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Nothing to Eat But Food.

Joe Trigg: He had just finished stacking the last of the grain, and went into the house for supper, no company expected, just an ordinary meal for the family. Illustrating how an up-to-date farmer can live on his nothing. On the table there were cold fried chicken and poached eggs, cottage cheese, baked potatoes, sliced tomatoes, apple sauce, corn bread and riz biscuit, beet and cauliflower pickles, the finest of butter, thick cream and a pitcher of milk, a fruit salad and tea, and with the exception of sugar and tea, everything on the splendid bill of fare was produced on his own farm. But doesn't that layout make a man's mouth water when he thinks he has to fall back on his salary, a telephone and a town grocer? And the above menu could be changed and never deteriorate either in quantity or quality 365 days in the year.

Have You Noticed the Same Things?

We saw a United States senator eat pie with a knife once, and right beside him sat a lunkhead who mixed it up with a fork in the most approved style.

We saw an old Podunk get elected to an office and his competitor, college bred and educated, was in the also "ran" column. He did not "set 'em up to the boys."

We know an old bat who can flip a penny into the contribution box and make it ring like a quarter.

We know a fellow who hardly ever votes who has more fault to find with the government than a populist, every year.

We have seen an old fellow come into town wearing a fur coat, while his wife didn't have on enough clothes to attend a harvest festival in September.

We know a fellow who can write an editorial for any paper in Iowa who can't say "boo to a goose" if asked to rise to his feet and make an address.

We know of another who can get up and make his tongue run like a threshing machine, who couldn't write a ten line local so you could read it, nor spell one word in ten correctly. It takes all kinds of people to make a world.

A Political Story and a Moral.

Des Moines News: The new governor of Minnesota has a name as common as mud.

Hitched to him is a story that makes you feel like taking off your hat and cheering the common people, who have big hearts and a keen appreciation of justice.

John A. Johnson is a Swede, the son of a Swedish emigrant. He worked his way up in the world and was honored by his fellow men. His candidacy for governorship made him a political target. He took his medicine like a man. Finally the statement was made that he allowed his mother to take in washing and that his father had died in the poor house.

That mean, low down story was investigated to the limit and here is the truth of it:

At the age of ten John A. Johnson, almost a baby, in school to help his mother. She did take in washing. It required the united efforts of the pair to keep the wolf from the door. The father would not work. He was a loafer. Love for his wife and boy failed to move him, and, at last, friends of the family sent the man to the poor house, where he could no longer live on a woman and child.

The boy kept on working. He ran errands, he did odd jobs. He wore patches. He carried a man's burden on his shoulders and never complained. His one ambition then was to be able to support his mother, and he did not rest until it was accomplished.

That story reached the ears of the voters of Minnesota. As a campaign argument it was ten times as powerful as would have been a method of securing universal peace.

John A. Johnson is a democrat. He ran ahead of his ticket something like 140,000. The Johnson landslide ran neck with the Roosevelt landslide. He is the new governor. You can bank on this fact! At heart the people are all right, and they love courage, fidelity, affection and integrity, and they know a man when they see him.

New Cars on the St. Paul Road.

The Milwaukee and St. Paul road has just received from the car shops of Barney & Smith at Dayton, Ohio, two fine observation cars of an entirely new design. They have been built with a view to increasing the comfort of women. Their novelty feature consists of the isolation of smokers in a compartment occupying one-half the car. The cars have all the latest improvements in the way of toilet-rooms, electric lamps, electric fans, writing desks, etc. The observation platforms are much more extensive than in the old-time observation cars, and the cars themselves are of a much stronger type, being furnished with a series of steel arches from side to side, so that it will be next to impossible to crush in the sides. The new cars are for use on the road's Overland Limited trains between Chicago and Omaha. They will be put into commission immediately.—Chicago Evening Post, November 19, 1904.

A new flower—a large yellow poppy has been introduced into England from Tibet. It is called the "Necosis integrifolia."

Seasonable.

Better warm yourself by wadin' An' watch what y' are eatin'. It's the coal man's game ter git you If you don't watch out.

The Blessing of a Friend.

Comment me to the friend that comes When I am sad and lone, And makes the anguish of my heart The ecstasy of bliss; Who cooily shares the glimmering throng At pleasure's gay levee, And goes to find a summer hour And give his heart to me.

He hears me count my sorrows o'er, And when the task is done, He freely gives me all I ask— A sigh for every one.

He cannot wear a smiling face When mine is sad and lone; But like the violet seeks to cheer, The midnight with perfume.

Comment me to that generous heart, Which, like the dove on high, Uplifts the same unvarying brow To every change of sky.

Whose friendship does not fade away With wintry tempests blow, But like the lark's song, Looks greener through the snow.

He flies not with the fitting stork, But lingers where the wounded bird Hath laid him down to die, Oh, such a friend! He is in truth, A rainbow on the storm of life, An anchor on its sea.

—Springfield Republican.

Inmates of the state institutions

are ideal agriculturalists, according to John Cowrie, of the state board of control. The insane patients, the convicts at the state prisons and even the bad boys at the industrial school at Eldora, according to him are vronder workers when it comes to making old mother earth yield an abundance of palatable and nutritious provender for man and beast.

As an illustration, he cites the yield of 1,000 bushels of potatoes, which were harvested from three and one-half acres at the state industrial school for boys at Eldora. At Ft. Madison the convicts plant rows of corn and potatoes that are as straight as can be, while Mt. Pleasant 375 hogs were marketed at the age of twelve months that averaged 274 pounds each and were of uniform size and as clean as a white rabbit.

Farming constitutes one of the chief features of life at each of the state institutions. They are expected to furnish all vegetables and much of the meat for themselves and in fact everything that any of the state wards eat is furnished directly or indirectly by themselves.

An idea of the farms at the various state institutions may be had by glancing at the product of the Eldora farm for this year. In addition to the potato crop to which references has been made, there are 75 acres more of potatoes; 75 acres of corn (and it looked fine); 60 acres of oats in the stack; 200 tons of clover and timothy hay; 30 acres of white beans, 30 acres of sorghum; 10 acres of pumpkins; 5 acres of onions, 1 acre of parsnips, and 1 acre of carrots. Besides this acreage, large quantities of celery, cabbage, tomatoes, egg-plants, Kale, lima beans and butter beans are grown. Seventy five barrels of cucumber pickles have already been put up. At the Eldora farm the state has 150 old hogs, 450 shoats, 69 cows, 7 horses and 16 mules.

To Keep Apples.

While scientists at the state institutions throughout the country, and especially in Iowa are trying to discover a means whereby they may preserve uncooked apples from one crop to the next, Hon. C. W. Stewart an Iowa farmer, has solved the mystery. Last season an effort was made under the direction of the State Agriculture college to keep apples in cold storage, but they spoiled. The test however was not decided to be a decisive one and another such effort is being made. But without the use of ice or artificial means the Polk county farmer has discovered the long sought for method of preservation and will be eating last year's apples while he is picking this year's crop.

On the dining room table at Mr. Stewart's home is a large dish of the well preserved apples every day and some have been sent to friends in this city. They are the Ben Davis variety and are as solid and rosy skinned as when picked from the twig of their mother tree last fall. They give out a remarkable aroma, which permeates the atmosphere of the entire home and their flavor is delicious.

These apples were preserved in an earthen cave. Not a few of them as an experiment, but barrel after barrel. It is not a few which remains intact, but all of them. — Mr. Stewart had a good crop last fall and placed them in the cave which he has had for several years, but had never before considered as a good storehouse for apples. This cave which preserved the fruit is dug six feet deep in the ground and sides walled up with brick. A roof is placed over this and that covered with a great mound of earth. This was originally built for a cyclone cellar and has been used as a storehouse for potatoes, vegetables, and even milk has been kept sweet there. Mr. Stewart has forty apple trees and last fall decided to try storing his crop, which was large.

The fruit is now coming out in excellent shape. There is not a spot on it and some which had previously been affected by bugs remain the same as when picked. They have decayed non whatever. There is now no symptom of their spoiling, and the supply being large the farmer will have apples to eat during the coming season of ripening. This winter he will repeat the experiment.

Fruit last year was in exceptionally good condition as the heavy rains did away with worms. Such will also be the case this year and it is expected the crop will be as good as has been averaged in this state during past years.

Latest Objection to Orders. The sentiments of Pompeii who died at their posts during the eruption because they had received no orders to leave them, are held up as types of perfect obedience. But when the punishments in the Roman army were brutal and they knew it. Different was the case of an individual who, being ordered to take a hot bath by his physician, complied with the order and remained in it until the learned man paid his next visit. The doctor exclaimed: "Why, it is enough to kill you by paralyzing or chill." "It was all your fault," said the bather sulkily. "You only told me to get into a hot bath. You ought to have told me when to get out as well."

Depew Was Embarrassed.

A new Depew story is going the rounds which is an amusing variation of the ancient theme of the prophet in his own country. The senator, in great haste, had boarded a Forty-second street car in New York to catch a train from the Grand Central station. To his embarrassment, he found himself without a penny of change. He sought the conductor. "I am Senator Depew," he explained. "I must catch a train in four minutes, and I haven't my fare." "That won't go here," snarled the conductor. "I beg your pardon," was the good natured rejoinder. "Here's my card. Come to my office tomorrow and I will give you 25¢." "Now, 'Nothin' doin'," "But I am Channey Depew. If you will only—"

"See here," said the conductor, "it won't work. I don't care if you're Channey Depew, you've got to pay your fare on this train."

Right Way to Open a Book. It books were so widely treated when they were newly bound there would be less likelihood of their backs being broken afterward by rough handling. The covers should be opened, one at a time, and laid as far back as the table upon which the book is resting, then cradle the book, a few at the back and a few at the front of the book, should be laid upon the covers. The book will then be in condition for ordinary wear and the covers will not break away if not abused. When called suddenly away from a book which you are reading do not lay it face down on a table nor throw a handkerchief between its leaves, but have a book mark ready and place it between the leaves, closing the book.

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The keeper of the lighthouse near Crescent City, Cal., reports a battle between a sea lion and an octopus. The octopus, shipped to them over the sea, had its tentacles around the lion's body, but the lion bit one of them after the other and ate them. Others then helped to dispose of the sea lion's carcass.

The Malay and His Wives. The Malay is allowed four wives, but he is too wise to take the limit simultaneously or to be on with the new before he is off with the old; and though he may divorce and replace without much difficulty, the women also have privileges, which, in the better classes, mean settlements, division of property and the children provided for by law. Families are numerically small.

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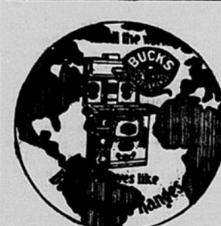
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