

Agricultural Column.

FLAX CULTURE.

The following may be useful to our readers by calling their attention to the propriety of raising flax. There has been but few experiments made in its culture in this part of the State. Mr. Wallace, of Humbolt Creek, raised some flax two or three years ago, which done very well. We should judge that our soil and climate would be well adapted to its growth, as we have a species of wild flax in this vicinity so nearly like the common cultivated flax, as scarcely to be told from it when growing. Let our farmers give flax a trial; it will be good to make ropes of to tie up your cattle, if you do not make any other use of it:

EDS. PRAIRIE FARMER: Having in my young days been dressed from top to toe in the production of the flax field, manufactured on the home loom, I am interested in the flax question as it is now being presented to the people of Illinois. I would not urge all farmers to go into the flax culture; yet all who have suitable ground, and can procure seed at moderate prices, and can attend to it without detriment to other crops, may safely sow an acre or two, without apprehension of loss. If nothing be obtained but the seed, it will be better than corn at fifteen cents per bushel.

Previous to 1825 or '36, many of the farmers of Ohio cultivated yearly a small plot of flax, chiefly for their own manufacture and wear; others purchased in the market, if I remember right, at from six to nine cents per pound. The labor of breaking and dressing in that day was all done by hand, and was hard and slow.

No doubt, if the culture should again become necessary, machinery would be brought into requisition that would take the place of manual labor. It was also taken from the ground by being pulled up by the roots by hand; this was very tedious and laborious, and no doubt can be better done now by some of the reaping and mowing machines in use for grain.

The flax brake and the contrivance for dressing out the broken stalk from the fibre, (I forget the title by which it was known) are doubtless in the recollection of many of your readers; and if some one who has the faculty for drawing, would present you a sketch of them, they would be interesting at least as relics of the past, if they serve no useful purpose of the present. T. G.

PROFITABLENESS OF COTTON RAISING.

I think the soil of Kansas is rich enough to raise good cotton. I have never seen so poor land here as in Alabama, which nevertheless yielded half a bale to the acre. I doubt whether Northern Kansas can find it profitable, but I am certain that, with present prices, the cultivation of cotton would prove profitable in Southern Kansas. The lands best adapted to cotton culture are the river and creek bottoms. If wet, they should be well drained.

A practical man will wish to know what he can make at it.

The customary bale of cotton weighs 500 pounds—which is ginned cotton—being equal to from 1500 to 1800 pounds of unginned cotton, or cotton in the seed.

The crack lands in Alabama produce one bale, or 1500 pounds of unginned cotton per acre; but many a planter makes money from land that yields hardly 600 pounds unginned cotton to the acre. I think any cotton land in Southern Kansas will mature and yield 750 pounds of unginned cotton, which is half a bale of cotton, and worth, in ordinary times, deducting ginning and bagging, twenty-seven dollars, and now worth twice as much.

A gin will cost, in Albany, N. Y., seventy-five dollars. Any good carpenter or machinist can set it up, and build the same to press the bales. One gin and press will answer four contiguous townships, and the owner thereof can afford to gin and bale the cotton—furnishing bagging and rope, which can be purchased in St. Louis—for one seventh. The customary prices in Alabama are one-eighth and one-tenth.

I would advise planting half the crop in the last week in April, and the remainder May 10th. I think the cotton plant is as hardy as the tomato. Any one raising cotton must remember that the whiteness and cleanliness of the cotton enhances its value.

Let some of the farmers of Southern Kansas make the experiment with one or two acres, and if it could be raised there, a good cotton factory of small dimensions would prove profitable among them, and render the cultivation remunerative. Were I planting the seed, I should prefer the upland seed to the Sea Island, as more nearly adapted to this climate and soil.—*Cor. Conservative.*

GOATS.—A goat used in Malta is the best milker of the family. A good ewe gives a gallon a day. Goat's milk in all Eastern countries, particularly in malarious districts, is considered more healthy than the milk of cows; and some learned physicians in this country declare that cow's milk, in malarious districts, is the moving cause of many attacks of bilious fever. In this view of the subject it may be well to inquire whether it would not be to the advantage of the people, in a sanitary, as well as a pecuniary point of view, to introduce the improved breed of goats into all sections reputed to be subject to malarious diseases.

MAKING VINEGAR.—To eight gallons of clear rain water, add three quarts of molasses, put it into a cask, shake well a few times, then add two or three spoonfuls of good yeast cakes. If in summer, place the cask in the sun; if in winter, near the chimney, where it may be warm. In ten or fifteen days, add to the liquid a sheet of brown paper, torn in strips, dipped in molasses, and good vinegar will be produced. The paper will, in this way, form what is called the "mother," or life of vinegar.

Legal Advertisements.

Legal Notice.

William Life, Plaintiff, vs. John Rowland, Defendant.

JOHN ROWLAND, of the State of Ohio, will take notice that William Life, of the county of Marshall, and State of Kansas, did on the 7th day of October, 1861, file his petition in the District Court in the Second Judicial District of the State of Kansas sitting within and for the county of Marshall, and others attached for judicial purposes in said State, setting forth that the said John Rowland did on the 15th day of September, A. D. 1860, make and deliver his certain promissory note in writing of that date, which he promised to pay to the said William Life one year after date, one hundred and sixty dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of twenty per cent per annum, until paid, and the object and prayer of said petition is to recover a judgment in favor of said William Life, and against the said John Rowland, for the amount of the principal of said note, and interest thereon from the 15th day of September, in the year of our Lord 1860, at the rate of twenty per cent per annum, and the said John Rowland is notified that an order of attachment has been issued against his goods and chattels, land and tenements, in this action, and that by order of said attachment, the Sheriff of Marshall county aforesaid has attached the following lands and tenements, to wit: the southwest quarter of section seventeen (17) in township number four (4) of range number nine (9), containing one hundred and sixty acres of land, and that John Rowland is notified that he is required to appear and answer said petition within twenty days after the 3d day of April, in the year of our Lord 1862.

WILLIAM LIFE, By J. D. BRUMBAUGH, PTF's Att'y. Attest: SAMUEL RAINS, Clerk, Feb. 18, 1862. By R. S. Newell, Deputy

State of Kansas, Second Judicial District. James Streeter, vs. Lorenzo Dow Rich. In the Second District Court for Marshall County.

THE above named Lorenzo Dow Rich will take notice that the above named plaintiff, James Streeter, on the 20th day of February, in the year of our Lord 1862, filed his petition in this action, the object and prayer of which is to recover a judgment against said defendant for the sum of two hundred dollars, due on a certain promissory note, dated July 24th, 1860, together with interest on said amount at the rate of twenty per cent per annum from the 24th day of July, 1860, and further to foreclose a certain deed of mortgage, executed by said defendant to this plaintiff, dated July 24th, 1860, conveying to said plaintiff the following described land, lying and situate in the county of Marshall, State of Kansas, to wit: the south half of the north east quarter, and north half of the south east quarter of section four (4) in township two (2) south of range six (6) east of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas; said lands having been so conveyed to secure the payment of said note; and said petition further prays that said lands be sold to pay said note, and said defendant is further notified that unless he demur or answer said petition on or before the 10th day of April, in the year of our Lord 1862, said petition will be taken as true and judgment and decree rendered accordingly.

J. D. BRUMBAUGH, PTF's Att'y. February 20, 1862 n186t.

James Streeter, vs. Robert Henry, Susan Henry, Caroline Watson. State of Kansas, Second Judicial District. In the Second Judicial District Court for Marshall County.

THE above named Robert Henry and Susan Henry will take notice that the plaintiff above named, James Streeter, on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1862, filed his petition in this action, the object and prayer of which is to recover a judgment against said defendants for the sum of one hundred dollars due on a certain promissory note, dated July 24th, 1860, together with interest on said amount at the rate of twenty per cent per annum from the 24th day of July, 1860; and further, to foreclose a certain deed of mortgage, executed by said defendants to this plaintiff, dated July 24th, 1860, conveying to said plaintiff the following described land: Lying and situate in the County of Marshall, and State of Kansas, to-wit: the south half of the south-west quarter of section thirty-one (31) in township number three (3) south of range number seven (7) east of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas. Said lands having been so conveyed to secure the payment of said note. And said petition further prays that said lands be sold to pay said note; and the interest of said Caroline Watson, defendant, be forever barred in said lands; and said defendants are further notified that unless they demur or answer said petition on or before the 10th day of April, 1862, said petition will be taken as true, and judgment and decree rendered accordingly.

J. D. BRUMBAUGH, PTF's Att'y. February 18, 1862. n186t.

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Legal Notice.

Thomas H. Hartwell, Trustee for Lucy B. Hartwell, Plaintiff.

vs. William P. Carr, Jeremiah Preston, Wm. P. Phillips, Trustee for David Dodge. In the Dist' Court for Marshall County.

THE above named defendants, Jeremiah Preston, William P. Phillips, Trustee of David Dodge, will take notice that an action has been commenced against you in the above entitled court; that the object and prayer of the petition filed herein on the 18th day of February, 1862, is to recover a judgment against said William P. Carr for the sum of two hundred and fifty-five dollars, with interest on the same sum at the rate of five per cent per month from the 23rd day of July, 1860, up to a note by him signed, dated July 28, 1859, for \$255 payable in twelve months after date to Lucy B. Hartwell, or bearer, with interest at five per cent per month after maturity, and to subject to sale to pay said judgment the following described premises: The southwest quarter of section twenty-four (24) township one (1) range nine (9), the same having by said William P. Carr on the 28th day of July, 1859, in trust to Thomas H. Hartwell, as Trustee, to secure the payment of the amount of said note and interest as aforesaid, and to foreclose said defendants of all claim to interest, or equity of redemption in said premises. Now, unless you plead, answer, or demur to said plaintiff's petition on or before the 10th day of April, A. D. 1862, said petition will be taken as true, and judgment rendered accordingly.

J. D. BRUMBAUGH, PTF's Att'y. February 18, 1862 n186t.

State of Kansas, Second Judicial District. James Streeter, vs. John Hughes. In the Second District Court for Marshall County.

THE ABOVE NAMED JOHN HUGHES will take notice that the plaintiff above named, James Streeter, on the 20th day of February, 1862, filed his petition in this action, the object and prayer of which is to recover a judgment against said defendant for the sum of two hundred dollars, due on a certain promissory note, dated July 28, 1860, together with interest on said amount at the rate of twenty per cent per annum from the 28th day of July, 1860, and further to foreclose a certain deed of mortgage, executed by said defendant to this plaintiff, dated July 28, 1860, conveying to said plaintiff the following described land, lying and situate in the county of Marshall, and State of Kansas, to wit: the south east quarter of section twenty, in township four, south of range six, east of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas; said lands having been so conveyed to secure the payment of said note, and said petition further prays that said lands be sold to pay said note; and said defendant is further notified that unless he demur or answer said petition on or before the 10th day of April in the year of our Lord 1862, said petition will be taken as true and judgment and decree rendered accordingly.

J. D. BRUMBAUGH, PTF's Att'y. February 20, 1862. n186t.

State of Kansas, Second Judicial District. James Streeter, vs. Emil C. Hooper. In the Second District Court for Marshall County.

THE ABOVE NAMED EMIL C. HOOPER will take notice that the plaintiff above named, James Streeter, on the 20th day of February, in the year of our Lord, 1862, filed his petition in this action, the object and prayer of which is to recover a judgment against said defendant for the sum of two hundred dollars, due on a certain promissory note, dated July 24th, 1860, together with interest on said amount at the rate of twenty per cent per annum from the 24th day of July, 1860, and further to foreclose a certain deed of mortgage, executed by said defendant to this plaintiff, dated July 24th, 1860, conveying to said plaintiff the following described land, lying and situate in the county of Marshall, State of Kansas, to wit: the south east quarter, and north half of the south east quarter of section four (4) in township two (2) south of range six (6) east of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas; said lands having been so conveyed to secure the payment of said note, and said petition further prays that said lands be sold to pay said note, and said defendant is further notified that unless he demur or answer said petition on or before the 10th day of April, in the year of our Lord, 1862, said petition will be taken as true, and judgment and decree rendered accordingly.

J. D. BRUMBAUGH, PTF's Att'y. February 20th, 1862 n186t.

Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned was appointed by John E. Ross, Probate Judge of Davis County, Kansas, Administrator of the estate of Joseph Rulo, deceased, dated January 10th, 1862. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate settlement of the same; and all persons having claims against said estate, are required to exhibit them to the Administrator to be allowed within one year after the date of the letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if such claims are not exhibited within three years from the date of these letters, they will be forever barred.

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