

A FORTUNE IN GOATS.

There is a new resident in Denver who is not only pleasant in personality and engaging in conversation, but particularly interesting with respect to his business.

This gentleman is Charles S. Onderdonk of Lamy, N. M., who has just arrived in Denver with his family and is residing in a beautiful new home at 950 Corona street. He is a man of great wealth and an annual income that runs far up into the thousands.

He depends for all the luxury with which he surrounds himself on goats.

There is no time of the year when he has not on his immense ranch—the largest goat ranch on earth—at least 10,000 goats. Often, prior to the periodical shipments, he has as many as 20,000. There are 28,000 acres of ground for them to graze over, and they are such frugal little beasts that they can pick up livings where other animals would starve. They eat the foliage of low trees when the grass is scanty, and even strip off the bark sometimes, and really fatten on such food.

The ranch is just the sort that the youngest kid intuitively longs for. It covers a large part of Glorieta mountain, a great elevation east of Santa Fe. It also contains Apache canyon, with its precipitous sides and rocky ledges, along which the intrepid quadrupeds skip and climb in their careless, break-neck fashion, and it is great fun for them, for nothing tickles a goat so much as risking his neck, and on the Onderdonk farm he can take his chances every hour in the day.

Mr. Onderdonk raises but two kinds of goats—Angoras, for their hair, and "Corientes," for their skins. The word "Corientes" means simply "coarse ones," and it is from the skins of these tougher animals that the famous "vici kid" goods are made, Robert H. Foerderer of Philadelphia manufacturer of the "vici" leather, being a partner of Mr. Onderdonk.

The hair, which grows luxuriantly on the Angoras, is used in many ways, especially is it valuable in the manufacture of mohair goods. The meat of the goat is little used by Americans, but the Mexicans, who inhabit the country around the Onderdonk ranch are quite fond of the meat, and nearly all of it is sold to them or exchanged for labor on the ranch.

Onderdonk has been spending part of his time at the manufactory in Philadelphia, and part of it on the ranch. Henceforth he will spend most of his time in Denver.—Denver Post.

ABOUT COLOR.

It seems that the word "nigger" has taken root in the far-off Philippines, where the haughty American invader applies it indiscriminately to the native races. They do not like it, as far as appears, any better than do the other peoples in various parts of the world to whom it has been applied. It is a feature of our Anglo-Saxon supremacy. Wherever we have gone, we have found darker-complexioned races whom we could kick, and whom we have called niggers. So it was with the Virginia planters and the kidnaped Africans, with English convicts and the Australian savages, with the British soldiers and the natives of India and Afghanistan. The kick and the "nigger" go together, and so both parties understand it.—It is wicked and impious to raise one's hand on the Lord's anointed—so long as we are It—but there are always some people ready to wonder whether the color of skins is really the final test; just now some of the good women are agitated by the question of admitting black women to the National Federation of Women's Clubs. And from Los Angeles, where the organization has been in session, comes one cautious voice, suggesting that the only color that argues necessary inferiority is that pale yellow that shows its owner to be guilty of living and eating wrong and shunning wholesome air and exercise.



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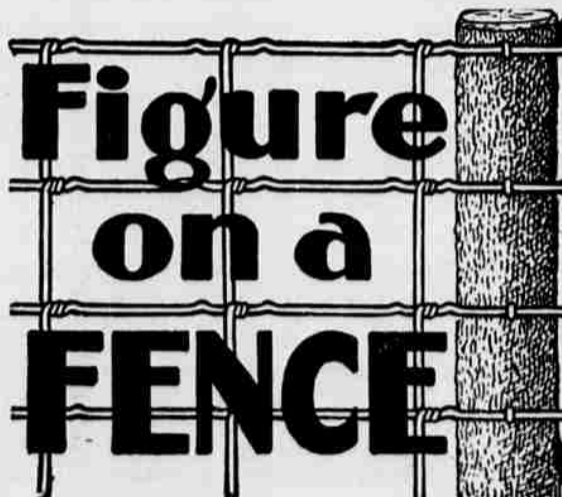


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