

MONEY IN EGG BUSINESS

DEXTER COLD STORAGE IS PAYING LARGE AMOUNTS.

DRAW FROM LARGE TERRITORY

Makes an Egg Market for Norfolk that is Profitable to the Farmers and Good for the City—Five Carloads Now in Storage.

(From Saturday's Daily.) The farmers and chicken fanciers are just now realizing excellent returns from the eggs promised. Some of them with large flocks of poultry are getting in \$10 to \$15 a week from that source alone, and will make more when they begin selling young poultry.

Since S. K. Dexter arrived in the city from Lowell, Mass., to fill the cold storage plant here this has been a center for activity in the hen fruit industry, all available of the product being in demand here and the prices being accordingly higher than those there was no market here. A force of fourteen people are now employed at the plant in receiving, candling and packing away the eggs.

Since April 5 eight cars of eggs have been received at the Dexter plant of which five cars are now in storage. The price paid the farmers and other merchants averages about \$2,000 a carload, and the active season will continue until the plant is filled to capacity, which will require many more carloads.

The eggs are just now in good condition and the spoiled eggs are now at a minimum and will increase as the hens begin to set and the weather becomes warmer. The payments from the cold storage some days run up into the thousands of dollars, that goes almost directly into the pockets and to the bank accounts of the farmers of this territory.

F. L. Estabrook is building a large local business that is also helping the town as market for butter and eggs, and the cold storage people are taking all he can spare as well as what can be secured from the grocers and what they obtain direct from the farmers for their business of filling the local storage plant. Some of the eggs are being shipped to the east after grading here, and altogether it is an important industry to Norfolk and to northeast Nebraska.

The success of this enterprise is evidence of what could be done here along other similar lines and it will not be long before Norfolk will attract business men who will endeavor to benefit by the business of the territory of which it is the logical center.

HOW THE BUILDERS GET ON

TWO PUBLIC BUILDINGS ARE MOVING ALONG.

COURTHOUSE EXTERIOR DONE.

Superintendent Williams is Getting Ready for the Sidewalks on the Out Side of the Place—Asylum is Moving Upward Rapidly—From Away.

Superintendent G. K. Williams is getting ready to put in the new cement sidewalks all around the federal property just as soon as the frost is out of the ground enough to allow the work. The engine which has stood at the north side of the structure during the year and which has hoisted brick and buckets and men and material to the top of the courthouse, has now been taken out of the way and the entire yard is cleared.

Clay is being filled in for the reception of the new walks and the lawns and the other things that will go to make the premises look well from the outside.

The plasterers are still working and will soon have their duty done.

At the Asylum. Work at the new state asylum goes merrily on and the Capital City Brick company is pushing the thing for all it is worth these nice days.

The old brick that came out of the walls of the ruined building, have been going into the piles of cleaned ones for use in the cottages and the workmen are getting up the foundations. The cellars are excavated and before so very long the new plans will begin to thoroughly materialize.

It has lately been decided by the state board that the company must use the Twin City brick, as provided in the contract from the beginning, instead of the Omaha brick which was being urged by the Omaha people.

Concerning Norfolk's prospects this year, the Omaha Commercial, a magazine devoted to the interests of the west and in this particular issue to the building that is going on through out the country, says:

There will be more building of residence property in Norfolk during the present season than in any that has passed. Contractors report that fully 200 new homes, all of comfortable size and to cost rather more than has been the wonted price, will begin immediately when the weather clears.

Among the more extensive improvements in Norfolk may be mentioned the new United States court house

LIFE ON THE GULF OF MEXICO

SPECIAL LETTER TELLING OF BANANAS AND CLIMATE.

HEAT WAVES QUIVER ON WATER

Cool in Nebraska, Budding at St. Louis, Blossoms in New Orleans and Too Hot For Comfort on the Water.

Gulf of Mexico, April 13.—To The News: It is not often that correspondence can be written and mailed at sea, but I write this on the assurance that a return vessel will take it back to New Orleans today.

The steamship "Beverly" is a banana boat belonging to the fleet of one of the great fruit companies, and has accommodations for a dozen passengers. It is bound for Belize, Porto Cortez, and Porto Barrios, arriving at the latter place about April 18th, and starting back to New Orleans a couple of days later with 20,000 bunches of bananas.

The banana business from Central American ports has grown to immense proportions in the last ten years. To the ports of New Orleans and Mobile there come now on an average of 240,000 bunches per week. These are mostly taken north to distributing centers by special refrigerator trains the same day of their arrival in port. Only the broken bunches are kept in New Orleans. From Costa Rica and Jamaica the steamers to Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York probably more than duplicate the shipments to gulf ports, and if the Florida and Mexican crop could be figured on one could discover what a banana-eating country the United States has become. Average 80 bananas to the bunch, and it will be noticed that nearly a million and a half go north from the two gulf ports each week the year around.

I saw a banana ship unloaded at New Orleans. It came up to the wharf in the evening. It was a vessel of the Norwegian type and was loaded with 21,000 bunches. About 100 laborers, Italians and colored, commenced passing the cargo up out of the ship, across the wharf, and into the cars which stood about fifty yards distant. The men were under several supervisors, and worked systematically. Two lines were formed like bucket brigades at a country fire, and the stream of fruit from the ship to the cars was continuous. No one dared to lag, and soldiering was impossible. Aside from the two brigades a number of laborers shouldered bunches and carried them across the wharf to the cars. According to popular northern belief there were at least 10,000 tarantulas in that cargo, but the half-naked laborers paid no attention to them, and doubtless never thought of them. In five hours the two train loads of bananas were transferred from the ship and were on their way to Chicago. Perhaps the peeling of some of these same bananas will be ornamenting Nebraska sidewalks before the end of the week.

The banana tree is not a tree. It is a yearly plant like a fat giant of a cornstalk. The big green stalks are about six inches through up to five feet above the ground, where the leaves begin, and are ten or twelve feet tall. Some are in slumps, three or four in a hill, and some are kept in straight rows like listed corn three or four feet apart each way. The leaves are ten feet long and a foot wide, intermingling so as to form a dense shade. Each stalk bears one bunch of bananas. After the harvest the stalks are cut off close to the ground. One or more shoots come up from each stump, and in eleven months the harvest time comes again. By regulating the time of chopping down the stalks the large plantations have a continuous harvest.

Contrary to general belief, bananas are not as good when allowed to ripen on the stalk as they are when picked green and then ripened by sun or artificial heat. This fact I learned on a former trip to Central America. Down in that fruit country they say that the two-thirds filled banana contains the most sweetness, and is the choicest crop. Those which are square and sharp in the sections sell for a better price than the full grown ones that have become round and plump.

Plantains look much like bananas and grow on the same kind of a plant. They are not eaten raw, but are boiled, fried or baked, retaining about the consistency of the sweet potato. Fried or baked they are very good eating, but the Nebraskan who ate the boiled plantain would very much miss some good butter or other lubricant. The ordinary Central American has never acquired the taste for butter, so he does not miss it, and boiled plantains form the basis of every native meal. The fruit may be dried, ground to a powder, and then kept for months. In its various forms it is said to be the only single article of human food that will sustain life the year around.

Nebraskans make frequent eastern and western trips, but few of them realize the sudden change of seasons in a trip south. Imagine my experience this time. Leave Omaha with snow on the ground. At St. Louis the trees are showing green. In Tennessee the trees and flowers in full bloom. In Mississippi the corn three inches

and postoffice building that will be completed by May 1. This is practically finished now and cost \$100,000. The new state hospital for the insane, the first cottage system to be inaugurated in the west, is just being begun and will be done by October 1. An appropriation of \$100,000 was made by the Nebraska legislature for this institution, which is to replace that destroyed by fire.

The Chicago & Northwestern railroad is just completing a new switching yard, machine shops, round house and freight quarters, including twenty miles of track, that cost \$250,000. During the coming summer an electric street car line is planned for the city and the American Beet Sugar company will add several thousand dollars' worth of improved machinery to its plant. Over \$750,000 was expended during 1903 for building improvements in Norfolk.

While the Rise Has Been Lighter Than Usual, the Amount of Snow in the Valley Was Still a Surprise to the Oldest Inhabitant.

(From Friday's Daily.) The Northfork river is gradually receding today and it is believed that the high water mark has been safely passed for 1904. While there was at no time any particular danger from the flood which came down in the bed of the river there was still a very deep little lake just north of the Minneapolis & Omaha railroad embankment and in that district persons who wanted to amble did so in moisture more than knee deep.

The gauge at the Sugar City Cereal mills indicates that the stream is now dropping steadily and that it will be gone many hours more have gone down into its normal channel. While the rise this year has been the slightest that Norfolk has known in many seasons, yet there was considerably more of snow in the valley than had been anticipated by the oldest inhabitant. The blizzard of a week ago brought about the only snow fall that this territory has experienced and that was but a trace, practically speaking, so far as Norfolk was concerned.

It is known, of course, that the snow was very much heavier northward. At Creighton the banks were up to the awnings and a little farther up the line the Bonesteel passenger train couldn't get by a drift one whole day. In Norfolk there wasn't a drift more than three or four feet high and those that were were very hard to locate. The streets have been pretty thoroughly gutted so that snow in the hills northwest of the city would likely run along smoothly when melted into liquid form and rolled into town. Just what would happen on the Thirtieth proposition if there were even an ordinary amount of the crystallized moisture, is a puzzle that may not be so hard to figure out.

The Elkhorn is rising somewhat and will no doubt experience greater high water than the Northfork, as the territory through which it churns got more of the white drifts than that experienced in this immediate vicinity.

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T. P. A. STATE CONVENTION

Drummers Will Hold a Meeting in Lincoln Friday and Saturday.

The state convention of the Nebraska division, Travelers' Protective Association of America will meet at Lincoln April 22. There will be about 100 delegates present, apportioned as follows:

Omaha, Post A, thirty-seven; Fremont, Post B, seven; Lincoln, Post C, fourteen; Nebraska City, Post D, five; Grand Island, Post E, four; Norfolk, Post F, five; Hastings, Post G, five; Beatrice, Post G, four. The elective officers of last year will also be present.

The entertainment will be in the hands of Post C of Lincoln which will serve a banquet Friday evening and a list of notable speakers have been secured. The banquet program is as follows:

Toastmaster, Jas. H. Wintersteen. Post B.

Address of welcome, Geo. A. Adams, mayor.

Response to welcome, R. F. Bacon. Post A.

"Advancement of the Commerce of the West," H. M. Bushnell, Post C.

Report secretary-treasurer, R. F. Hodgins.

"Influence, Power and Responsibility of the Commercial Salesman," Hon. W. J. Bryan, U. S. A.

T. P. A.—"What Is It and Why Should We be Members?" M. Wulpi, Post A.

"Evolution of the Traveling Man," Col. Geo. E. Jenkins, Fairbury.

President A. V. Whiting will call the convention together for a short business session before the banquet. The committees will be appointed and officers will be chosen for the following year.

A Chattanooga Druggist's Statement. Robt. J. Miller, proprietor of the Chattanooga, Tenn., writes: "There is more merit in Foley's Honey and Tar than in any other cough syrup. The calls for it multiply wonderfully and we sell more of it than all other cough syrups combined. Klesau Drug Co."

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Take the genuine, original ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEA made only by Madison Macdonald Co., Madison, Wis. keeps you well. Our tea mark is on each pack. Price, 25 cents. Never a in bulk. Accept no substitute. Ask your druggist!

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KIDNEY DISEASES advertisement with text: are the most fatal of all diseases. FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE is a Guaranteed Remedy or money refunded. Contains remedies recognized by eminent physicians as the best for Kidney and Bladder troubles. PRICE 50c and \$1.00. She Has Cured Thousands DR. CALDWELL OF CHICAGO. Practicing Aleopathy, Homoeopathy, Electric and General Medicine.

Portrait of a man and text: returning every four weeks. Consult her while the opportunity is at hand. DR. CALDWELL limits her practice to the special treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose, throat, lungs, female diseases, diseases of children and all chronic, nervous and surgical diseases of a curable nature. Early consumption, bronchitis, bronchitis, chronic catarrh, headache, constipation, stomach and bowel troubles, rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, kidney diseases, Bright's disease, diseases of the liver and bladder, dizziness, nervousness, indigestion, obesity, interrupted nutrition, slow growth in children, and all wasting diseases in adults, deformities, club feet, curvature of the spine, diseases of the brain, palsy, heart disease, dropsy, swelling of the limbs, stricture, open sores, pain in the bones, granular enlargements and all long standing diseases properly treated. Blood and Skin Diseases. pimples, blotches, eruptions, liver spots, falling of the hair, bad complexion, eczema, throat ulcers, bone pains, bladder troubles, weak back, burning urine, passing urine too often. The effects of constitutional sickness or the taking of too much injurious medicine receives searching treatment, prompt relief and a cure for life. Diseases of women, irregular menstruation, falling of the womb, bearing down pains, female displacements, lack of sexual tone, Leucorrhoea, sterility or barrenness, consult Dr. Caldwell and she will show them the cause of their trouble and the way to become cured. Cancers, Gout, Flatula, Piles and enlarged glands treated with the subcutaneous injection method, absolutely without pain and without the loss of a drop of blood, is one of her own discoveries and is really the most scientific method of this advanced age. Dr. Caldwell has practiced her profession in some of the largest hospitals throughout the country. She has no superior in the treating and diagnosing of diseases, deformities, etc. She has lately opened an office in Omaha, Nebraska, where she will spend a portion of each week treating her many patients. No incurable cases accepted for treatment. Consultation, examination and advice, one dollar to those interested. DR. CALDWELL & CO. Chicago, Ill. Address all mail to Bio Building, Omaha, Neb.