



Destroying Horse-Flies.

The annual meeting of the Association of Economic Entomologists was held at Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 15-19. Dr. L. O. Howard of the United States department of agriculture, under the title, "A Remedy for Gad-Flies," read a paper showing that Dr. I. Porchinski, an expert entomologist connected with the Russian government, has discovered that gad-flies, which are such an intolerable scourge to animals living on the Russian steppes, are to a certain extent dependent on the existence of occasional pools of water which they frequently visit, and from which they drink. By careful experimentation Dr. Porchinski has shown that by covering the surface of such pools with a thin film of kerosene the gad-flies are killed in enormous numbers, and that large stretches of country may be relieved of the presence of these tormenting flies by this means. Dr. Howard called attention to the fact that he had anticipated Porchinski's discovery in the course of his own initial experiments of the use of kerosene on stagnant pools in which mosquitoes breed, in 1892, and also called attention to a published account in which he had shown in that year that the commonest gad-fly of the locality in which the experiments were made was captured by the kerosene film. In many regions of the United States live stock suffer severely from these gad-flies—or horse-flies or deer-flies, as they are indifferently termed, and the Russian experiments are significant and important as indicating the possible measure, which may be adopted in many countries, and which will result in a great reduction of the numbers of these insects.

Grass and Grain for Working Horses.

I have always believed that we farmers feed too much hay to our horses. Certainly we fed fully twice as much as our friends in the city, and only about half as much grain as horse owners in the city feed, says J. A. Macdonald, in Country Gentleman. Since June 1, I have been feeding my horses by a novel method, which I find eminently satisfactory. At the end of May, this year, I found myself without hay for my horses, and a large amount of work to do. I could procure hay from some of my neighbors, but of very poor quality. This kind of hay I did not want.

Up to this time the grass pasture was very poor, but along toward June it began to be fair. I therefore decided to get along without hay, and depend entirely on pasture and grain. On the evening of June 1, I turned my work horses to pasture. In the morning I took them up and gave them a feed of oats and bran, about five quarts per horse. That is all they got for breakfast, in addition to what grass they had eaten. At noon they were fed no hay, only a feed of oats and bran—six quarts per animal, and nothing else. At 4 o'clock, as usual with us, we took them up for tea, watered them, and fed them another feed of oats. At sundown, when we knock off work, the horses were turned out to pasture. This has been and is still the "bill of fare" for my horses—grass during the night and grain (about a half-bushel of oats in three feeds) during the day. As a result, my horses are doing splendidly and gaining all the time. I am greatly pleased with this method of feeding horses—hay or pasture during the night and grain during the day.

A Good Flockmaster.

It is not difficult for a farmer to train himself to be a good shepherd, though there are important details that must be observed in breeding and feeding sheep, says Epitomist. A flock of sheep will not take care of itself, at least not profitably. There is an axiom that the "eye of the master fattens the sheep." The meaning of that is that the flockmaster has every animal constantly under his eye; he knows at once that something is wrong, if anything is wrong, and immediately proceeds to correct it. If a single animal is off its feed or shows symptoms of disease, the shepherd detects it. To the inexperienced it would seem impossible for a man to become acquainted with each individual member of the flock, but each animal has its characteristics and they are sufficiently marked to give it a distinct character in the eye of the flockmaster. The very first thing that must be assured in the management of a flock is quietness of surroundings. The sheep is a timid animal and is a bundle of nerves. An hour of excitement will do more harm to the flock than can well be imagined. The work of sheep-killing dogs is not nearly so damaging in the slaughter that they do, as it is in the excitement that they cause in the flock. In feeding sheep a variety should be provided, but whatever is fed must be clean and palatable.

Angoras in Demand.—The Shepherd's Bulletin says demand for Angora goats is increasing rapidly. Inquiries are mostly from the southern and western parts of the United States. The demand in the Pacific Northwest is brisk, especially on the western slope. Angoras are best adapted to rough land. Their favorite food is leaves and bark, and they will leave the best grass for browse. Angoras are therefore more valuable than sheep in very rough sections, and will grow where sheep will hardly exist.

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We also include in this sale a line of very fine plain and glace silk under skirts to close out former prices \$5.75 and \$5.90, closing prices \$3.50 and \$4.50.

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AN ABYSSINIAN SHRINE.

One Dedicated to the Virgin Mary in Menelik's Dominions.

Dr. Koettlitz, who accompanied Mr. Weld-Blundell and Lord Lovat in their recent expedition to Negus Menelik's country, made a journey to Zughala, the famous sacred mountain, which, he believes, was never before visited by an Englishman. His description of the trip is reprinted from the London Times. "Mount Zughala, the mysterious sacred mountain of Abyssinians, is forty miles from the capital. It is 10,000 feet high, and in the form of a truncated cone. At its summit and in the crater is a remarkable lake 3-4 of a mile long, which is a veritable Abyssinian Lourdes or Pool of Siloam. It is the belief of the natives that bathing in its waters will cure all diseases. Close by are some springs dedicated to the Virgin Mary. According to the popular idea, barren women need only drink of these fountains to lose their sterility. The waters are regarded with the greatest worship and must on no account be employed for cooking or any other useful purpose. I saw quite a number of diseased creatures round the lake shore crawling about or being carried on litters. The whole mountain—both sides and the crater—is densely wooded. The place is studded everywhere with hermits' huts, each of which is inhabited by holy men, who live separate lives of extreme austerity. Also, hidden away in the forests, are a large number of churches. I got into the good graces of the hermits by somewhat curious means. I was being shown over one of the churches, which are plentifully adorned with cheap colored Biblical pictures, made in Germany, when a priest with great awe, drew my attention to a gaudy representation of St. George and the dragon. I endeavored to explain that St. George was the British as well as the Abyssinian patron saint, but the good men were very dubious until I hit upon the idea of producing a sovereign. This at once convinced him of the truth of my statement, and proved to their complete satisfaction that I was a Christian of a very high order. The whole mountain is curious in the extreme. I was shown one tree with three trunks, united at the case, which is regarded as an emblem of the Trinity and is hung with human hair and all sorts of trinkets. There are, too, curious crannies between the perpendicular rocks, through which it is an act of devotion to squeeze oneself. The sides of these apertures are highly polished and covered with grease by reason of the religious activity of diseased pilgrims."

Letter List.

Following is the dead letter list for week ending May, 15, 1901: Mrs. Minnie Barton, J. W. Houricks, George A. Henneker, S. L. Grimm, Dr. D. Jones.

Parties calling for the above please say advertised. L. H. JEWETT, P. M.

Taken Up.

By the under signed five miles north of Westerville on May 9th, 1900, one brown mare mule, one gray mare mule, age about 18 years old, no brands or marks. JOHN SCOTT, Westerville.

Memorial Sabbath and Memorial Day Exercises.

It is not only a custom but a duty enjoined upon members of the G. A. R. by special Order, that they shall assemble for Divine worship on the Sabbath preceding Memorial Day. The members of C. C. Washburn Post will therefore assemble in their hall at 1:30 p. m. on Sunday May 27th and proceed to the Presbyterian Church where the Memorial Sermon will be delivered by Rev. Geo. G. Burns at 2:30 p. m. with pastors of other churches present and assisting.

We invite all soldiers, especially those of the Spanish American war, Co. M. and citizens in general to meet with us and assist in keeping alive the fires of patriotism.

On Wednesday May 30th Memorial Day will be observed by suitable services in the North Side Opera House. All old soldiers, those of the Spanish American War, Co. M, the W. R. C. and citizens of our town and the surrounding country are asked to join and assist us. Our Comrade and Post-Department Commander, Hon. H. C. Russel of Schuyler, Neb. will be the orator of the occasion.

The hour of meeting and a program will be announced later.

JAMES WHITEHEAD, Comm.

A. WALLACE Adjutant.

Excursions.

Burlington & Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska, Passenger Department. Omaha, Neb., May 10th, 1900.

Thirteen Cash Prizes. \$115.00 For Nebraska Letters. General Passenger Agent Francis of the Burlington Route offers \$115.00 in prizes for letters about Nebraska, its resources, possibilities and opportunities. The letters will be used to encourage immigration to this state. This contest is open to all. The letters should contain between 200 and 1,000 words, and must reach Mr. Francis at Omaha, by July 1, 1900. A circular giving all the conditions of the contest will be mailed on application.

J. FRANCIS, G. P. A.

Ryso.

Weather very wim; a light rain last evening; corn planting well advanced and early planted is coming up.

G. H. Carrell and R. A. Brand started over land in schooners Monday to North Platte.

H. G. Donnell has procured a barrel of gas tar to kill prairie dogs. John McDemott is also killing them but I have not learned how.

Mrs. L. H. McCall and two of A. H. Arnold's children had an attack of diphtheria; the children are well and Mrs. McCall is convalescent. Miss H. L. Healdy is on the sick list with inflammatory rheumatism.

Rattle snakes are numerous; large number have been killed this spring.

Small grain is promising and we can already see the biscuit in prospective.

John Mair was rushing around this morning to get some person to repair the approach to the Lyle bridge.

Milburn Items.

Our valley is looking fine in its dress of green.

Potato bugs are getting numerous in some patches through here.

Our Sunday school is still alive but was nearly drowned out by having rain every Sunday since Easter.

Lon Crooker and Richard Giles passed through here last Tuesday with about 700 head of cattle to summer on Goose creek.

Mr. Jas. Abernathy made his annual visit in this neighborhood last week, assessing. Mrs. T. W. Ready has been suffering with a hard attack of heart trouble lately.

Grand-pa Allen has just returned from his visit near St. Joseph Mo. Eggs, 8 cents, butter 12, hides, 5 at Milburn.

A good blacksmith shop is badly needed at Milburn.

E. W. Rankin is home from Mexico. He brought up 400 head of yearling steers of his own raising at the Daming rancho.

The REPUBLICAN and Inter Ocean for \$1.50. The REPUBLICAN and State Journal for \$1.85.

A Good Thing.

Our Great-Grandmother's garrets containing the same herbs of all healing found in Karl's Clover root tea. They gave our ancestor strength, kept the blood pure, and will do the same for you if you say so. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts. Sold by H. G. Haebler.

Rheumatism Cured.

My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief, and I can recommend it as a splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found it valuable.—W. J. Cuyler, Red Creek, N. Y.

Mr. Cuyler is one of the leading merchants of this village and one of the most prominent men in this vicinity.—W. G. Phippin, Editor Red Creek Herald. For sale by all Druggists.

Is This Plain Enough.

If you have a nagging cough and are losing flesh, go to a drug store, and get a bottle of Shiloh's Consumption Cure. Take two-thirds of it, and then, if you are not benefited, return the bottle to the druggist, and we will return your money. Isn't that fair? No one could ask more. 25 cts. 50 cts. and \$1.00 a bottle.

Masonic Election.

At a regular meeting of the A. F. and A. M. lodge of this city Saturday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. W. M., A. R. Humphrey; W. S. M. K. Hagadorn; Treasures J. G. Hareberle; Sec'y L. H. Jewett.

The following parties from this vicinity attended the state encampment of the G. A. R. at W. R. C. at Beatrice at Lincoln last week: Judge Reese, Jas. Whitehead, Joe Skelton, H. W. George and Mesdames T. E. Wheeler, H. K. Hagadorn, I. N. Marquis.

The Louise Brehany.

The richest treat that Broken Bow has had for years is in store for our people next Tuesday night in the appearance of the Louise Brehany concert and opera company. The company consists of six of the finest artists on the American stage. The guarantee of tickets to secure this attraction has been made good and this company will surely appear. Reserved seats are 75 cts., general admission 50 cts. Seats now on sale.

General Reese given a Reception.

John Reese, the newly elected department commander of the G. A. R. of the state of Nebraska, was given a reception Monday night at the opera house, under the auspices of the G. A. R. ladies of the W. R. C. and citizens. The Harmony band rendered several pieces of music prior to the commencement of the exercises which was very much appreciated by all. The attendance was quite large, the opera chairs being generally occupied as well as a number of seats in the rear of the hall. A very pleasant and profitable time was enjoyed and many were the personal congratulations extended to the Judge on his promotion to the rank of Major General by the unanimous vote of the encampment.

PROGRAM

The following is the program as rendered:

Prayer by Rev. Knight, song by Mrs. C. G. Mayer and son Eddie; address of Welcome, Mayor Royse; address The Grand Army of the Republic and its Department commander, Hon. Jas. Whitehead; address, The W. R. C. an auxiliary to the G. A. R. by Mrs. T. E. Wheeler, address, The citizen soldier in the War with Spain by Simon Cameron, address, The Army Chaplain, by Rev. W. H. Dogget; address, The Army doctor by Capt. C. L. Mullins, The Relation of the Press to the Soldier, by Hon. C. W. Beal, E. R. Purce, D. M. Amsherry; address, Our Guest, by Gen. John Reese, Department Commander. At the conclusion a reception was tendered General Reese and all improved the opportunity to extend to him congratulations. The reception committee were the officers of the W. R. C. L. H. Jewett, A. R. Humphrey, H. M. Sullivan, J. E. Adamson, Chas. Guttererson, E. R. Purcell, Mesdames, Stucky, Humphrey, Gidderson, Mayer, Richardson and Blackwell.

Drs. R. C. W. E. and Capt. V. C. Talbot, and Judge Sullivan started 500 head of cattle to their rancho at Halsey this morning. Capt. Talbot will have charge of them.

The commencement exercises of the city school will be held tomorrow night. An admission fee is 25 cents for adults and 15 for children.

Mrs. R. T. Baker of Custer Center is quite sick with pneumonia. J. W. Bruce and family left here for Spokane Falls last Saturday, with intention of locating there. His son W. R. Bruce and family accompanied him.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

I wish to say to my Friends and Patrons that I am now located in the New Brick Building, on west side of Square, where I will be better prepared to serve them than ever before. F. W. HAYES, Jeweler and Optician.

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