

OUR LIVE STOCK.

Some interesting figures are given by the Federal Bureau of Crop Estimates regarding live stock resources in Louisiana and Mississippi, from which it is seen that on Jan. 1, 1915, there was a total of 3,229,000 head of horses, mules, cattle, sheep and swine in Mississippi, and a total of 2,631,000 head in Louisiana.

Numerically, swine leads in both States, there being 1,540,000 in Mississippi, with an average valuation of \$7.20, and in Louisiana the number of pigs of all sizes was placed at 1,412,000, of \$7.70 average value. This represents approximately one-twentieth of the entire nation's supply of pork, and in view of the substantial increase in swine numbers locally the past five years, with keeper interest now being shown in this industry, we are prone to look most hopefully to our swine census figures a year hence.

Of horses, there are 191,000 in Louisiana, average value \$83, and 241,000 in Mississippi, average value \$8. In the item of mules, Mississippi is credited with the possession of 292,000, average value \$108, while Louisiana has 132,000, average value \$125. This discrepancy in valuation is due to the largest sized mules being used in such quantity on the sugar farms and in the cities of Louisiana.

As showing a greater live-at-home tendency on the part of stock owners in the Bayou State, the number of milch cows is placed at 434,000 for Mississippi, against 268,000 in Louisiana, with respective average valuation of \$35 and \$36. That the quality is lacking in our native cows, as compared with the general run of the country, is unfortunately all too strikingly shown by statement of the average milch cow valuation for the United States being \$55.33. It therefore behooves all of us who are desirous of better farming conditions to see that this defect is soon remedied by consistent grading up of herds. At this a fair start has already been made by numerous individuals, but the practice must become general if we are to see any noteworthy improvement, in which the extermination of the Texas fever tick will count most heavily.

The same fault of inferior breeding and minimization of values through tick depredations, is to be found with other cattle, as shown by the small valuation placed thereon; Mississippi's supply of other cattle than milch cows being 514,000, and Louisiana's 448,000.

Sheep constitute the most inconspicuous feature of the report, and they, too, are lacking in breeding and size, averaging \$2.20 value for the two States against an average for the United States of \$4.50. The statement tells that there are 180,000 wool producers in Louisiana and 208,000 in Mississippi.

These figures show gratifying progress with our live stock development as a whole; but such progress will be almost as nothing compared with the benefits yet to come with due thought widely given to the selection of better foundation stock and their care, and to the raising of heavy work animals, both mules and horses. All of this we will have to come to in order to reach a real enduring condition of farm prosperity and it is good to tell from the now perceptible drift of things towards improvement along cattle and work stock lines in general on Louisiana and Mississippi farms, that the sooner awakening in this regard is about to hand in these two States' live stock resources.—Modern Farming.

To the Housewife.

Madam, if your husband is like most men he expects you to look after the health of yourself and children. Coughs and colds are the most common of the minor ailments and are most likely to lead to serious diseases. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when it has a cold. If you will inquire into the merits of the various remedies that are recommended for coughs and colds, you will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy stands high in the estimation of people who use it. It is prompt and effectual, pleasant and safe to take, which are qualities especially to be desired when a medicine is intended for children. For sale by all dealers.

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PAINTING BROOKLYN BRIDGE TASK FOR HUMAN SPIDERS.

"Every three or four years it becomes necessary to paint the Brooklyn bridge in order to prevent the corrosion and deterioration of its structural members," says the April Popular Mechanics Magazine, in an illustrated article. "This is a task which requires the services of a small army of 'human spiders' who climb about over the web of cables and strainers with almost as much composure and agility as if they were insects instead of men.

"With buckets and brushes they cling in the network, swinging in the wind as the constant stream of traffic surges across the East River. Between them and the river beneath there is more than 200 ft. of space, and the cables.

"Every exposed strand and spot of the whole structure must be painted, so the men scramble over the cables until they reach the topmost point of the great towers, which extend 272 ft. above the water, and finally end up on the scaffolds suspended beneath the structure, where the mastsheads of passing vessels scrape under the plankings, sometimes missing them by a margin of only a few inches. This work continues usually for six or eight months before it is completed and costs approximately \$50,000."

GIVE "SYRUP OF FIGS" TO CONSTIPATED CHILD

Delicious "Fruit Laxative" can't harm tender little stomach, liver and bowels.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, your little one's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing at once. When peevish, cross, listless, doesn't sleep, eat or act naturally, or is feverish, stomach sour, breath bad; give some throat, diarrhea, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of its little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups.

(Advertisement.)

BONDS BELIEVED CASH IN.

A priest in Lafayette, La., had \$8,000 worth of the old Louisiana 4 per cent. bonds. He was robbed, and shortly after died. Meanwhile the new serial bond was issued and the old four per cent called in for redemption.

"I believe these eight bonds stolen from the priest, have been cashed in," said State Treasurer Ledoux E. Smith at the Grunewald, Saturday night. "We have exerted every effort to get the numbers and trace them, and we have some clues now. If it could be proven that they were stolen, an interesting issue would arise.—N. O. Item"



Rheumatism For Young and Old

The acute agonizing pain of rheumatism is soothed at once by Sloan's Liniment. Do not rub—it penetrates to the sore spot, bringing a comfort not dreamed of until tried. Get a bottle today.

SLOAN'S LINIMENT for neuralgia, sciatica, sprains and bruises. All Druggists, 25c. Send four cents in stamps for a TRIAL BOTTLE. Dr. Earl S. Sloan, Inc. Dept. B. Philadelphia, Pa.

How to Fight Tuberculosis

In a paper read last year before the Texas County Medical Society and published in part in the Louisiana Medical Progress, Dr. J. W. Carhart, of San Antonio, Texas, a physician who has devoted much time to the study of tuberculosis, said: "Since lime salts constitute three-fourths of all the mineral substances of the human body, they must be supplied in the foods or supplemented in mineral preparations, or natural starvation ensues with tuberculosis unchecked. The widespread and unchecked spread of tuberculosis and other preventable diseases is due largely to the de-mineralized (lime lacking) conditions of the food throughout the civilized world."

Thus from another authoritative medical source comes justification for the use of lime in the treatment of tuberculosis. Since this is one of the ingredients of Eckman's Alternative, much of the success attending the widespread use of this remedy doubtless is due to the combination of lime with such a way as to render it easily assimilable. It causes no stomach disturbance, and since it contains neither opium nor narcotics, it is safe for habit-forming drugs, it is safe to try.

Eckman's Alternative has effected remarkable results in numerous cases of pulmonary tuberculosis (consumption) and allied chronic affections of the throat and bronchial passages. In many instances such conditions, apparently, have yielded completely to it.

In case your druggist is out of it, ask him to order, or send direct to us. Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia. Price \$1.00 and \$5.00 a bottle. Estorge Drug Co., New Iberia, La.

HOW A FARM BOY EARNED AN AUTO.

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside a contributor tells the story of a South Dakota boy of nineteen who developed a tremendous enthusiasm for a new automobile but did not have the necessary cash. Finally he and his sister and other members of the family determined that they could make enough money out of hogs to buy a machine and this they set out to do. The sister furnished the capital, consisting of \$150, and with this a boar and ten registered sows were purchased. The story goes on as follows:

"The next spring all of the sows became mothers. One farrowed, and raised ten perfect pigs; another only two, and the other seven varied from three to seven. At weaning time we had 54 young pigs.

"The neighbors came to see them, and seldom left without leaving an order for from one to three. We decided on a uniform price: \$10 at weaning time and \$1 for each additional week we kept them; also, our sales were to be for cash.

"At first the pigs went slowly enough to be discouraging, but as threshing came on and the farmers got money they went fast, especially on rainy days when the ranchers couldn't thresh.

"By September 15th we had sold 39, and while our boar was on exhibition at a country fair we were offered \$100 for him which we accepted.

"The total was at this time a little short of the required amount, but one Saturday morning two men came and took away five.

"It was a happy day in our family. Father and I drove to town immediately after dinner, and I ran out the long-wished-for machine. We all took a holiday for a week and enjoyed it.

"We have nine original sows of the spring farrow and their October litters. We shall keep them, as we realize that the purchase of a car is only the first cost."—Ex.

Man Takes His Own Medicine Is An Optimist.

He has absolute faith in his medicine—he knows when he takes it for certain ailments he gets relief. People who take Dr. King's New Discovery for an irritating Cold are optimists—they know this cough remedy will penetrate the linings of the throat, kill the germs, and open the way for Nature to act. You can't destroy a Cold by superficial treatment—you must go to the cause of the trouble. Be so optimistic. Get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery today.

We surely ought to get an ice factory this summer, as one of our leading business men is taking steps to form a local stock company for that purpose, a party from New Iberia was here Wednesday and asked the Mayor to submit to the Council at its next meeting a request for an exemption of town taxes for ten years, and if granted, work on the plant to commence at once. Another party from Birmingham, Ala. has also been taking steps with the view of putting an ice plant here.—St. Martin Messenger.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

SMALL INDUSTRIES.

No country can be truly prosperous which confines its efforts to a single crop or industry. It is too much like going to market with all the eggs in one basket. Diversification of crops and the establishing of small industries make for prosperity. St. Martinville, we are pleased to note, has made several advances in this line. One man puts up ketchup and pepper sauce, another fine pork sausage and the Messenger reports that: "Edmond Bulliard informed us that he has a contract for 1915 to pack much more fire than he did last year and expects to have better results, having acquired some experience in this line. The demand the Louisiana fig is rapidly increasing and all our people should plant, particularly the Texas fig, which is a large purple fig which grows as well here as any other fig and produces much more than our native Celeste, because they bear from July to November, and it is the kind the packer and market demand. We have a few of this fig here and they thrive and produce abundantly. Those who want to get some of these trees can get the address from Mr. Bulliard.—Abbeville Meridional.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. LUCAS COUNTY. FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 8th day of December, A. D. 1915. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

WEDDINGS.

Some weddings are miracles, some are calamities, and some are merely a habit people acquire. A marriage license can teach a man more biology in six months than he could learn at a college in six years. Most people marry for money; some marry to gain social prominence, and once in a while we hear of an old-fashioned couple marrying simply because they love each other.—Farmersville Gazette.

A tight feeling in the chest accompanied by a short, dry cough, indicates an inflamed condition in the lungs. To relieve it, use the dollar size RALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP; you get with each bottle a free RICK'S RED PEPPER POROXY PLASTER for the chest. The syrup relaxes the tightness and the plaster draws out the inflammation. It is an ideal combination for curing colds settled in the lungs. Sold by Estorge Drug Co.

The price of sugar will about be at its best within another month, those who intend to possess a large amount in cash will have the opportunity to dispose of most of their product and don't forget the work of diversification and thereby be in a position to whistle at tariff bills or depressed markets. When sugar becomes a secondary crop instead of the main agricultural interest of this section, and people become farmers instead of planters then everybody will be better off in the affairs of this little world.—St. Martin Banner.

MOTHERS OF DELICATE CHILDREN

Should Read the Following Letter—Mrs. Slack's Story About Her Child's Recovery Is Entirely Reliable.

Palmyra, Pa.—"Three years ago my little girl had black measles which left her with a chronic cough and so awfully thin you could count all her ribs, and she coughed so much she had no appetite. "Nothing we gave her seemed to help her at all until one day Mrs. Neibert told me how much good Vinol had done her little girl, so I decided to try it for my little one, and it has done her so much good she is hungry all the time, her cough is gone, she is stouter and more healthy in color and this is the first winter she has been able to play out in the snow, coasting and snow-balling without any ill effects."—Mrs. ALFRED SLACK, Palmyra, Pa. We know Vinol will build up your little ones and make them healthy, strong and robust, therefore we ask parents of every frail and sickly child in this vicinity to try a bottle of Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic without oil. If we can induce you to try a bottle of Vinol as a body-builder and strength-giver for your child, and you do not find it is all we claim, we will return your money on demand. John R. Taylor & Bro. New Iberia, La.

SENSIBLE INSURANCE LAW.

It would take a large book to count the insurance laws of all the states, the legislation of this character has been varied and prolific. The courts are constantly used in the settlement of fire losses and the adjusters wax fat on both the companies and the insured. It has apparently remained for the State of Florida to enable a fire insurance law that is based on sound principles and at one stroke cuts out litigation and leaves no room for dispute, and as for adjusters, professional or otherwise why, there is little they can do. All this sounds too good to be true, but it is, and the scheme is so simple the wonder is that every state does not have one just like it.

The Florida fire insurance law reads that when a policyholder has a fire loss, the company must pay. If, for instance, you own a building worth only \$5,000 and you can get an agent to issue a policy for \$10,000, and the building burns, you recover your \$10,000, providing, of course, the company cannot prove you are guilty of arson. The total destruction of an insured property must be paid for at whatever amount your policy calls for. And there is probably less arson in Florida than in any other state.

The whole procedure is logical. The companies cannot take chances in appointing careless, dishonest, or irresponsible agents. The agent, in order to hold his agency, does not sell policies as a dealer hands out cigars over a counter. He exercises a lot of caution. He will not issue a policy unless he knows something of the party insured, and he personally examines the building or goods and satisfies himself the property is worth the amount the insured desires. Thus, policies for fictitious amounts are not written, for what is written must be paid. On the other hand, the insured is not allowed or induced to pay premiums on amounts which could not be recovered in other states.

This maximum liability tends to decrease fires, for the agent must keep his record up to a certain standard or the company gets another in his place. The local agent becomes a sort of inspector. He has to be constantly watchful; and when he discovers a client is becoming careless and taking chances which might lead to a fire, the agent cautions such a party and threatens to cancel his policy. This eternal vigilance at both ends of the insurance policy is automatically maintained, for both the company and its agents are anxious to stay in the business. And as for the honest policyholder, he knows at all times exactly what his protection is, and should he burn, just what he will receive.—Ex.

PONCE DE LEON FAILED: HIS PRIZE IS FOUND.

Ponce de Leon, the daring explorer, searched among the swamps of Florida for the Fountain of Youth, which the Indians said would restore power and make people young. He did not find it.

Thousands of chronic intestinal bowel and stomach sufferers have written to Geo. H. Mayr, 154 Whiting St., Chicago, in quest of health. They have found it. His remedy, composed of healing vegetable oils from France, has indeed given them back the health of youth.

Why suffer from indigestion, gases on the stomach, fainting spells, torpid liver, constipation and all the evils of a disordered stomach when there is permanent relief here? Mayr's Wonderful Remedy is sold by leading druggists everywhere with the positive understanding that your money will be refunded without question or quibble if ONE bottle fails to give you absolute satisfaction.

For a good everyday household angel, give us a woman who laughs. Home is not a battlefield, nor life long unending row. A trick of always seeing the bright side, or, if the thing has no bright side of shining up the dark one, is a very important faculty and one of the things no woman should be born without. We are not all born with the sunshine in our hearts, as the Irish prettily phrase it; but we can cultivate a cheerful sense of humor if we only try.—Enterpriser.

WHY NOT WAIT A WHILE?

The News-Star heartily favors the holding of a constitutional convention as soon as practicable. It seems to be universally conceded that the present "patch quilt" affair, by courtesy called a constitution, as badly out of "kilter," and sadly in need of overhauling, in fact, the whole thing is so full of patches, that the safest and best plan would be to discard, outright, the present built-up affair and reconstruct the Louisiana constitution from the ground up, avoiding, as far as possible, the cumbersome and unwieldy instrument at present doing duty as our Magna Charter.

We are of the opinion that the Constitution should be as brief as it is possible to make it, consistent with the vast interests to be dealt with. All useless and unnecessary phraseology and tautology should be eliminated, and the constitution written in the plainest possible terms, so the ordinary person can understand its meaning. And we further believe it should be made more difficult to amend the document, after it has once been adopted. Changes must, of necessity, be made occasionally, but these should be of the utmost importance.—Monroe News-Star.

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Each "Pape's Diapiesin" digests 3000 grains food, ending all stomach misery in five minutes.

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LOSING HOPE WOMAN VERY ILL

Finally Restored To Health By Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Woman's Precious Gift.

The one which she should most zealously guard, is her health, but it is the one most often neglected, until some ailment peculiar to her sex has fastened itself upon her. When so affected such women may rely upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a remedy that has been wonderfully successful in restoring health to suffering women. If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (Confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.