

SCHOOLS FOR NEBRASKA WORKERS

THE AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL, THE MECHANIC ARTS DEPARTMENT, THE SCHOOL OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE OF NEB. UNIVERSITY.

WHAT THEY DO AND EXPECT TO DO

Training Young Men and Women for the Farm, the Forge the Workshop, the Dairy, the Factory, and and Other Useful Pursuits.

Where to Get a Practical Education.

There is a new education as well as a new youth and a new woman. The new education works with its hands as well as with its brains. It works with both together, never with either alone. But first of all it works with its hands because with them nine-tenths of the people upon the planet Earth must find their daily employment, and the new education is for the nine-tenths, not for the one-tenth.

Until the latter half of this century education was held to consist of a knowledge of letters; higher education of a knowledge of ancient letters. There might be an occasional educated blacksmith, or plowman, or carpenter—some one who by main strength of will had seized the time to study polite literature—but for the body of them there could be no education in the higher sense. There were no schools for their calling. Schools were the gateway to the profession and the life of leisure. The gateway to an industrial life was the period of slavery called the apprenticeship.

But in the past forty years a revolution has been wrought. The old methods of work and manufacture have disappeared beneath a sea of invention and progress. The old trade organizations, with their systems of servitude, have been employed along with the old methods of work. The old gateway to a trade (slavery) is closed. The new gateway—the school—is just opening. When to this is joined a just apportionment of labor's products it means that the common laborer of the future will be a man of education, refinement and thought.



IN THE PLANT HOUSE.

sort of work goes the training in mathematics, in chemistry, in physics, in botany, in history, that reveal the wonders of the scientific world to the student and teach him to apply them to still further progress.

This is the new education. It is destined entirely to supersede the old methods and ideals. It is destined to elevate manual labor and make it the

university—as a school for the workshop and farm began six years ago under Chancellor Canfield. He preached the doctrine incessantly of working education for workingmen, and under his administration the forge room, the carpenter shop and the electrical school were secured, the farmers' institutes and the school of agriculture established. Under the administration of Chancellor MacLean the same policy has been pursued—the dairy school has been built, the agricultural school broadened and its attendance trebled, the first permanent building secured for the mechanical arts department and the school of domestic science founded. The new regents elected last fall, Messrs. Forrell and Kenower, are enthusiasts for manual education and one of them, Mr. Forrell, has spent a large part of his time this summer arousing interest by public addresses in the new educational work which must be taken up in the common schools as well as the university of Nebraska.

Farming is the first of Nebraska's industries and will remain so. Farming has been the last of the great industries to demand special scientific training as a qualification for its pursuit. There has been a disposition to sneer at "book-farming" and the sneer has not altogether disappeared

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Child's kid button shoes, brown, 6-8, regular 85c, this week..... **69c**
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 Boy's genuine calf lace, 2 1/2-5, coin toe, regular \$2, this week..... **\$1.65**
20 per cent discount on Gent's, Ladies' and Misses' tanned shoes.
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Lot 1, 50c men's Hat, now..... **33c**
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 Lot 3, \$1.25 Men's Good Fur Hats..... **89c**
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SPECIAL PRICES.
 50c, 10-4 Cotton Blankets, this week, per pair..... **43c**
 60c 10-4 Cotton Blankets—this week, per pair..... **52c**
 75c 11-4 Cotton Blankets, this week, per pair..... **67c**
 \$1.00 11-4 Cotton Blankets, this week per pair..... **88c**
 \$1.25 11-4 Cotton Blankets, this week, per pair..... **\$1.10**
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 75c Bed Comforters, full size..... **67c**
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quired. Its courses of study were:

Soils and crops.
 Diseases of farm animals.
 Breeding of live stock.
 Feeding of live stock.
 Farm dairying.
 Horticulture.
 Agricultural engineering and hydraulics.

Carpentry or blacksmithing.
 Insects injurious to crops.
 Plant pests.
 Farm accounts.
 Its expenses were made low and its "year" consisted of twelve weeks in the winter when young people could easily leave the farm. Starting on this basis the school has grown in three years from 15 to 51 students. So much interest is manifest that the regents have resolved to conduct the school in three terms hereafter.

The fall term, which opens September 17, 1898; the winter term beginning January 3, 1899; and the spring term commencing March 25, 1899.

The purpose of the school is to train young men and young women in such a way that their usefulness on the farm will be greatly increased. Complaint has been made that the so-called agricultural colleges educate young men and young women away from the farm; this school will be true to its purposes and will constantly keep in view this one thing: to educate young men and young women for the farm instead of away from it.

It is expected that the attendance at this school the coming year will far exceed that of last year. There is no tuition and every young man or woman who desires to secure a practical education for farm life will find the way open at the university school of agriculture. The cuts accompanying this article give an idea of some of the work carried on there.

A description of the mechanic arts, electrical school as well as some interesting experimental work at the farm will be given next week.

AN ECHO OF OTHER DAYS.

That old romance of Slavery days, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," played an important part in our political history, and like an echo of other days comes a new political story called "The Success of a Failure." Its author is Judge Lincoln, of Stockville, Neb., and he has woven a strong and interesting story into a treatise on existing political conditions. It's worth the price—25 cents, or we send it free to every new subscriber who sends \$1.00 for one year's subscription to THE NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT.

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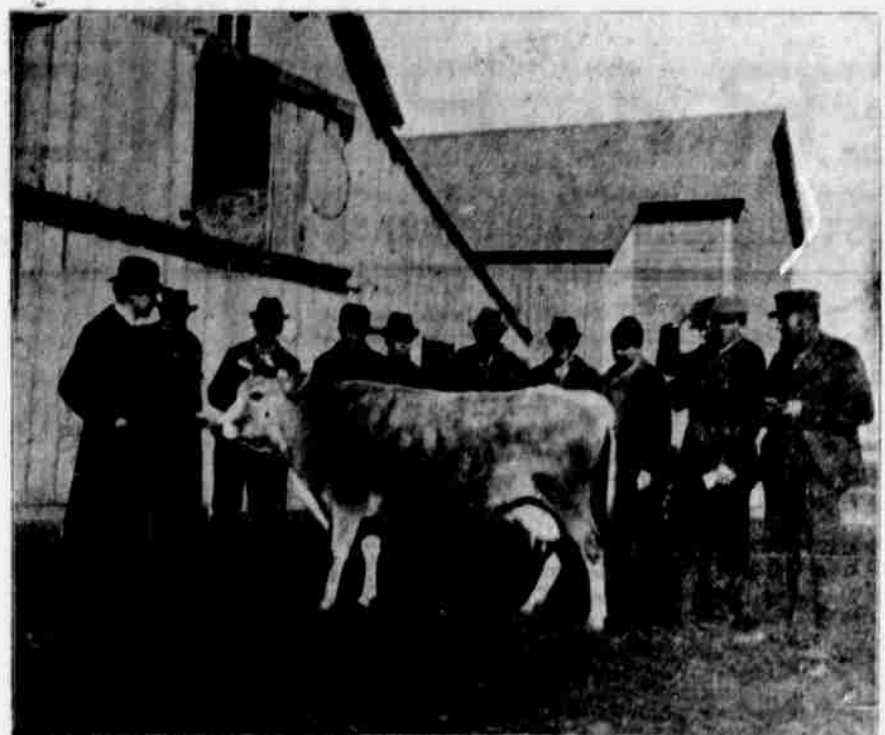
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JUDGING STOCK.

Before labor can secure its rights it must be educated to a full perception of those rights. And before labor can avail itself of the advancement in science and intention it must be skilled in the applications of science to the industry in which it is engaged. The first necessary foundation of future progress is the SCIENTIFIC EDUCATION OF MANUAL WORKERS. This means schools for manual workers—no longer mere academies of book learning—but schools that train the hand, the eye and the brain at the same time. In this sort of school the professor and the student wear overalls, dig in the ground, pound iron at the blacksmith's forge, milk the cow, slop the

master of its own destiny instead of the mere servant of the professional classes. The nations that have been quickest to see this truth and apply it are the ones that have made most remarkable progress. Germany has led the world in her manufacturing development the past twenty years because of her scientific training schools for her workers in certain lines. The United States is just awakening to its importance. Nebraska, first in point of intelligence and general education, ought to be first in this new field. The university of Nebraska ought to lead in the work in Nebraska. It has made a good beginning in that direction and the mission of this article is to

For twenty years there has been an agricultural college in connection with the state university. It had only a handful of students, who were preparing themselves for some special work. The great mass of farmers' boys and girls never reached the school because its conditions of admission were too high and its course of study too long for the average farmer boy or girl to attempt.

To meet the demand for a practical, everyday scientific education for boys and girls the new school of agricul-



WORK IN THE DAIRY BUILDING.

pig, oil the machinery, dose the sick horse—and with the substitution of the apron for overalls—cook the dinner and wash the dishes. With this

place the work that has been done and that proposed to be done before the readers of the Independent.

The first real development of the