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#### Gosper County.

Mr. R. Dunn, a well-known stock man of Gosper county, was in town last Monday, urging upon the B. & M. company the necessity of providing better facilities for handling and loading stock at Homersville, the new county seat. He reports cattle on the ranges have passed the winter so far in comparatively good

condition and very few losses are reported in the county or the immediate neighborhood. Mr. D. is feeding 400 head of cattle. They are well sheltered and of course have notsuffered from the severity of the winter. He has already used up 20,000 bushels of corn, paying from 20 to 28 cents per bushel, the latter being the present price.

The corn crop last year was first class n every respect, the yield ranging from forty to sixty-five bushels per acre. Wheat was largely grown and yielded from twenty to thirty-four bushels per acre. There is a large quantity of both wheat and corn still held by the farmers, and will not be sent to market before bees. Individual bees are short-lived. In summer they seldom see more than forty-five days, while in winter the life period may extend to six months. Hives spring. Mr. Dunn thinks it is the great-est folly for farmers to send away for new seed corp, or in fact to pay farmy new seed corn, or in fact to pay fancy there is a diversity of opinion. With 150 scarcely any government land left fit for cultivation, and land claims, with very few acres broken, command from \$5 to \$7 per acre. The farmers are all pros-perous and contented, and expect during the coming summer to surpass last year's record in corn, wheat and hogs.

Seed Corn.

Henry Collamore exhibited in our office Wednesday, a very fine sample of test he made of his seed corn. He selected 135 grains from as many ears taken promiscuously from the crib and obtained 124 healthy sprouts. Mr. Collamore is confident that with a little pains he can select 80 or 130 bushels that will grow. This corn is not the largest kind, but everything considered, is probably as profitable to raise as any.-[Utica Record.

### Good Husking.

Last Tuesday evening Carlos Clark, one of the most extensive farmers in the county, and who lives ten miles northwest of the city, informed us that on Monday his son Lee, only nineteen years old husked and cribbed one hundred and ten bushels MACADAM ! of corn, the corn averaging fifty bushels to the acre. Mr. Thomas Harmon, a young man in his employ also husked and

little trouble.

'come west young men; come to Johnson

county, and invest in land and hogs."-

General Notes

A copy of the late proceedings of the

New York State Agricultural society cen-

range over the fields, as that is fatiguing trip.

to the annimals, and the little picking of

Johnson County Journal.

pens for any pnrpose, and especially when there are lambs around. These little fel-lows have a great way of running their heads into holes and other improper places, and I have known many to get tangled up in brusk and killed. I use pens made of 1x3 inch palings, 3½ feet high, nailed to 1x4 inch pleces, and 1 sharpon the palings by sawing off one objectionable in many respects. The side of the end. Hence, when I leave a most economical grape trellis is made of

feet long. In addition to these lambing pens, for use on the range, two or more such pens should be cut off from the main pen, where the sheep are held at night in or

der that the ewes that drop lambs during the night may be separated from the main flock and with their lambs held back in camp, after the main flock goes out.

"The Little Busy Bee."

In his "Talk on Bees," before the Con-necticut farmers, Mr. H. L. Jeffrey, of Washington, gave much preference to the Italians, because they are stronger and more prolific. Bees will gather honey by moonlight in pleasant weather, especially

ers in the east, we wish to give a few when the bass-wood trees are in bloom. facts in regard to one of our Johnson The Italians will fly turther in search of county men. In 1879, Theodore Smith honey than the common bees, and three swarms of the former will store as much as five of the latter. The Italians also have the advantage of being able to obhoney than the common bees, and three swarms of the former will store as much as five of the latter. The Italians also have the advantage of being able to ob-tain honey from red clover. It was his belief that honey production might be increased five or six fold without exhaust-ing \$41.75 in hogs. Since that time he has sold from this investment, \$1,680 increased at the honey supply of the country. The ing the honey supply of the country. The fer ilization of the garden raspberries is which he is feeding. The average price which he is feeding. The average price price realized for hogs has been \$5.111 asticipated. And now we would say not obtainable by another method. the small hen house and the red spider of the green house. The insects live upon the bodies of the bees to the number of twenty or more on a single bee, and suck their life away. They are car-ried from one hive to another by contact

tains condensed reports from fifty-three of bees with each other while gathering counties of that state, giving the names honey from flowers. Not much is yet of such varieties of the potato as have known as to the best method of fighting succeeded the best in those different lothe parasites. Foul brood is a name calities. The Burbank was at the head given to the other bee pest. In affected hives the young die before hatching, and the old bees seem to have no means or six. Chili in two, and conquerer and late disposition to clean the comb. It is an rese in one each. Among those which six. Chili in two, and conquerer and late old disease that was known nearly a censtood high, but not first, were mammoth tury ago, and is spreading to an alarm-ing extent in some of the western states. Michigan suffered a loss of 5,000 hives ley.

in one season. It is a disgusting disease, as the dead larvie emit a strong stench. Foul brood is spread by bees carrying honey from one hive to another. It is a fungus, and great care should be exercised in preventing its spread upon new territory.

The Best Grapes. Catawba is very good when it ripens grass operates against their eating up the

THE TORPEDO BOAT ALARM. Has the Larvest Stock in Omaha and Makes the mo Interesting Facts About Admiral Porter's Great Invention.

ew York Herald. Among the vessels which are authorized be constructed for the navy in the bill presented in the senate on Monday, is one like the torpedo beat Alarm, designed by Admiral Porter. Hence a brief de-scription of the Alarm, which has recent-

ly had several improvements completed, will be of interest. The Alarm was designed as a cruising torpedo boat, carrying a bow gun, and intended for service not only in rivers, bays, and harbors, but along the sea coast; in fact, for use un-der any of the conditions of literal war-fare, and her dimensions and form were peculiarly sourced by the designer for that purpose. The hull is of iron, and the torward portion below the water surthe found sufficient for supporting the vines. Some, however, use three wires, placed respectively two, four, and six placed respectively two, four, and six placed respectively two, four, and six feet from the ground. Grapes ripen better when quite near the surface of the soil. Supports made of good posts and large wire last many years and cause little trouble. not fail to prove instanteously destruc-tive. The spar is operated in the hold of the vessel by proper mechanism. Above the water surface the forward

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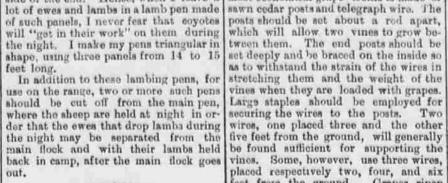
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Myers, husked and cribbed one hundred bushels. A young boy only sixteen years of age in the same time husked and crib-bed eighty bushels. This is the best husking that we have heard of that has ever been done in the state .-- [Hastings Democrat.

Pruning Season. Now is the time to train grape vines,

and fix up trellises to hold the luscious Go, cut off all last year's growth, fruit. leaving three buds nearest the wood of the year's growth before, except those long vines that you wish to trail and spread over your trellis or side of your house or other place. Spread these long vines out as a fan and tie them to nails, hooks, or straps of leather or strong strings. They should be at least three feet apart, and most every bud will send out a cross shoot and with leaves and grapes cover that space, if the vines grow rapidly and bear well. The other sprouts on the main vines will stick up, or they may be tied to the trellis as the rest of the vine should be made fast so that the wind cannot blow them off or tangle them. Let the rays of the sun

fall fairly on the arbor. Weed, not dig around the roots, and fertilize with ashes, soapsuds, sawdust, together with the size, productiveness, vigor and hardiness of the Concord, the or old compost. You may plant atraw-berries under the vines but do not cut the roots. As soon as the sop begins to run stop trimming except to cut away

and market grape is second to that of no There are too many reasons for all this to tell you why it is so. The grape is too good fruit to be neglected, and every-body should try to cultivate them.

The Lambing Season, Cansas Farmer.

doad branches,

Kansas. That means \$1,000,000-for every saved lamb is worth \$1-not to sell but to keep. The importance of saving the lambs, then must be apparent to every person. Old and experienced stockmen need little warning or informastockmen need little warning or informa-tion, but beginners, young men need to mends them, and a number of them have quality to sustain it. Lady Washington e awakened and instructed.

The lambing season is most important in handling sheep, because in case of every lamb another life besides its own is involved. Goed care of lambs involves goods care of mothers, and that means a good deal more than running loose on not so large; and so is Duchess. Others the open prairie shifting for themselves. What is needed most or what can best be done in any case depends on whether one's flock is a herd numbering thousands, or whether it is a hundred or two. In the former case, among the first things to be done by way of preparation is to separate the ewes into small flocks. A

the range so as to accommodate such ewes with their lambs, or drop their lambs on the range during the day, and can not be safely driven into camp. These pens may be made of brush, or anything else that will hold sheep, but I abominate brush Supports for Grape Vines. Many farmers who raise grapes are troubled about finding suitable supports for the vines. Common stakes answer a poor purpose. They are liable to blow will hold sheep, but I abominate brush

season. In addition to this, if there should be a wet time in summer, the leaves mildew and drop off, and as a con-sequence the fruit, instead of ripening re-mains hard and sour. Concord is very hardy and an immense heaver but it is But it is rather late, and to bring food given. They should have access to mains hard and sour. Concord is very hardy and an immense bearer, but it is only of moderate quality, though it suits

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a great many until their taste becomes the skin, and should the sheep become more cultivated. Its worst fault, how-

ever, is its habit of rotting in late years. The same is true of Isabella. Salem is large and good, and ripens tolerably early; but the leaves mildew as badly as Catawba, and the vine is generally hurt by a very cold winter. This and the Wilder have been called the best of Mr. Rogers' hybreds; but his No. 9, now named Lindley, is superior. Delaware is most excellent in quality, but it has two serious faults; small size and lack of vigor in the vine. A larger grape and one of rare quality, fully up to Delaware, is Iona, introduced about twenty years ago; but its constitution is so very feeble that there is not the slightest encouragement to plant it. Its short life would be almost a blank but for one thing; it became one of the parents of grown in the same garden for sixty years Jefferson, which has inherited its fine color and all its excellence in quality,

other parent. The keeping properties of the Jefferson life as remarkable as its fine quality; so that in addition to its great value for home use, its value as a shipping

cther variety. The Hartford Prolific, which has been endured so long because of its earli-ness, is passing out of notice. Its place is taken by Early Victor and Early Dawn, varieties which are finer in every

The time is over when 1,000,000 of lambs, more or less, will be dropped in some shade of whitish green, or greenish yellow) have reached a good degree of popularity, and deservedly. True, the first introductions, Cuyahoga, Martha, Lady and some others, were not very desirable; but their successors are rapidly coming into favor. Their beauty com-

quality to sustain it. Lady Washington is probably the finest. It is delicious, and both berry and cluster are large. Many persons like Pocklington, which is a seedling of Concord, and full as large and as good; but Prentiss is better, though

are promising. It is somewhat remarkable that the same person who produced the Jefferson (Mr. J. H. Ricketts) also produced the Lady Washington. He has raised several others besides, among which are Secretary, Quasaaic and Waverly, black grapes, which are very fine and promis-

The lambing ground should have a possible protected from north and west will give an abundance of this most desirable protected from north and west winds. In the next place, asys the authority above quoted, the lambing ground should have a should be supplied with lamb pens, as we will hold from twenty-five to fifty even and train them and the various ways, and no one can show that the vines do the house and plant. But the vines the vines the supplied with lamb pens, as we with their lambs, to be distributed about over the range during the day, and can not we with their lambs, or drop their lambs on afely driven into the supplied with lamb pens, as we the tange during the day, and can not we with their lambs on afely driven into the supplicies the tange during the day, and can not we with the tange during the day, and can not we with the supplicies into the woods. The work wind the tange during the day, and can not work with the tange during the day, and can not we with their lambs on the supplicies into the woods. The work with the tange during the day, and can not we with the work with their lambs on the supplicies into the woods. The work with the work with their lambs on the work wit

A Fine Hit.

A Washington special to The Pittsburg Commercial-Gazette says: The woman very thin in flesh it splits and becomes suffragists will meet here in convention quite rotten, consequently is of little next week. Congressmen are preparing to leave town. The ladies will have everything to themselves. Miss Susar The trade in frozen meat from the B. Anthony has arrived as a part of the Australian colonies of England has ad-

vanced within three years to a most im-portant condition. In 1380 only 400 to-day and viewed the statesmen from the galleries. "We are going to have a carcasses were imported, while in 1883 very enthusiastic meeting," she said in no fewer than 193,645 were landed in conversation on the subject. England-62,733 from Australia, and "What do you expect to accomplish by 129,732 from New Zealand. Twenty-one this convention?" cargoes arrived in a perfectly satisfactory "Agitation. Education. Nothing can be accomplished until the people are edu-cated to that degree of liberality which condition, seven were not quite so good, and three were bad. Colonial mutton is in greater demand than colonial beef. will enable them to see that women are Mr. Taylor, of Fancote, England, is as intelligent and as worthy of freedom authority for the statement that a potato as are men. People who attend our known as "old Americans" has been meetings soon lose their prejudice, for they see the movement is among the re without change of seed, and has never fined and intelligent women. One-half been known to be affected by disease, and the members in the house who voted that the crop has invariably been a good one. This is in striking contrast with against giving us a committee have no idea of who and what we are. Those the experience of most farmers who have who have given the matter proper atten-

attempted to grow the potato upon the tion-have studied the matter at all-are same plat of ground for only two or our friends. But we will educate them three years, the result usually being a diminished yield of tubers of a much and we will succeed." "In what direction do you look for as

sistance?' A writer in a scientific journal rili-cules the idea that apples sweat, and that "You mean to which party?" said Miss

they must undergo a sweating process before they are put in barrels in order to keep well. He states that only injury ever party inserts a woman's suffrage comes from leaving apples in piles in an plank in its platform we shall work for orchard, and that the moisture found on We are neither free-traders nor protect We are neither free-traders nor protec them comes from the atmosphere. He tections, nor hard nor soft moneyites recommends placing them in barrels as We are for suffrage wherever we find it. and we shall help those who help us. We The Cochin fowls are big eaters, and shall meet on the 4th of March at Lin-not as good layers as the Leghorns. A coln hall, and hold our sessions every British writer says that while his Cochin day for three or four days. We are rehen was laying two eggs a Leghorn laid ceiving numerous letters from prominent people in this country and in Europe, de-claring their interest in our cause and giving us the support of their influence. four; and that in the production of the two Cochin eggs twice as much food was consumed as in obtaining the four. He says that three of the Cochin hens ate as Among these are letters from Henry

much in a day as a 4-months-old pig Fawcett, the blind member of the British parliament; John Thompsen, also an M. P., Francis P. Cobb, Miss Biggs, editor of a woman suffragist paper in England; Miss Becker, editor of an English suffragist journal; Minister Sargent, George W. Curtis, and others.

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