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Rain versus Shine.

The rain gets all the credit. For the crops of grain and hay, while the sunshine does the growing. In its steady, smiling way, so the salesman's salary is raised. For the goods sold in the store, while the wily advertisement coaxes trade inside the door. —Printer's Ink.

The state papers telling of a Holdredge editor that having written what he thought was a complimentary notice of the business of a local milliner, concluded it by expressing his pleasure at seeing her stocking up. When he met the lady on the street next day, she was madder than a March hare and proceeded energetically to bat him over the head with her umbrella. Thus it is that the good that we poor persecuted editors try to accomplish in this unfeeling world, often comes back and steps on us with both feet. —Blair Pilot.

Farming by irrigation you use water when you want it; depending upon rainfall you use it when you get it. There is a distinction and a difference here that is quite fully appreciated. But it is still growing upon the people, and it will one day result in a windmill and reservoir system of supplementary irrigation for a large scope of country that regularly receives an inadequate annual rainfall, but which in point of time is never properly apportioned so as to produce the best effects in the cultivation of the crops grown on those lands. This is a feature of irrigation that is receiving the attention of thinking men today as much as is any of the seemingly more important features. The need of it has long been felt. —Nebraska Farmer.

Mexico and its Silver Money.

Industrial and commercial conditions in Mexico are affording some arguments to the American silver men who happen to be conversant with affairs south of the Rio Grande. The Mexican silver mines are working quite prosperously and the various national and state mints are busy coining the Mexican standard silver dollars. The ordinary purchasing power of the Mexican silver dollar, so far as we can ascertain by considerable recent inquiry, has not been sharply affected by the divergence in the value of gold and silver bullion in the world's markets. Some years ago the citizen of the United States who visited Mexico with a hundred dollars of American money in his pocket could realize not more than a hundred Mexican silver dollars in exchanging his cash. But during the past season the one hundred dollars of United States money would buy about two hundred Mexican dollars. Yet in the ordinary transactions of the Mexican people there has been no disturbance in values, and the silver dollar will buy as much labor on the one hand, or as much food or house rent or common clothing on the other hand, as it ever would. It is obvious that this condition of things, however, could not be favorable to the importation of foreign goods; in as much as the Mexican silver dollar when applied to the purchase of commodities in gold-standard countries has lost almost or quite half of its purchasing power. Consequently, the monetary situation has acted as a protection and stimulus to Mexican home industry, and many things which were formerly purchased in the United States and Europe are now being produced on Mexican soil. In all candor, after some examination of the question on the ground, we must confess ourselves unable to see that Mexico is placed at any serious disadvantage by her continued adherence to her single silver standard. It is true that the extremely high price of gold as measured in standard Mexican silver money adds much to the burdens of the interest upon the foreign debt; but Mexico is coming safely and soundly out of her financial perplexities of a few years ago, and it would appear that she has never enjoyed more prosperous times than during the past year. This does not in our opinion prove anything one way or the other for the United States. Never the less a candid study of the monetary situation in a silver using country like Mexico cannot fail to throw some useful light upon our own problems. —From "The Progress of the World," Review of Reviews for June.

Why Independence Day is Celebrated on July Fourth.

Did you ever hear how it happened we celebrate July fourth rather than some later day? For days the members of Congress had differed over the terms of the Declaration. As the hot summer weeks progressed, windows were opened, much to the delight of the mosquitoes and flies of a neighboring stable. The stockinged calves of congressional legs were assailed daily by the diminutive combatants, until at last the persistency of the most stubborn member was worn out on the fourth day July. "Now that the struggle was over the members became inar-

ious in their good nature." John Hancock dashed down his coat signature in such shape that George the Third might read it without his spectacles. "Now we must hang together," it was remarked. "Yes" said Franklin, "or we shall hang separately." —From "Colonial Philadelphian," in "Democrat's Magazine" for July.

After Nine Months.

Tuesday blade. The Wilson tariff law has ended its ninth month of probation. It has now passed through the two busy periods of the season, the spring importations and the fall importations. It has also had the advantage of the excessive importations natural to the opening weeks of the operations of the woolen schedule. Naturally every importer held back his foreign goods until the new law should go into effect, so as to get the benefit of the reductions. The result is, that the law in its first nine months has had more than a fair show; its operations have been in excess of the normal. Yet the nine months result in a deficit of \$56,719,950, against a surplus of \$16,152,564 which the much heralded McKinley law produced in the first nine months of its operations. The deficiency during May was \$2,646,904. That of last month was \$8,642,840, that of preceding months ranging from less than \$1,000,000 up to over \$13,000,000. But it has always been a deficit. In not a single month since the new law went into effect has it shown a balance on the right side of the ledger, at the end of the month.

Final Proof Notices.

All persons having final proof notices in this paper will receive a marked copy of the paper and are requested to examine their notices and if any errors exist report the same to this office at once.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., May 25, 1895.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before M. J. Blewett, clerk of the district court at Harrison, Neb., on June 26, 1895, viz.:

William Lafferty, of Badore, Neb., who made H. E. No. 383 for the sec. 1/4 sec. 4, sec. 11, sec. 12, sec. 14, sec. 15, sec. 16, sec. 17, sec. 18, sec. 19, sec. 20, sec. 21, sec. 22, sec. 23, sec. 24, sec. 25, sec. 26, sec. 27, sec. 28, sec. 29, sec. 30, sec. 31, sec. 32, sec. 33, sec. 34, sec. 35, sec. 36, sec. 37, sec. 38, sec. 39, sec. 40, sec. 41, sec. 42, sec. 43, sec. 44, sec. 45, sec. 46, sec. 47, sec. 48, sec. 49, sec. 50, sec. 51, sec. 52, sec. 53, sec. 54, sec. 55, sec. 56, sec. 57, sec. 58, sec. 59, sec. 60, sec. 61, sec. 62, sec. 63, sec. 64, sec. 65, sec. 66, sec. 67, sec. 68, sec. 69, sec. 70, sec. 71, sec. 72, sec. 73, sec. 74, sec. 75, sec. 76, sec. 77, sec. 78, sec. 79, sec. 80, sec. 81, sec. 82, sec. 83, sec. 84, sec. 85, sec. 86, sec. 87, sec. 88, sec. 89, sec. 90, sec. 91, sec. 92, sec. 93, sec. 94, sec. 95, sec. 96, sec. 97, sec. 98, sec. 99, sec. 100, sec. 101, sec. 102, sec. 103, sec. 104, sec. 105, sec. 106, sec. 107, sec. 108, sec. 109, sec. 110, sec. 111, sec. 112, sec. 113, sec. 114, sec. 115, sec. 116, sec. 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