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General Miles is an historic character, who did not come by chance to his exalted position and the contrast between his conduct since the census and the style of the census is enough to wholly account for the president's notice of public feeling over it.—St. Louis City Tribune.

The new register of federal officeholders is said to include 222,000 names, exclusive of enlisted men in the army and navy. It is noted that there has been a large increase in the number of officeholders since the Spanish war, and it would seem that if we could only have a series of wars the time would come when there would be offices enough to furnish one for every citizen who voted right.—San Francisco Call.

Roosevelt seems to be "in the saddle." That he means to strengthen himself with influences that will assure his nomination in 1904 is evident. His practical surrender to the protected interests, as shown in his message and his appointment of a "practical politician" to succeed Secretary Smith are the straws which indicate which way the wind is blowing.—Atlanta Constitution.

It will cost a pot of money to send a high ranking officer of the army or navy to the coronation ceremonies at London in July next and nobody in official circles at Washington is willing at this time to accept responsibility for such expenditure. When General Miles attended the diamond jubilee he was allowed \$10,400, but the sum was so absolutely inadequate that the old soldier was entirely lost sight of in the cosmopolitan whirl of dignitaries. The coronation of Edward VII promises to be the most resplendent public function ever held in the United Kingdom—that is to say, in the world itself. If American army and navy officers are to be installed as a part of the international show congress will have to dive deep into the public treasury for the wherewithal to sustain national dignity on that occasion.—Philadelphia Record.

Prince Henry Coming. The coming of Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of Emperor William, and his personal representative to President McKinley and the American people on the occasion of the launching of a yacht being built for the emperor, will cause great sorrow in London, where a studied effort has been made to create the impression that the relations between the United States and Germany are strained. The admiral, the president, has been thanked for allowing her to perform the service, will, to the mind of John Bull, be carrying the exhibition of love and affection to the extreme, the more especially as the editors of London are just at this time pounding the German empire into the ground.

It is stated that this country of Admiral Prince Henry in this country has not been determined and will depend somewhat on the wishes of his brother. It may be said that if the Americans, particularly the German-Americans, are allowed to have their way, he will stay for some time and will be entertained. If the Americans can have their way he will leave the coast and journey inland, where he will be able to see such German cities as Cincinnati, Cleveland, Zanesville, Dayton, Chicago, Milwaukee, Davenport, St. Louis, and many others, and the people of interior Iowa would be more than pleased to have him call at Cedar Rapids as a central city in the midst of the German rural population of the state, so that he might hear "The Watch on the Rhine" rendered away from home and observe how the conditions of a republic agree with his one-time fellow citizens in all the walks of life.—Cedar Rapids Gazette.

Make Food Adulteration a Felony. A painstaking food expert, George S. Baker, says, after exhaustive investigation, that the chemicals used in the adulteration of flour sugar and other articles of diet, he is convinced, responsible for wholesale loss of life. According to this authority the chemicals used in the manufacture of adulterants are permitted to remain in the food products when finished, as the food makers cannot utilize the chemicals commercially or profitably if the least is removed. An analysis of the most staple articles of food, such as bread, sugar and meat, purchased at random from reputable dealers, yields, according to this testimony, large quantities of acid adulterants. In the case of meat the preserving liquids are said to be especially prolific of poisonous substances in the analytical tests.

Perhaps the most disquieting assertion by Mr. Baker, which is deliberately made, is that even the best grades of flour are not chemically pure and that many of the grades are found to be adulterated fully 25 per cent. Surely it is incumbent upon the pure food inspectors appointed and maintained under the pure food laws of this and other states to find out by scientific means whether or not such an assertion is true. Simple foods, such as flour, sugar and meat products, which enter into the daily dietary of the people as a whole must be protected at any cost. It is not enough for pure food inspectors to maintain well equipped laboratories for testing the scores of manufactured food products that enter but meagerly into the people's daily dietary. They should begin at the foundation and give us assurance that the staple food products are unadulterated before wasting the pure food appropriations in less important investigations.—Chicago Chronicle.

Insurance at Cost. M. E. Hill, Secretary of the Delaware County Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co., and County Agent for the Iowa Mutual Tornado Insurance Co. will be at Franklin's office in Manchester, Saturday afternoon of each week.

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To-day. In the calendars of the greatness are but sabbath days; For to-morrow brings no laurels, And the waiting win no bays. To the poet comes the vision, To the painter comes the dream; But only in the present Can he shape the golden theme.

The statesman never falters With the time to do at hand, And the warrior never slumbers When the trumpets rouse the band; The sailor spreads his canvas When the wind blows out to sea, And to-day is the furrow For the harvest yet to be.

Hog Notes. A sow that does not prove a good mother should be discarded. Change the bedding of the sows reasonably often. The boars should have abundant exercise and a good variety of food. There is no possible advantage in permitting more than one service. Never breed to an animal that has developed a bad disposition. A vicious sow will, as a rule, produce pigs having the same faults. The value of a sow as a breeder does not consist of her prolificness alone quality is also an element.

The chief evil resulting from in-breeding are debility, weakness of constitution and infertility. When several sows are kept it is quite an item so far as can be done to have them farrow as near together as possible. The animals selected for breeding purposes should be fed and cared for, so as to produce most thrifty habits. The normal condition of animals is more or less affected by the changes of the temperature and results from the same feeding are varied. So far as can be done, arrange the hog troughs so that the hogs cannot get their feet in them. All stock will thrive better and grow faster if they are not compelled to carry a heavy load of dirt. The early breeding invariably stunts the growth and prevents the proper development of the frame. Usually there is more danger in castrating an extremely fat pig than a poor one. When a young pig becomes too fat the heart is one of the first organs to suffer. The most popular breed of hogs is that for which early maturity and good size are claimed. In selecting the breeding stock select those from dams that are regular breeders. The evenness and regularity of the feeding mark the degree of success in putting hogs for market. If there is any cornness on either side let it be on the side of the sow rather than the boar.—Farmer's Tribune.

Good Stock Required. In a western agricultural journal of recent date there was the following advice to farmers: "When purchasing bulls for the dairy, do not get the higher priced or the best quality, but get pedigree stock. Get the best only when buying to raise beef stock, the poorer quality will help out your dairy herd and will answer every purpose in that direction as well as a costly animal."

This is queer advice certainly to a dairyman, and evidently shows that in that part of the country, where this journal is located, the breeding of stock for beef takes the precedence entirely of that devoted to dairy purposes. The breeding and growing of stock for beef is a great and important industry in the west, as is well known all over the United States, and one has only to read the papers particularly devoted to the interests of beef production and examine the advertising patronage, to enable him to decide at once as to the magnitude of this vast industry and the breeds of cattle that are largely favored for this kind of business. The west particularly excels in this department of farming, and it is no more than right that it should be advanced to the greatest possible extent. The advice that those engaged in the production of beef should secure the best bulls possible for breeding purposes, is timely and accurate. Here is the beginning of the whole matter.

Thus far, all is correct, but when it is plainly intimated that in selecting a bull for the dairy herd a poorer quality or lower priced animal will do just as well, there is evidently a misunderstanding in the matter, or the writer has not made it sufficiently plain in stating it. There should be the best of males for both these purposes, but the animals may and should vary much in size, contour and general make up. One breed will answer a good purpose in beef production, to which it has been particularly bred, but not for the dairy, so it may be said on the other hand that a certain breed is best for the dairy but would make a poor showing in the production of beef. The bull from the breed selected may indeed cost more than the one for the dairy, but that should not answer as an argument in the case.

breeders of fine dairy stock would not think much of the advice in favor of getting a poor quality or cheap male for the use in the herd, when the idea should be to get a "little better one than the last used" and thus keep the herd continually improving. Pedigree is all right, if satisfactory, but it should trace back through a line of ancestry that shows a decided tendency to a profitable production of milk and butter or cheese, and not of beef. Such stock is consequently of the best quality and usually commands good prices. Let there be no mistake here. It is just as necessary and important to get males of the greatest possible or intrinsic value or quality for the perpetuating of the best dairy stock, as to get for beef. Let the two ideas—as to

What is wanted—be distinct and separate, as they certainly are in character and results.—E. R. Towle in Garden and Farm.

An Awful Disappointment. "The most disappointed man I ever saw," said a Baltimore financier, "was a poor wretch who was about to be hanged in one of the northeastern counties of Maryland. I happened to be there about the time and accepted an invitation to witness the execution. This fellow's lawyers had been working hard to save his neck, and there seemed to be some possibility that he might be reprieved. The time set for the execution arrived, however, and the sheriff made plans to carry out the execution. The march to the scaffold had begun, and the prisoner was about to mount the steps when a messenger arrived, waving a telegram in his hand. "The procession was at once stopped, and the sheriff took the telegram, but saw that it was addressed to the condemned man. He handed it to the fellow, who, trembling with hope, tore open the envelope. He cast his eager glance at the message, paled and let it drop from his hand. The sheriff picked up the paper, read it, and the march to the scaffold was resumed. In a few minutes the man who had hoped for a reprieve was in eternity. "The message was from some minister who had become interested in his case. It told him to trust in the Lord and he would be saved."—Washington Post.

Alaska's Inhospitable Interior. In the vast and almost unknown interior of Alaska the climate is arctic. The winter is of eight months' duration, dry and, excepting certain restricted localities, entirely free from wind. The temperature descends as low as 80 degrees, with a mean of perhaps 40 degrees. Ice forms in the rivers and lakes to a thickness of eight feet and more. Summer extends over four months. During its earliest month high winds prevail. The balance of this short season is mild and the temperature pleasant, rarely exceeding 80 degrees. The snow and rain annually precipitated is about 12.9 inches.—Era.

Nearing the Finish. "How long has the minister been preaching?" whispered the stranger who had wandered into the church and sat down away back. "About thirty years, I believe," replied the other occupant of the pew. "That being the case," rejoined the stranger, "I guess I'll stay. He must be nearly done."—Chicago News.

Strange Misapprehension. Bert: How do you like that last poem of mine? Nagus—First rate. It's so restful, so soothing, don't you know. Bert:—Restful! Great Scott, man! It's an epic! Nagus—Good heavens! I thought it was a lullaby!—Chicago Tribune.

His Good Wife. Dr. Price—Your husband's trouble is melancholia. Now, you'd help him materially if you'd only arrange some pleasant surprises for him. Mrs. Sharpe—I know! I know! I'll tell him you said he needn't bother about paying your bill till he feels like it.—Philadelphia Press.

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