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The breeding of cattle on the Western plains has long been a lucrative business. It has enriched thousands of men of limited means. Four year old steers could be raised for about \$3.80 each and were then sold for \$18 to \$25 at the railway station. But the old conditions are changing. The settlement of the Western country has limited the free pasture lands, and, as in all other occupations, the large cattle breeders have driven out the smaller ones. The business is being concentrated into the hands of a few men comparatively; but this monopolizing tendency has some advantages.

The land is being fenced in, and successful endeavors are being made to improve the quality of the stock. American beef and mutton are now equal to and will soon be the best of any in the world. When ensilage is well understood in the middle and northern states we will probably be able to raise more of our own cattle to supply the local demand, and then doubtless the smaller capitalists will again have a chance. Ensilage, it will be remembered, is the system by which fodder is kept succulent and fresh all through the winter months. It corresponds to the canning of fruit and vegetables, and is a comparatively inexpensive. But while the great droves of cattle on the Western plains are getting into fewer hands, it is also true that the large farmers are monopolizing the soil to the exclusion of the smaller tiller of the earth in all the prairie countries. This tendency to make great land and cattle kings is not a wholesome one, for the hope of the poor country is, after all in a farming class which tills its own soil and are not hiredlings. Luckily, in other parts of the country, there is a steady increase of the farmers who own 320 and less acres. In California, for instance, there are but little over 5,000 farms of more than 500 acres while there are over 30,000 of less than 500 acres. All the hilly and mountainous regions of the country, including the ocean slopes, is more suitable for small than large farms. In the neighborhood of the great cities, also, the fruit and vegetable farms are always limited in extent. Landlordism is more likely to develop its evils on our Western prairies than in any other part of the country.—*Dewey's Monthly for Oct.*

A Minneapolis Land Agent.

While riding out across the unenclosed prairies three miles beyond the city I came across two men. One had his pocket full of signs and the other carried an ax and bundle of stakes. After pacing around for a time in the tall grass, the man with the hatchet drove a stake and the other pulled fourth and tacked to it: "This house and lot for sale or rent on easy terms." Accosting him, I exclaimed, "Man alive, what do you mean by putting up such a sign on an unknown prairie? There isn't a house or a street within a mile of here." Looking up pityingly, and drawing a roll of paper from his pocket the agent replied: "Here is the plan for a seven

room house. This afternoon twenty or men will begin its construction. Here is a contract for its lease already signed at \$25 per month, and a week from next Saturday the tenant will move in. My name is Herrick. I'll sell you a lot fronting this double-track street car line on this broad avenue for \$3,000. Cheap as dirt. Next week you can refuse \$6,000 for your property."

Catching my breath, I protested: "Broad avenue! Double-track street car line! Great king, this is an open prairie. It has never even been ploughed."

But from the other pocket jumped another roll of papers. "Here is the plan of the street I had recorded this morning, and here is a petition for a street car line. In sixty days you will have both. Here I have a deed all filled out except signing, and I can make this lot right over to you now. We'll get witness down town."

"Your lot?" I timidly ventured. "It's small, only sixteen feet."

"Small!" yelled Herrick in a tragic and injured voice. "Do you call sixteen feet front small? Why, you can build a three-story house on that lot, and that is large enough for anybody." At this time I cut the horse and galloped away through the grass least I should fall a victim to Herrick's blarney and schemes.—*Minneapolis.*

Useless Young Men.

There can be no question, says a New York letter writer, but that one leading cause of the present unsatisfactory condition of general business in this, it not in other cities, is the fact that too many people are going about doing nothing who have to be supported by those who are at work. The number of young men, especially, that are personally unassociated with any useful industry seem to be steadily on the increase, and what is more, there is no prospect of any change for the better as long as they persist in staying in town, where there is no employment for them, instead of pushing into the country, where, probably, no one need be idle unless he chooses. An advertisement for a clerk in a commission house in lower Broadway one morning brought twenty-five or thirty applicants to the door before it was opened—and, sad to say, this is a common experience. Wall, Broad and New streets also are overcrowded with a vast number of genteel young men, without the capital which is the reward of industry, who want to be brokers, in the expectation of realizing fortunes by looking at "the tape," but who never get beyond the barren region of expectations. There is scarcely one of these who wouldn't be affronted if it were suggested to him to "go west," or to address himself to some trade or avocation nearer home, that was not already crowded. This false pride, must be got rid of, or the great army of able-bodied non-producers will be augmented to a point that will seriously oppress the more thrifty and industrious of the

community. There would be no such thing as dull times in a young country like this if everybody was at work and if there were fewer people trying by their wits to live off other people who earn their bread by the sweat of their face.

James Underhill, of Mexico, Oswego county, N. Y., has an English verge watch, which was made by Charles Taylor, of London, in 1736. Mr. Underhill received it sixty years ago from his grandfather, who, to preserve it during the Revolutionary War, removed a stone from his cellar wall and put the watch in, then replaced the stone. It remained in its hiding-place about two years. It is still in good running order and keeps good time.

Lanits in the Eastern States, which had "run out," for wheat culture forty years ago, are now found capable of producing a good crop.

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