and wove their own clothing, made their own whisky, and lived on corn bread, salt pork, 'yarbs' and sassafras tea.

"One evening I reached a village of perhaps two dozen houses and created as much excitement as a circus in the 'black belt.' Everybody turned out to stare at me and follow me about, and couriers were dispatched to the country folks to come in and view the curiosity.

They were soon arriving, foot on mules and steers, and one old fellow came in hot haste astride a bull wearing a rope bridle. I was vexed and puzzled. I secured quarters for the night and went to my room, but the crowd hung about the house and talked in subdued whispers.

Finally a committee, composed of two of the oldest citizens, was appointed to wait upon me. Their mission was to inquire if my head really ran up to the top of that tall hat. They looked disappointed, and said they didn't see any use for more hat than head. After that I wore a regulation sloouch until I got back to civilization.

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