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Agricultural Department.

R. W. FURNAS, EDITOR.

Farmer's Club Report---No. 5.

CLIFTON, NEMAHA COUNTY, May 17th, 1868.

Mr. Editor:—In the absence of our reports you may think that the Clifton Farmer's Club has "flattened out," as your correspondent "M. K. Meddlesome," of the regions round about, claims. But such, I am glad to state, is not the case. We have, it is true, been unable to keep up our regular meetings (which are now semi-monthly) on account of sickness in the neighborhood, and one death—a child of Mr. Aldrich—which, with the press of work at this season, employed all the time we had.

The club met on the 15th, and with increased interest. There was a good attendance, and all had a good hint to offer; in fact this club practice what they preach, the slanders of "Meddlesome" to the contrary, notwithstanding. We have all to a man put out our own nursery of fruit trees, such as apple, peach, plum, pears, and the small fruits in great variety, besides evergreens, forest trees and grapes. The male members discussed the osage hedge and the general crops now demanding our special attention, while their better-halves were talking about the dairy, poultry and the flowers. There are some few difference of opinion in regard to pinching off the tap root of seedlings and transplanting in nursery rows to promote the growth of fiberous roots near the surface, and so gain a year or two in fruiting in this dry climate, but it is being generally adopted.

The grasshoppers are eating thousands of young trees for us, as soon as up, but we shall be able to save a few with care. What we propose to do is to awaken an interest in fruit culture. Were it not for the united efforts of the club most of these trees would not be here at all; so you can readily see what a club of this kind can do towards making this a fruit county, or at least give an intelligent reason for their failures.

It was moved and carried that we return a vote of thanks to Senator T. W. Tipton for books, seeds, &c., sent to the club.

Also moved and carried that we meet regularly twice a month in the afternoon during the summer, at the farm of one the members, to view the place, compare notes, and benefit by each others success or failures in the different departments of agriculture, making it a good social chat, and profitable to all.

We meet Friday, May 29th, at 2 o'clock P. M., at J. Gilbert's. All are invited. R. A. HAWLEY, Sec.

The Application of Manure.

It is a matter of great importance to the farmer to know how and when to apply his manure to the land, to get the greatest crops and give the most benefit to the land at the same time. I have experimented considerably, and the manure drawn out and spread, late in the fall, will give greatest amount of corn and wheat or rye, to follow with clover, than any way I can use it. I drew out and spread manure on three acres in the fall, and when the snow was on the ground I drew out and spred on two acres more, and in the spring, after the frost was all out, I manured two acres and Plowed it in—plowing also the other five acres and which were in the same field, and equally good land.

The corn was planted the first week in May, and all hoed and tended alike. At harvest time it was all cut up by the roots and shocked in the field; when fit to husk, the fall-manured corn measured sixty bushels to the acre, the winter-manure fifty bushels, and that manured in the spring only forty-five. The ground was sown with rye, and there was about the same difference to look at, but I did not thrash and measure it separately. On the clover I do not think their was as much difference between the fall and the winter manured, but that manured in the spring was but little more than half as good as that in fall.

If manure is drawn out for corn in the spring it should be plowed in immediately, or it will lose a large portion of its goodness. I have sometimes plowed in the manure in the fall, but have give up that as being too expensive as the ground must be plowed again in the spring to give the young plants a good early start.

I have manured for four years in the fall, winter and spring, and each year I am more in favor of fall manuring to the extent of *all the* manure I have, and in every case the fall is largely ahead of the spring manure pieces. If the manure is drawn out in fall and winter, it hastens the spring work, which is quite an object sometimes, and gives the farmer time to do more thoroughly his planting and sowing, and put his land in good shape for crops, which will repay for all extra time he may choose to occupy in mellowing the ground for the reception of the seed.

A writer in the Journal of Agriculture (St. Louis) says: "At present the manufacture of sorghum is on the decline. Farmers like it as well as ever and pay a good price for what they use, but there is no sale for the surplus. City consumers have a prejudice against it on account of its looks and color; and the refineries refuse to pay more than half the cost of its manufacture. As it does not pay on this account, nearly all the large, skillful makers are going out of the buisness; it being impossible to sell the surplus crop for more than 35 to 50 cents a gallon, at which price, taking out the cost of commission, freight and barrels, a loss of fully $4 a barrel is incurred."

Educational Department.

J. M. M'KENZIE, EDITOR.

Examinations of Teachers.

Ought Examiners to let teachers pass without a good thorough examination? Is it not a betrayal of the trust imposed in them?

The law anticipates that the person examining teachers shall fully acquaint himself with their literary attainments, and then candidly states that he really believes them qualified to teach a common school in the county. And with that certificate they have the right to engage a school any where in the county. Now it is simply absurd to believe that a person can accurately judge of the qualifications of another by hearing him answer a few simple questions that any child ten years old should be able to answer.

Nothing short of a rigid examination can show the qualifications of any person, and it is due the teacher, who has thoroughly qualified himself, that he have a chance to show his ability.

The people put confidence in the man they select as Examiner, and when a person shows his Certificate they, of course, think he ought to be able to do all it says he is qualified to do.

The law makes the Examiner a safeguard against imposition, but, if he does not do his duty he becomes a positive injury instead of a help. The excuse that the District in which the teachers expect to teach is backward, is no excuse at all; that is the way to keep it backward forever; the most backward districts, need the very best teachers. Let not the Examiner be a party in upholding unqualified teachers and very soon we shall have teachers who are really worthy of that name.

It is doing those teachers who spend their time and money to fit themselves well for their work great injustice to put them on a level with those who have never tried to educate themselves, and who are totally incompetent to instruct a student properly in any branch of study. We feel if the standard of qualification is raised it must be in part, at least, the work of the County Examiner. We are not making these remarks, as strictures upon any one particularly, for we find the Examiners throughout the State too lax entirely, as the schools will abundantly show.

Let us have thorough Examinations, even if Certificates are granted, it will show that the Examiner is not making it entirely a farce.

Our Trip.

We found Beatrice a fine growing little place, with manufacturing facilities equal to any town in the west. The Blue, which runs west of the town is a beautiful stream, with power sufficient in its pellucid current to drive all spindles and looms in the Old Bay State." Beatrice is just beginning to grow; we noticed more indications of building there than in any other town we visited. The lumber is not of as good quality as that we have on the River but stone of the finest quality is convenient and abundant. We could not admire those buildings erected with the two kinds of stone (light and dark), the dark colored caused the whole building to appear dingy. But dwellings built of the light colored altogether made a fine appearance. Those who are putting up frame buildings, use pine for the outside. This we think is wise in them as it pays better to enclose with pine at almost any price, rather than use Nebraska Cottonwood.

We were there on Monday forenoon, and it was really a sight to see the number of people thronging the stores. If the people should crowd the counters of our merchants on the River towns in the same proportions they would really think the people had lost their wits and were all leaving the country and "coming to town." Beatrice certainly was a live place while we were there. We spoke to people on Saturday evening. Owing to the rain that afternoon our audience was not large, but we found them wide awake and ready to work for Education generaly, and especially in Beatrice. We were highly pleased with the enthusiasm mannifested on that subject. There are men there whose pockets fairly burn to contribute toward building up an Educational interest in Beatrice. We know of no better point off the river to start a Seminary School, and we believe that a man with proper energy can now lay the foundation of a school that will not only do much for Beatrice but will be a great benefit to the educational interests of our State.

We found the people of Blue Springs alive, Educationally; putting forth an earnest effort to erect a school house. We believe they will succeed for they feel the need of it greatly.

We saw one of the best constructed mill dams across the Blue there we ever saw.

At Pawnee City we found the people fully alive and straining every nerve to keep the growth of the village up to the rapid increase of the surrounding country. There is no need that we should speak of the enterprise, of the people of Pawnee City. Their deeds speak louder than any words of ours can. Like old Massachusetts, "There she is; behold her and judge for yourself."

We spoke at Salem to a group of ten or fifteen men and boys. Falls City is too near home to need any comment. We spoke there in the new M. E. Church. They are erecting an Episcopal Church, the basement of which they intend to fit up for a high School. We did not speak at Aspinwall as we intended, from the fact that buisness at home was such that we had to be there quite early on Saturday, and it was buisness we did not know of when we made out our appointments, so we hope the good people of that place will not think too hard of us for not fulfilling our engagement. We hope to be able to visit the place yet and make the acquaintance of its citizens, and see how School matters prosper with them.

We enjoyed our trip well and returned feeling a greater respect for the enterprize and energy of the people of Southern Nebraska. One thing we could not help noticing, that where the people were the most wide awake on all matters of importance the Educational interest occupied a very prominent place, and our largest gatherings were at such places. To the kind friends who entertained us during our journey we extend our sincere thanks, and we hope that the day is not far distant when we shall see our educational interest fully up to the demands of the times, and the children of our State have all the advantages of a thorough Education.

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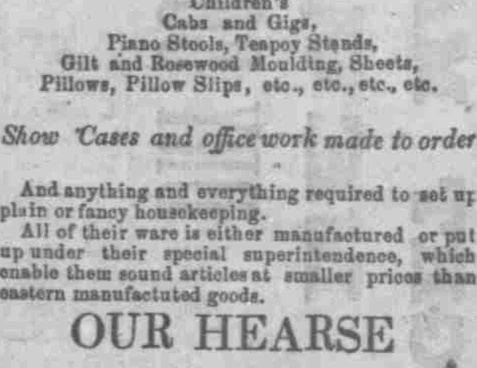

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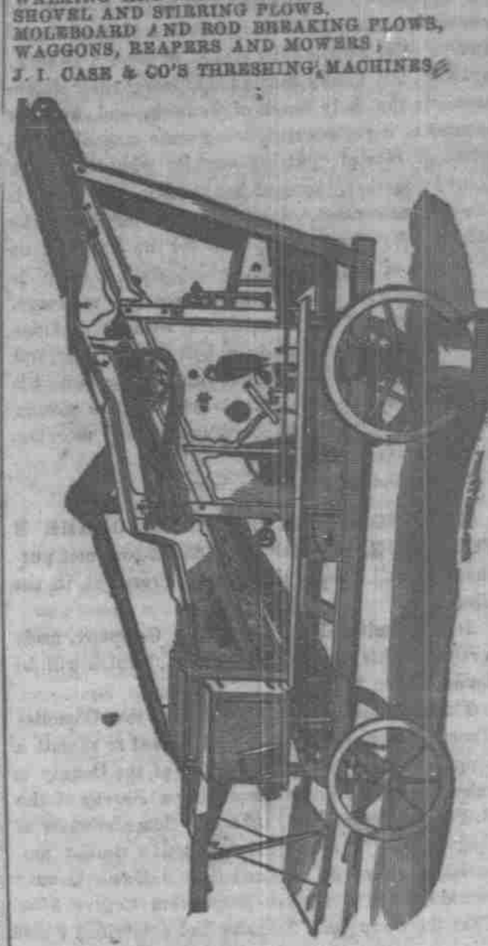

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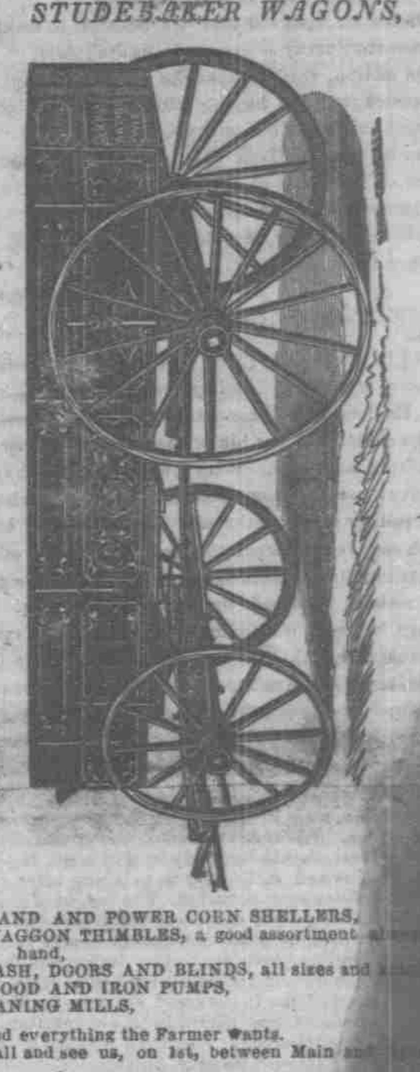

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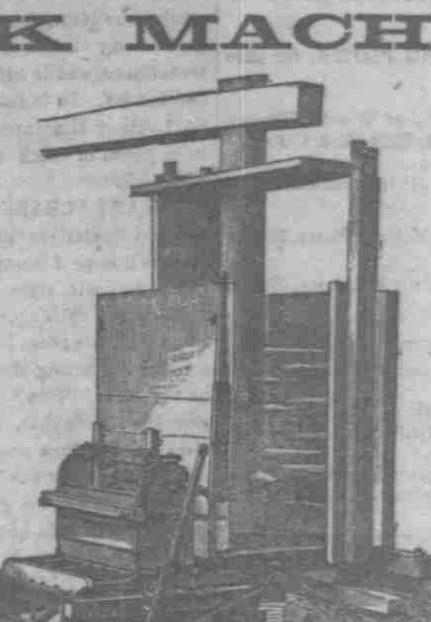

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