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A STRANGE EXPERIENCE,

A Lincoln Man Takes an Overdose of Electricity.

A special in Thursday's Omaha *Bee* gives the following strange experience of a Lincoln man Wednesday:—"A working man named Smith was horribly mutilated in a remarkable manner this evening. On O street, at the corner of Nineth, hanging from a telephone pole and lying along the ground for a distance, was a telephone wire, which had in some manner become crossed, or in connection with an electric light wire. As Smith was passing along the street he saw the wire burning, and attracted by the strange appearance, and not realizing what it was, evidently took hold of it to ascertain what it meant. The shock he received was terrific, and his shrieks brought hundreds to the street. He could not loosen his hold on the wire, and it burned his hands to the bone. In his writhings and contortions the charged wire came in contact with his head, burning out one of his eyes and laying the side of his face open. Wherever it struck his body it cut like a knife. A bystander, realizing the peril of the man, ran to him, grabbing him to pull him from the wire, but by the shock he received when he came in contact with the body of the man he was knocked ten feet and utterly prostrated so that it was feared he was also killed. By this time the electricity had either burned the man Smith loose from the wire, or he had succeeded in his struggles in breaking away. He was picked up and carried into an adjoining restaurant and a half dozed physicians summoned. The man presented a horrible appearance and despite the physicians' efforts to put him under the influence of morphine he shrieked and writhed in the agony he suffered until taken to the hospital. The doctors express an opinion that he may survive his injuries although it appears impossible. It is understood the oil company in moving tanks through the streets to-day and passing under telephone wires must have broken this one which after breaking came in contact with the electric light wire, and this became a death warrant where hundreds of people were passing. That others were not injured through the carelessness is almost a miracle."

Finance.

In the past week there have been several large financial transactions bringing a great deal of foreign money into investment in America. But still the complaints of a money stringency in the east continue, notwithstanding this great inflow of foreign gold and the assistance given the money market by the treasury. An explanation of the situation is by no means easy. The circulation of the country is larger by millions than at this time a year ago, and there is a steady addition to the supply by the coinage, of $2,000,000 a month. And a syndicate in Holland, have bought bonds and stock of the Oregon Transcontinental company, to the value of $10,000,000. The transfer of the Baltimore & Ohio properties to new ownership, also involves the immediate payment of at least $10,000,000, more than one-half of which will come out of the hoards of English bankers to swell the volume of American circulation. The question is, Where is the money? and what becomes of all the foreign gold that is coming to the country? In reply, we quote the opinion of the New York *Commercial Advertiser* that "the locking up of money in the national treasury, and the unnatural stimulation of land boom speculation in the west by the ertablishment of reserve cities there, are the most obviously active causes of the present stringency in the money market." If this be the true solution the situation is not likely to be immediately relieved.

Only Eight Days of Bliss.

Chris Schrumpf was arrested Thursday on charge of assault and battery, on a warrant sworn out by his wife, Anna, and the trial also came off to-day. In the trial it was shown that they had been married just eight days, and everything seemed to be going smoothly until a couple of days ago, and last night their harmony ended in a quarrel, and to-day the household goods were sold for $12 and the two separated. Mr. Schrumpf was fined $25 and costs which was paid.

Two Definitions.

CHICAGO Ill., Sept. 12, 1887.—To the Editor:—Will the *Daily News* kindly define a mugwump and oblige,

ANXIOUS READER.

ANSWER—A mugwump is a republican with a conscience.—*Chicago News.*

Oh, no. A mugwump is an ex-republican who kicked out of the traces because his giant intellect is so far-reaching as to make him ambitious to own, traverse and spread himself over this broad universe as the gilded-god of pure politics. —*Omaha Republican.*

FARM AND GARDEN.

DIRECTIONS WITH ILLUSTRATIONS FOR MAKING A ROLLER.

Importance of Careful Preparation of Soil in Wheat Culture—How to Save Seed Corn—A Staff That Insures Safety in Handling Bulls.

The subject of horns on cattle has been very much discussed of late, and it has been proven in many cases that they are expensive appendages. This is frequently demonstrated in the handling of bulls. It often occurs that even a pet bull will become enraged and inflict serious injuries when led only by a ring in the nose.

A BULL STAFF.

In the accompanying figure is shown a device vouched for by a Rural New Yorker correspondent, who claims that with it the handling of horned animals is comparatively safe. If the chain from any cause should come loose, a weapon of defense is still in the leader's hands. Take a long fork handle, rivet an iron strap over it with six or eight inches of light chain attached, to which fasten a good malleable harness snap. Put the snap in the nose ring and the animal can be led without the rope if so desired.

Agricultural Fairs in October.

The following state and provincial fairs have been announced for October:

Alabama—Montgomery, Oct. 17-23.
Canadian Exposition—Toronto, Oct. 5-17.
Colorado—Pueblo, Oct. 4-8.
Georgia—Macon, Oct. 24, Nov. 2.
Missouri—St. Louis, Oct. 3-8.
Missouri—Fat stock, Kansas City, Oct. 27, Nov. 3.
Mississippi—Jackson, Oct. 17-22.
North Carolina—[illegible]
Piedmont Exposition—Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 10-22.
Texas—Dallas, Oct. 20, Nov. 5.
Virginia—Richmond, Oct. 26-28.

How to Make a Good Roller.

The importance of a good roller on the farm is too well known and appreciated to require comment. It is often a question, however, how to secure one. The following description, therefore, of a home made roller by a correspondent in Indiana Farmer will be welcome to many readers:

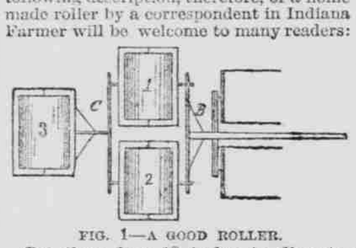

FIG. 1—A GOOD ROLLER.

Cut three logs 18 inches in diameter 3 feet 2 or 4 inches long; around each make a frame. Set two rollers end to end, with a space of about 7 or 8 inches between them; make your tongue so high that the piece across the end (b) will be about 8 inches longer than it is from the middle of one frame to the middle of the other; about 4 inches from each end of said cross piece bore a 5-8 inch hole, and with the same bit bore in the center of each frame, both front and back. Now when the tongue is raised level with the frames, the holes through the cross pieces in the end of tongue will correspond with those in the centers of the two frames, front; slip a washer about an inch in thickness between the frames and said cross piece, and bolt them with 5-8 inch bolts.

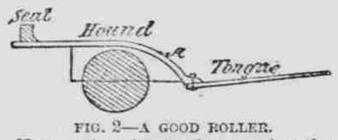

FIG. 2—A GOOD ROLLER.

Now make a bar (c) the same length of the cross piece on the end of the tongue, bore a 5-8 inch hole in each end, same distance apart as in cross piece (b) and it will correspond with the holes in the center of the two frames, back; slip an inch washer between said bar and said frames and bolt with 5-8 inch bolt. Now you have a roller to roll corn, or a dead furrow, or a ridge, only the tongue is "limber" or weak. To remedy this, fashion a piece something like the half of a wagon hound, fasten that part that would be front in hounds, just behind the doubletrees on the tongue (a), Fig. 2. It will then arch or raise above the rollers, and should extend twenty inches or two feet back of the bar that connects the two frames back; fasten a support from said bar up to said hound, place a seat on said hound where the weight of the driver will balance the tongue, and you have a roller that will roll the two insides of a ditch or the outsides of a ridge. Fasten the third roller by a coupling pole twenty inches or two feet long to the middle of the bar that connects the two front rollers together, and it will roll the space left between the two front ones.

Sowing Wheat.

The manner in which wheat is sown is of vital importance, for its influence is felt to a great extent right on to the harvesting of the crop. An all important matter is the thorough preparation of the seed bed. That it pays to carefully prepare the soil for wheat has been proven time and again, and yet not one field in ten is properly stirred and pulverized before the seed is sown. Remember that it is impossible in the care of wheat to make the soil too mellow or too fine. All work done in this direction is amply paid for by the future crop.

It also pays to drill in the seed, even if one has to hire the drill. It insures the even dropping and covering of the seed, and is a saving of seed. Avoid the use of foul or imperfect seed; it is a waste of time, labor and land to sow wheat that has not been carefully screened and winnowed to free it from foreign and imperfect seed. In sections where smut is likely to appear avail yourself of such preventive measures as treating the seed to brine or a solution of vitriol.

Each farmer must decide in great measure the question as to what variety of wheat to sow. It is not a safe plan to make an entire change in any one season, and especially where the previous yields have proven fairly satisfactory. A safe rule is to sow the soil devoted to the main crop in some well tested wheat in your own locality, and experiment with promising new sorts on a small scale. A bushel of good, clear seed, drilled in, is considered an ample quantity for one acre by many farmers. The usual rule is from one bushel to five pecks, drilled in, and about one-half bushel more sown broadcast.

Saving Seed Corn.

The importance of saving seed corn by careful selection has been preached from time to time out of date, and repeated experiment has proven the necessity for care in the storing of the corn selected for seed. In sections where short seasons prevail early varieties are desirable, hence earliness ought to be promoted even in sorts already early by selecting such from stalks that first ripen their ears. The importance of choosing fair-sized, well-developed ears, taken from stalks which bore at least two ears, is apparent to every one who has given the subject any thought.

In the selection of seed corn too much care cannot be exercised in keeping a well-established and desirable variety pure. It should be borne in mind that two sorts growing within a quarter of a mile of one another are liable to mix, hence it is not wise to save seed from such corn.

There does not appear to be any safer, easier or better mode of saving corn for seed than the old time one of pulling back and braiding the husks of twenty or more ears together, and then hanging these braided strands from the rafters of a corn house, a smoke house, the attic or other dry place. The corn must be kept dry and out of the reach of rats and mice. It is a wise plan to select only the perfectly matured ears for seed; these dry more quickly and are not so liable to mold. Not a few farmers always plan to hang their seed corn between the rafters of their smoke houses, believing that, in addition to the dry atmosphere there found, the smoke that permeates the kernels acts as a preventive to insect pests after the seed is planted.

The Hessian Fly.

There are two broods of the Hessian fly brought to perfection each year, one in the fall and one in the spring. The mature female insect deposits its eggs upon the leaves of the young plant soon after these appear above ground. As soon as the eggs hatch the young worms make their way down the leaf to its base, where they remain between it and the stem near the roots. It requires several weeks for the larva to attain full size. Its skin then is hard and brown, and, to the unaided eye, the insect presents the appearance of a small flaxseed. In this condition it remains until spring, when the fly comes forth and lays its eggs, and so the operation is repeated. The preventive measures that have from time to time been devised by scientists and practical farmers may be briefly told as follows:

Sow a part of the wheat early, and if affected by the fly put in the rest of the seed after Sept. 20. The idea is that by destroying the first brood the second will not appear.

Partially affected wheat is sometimes saved by the use of fertilizers and careful cultivation, and if winter wheat, the fields may be recuperated in the spring.

Many of the eggs and larvæ may be destroyed by pasturing with sheep and close cropping of winter wheat in November or early December. Some claim that rolling the ground will answer nearly as well.

Another remedy is to sow hardy varieties of wheat, especially those that tiller vigorously.

Lime, soot and salt are named as special remedies, and it is also very generally recommended to rake off the stubble. Objections are, however, urged by scientists against too close cutting and burning of the stubble, as this is liable to result in destroying useful parasites, the ichneumon fly among the rest. It has been estimated that these parasites (which, by the by, farmers often mistake for the pests) destroy at least nine-tenths of all the Hessian flies hatched.

Keeping Cider Sweet.

There is no process known that will keep cider sweet without deteriorating its quality somewhat, but there are various methods for arresting fermentation and preventing it from becoming sour. Professional cider makers sometimes use Shaw's Antiseptic Solution; others, who prefer to avoid patented articles, employ sulphite of lime, which is added after fermentation has proceeded until the cider has acquired the acid taste desired. The powder is first mixed in a quart or so of cider and then poured into the cask and thoroughly shaken. Do not mistake sulphate of lime for sulphite of lime; the latter is the correct article.

The Cabbage Worm.

The cabbage worm has not been visibly affected by the hard things said against him, nor have the numerous sure cure remedies sensibly affected his appetite. Peter Henderson suggests the application of alum water, one pound of pulverized alum to three gallons of water. This will not injure the plant and may kill the worm. Pyrethrum, either in powder or solution, is effective. The great difficulty is to get any preparation on the worms, and to repeat the application as often as the successive broods hatch out.

Agricultural News.

But few apples are expected outside of New England and New York.

T. V. Munson has been re-elected president of the Texas Horticulture society.

The honey production the present season is reported generally to be a poor one.

The experimental work at Houghton farm, Orange county, N. Y., has been discontinued.

A botanical museum is to be established in connection with the experimental farm at Ottawa.

According to Bradstreet's the New York hop crop will be about one-half of a former average, but the Pacific coast promises a larger yield.

The tomato crop is almost a failure in Delaware.

South Carolina is to have two experimental stations.

The corn crop of the south is unprecedently large.

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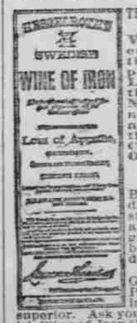

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