

ABOUT RAILROAD TRAVEL.

What it Cost to Carry Passengers on Western Routes.

There is a surprising amount of information among the people regarding the cost of carrying passengers on railroad trains and to this condition as a public mind is doubtless due much of the sentiment in favor of lower rates, which is finding expression through bills for sweeping reductions in the legislature of many of the western states this winter.

The following table showing the relative population and rates is interesting in this connection:

Table with 2 columns: State, Population, and Rate per mile. Includes entries for Missouri, Illinois, Ohio, New York, and New England.

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FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof.

NEW YORK bulletin says: The conservation of soil moisture is one of the most important problems presented to the farmer and gardener.

From 25 to 75 per cent because of lack of sufficient moisture to bring it to maturity. The soil may have been in proper condition, plan and seed.

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