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Sioux County,
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Homes for More Than 5,000 Men.
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 Sioux county is the southwest county Nebraska. It is about thirty miles east and west by about seventy miles north and south and contains **OVER 1,300,000 ACRES** of land. There are more bright, sparkling streams in the county than can be found in the same area elsewhere in the state. It has more pine timber than all the rest of the state combined. Its grasses are the richest and most nutritious known so that for stock-raising is unequalled. The soil varies from a heavy clay to a light sandy loam and is capable of producing excellent crops. The principal crops are small grain and vegetables, although good corn is grown in the valleys. The wheat, oats, and barley are all of unusually fine quality and command the highest market prices. The water is pure and refreshing and is found in abundance in all parts of the county. The county is practically out of debt and has over forty-five miles of railroad within its borders, has a good brick court house and the necessary fixtures for running the county and there has never been one dollar of county bonds issued and hence taxes will be low. The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad crosses Sioux county from east to west and the B. & M. has about fifteen miles of its line in the northeast part of the county. The climate is more pleasant than that of the eastern portion of Nebraska. There is still **OVER 800,000 ACRES** of land in Sioux county yet open to homestead entry. It is better land and more desirably located than that for which such rushes are made on the opening of a reservation. There is no railroads in the county and for that reason its settlement has been slow for so special effort to get settlers was made, as was done in the early days of settlement of the eastern part of the state. Good wooded land can be purchased at reasonable rates with government land selling so that a person who wants more than one quarter section can obtain it if he has a little means. There are about 2,500 people in the county and there is room for thousands more. Mission is the county seat and is situated on the F. E. & M. V. railroad, and is as good a town as the thinly settled country demands. School houses and churches are provided in almost every settlement and are kept up with the times. All who desire to get a homestead or any land cheap are invited to come and see the country for themselves and judge of its merits. Homesteads can not be obtained much longer and if you want to see your right and get 160 acres of land from Uncle Sam free in a time you are about it.

THE MYSTERY OF GROWTH.
An Invariable Process Which Moves All Creation.

Who has ever seen anything grow? It must be that one who could keep vigil long enough might do so; for last night, when I looked into this flower-pot, there was nothing there but earth, and to-night there is a slender stem or blade of something half an inch long. There must have been a moment when the green point protruded through the soil; or, perhaps, it was a white point; and it would have been very possible for me to have remained in a position to watch it steadily for twenty-four hours. People have done things requiring more patience than that. But though I have been near this flower-pot most of the time, I only know that one sunset went down upon the mold; the next upon a green thing growing.

Shortly I shall see a thicker stalk, a broader blade. If no accident happens, there will be a plant of some sort before me in a few weeks. But though I vow to watch it, I shall not see it grow. I shall say at intervals: "How it has grown!" but never know when it took this new start or unfolded that new leaf; at what instant the bud appeared or at what moment it opened.

Has anyone actually seen a rosebud open? There is no record that I know of any such fact. The motion that is required is evident. We have seen flowers in every stage, and the process is brief. We almost fancy we have seen it performed, each one of us; but, as I think, I know I never have—have you?

I believe that no mortal ever watched a mushroom take its shape. The thing is usually done in darkness and secrecy, yet, with a lantern, it would be possible to see what could be seen. And yet I am sure that, if we should try the experiment, all that would happen would be that we should be aware at some moment that a mushroom had sprouted up—no more.

As to the larger plants—the shrubs, the trees, the vines—botanists can tell you how every stage of growth is arrived at; but no one ever saw nature at work.

At what hour does the baby begin to grow? The mother who holds it in her arms for weeks is only conscious that it has changed. The wrinkles vanish, the red turns to pink and white, its eyes become intelligent, its ears curl up, its lips grow plump, its nose acquires a shape. With her arms about it, her eyes upon it, she would say every half hour: "Why, of course, the baby looks exactly as it did when I began to put it to sleep."

But in eight weeks there is a smiling little creature in the cradle that could not be recognized as the hour-old child—pronounced a very fine boy by the nurse and the doctor, but to unaccustomed eyes, hideous enough to be horrifying.

That fair baby, too, how does it change to the boy to the strong man. The baby never knows himself.

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