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The Oklahoma legislature is considering a measure that will prevent the carrying of revolvers at religious services by anyone except the minister. It may be supposed to be the idea of the law-makers that if the minister should succeed in making converts in that country they should start them immediately on the road to future happiness.—Cedar Rapids Gazette.

A London dispatch says that the annual report of the recruiting department of the British army shows that 49 out of every 1,000 recruits are utterly illiterate and that but 49 out of every 1,000 are described as well educated. It is much different in the army of the United States. Iowa alone sent over 5,000 men to the front in the Spanish-American war, and there was not one of them who could not at least read and write, and at least one-half of them were well educated. Nearly every state in the union has an equally good record.—Des Moines Register.

Tying knots in the handkerchief to jog one's memory had its origin in China thousands of years ago. Before writing was invented in that country, which did not happen until 3,000 B. C., memorable and important events were recorded by long knotted cords. The most ancient history of China is still preserved as told by these knots. When Emperor Tschang Ki invented writing the entire system of "knotting" was abandoned. And to-day the memory knots made by us in handkerchiefs are the only surviving descendants of that ancient custom.—N. Y. Herald.

Direct, county school and municipal taxes in Iowa aggregate $10 per capita. If we include indirect taxes that are paid in the form of licenses, fees, etc. the total contributions per capita is probably in the neighborhood of $15. The total appropriation of the present congress have been $1,600,000,000, distributed over two years, making the total per person per year, if the population is $80,000,000, $10 per capita. The total average tax thus paid by Iowa is about $25 per capita, or $125 for each average family of five. These figures will be startling to many.—Des Moines Leader.

There is a great lack of justice or even common sense in many of the laws that are inflicted on the people of this country. For instance, a boy born in this country is not allowed to vote until he is twenty-one years old—but he can be pressed into war to stop bullets in order to increase the bonded debt as soon as he is eighteen years old. And again the poor man can have a distress warrant issued against his humble belongings to pay an unjust tax, while the supreme court declares that the rich robber must be exempt as an income tax is illegal and cannot be collected.—Grinnell Signal.

The best way to build a thriving town is for all men to pull together and not strive to rend and pull down. All the residents of a town are partners and not opponents. In all likelihood the more business done by your rival the more you will do.—Every merchant who treats his customers honestly and fairly will get his share, and the more business that can be secured by united efforts the better it will be for all. When a town ceases to grow it commences to die, and the more people try to kill each other off in business and good name, the more rapidly will utter ruin come to all. Stand together for the advancement of every citizen, and if a man shows the ability to prosper, do not pull back with jealousy or weight him down with cold indifference.—Estherville Democrat.

Clark, the new senator from Montana, is worth $30,000,000. Of course he is a free silverite. He used to go to country school down in VanBuren county. He put in three months in school and nine months on a farm. He entered the college at Mt. Pleasant when a young man and put in two years' faithful work, until he ran out of funds.

He then went down into Missouri, where he taught country school. When the gold excitement broke out in the west he "joined the procession," took a claim, made $1,500 the first year, went into the Mercantile business, stuck to it until immensely rich, and then opened a bank in Montana. They do say that he earned his $30,000,000 honestly. He has traveled in Europe, can talk four languages, is a fine judge of art, and has one of the finest art treasures in the country. He owns 32,000 acres of coffee land in Mexico, copper mines in Arizona, great cattle ranches in Montana, silver mines in a dozen different sections, banks by the dozen, and several eastern manufacturing plants. All these things came to the boy who spent his early days on an Iowa farm!—Montezuma Republican.

In the report of the warden of the Anamosa penitentiary the statement is made that some time ago all tinkering was stopped in the cells of prisoners, and a dozen wagon loads of plunder taken out. There were grindstones, saws, chisels, files, vises, anvils, hammers, boxes, shells and shell work, etc., an enormous quantity of these articles used by convicts in manufacturing various articles on their own account. At the same time $800 in cash and numerous watches and jewelery were taken from the convicts and they were credited with the same, which they will receive when they are discharged. All newspapers and all sensational literature are now excluded from the convicts. All these things have greatly improved the disipline, it is claimed, and the removal of the private manufacturing concerns had, in the language of Deputy Warden Gurley, "effected an end of the scratching, screeching noise that infested the cell house." Convicts who are employed in shops are occasionally allowed, as an extra privilege, to do work on their on account in their cells when not otherwise employed, but not to exceed ten enjoy this privilege. Not an able bodied man in prison is now idle.—Cedar Rapids Gazette.

THE JOKE FACTORY.

Bad Enough

I used to kind o'think I'd sort o' like to settle down
An' mebbe quit his farmin' an enjoy a house in town;
An' clean forgit the atmosphere o' worry an o' toil
That seems to settle round you when you're tillin o' the soil.

I've tried it, an I'm satisfied; I'm going home ag'in
Compare to all them snowdrifts, country mud is slick an thin.
An when the fuel's gettin low 'twill do my feelin's good
To know the ax is handy fur to chop a load o' wood.

I'm goin home ag'in—out where there isn't any law
To keep a man from sittin down an waitin' fur a thaw.
I used to think 'twas hard to spade the ground; but, I dunno,
It's easier diggin garden than it is to shovel snow.

I'm goin back to where the pantry's allus full o' pie
An the bacon from the rafter is a-hangin' not too high;
Where all you've got to do is to lift your rations from the peg;
An the hens don't want a nickel every time they lay an egg.

—Washington Star

Patience With the Living.

Sweet friend, when thou and I are gone
Beyond earth's weary labor,
When small shall be our need of grace
From comrade or from neighbor;
Passed all the strife, the toil, the care,
And done with all the sighing—
What tender truth shall we have gained,
Alas! by simply dying?

Then lips too chary of their praise
Will tell our merits over,
And eyes too swift our faults to see
Shall no defect discover.
Then hands that would not lift a stone
Where stones were thick to cumber
Our steep hill path, will scatter flowers
Above our pillowed slumber.

Sweet friends, perchance both thou and I,
Ere love is past forgiving,
Should take the earnest lesson home—
Be patient with the living.
To-day's repressed rebuke may save
Our blinding tears to-morrow;
Then patience, e'en when keenest edge
May whet a nameless sorrow!

'Tis easy to be gentle when
Death's silence shames our clamor,
And easy to discern the best
Through memory's mystic glamour;
But wise it were for thee and me,
Ere love is past forgiving,
To take the tender lesson home—
Be patient with the living.

—Boston Watchman.

Creamery and Dairy

DAIRY SCHOOL NOTES.

Success of Daiy School Graduates—Pasteurized Cream.

Let me say quite a number of those who have registered are young men who are starting in life as hired men on farms and who have earned the money as such which will pay their expenses here his winter. Judging from past experience, these young men are investing their hard- earned dollars where they will bring a larger rate of interest than is possible in any other direction. If a young man who has to earn his way in the world wishes to get ahead and is bound to be a good farmer, we can help him here at this school more than in any way I can think of.

Let me show how our students are appreciated. Last fall a prize of $50 was offered by the Waukesha County Agricultural society to that herd of cows showing by actual test the highest yield of butter fat. This most worthy prize was won by a good Waukesha county farmer who was employing one of our students and a student from the Michigan Agricultural college as farmhands, and this kind hearted man gave the whole prize money to the two young students, because he said he would have not have won it had they not had charge of his herd and taken an interest in his cows. Indeed he said he never thought of trying to compete for the prize until they urged him to do so. Let me say, further, that the herds of Waukesha county competing for this prize were all tested by Mr. Gernon Bullard, another of our students.

During the past summer we have been selling pasteurized cream and milk in the city of Madison, the preparation of the same being under the direct charge of Dr. H. L. Russell, bacteriologist for our station. Some months ago I predicted that if pasteurization was a practical success, in a short time the consumption of cream in our cities would be quadrupled, and that the dairy business would be considerably enlarged through this factor. I am pleased to say that our pasteurization experiments have proved a great success, and that we are supplying a goodly number of families in Madison regularly with pasteurized cream. Under the old system, supplying cream is an uncertain practice. Sometimes the cream supplied the customer is thick and sometimes thin. Sometimes it keeps well and again it is sour almost as soon as delivered. Our pasteurized cream is analyzed and made of a certain per cent of richness, so that customers know each time just what they are getting in that particular. Then by being pasteurized it will keep at least a week at this season of the year, so that a family getting a bottle of cream can use from it at pleasure until it is gone. Having cream always in the house, that which was at first a luxury grows to become a necessity, for every one likes cream in some form for some purposes.—Professor W. A. Henry, Wisconsin Agricultural College, in Hoard's Dairyman.

Salt for Cows.

Cows will do much better with salt constantly before them. There is a difference in the churning of the cream, and the product is much better.

Like the Pasture.

The aim should be to give cows as nearly as possible the same food that they had when out in pasture. One of the best ways of doing this is by cooking the grain and steaming the hay.—Live Stock.

Compare Notes.

As we are about to commence on another year let us stop and compare notes to see whether we have made progress, or, on the other hand, have been going backward. Is your herd any better than it was a year ago? Is your product in better demand on account of improvement in quality?

Breeding for Twins.

Mr. Lewis Bidwell, a farmer in Sidney Centre, Delaware county, N. Y., has the opportunity to develop a herd of cows which will pretty uniformly bear twins and, other things being equal, would be more valuable than ordinary cattle. Three years ago one of his young cows bore twins and has done so every since. Its first calves were heifers and one of these has been bred and has borne twins. Probably in these last the twin bearing tendency will be so well developed that it will become hereditary. Or, if we follow the old story, how the patriarch Jacob developed ring streaked calves from cows of solid color by placing striped willow wands before the watering places of the cattle, it may be possible to secure occasional pairs of twins among cattle that have not been bred to the practice of twin bearing. When the cows are mating, let one of his cows that has just mated with the bull see another cow with twin calves by her side. When a few cows with twins are thus developed, it will be easy to increase their number. The cow has much imagination and it is particularly active at mating time. But to secure twins the cow should be in vigorous health, so that she will pass two receptacles from her ovaries when she is in heat. It is only the cows that do this that can bear twin calves. There are germs enough in the speematozoa of the bull to create 100 calves at each impregnation provided there are eggs enough in the womb to be fertilized. But this double breeding will not exhaust the cow if she is well fed and cared for, nor will it shorten her breeding period, for that is made shorter rather in cows that are not allowed to breed at all.—Boston Cultivator.

UGLY BULLS.

Let Them Work the Tread Power Every Day.

Ex Mayor W. L. Hunter, of Cumberland, Wis., was recently nearly gored to death by a Jersey bull on his stock farm near that city. Hardly a week passes, says Hoard's Dairyman, that we do not read of similar instances. The other day a neighbor who had a fine Jersey Bull found that he had broken out of the stable and had literally torn a heavy gate and a barn door in flinders. It was with difficulty that the animal was finally got into the stable. The owner never even put a ring in his nose. Some men exercise an almost criminal indifference and trust in their bulls only to wake up to the fatal error when it is everlastingly to late.

It is no wonder that the bull gets ugly. Any man of average spirit, shut up as a bull is, in nine cases out of ten would become frantic with rage. The bull should have plenty of exercise both for the sake of his health and his certainty as a stock getter. No better way on earth has ever been devised to tame an ugly bull, keep him in good health and teach him proper subjection than to put him on a tread power an hour every day. Any dairyman with 15 or 20 cows should be provided with a good tread power and a feed cutter. They will pay a big profit in the cutting of all the coarse fodder, and if the owner has a silo then they will come all the more into play. But, whether there is anything to cut or not, put the bull on the power every day and give him his exercise.

It will make him good tempered, docile and useful. All bulls are apt to have a strong, highly organized temperament. If they become inclined to be ugly, then we send them to the stockyard. Half of the bulls in the country are sold before the owner knows what is the quality of their breeding power. This is wrong and opposed to good dairy sense. With the daily exercises in the tread power the bull can be kept to 10 or more years of age if he proves to be a valuable sire of dairy cows.

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A Brazilian Indian Story.

Here is a Brazilian Indian story, says the New York Times. The jaguar and the monkey met. The jaguar had a luscious bunch of plantains which the monkey craved. "I will gladly give you the plantains," said the jaguar, "providing you catch a fawn for me." "Agreed," cried the monkey. "But," added the jaguar, "if you don't get the fawn you must promise to let me bite a mouthful out of you." "Agreed," once more cried the gleeful monkey. The monkey ate the plantains, and the little matter about the fawn quite slipped his memory.

Then one day the jaguar met the monkey and insisted on taking his pay out of the monkey's hide. The business, becoming serious, was left to the peccari to decide. "It seems all right enough," said the peccari, "only this: How am I to determine what is the exact size of a jaguar's mouthful and also where is he to bite? He had better refer the matter to the big snake." The big snake took the subject under consideration. His judgment was that he would have to swallow the jaguar, the monkey and the peccari. The jaguar and peccari he did at once assimilate, but the monkey, being nimble, escaped.

Notice to Patrons.

I wish to notify my patrons that on Wednesday of each week I will be at Iowa City but will be at my office on all other days.
46tf DR. P. E. TRIEM.

FARMERS,

Why Not Sow Wheat This Spring?

The time is near at hand when you should begin seeding. The wheat question has not received the attention the past few years that it should. There is a large demand for good wheat the year round, and a number of farmers were fortunate in sowing a few acres of wheat last season, with a good yield, which brought them a snug sum of money.

It pays to sow wheat and there is no reason why you cannot sow a few bushels and be well paid for it. We are quite anxious to have lots of wheat sown this year, and have therefore made arrangements for a car of choice spring seed wheat, which we will let go at cost in order to further the interest in the matter. Think this over and, if possible, put a few acres into wheat.

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The First Month of Spring

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