## THE LIVE STOCK OF NEBRASKA

It Has Profited Greatly By the Open Winter.

SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS

Carefully Compiled Reports From the Bee's Special Correspondents Present a Very Cheerful Outlook For Stock Dealers.

Their Lot a Happy One.

A short time ago THE BEE sent out the following circular letter to its correspondents in the stock raising sections of Ne-

"Will you please send us a statement of the number of cattle and hogs within a ratius of ten miles of your town? You may also in-clude horses and sheep. Out of the number we would be glad to know, what portion is being fattened for the winter and spring being fattened for the winter and spring markets. Please give the names of owners of live stock and any other in-formation that will be of interest to stockmen throughout the state. State whether or not there is enough feed in your vicinity to supply the stock on hand, and if there is not enough feed to keep the stock through the winter, please give an estimate of the amount of shortage.

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"We also want figures showing the amount of corn and hay harvested in your county this fall, as near as it can be ascertained, and the market price of each."

The replies received are printed below. They show that stock of all kinds is in an unusually fine condition for the time of year, with an abundance of hay, corn and cats for feed until grass comes again. Hog cholera is reported in but few localities. This information has been carefully gathered, and will be found practically accurate and reliable.

Buffalo.

SHELTON, Neb., Feb. 9.-The following is very nearly the correct estimate within a a radius of ten miles of Shelton:

Cattle, Hogs. Sheep, Horses. George Meisner 400 200 C. F. Fisher. . . 1,100 150 1,500 15,000 1,000 \_\_\_ Total......1,700 550 21,500

The above are all being fattened for the spring market with the exception of horses, which will probably remain here. A fair es-timate of local stock owned by separate individuals is for the spring market, 1,000 hogs, 500 cattle. Feeders and stock cattle in hogs, 500 cattle. Feeders and stock cattle in the country are estimated at 3,000, stock hogs 1,500. There is plenty of feed in the country and plenty of corn ranging from 17 cents to 20 cents. The feeders have on hand all the necessary grain to finish fattening. There were between 600, 100 and 200 000 hughels of corn gathered last 000 and 700,000 bushels of corn gathered last

There is plenty of hay at from \$2.50 to \$3 per ton delivered, according to distance.
Oats were not a very good average, the price ranging from 18c to 20c on the market here.

The winter has been very promising to feeders in this locality. All report stock cattle in fine condition, also all other stock. This is considered one of the nicest feeding points in this section.

TERAMAH, Neb., Feb. 9-Some localities are suffering from the terrible inroads made by cholera, and many of the feeders are abandonas as fast as possible. The number that will be marketed during the winter and spring is probably one-third less than for the corresponding period for last

The corn crop in this section is about the same as last year, and about 85 per cent of the entire crop will be consumed by feeders. The balance will be for shipment, provided the market price will warrant, otherwise they will remain in the hands of producers. About two thousand tons of hay were harvested at this point, more than will be re-quired to feed through the winter and about

ne-balf of this surplus has been shipped to market up to this time.

Feeders are paying about 20 cents for corn. Grain dealers can offer only about 15 cents and are doing a very light business.

For hay the market is rather dull at present. Dealers ask \$4 delivered in cars on Following are the names of leading cattle-

men in this vicinity with the number of head owned by each: W. W. Latta.....

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W. M. White														
J. W. Latta														
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ALLIANCE, Neb., Feb. 9-There are no sheep in this county. All the stock here is being kept for breeding purposes, as the country is so new, but there will probably be some range cattle driven in and shipped from this point, but it would be impossible to form any corroct estimate of the number. There is a great sufficiency of feed but no

extensive surplus. The total number of horses is 457. The largest owners are Elmore & Johnson, who own about 95 head of the above.

The total number of cattle is 735. Krause Brothers, the Moore estate, Reed Brothers and Stocking & Gilchrist are the largest owners, owning from 15 head to 150 head The total number of hogs is 85. No one

owns over 15 and all are for home consump-There are about 35,000 tons of hay in the country, worth & in the stacks and about 20,000 bushels of corn, worth 45 cents shelled.

This country is so new that these articles are all very light yet, but is developing so rapidly that in a few years it will make a very creditable showing.

Cuming.

ong. Two thousand sheep are being fattened in this vicinity.

There was an area of 75,000 acres planted to corn, and from careful inquiry i find that 40 bushels to the acre would be a fair estimate, making in all 3,000,000 bushels. Of this probably 80 per cent will be required for home use, leaving a surplus of 600,000 bushels. This is being marketed at from 16 to 19 cents nor busine.

There were about 17,000 acres mowed for hay at an average of good marketable hay of two and a half tons per acre. There seems to be no market price on this article. In most cases it sells for merely enough to pay for delivery. Farmers in the vicinity of Bancroft are being preparatory to shipment. There will be a surplus of at least 50 per cent. The present market price is \$1 per ton, delivered, or 75 cents per ton in stack.

The farmers generally report an absence of any disease among cattle or hogs, all kinds of live stock being in a thriving condition. There were about 17,000 acres mowed for

While nearly every farmer in the county is While nearly every farmer in the county is giving his attention to stock-raising, especially to improving the quality of stock, the following persons may be enumerated as being especially laterested in the pusiness and carry from 291 to 3,000 head of cattle each: Hon. J. H. Barrett, of Wisner; August Leisy, West Point; Henry Leisy, Wisner; Churles H. Wilde, Henry Lubens, Carl Peterman, Ed Farley, John Tubken, George Rombery, Phil McManis, Henry Derker, A. M. Peterson, Andrew Herman, Christ Rupp, Joseph Meier, J. S. Shaw, L. S. Crosby, branch of Powder river ranche; Godfred Karlin, Henry Borgelt, J. R. P. Brown, Floyd C. Conrad, William Needemier, Carl Bratberth.

Collax.

Chaukson, Neb., Feb. 9.-The following table gives a fairly accurate statement of the information asked for in THE BEE circu-

	Cattle	Horses	Hogs	Feeding Cattle
Joseph Deandel	00	10	120	15
D. Brachut	40	25	100	2317
Novotny & Bros	120	16	95	33
Folhis	40	S	40	200
H. Hoff	. 95	- 5	97	46.0
W. Hoffman	18	3	20	-
John Not	210	10	.65	160
J. Chada		8	100	36
J. Foldu	. 100	11	80	777
John Henn	. 20	5	60	-
J. Bockhorny		12	70	-
Shojek Bros	69	14	113	18
D. Wanhosen		10	70	
Schreader		8	40	-
P. Hohn		12	120	36
A. Misburn	25	6	60	- 9
K. Kreger		4	76	777
J. Munster	. 25	- 5	40	1
P. Ternes	. 20	7	GO	1
P. Ternes, jr	. 30	4	20	6
J. Jansen	. 20	2	20	
Joseph Satiatch		3	10	-
L. Schwater	. 20	- 3	. 5	
W. G. Mefferd	25	10	21	1
A. P. Carlton	. 110	13	80	88
J. H. Hunt	. 40	6	110	10
J. A. Luke		20	100	20
Joseph Limbach	1 20	4	10	5

There are 150,000 bushels of corn and 5,000 ons of hay, an abundance to carry the stock through in excellent shape.

Schuyler, Neb., Feb. 9 --In compliance with your request I give estimates as follows within a radius of ten miles from Schuyler: 70,000 tons of hay, of which 25,000 tons are surplus; 25,000 cattle, of which 4,000 will be ready for market within the next sixty days; 15,000 hogs, of which 4,000 will be ready for

market within the same time; 5,000 horses;

Engan, Neb., Feb. 9.-A quite accurate estimate of the number of hogs in the county is 12,089; cattle, 8,112; horses, 2,032; sheep. 1,770; bushels of corn, 370,730; oats, 66,297;

About one-half of the corn crop has been sold and fed. Not more than 300 cattle are being fed for early market. The hay in this report does not include the fodder that cattle are being mostly fed on.

Fillmore.

GENEVA, Neb., Feb. 9 .-- There are in this county 25,000 head of cattle; hogs, 60,000; horses, 8,900; mules, 675; sheep, 3,693; corn, 3,000,000 bushels, at 18 cents per bushel; oats

1,800,000 bushels, at 16 cents per bushel. Hay was an extra good crop. There was double the quantity to feed all stock and spare. It is seiling at an average of \$4. Among the prominent stock men in the county are: J. J. Lightbody, C. A. Warner, Jacob Weis, C. J. Burton, M. Pangle, C. Goodrich, F. C. Wilde, F. McCartney, H. L. Smith, J. C. Eckley, W. P. Spears, G. H. Warren, W. R. Davis, F. C. Matteson, W. H. Davis, who are feeding from 50 to 250 head of cattle The cattle are in good condition and doing well, with no disease to speak of among them. There are about 8,000 head being fattened for market.

ATKINSON, Neb., Feb. 9.-Nearly if not quite all, of the murketable stock has been sold off. There have been shipped from this station alone over 100 car loads of cattle and hogs during the past two months. There are not many left in the country, though of course each farmer has a few on hand, but scarcely any fit for market.

There are no sheep to speak of. Of horses there are not many beyond those

needed for work. Hay and corn are plentiful and there is an abundance to last all stock through the winter and spring. Corn is 20 cents and hay \$1.50, with no market. burning hay and corn for fuel, as it is cheaper The only extensive owners of live stock in this vicinity are the following: Doolittle Bros., who have 50 head of thoroughbred and grade Percheron horses, 40 head of thoroughbred and grade Aber-deen-Angus cattle, 200 head of stock cattle and 50 head of purebred Poland China swine. Their ranch is thirty miles south-west of Atkinson. Their business office is in Atkinson. Dell Alken, four miles from the Doulittle ranch, has 125 head of stock cattle, 25 head of horses and about one carload of sheep on hand. Fisher Bros., in the same neighborhood, have 225 head of stock cattle and 29 horses. The great blizzard of one year ago wiped out several thousand head of cattle, and many farmers are but just getting herds started again.

Holt. O'NELL, Nob., Feb. 9 .- A careful est: mate shows that there are within a radius of ten miles of this town 2,000 head of horses, 5,500 head of cattle, 2,500 head of hogs and 500 to 1,000 head of sheep. Alse about 200 head of mules. Only a small proportion of the cattle are being fed for the winter and spring market-probably about 100 head, but a large proportion of the hogs are being fattened for the spring market, and it is estimated that fully three-fourths are being so fattened, or about 1,000 head. There is a large surplus of feed for all kinds of stock in the county, notwithstanding the fact that about 3,000 tens of hay were destroyed last fall by prairie fires. The hay crop last season was unusually large and a great quantity was put up in the near vicin-ity of the ratiroad for shipping purposes. Shipping bailed hay is one of our leading in-dustries in the fall and winter season at nearly all points along the railroad, and it is believed that fully 500,000 tons of hay in all were put up in the county last season, and

It is difficult to estimate the number of bushels of corn raised in the county hist year. The crop is fairly good in all parts of the county, and in many places excellent. There will be a large surplus of corn and the universal complaint is that we have not hogs enough to feed it to. It is safe to say that the number of bushels barvested in

Ryan, Patrick McDonnell, James Skieving, head. Hon. William Graver bought 90 head Arthur Cruise, Frank Morse, Charles Wreede, Hiram Hodgkins and N. B. Bisby, There are fully 1,000 head of cattle in the county being feet for the winter and spring market. The average price of hay in stack is \$1.57 per ton, and corn is worth from 20 to 25 cents per highest.

company and a Mr. Majors are the principal feeders in the county. At Wood River, in this county, another man is feeding 1,800 steers and 21,000 sheep.

The hay and corn crop was good and in exfeeders. Some hay and a large quantity of orn will be shipped.
The number of cattle, norses, hors and sheep in Hall county, as per tax list in 1884, is as follows: Horses, 7,085; eattle, 30,057; hogs, 17,936; sheep, 2,034; mules and asses, 877.

Number of cattle and sheep being fed in this county from a careful estimate is: Cat-tle, 5,500; sheep, 27,000.

Johnson. STERLING, Neb., Feb. 9.-The live stock within ten miles of this place, together with

	names of the owners is as follows:	(C) (1) (C) (C)
Ì	Fat Cattle	Ho28
I	W. S. Holden	310
	Washington Wolf 20	160
	C. Breckenridge	40
ı	Peter Fiting 5)	65
ı	Charles Lipps — George Quible 38	70
Ì	George Quible 38	75
ı	Mike Shay 40	50)
	All others545	203
	Total 995	1706

Keya Paha. Gouldoale, Neb., Feb. 9.—This has been the most favorable winter to feeders here. In fact there has as yet been no bad weather, and feed is most plentiful. Hay can be bought for \$1 per ton, and a surplus is sure not to be used. Corn is only 18 cents, but the hogs are all shipped, and will be very scarce, in fact, there are no longer any to be had. There are some cattle being fed, but not half enough to supply this county. This is a fine county for the cattlemen. I am feeding 49 head of find steers, and know of some 200 not far away.

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GENOA, Neb., Feb. 9.-Within a radius of ten miles from Genoa there are about 80) cattle being fed, probably the largest number will be held over for the late market. Hogs are scarce and but few to market

before June, when there will be an average crop if disease keeps away.

There is a large surplus of corn in this section, much of which is being held for a better market.

Small grains are below the average crop. The country about here is well supplied with herses, and the indications are that in a few years they will have to export from this

Nuckolls.

NELSON, Neb., Feb.9.-There are about 2,000 cattle and 1,500 hogs in Nelson precinct, and something like 20,000 of each in the county. In the same way, I should ju dge, there were some 600 horses in Nelson precinct and 7,000 in the county. Last spring there were 4.144 sheep assessed in the county, of which more than one half belonged to three individuals. F. S. Nelson is credited with 700 in Highland precinct, about three miles from Nelson; John Pew with 500 in Spring Creek precinct; John Pew With 500 in Spring Creek precinct, F. W. Bailey with 650 in Alban precinct, while Nelson precinct registered 13. About three-fourths of the cattle and hogs are being fattened for the winter and spring markets.

ncipal stock men wi are: Henry Wehrman, C. & F. Spurck, Ketley Bros., E. L. Downing, Joseph H. Vanvalin and John Rouse, who handle cattle hogs; George Smith, who handles

iorses, and A. R. Downing, who handles all An immense quantity of hay was put up in this section and the market price is \$3 per ton, delivered in Nelson, with no hay selling and the hay presses stopped. It safe to say that corn did not average over bushels to the acre, and it is estimated the `000 bushels were raised. At any rate n. was raised than will be used here, and as least 10,000 bushels are cribbed in Nelson waiting er prices. The market price is only

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NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Feb. 9, -Otoe

county is undoubtedly one of the best stock

producing sections in the state, and its

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blooded stock cannot be beaten anywhere. The number of live stock present is about as follows:

Number. Value. The number of live stock in the county at 

Hogs..... Sheep..... 2,651 9,650

Total 90,478 \$3,065,460
A very small per cent of the cattle and sheep are being fattened for market.
Of hogs the estimate is about one-third.
The supply of feed is large, greater than for several years. About 110,952 acres of corn were cultivated in 1888, which yielded about 4,278,795 bushels. The hay harvest, at a rough estimate, is placed at about 300,000 tons. Hay sells on the Nebrasga City market at \$5.00.06.00 per ton, corn at 18.020 cents. The hog market is always good,

cents. The hog market is always good, Kansas City prices prevailing.

The above estimate of live stock includes the famous Turlington stock farm, owned by Mr. T. W. Harvey, of Chicago. This farm contains some of the finest blooded stock in the world in cattle, sheep and hogs. It also includes Hefner & Son's English Draft Horse company, of this city, whose present stock of blooded horses is valued at \$80,000. Mr. O. O. Hefner, the manager, is president stock of blooded norses is valued at \$80,000. Mr. O. O. Hefner, the manager, is president of the Nebraska Draft Horse Breeders' asso

Among the well known and successful stock raisers of Otoe county, besides the above mentioned, are O. C. and O. F. Wig-gins, of Wyoming precinct; Henry Pendleton, M. L. Hayward, Francis Bros., Over-ton Bros., J. Sterling Morton, Dick Cleve, E. Feidt and a number of others, all of whom are raising stock successfully and extensively.

TALMAGE, Neb., Feb. 9 .- A census, carefully taken, in districts embracing in the aggregate fifteen square miles of territory, rives an average to the square mile of 22 iorses, 89 head of cattle and 129 hogs. Sheep were found in only one district of the terri tory canvassed, one man having a herd of 174 head. The figures obtained show that not quite one fourth of the cattle and about one half of the hogs on hand are being fat-tened for the winter and spring markets.

The acreage of last year's corn crop, made an average of 192 acres to the square mile. A fair estimate of the yield is 50 bushels per acre, considering the crop in general, though many fields yielded considerably in excess of that figure. Corn is worth 20 cents per bushel in this market. There is a large surselling now, as they hope for a better price

later in the season.

The crop of both wild and tame hay was unusually heavy last fall, and a sufficient amount was cut and cured to feed the stock on hand, but there is little surplus. Hay is worth from \$3 to \$4 per ton.

The mild winter thus far has been very favorable to stock feeding, and cattle and porkers have daily increased in avoirdupois, much to the satisfaction of feeders. The exceedingly low price of cattle, however, is a West Point, Neb., Feb. 9.—The figures here given are for Cuming county and will be found to be quite correct: Horses 7,125, cattle 27,000, sheep 6,000, hogs 35,000. There are about 70 per cent of the cattle being fattened for the market and about 90 per cent of the hogs. There is an abundance of feed to fatten the stock and there will be a large surplus unless the winter proves to be very of stock critic at Hanover, Kan.

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feeding 50. A. Edminsten, Joseph Handley, each feeding 50 head, and George Clapp is feeding 40. A. Edminsten, Joseph Handley, Carl Schultz and T. F. Burruss, all living south of this place, are each feeding about 35 head. Most of these gentlemen are feeding a goodly number of bogs in connection with their cattle. There are a number of others feeding on a smaller scale, and no doubt the names of a number of large feeders in the German settlements borth and west of Talmage have been omitted. John Casper and Herman Arends, north of town, and William and Louie Schacht and John Weber, west of and Louie Schacht and John Weber, west of town, are probably among the most exten-

sive feeders in those settlements.

Synacuse, Neb., Feb. 9.—There will be no shortage of feed of any kind. There will be nay to spare and the corn is all in the hands of feeders and producers. Some feeders paid from 22 cents to 25 cents for corn in the fall and early winter but are now paying 30 and 31

cents; not much changing	han	ds at	that
however,	rat	Stock	
			Hogs
		cattle.	15
W. C. Wilcox	113	112	20
F. Ferguson	115	7.7	
Peter Vanantweep	95	50	100
Lorin White	100	40	(4.454)
George McKee	145	63	300
- Coddington	105	60	138
Ed Andrews	90	138	59
John Mailer	25	25	
Cook	100	40	14
O. J. Davis	35	17	7
Gault	60	77.64	30.654
Albert Armstrong	10.9	11111	4
Kiddoo	40	40	127.00
Doan	40	40	4.53
Sabin	21	41	
Dan Lawrence	130	20	4 4 4
Shoemaker	21	31	10.0
Witt	38	75	200
Clarence Reed	50	20	4.606
John Mooris		40	0.000
William Dunn		25	6
H. M. Rounsaville		85	7
Mrs. Davenport	32.55	40	
Josiah Rogers	100	4.9.9.9	200
Mrs Lisk		70	S
Winfield Holden		1127	0.00
William Woods	22	50	100.0
Charles Woods	15	125	3000
George Smith	24	60	8
George Davidson		65	70
Pat King		75	3
John May		35	50
Tom Feely		65	73
James Jose		40	8
John Brown		35	66
Henry Clouse	18	25	73
T. W. Harvey	300	100	450
Irving Andrews		50	23
Brown Brothers		100	200
H. C. Handy		75	50
A. B. Keaton	18	33	. 77
William Edwards		20	100
J. M. Wise		60	3
Emett Gore	1000	280	200
J. M. Wise. Emett Gore. John McCormick.	20	47	5.0
	-	2000	1
Total	1.369	2.518	2714

...2,369 2,518 2,71 The total number of horses owned by thos above named is 226.

Platte. COLUMBUS, Neb., Feb. 9 .- The number of

hogs is much less than last year. Of hay and corn there is a good, big surolus. Hay is worth \$2.00@2.50 per ton, corn, 18 cents per bushel.

This county has on feed for winter and spring market 4,500 cattle, 15,000 sheep. Pawnee. PAWNEE CITY, Neb., Feb. 9.-I herewith

send statement of number of hogs, cattle, sheep, horses and mules in Pawnee county: Hogs, all ages, 75,000; cattle 60,000, sheep 5,000, horses 12,000, mules 400. Within a radius of ten miles of Pawner ity: | Hogs 65,000, cattle 55,000, sheep 45,000, orses 1,000, mules 350.

There are being fattened in the county about 10,000 head of cattle and not less than 25,000 hogs. These are for the spring and

Sherman. LOUP CITY, Feb. 9.-Within a radius of ten miles from Loup City there are now about 1,000 head of cattle, 750 hogs and 1,500 sheep. Of this number about 750 head of cattle 750 hogs and 400 sheep are being fattened for market. The cattle are distributed among about thirty-five farmers. H. McFadden is feeding 75 head, A. L. Bailie 60 head, H. Bailie 23 head, F. Allaska 25, Scott 20, Manchester 22, Brauscomb 40, O'Neill 23, J. Chilson 40, Fuller 22, Henson 40, Deck Baker 40, Mr. Gray 40, Mr. Goff 40, N. Thompson 30, J. A. Angier 20, William Young 22, J. Lauders 20, and the balance in small determined. small lots. Tracy Bros. have about 1,000 sheep and are fattening about 200. H. Mc-

Fadden has 300 and is fattening 100. There is an abundance of feed to keep this stock through the winter. In Sherman county there was harvested during the last season about 200,000 bushels of corn, the average market price of which has been 17 cents per bushel; also about 3,500 tons of hay, the market price of which has averaged \$1.75 per ton. The winter so far has been ery mild, and consequently very favorable

for stock. Seward. GERMANTOWN, Neb., Feb. 9.-In this (H) township there is about 75 per cent of fat hogs on hand now as compared with last year. The present grop of young hogs is about 90 per cent of last year, but they are in better condition, owing to the nice weather and plenty of corn, no doubt.

There are not nearly as many cattle feed-ing in this township as there was last year. There are several feeders that are shipping out earlier this year than last. I think there are about 500 cattle in the feed pen in this township, and stock cattle are being re-duced as fast as they can find a market. There is abundance of feed for all stock on hand, and a surplus, which last year found a good market, this year will bring but hal price. There was not pearly as many cattle shipped in from lows and Kansas last fall as there usually is. The principal feeders in this township are M. B. Palmer, Louis Meyers, C. Lyons, C. Grots and D. Zimmer-

INAVALE, Neb., Feb. 9 .- There are about 900 cattle being fed in the territory tributary to this market. The stock cattle and hogs in the county are about 10 per cent less than last year.

Of horses and mules there are about the same number as last year. There is plenty Corn is worth 18 cents, but there is none to ship. Hay is \$2 per ton and lots of it to spare with no place to put it. Hogs bring \$4.40, fat cattle about 3 cents

with none moving yet except fat cows.

Cowles, Neb., Feb. 9.—About 400 head of cattle are being fed in this locality. There are not as many hogs as usual, but there are a few sheep. There is pleuty of feed and to spare. Corn is nearly all marketed. The price is 17 cents to 22 cents, and few outs at 17 cents to 19 cents per bushel.

York. WACO, Neb., Feb. 9 .- In the territory mentioned in The Bee circular a fair estimate is as follows: Cattle, fat and feeding, 600 head; stock cattle, 1,000; stock hogs, 2,500. Of fat hogs, about two cars, or 130 head, are

Among the parties feeding cattle are: J. Among the parties feeding cattle are: J.
B. Allen, Thomas Price, Thomas Bradley,
Thomas Kirby, John Decker, A. Von Winden. There is pienty of feed for them.
The corn crop in the territory mentioned
will be about 750,060 bushels.

The hay crop is light, mostly clover and prairie. There is none for shipment.

Corn now sells at 18 cents. Fat hogs bring \$4.50, stock hogs \$4.00@5.00. Clover hay sells for \$5.00@6.00 per ton and prairie hay for \$4.00@4.50. hay for \$4.00@4.50. Outs sell for 18 cents per bushel. There is a light crop, but it is as good as anywhere.

FROM THE HAWKEYE STATE

Gubernatorial Aspirants Already In the Field.

THE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION

Retail Declers Organizing For Mutual Benefit and Protection-The Cl rinda Asylum-Affairs at the Penitentiaries.

The Gubernatorial Candidates. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 10.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The contest for the republican nomi-

nation for governor is beginning to warm up. The three prominent and avowed candidates in the field so far are Lieutenaut Governor Hull, Mr. H. C. Wheeler, of Sac county, and Senator Hutchinson, of Ottumwa, Captain Hull has been a candidate for some time, and four years ago made the race, but was defeated by Governor Larrabee, who was nominated for the first time then. He consented to take the second place on the ticket for the sake of party harmony, and his friends insisted at the time that in four years he would be entitled to have the party nomination for the first place. So they are pressing him largely on that claim now. He was a soldier and has a wide acquaintance with the old soldiers and politicians generally over the state, for he has been in public life a number of years. He was lor three terms secretary of the senate, and for three terms secretary of state before he was elected lieutenant gov-ernor. As he is an affable and pleasant felerior. As he is an affable and pleasant fei-low, easy to become acquainted with, he has a great many friends who are for him for governor. Mr. Wheeler probably comes next in popular strength for this position, though his following is chiefly with the agricultural classes. He has per-haps the largest farm in the state, stocked with very valuable stock of all kinds. He carries on farming operations on a very excarries on farming operations on a very ex-tensive scale, and raises and imports fine stock. He has been for several years the president of the State Agricultural society, and has had general superintendence of the state fairs. This has given him a wide no quaintance with the farmers, and he is en-dorsed very generally by the Farmers' Alliance. The northwestern part of the state will be very nearly solid for him. Senator Hutchinson is a kind of a reserve candidate who hopes to step in between the other two. He has been for a number of other two. He has been for a number of years in the state senate, succeeding Governor Larrabee as chairman of the ways and means committee. He has a good reputation as a safe, prudent legislator, thoroughly posted on all state affairs. He is, personally, very pleasant though quiet, and not very

State Business Men's Associacion. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 10 .- | Special to THE Ben. ]-While the jobbers and manufacturers of the state have been attracting a large share of public attention of late, the retail dealers do not propose to be left. So they organized at Marshalltown last week a State Business Men's association, which is to be incorporated under the state laws, "for mutual benefit and not pecuniary purposes." The president of the association is H. C. Young, a coal dealer, of Marshalltown. The first vice president is J. M. Kennedy, of Dubuque; the second, Frank Supple, a grocer, of Manchester; the third, C. R. Harper, a grover, of Hubbard; the fourth, a hardware dealer of Belle Plaine, Mr. C. P. Hosmer; the fifth is M. E. Fisher, a grocer, of Red Oak. The secretary is A. S. Burnett, of Marshalltown, and the treasurer is A. A. Moore, also of Marshalltown. These are the general or state officers. It is the intention to organize local associations in every city in the state. The association every city in the state. The association is copied after similar organizations in Michigan and Pennsylvania. The object of the association is mutual benefit in many ways. Among the special objects sought to be obtained are: "The proper observance of all national holidays, and more frequent in-tervals for rest and recreation." "Maintaining an intelligence bureau for the mutual benefit of employers and those wishing em-ployment." "Shorter hours for doing business in, and an honest endeavor to educate

all customers, and of persons changing loca-tion." Many other good results are hoped for by this mutual co-operation, and the business men, who are mostly retail dealers,

the buyer, to make his purchases between

a. m. and 8 p. n.., six days a week." "Main-taining a system of credit rating reports, for

receiving and imparting prompt information

to local associations of the credit standing of

are very hopeful of the success of the asso-

General Crocker. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 10.- Special to THE BEE. |-One of the foremost of Iowa soldiers, whose memory is most loved to-day, was General M. M. Crocker, of this city. He commanded the famous Crocker brigade, whose members now include some of the leading men of the country. He was but thirty when he entered the war, and he died immediately after. One of the Grand Army posts of this city was named after him, and has the honor of being the largest post in the state. A few nights ago a handsome oil portrait of the general was presented to the post, with appropriate exercises. The occasion was one of much public interest, as the older citizens of Des Moines remember when General Crocker, as a young lawyer, began his career in this city, and organized one of first companies that went from Iowa to the war. The portrait, which is an excellent likeness, represents the general in full uni It is the center of interest in the hall of the post, which has more members than nay other in Iowa. General Crocker's name is preserved in many ways in Des Moines. One of the school buildings and a hand some

esidence street are named after him. Standing Upon a Technicality.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 10 .- [Special to THE BEE. |- Some twenty years ago the state university endowment fund sustained some losses amounting to about \$1,000. The laws of this state provide that when any public endowment fund like this become impaired, the loss shall be made good by the state. Acting under this statute, the governor and board of regents of the university had asked Auditor Lyons to issue warrants to cover the loss. Upon investigation, he concluded that he was not authorized to issue such warrants, since the debt of the state to the endowment fund had been outlawed by the statute of limitations. The at-torney general sustains him, and the next legislature will be asked for an appropriation to make good the defi-ciency. This is perhaps the only instance known where a state set up that plea against paying a debt to itself, for that is practically what it amounts to. It is simply taking money out of one pocket to put into another. But even a state can some-times stand upon a technicality even when its own interests are the losor.

Have Taken Too Many Contracts. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 10 .- [Special to THE BEE.]-It is not often that states are troubled to find artisans enough to keep their contracts in the penitentiaries, but that is the case in Iowa. In the two state prisons, Anamosa and Fort Madison, there is a scarcity of skilled hands to do the work for which the state has made contracts. As all the machinery and facility for doing work on these contracts is at Fort Madison, the state has made all its contracts there. Sheriff Magee, of Sioux City, was in town yesterday on his way home from Fort Madison, where he had just taken three prisoners. The state is engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes, chairs, agricultural implements, tools, including rakes, hoes, scythe nardles, etc. These shops at Fort Madison have contracts that run for some years yet. As it is now, over two-thirds of the countles in the state, or more than sixty-six of the ninety-nine, send their convicts to Fort Madison. The prison has 345 prisoners at present, while the number is less at Anamosa, Iowa has a total of less than seven hundred convicts for a state of 2,000,000 hundred convicts for a state of 2,000,000 people.

The Clarinda Asylum.

Drs Moters, Ia., Feb. 10.- Special to THE BEE. - The state is reasonably well prepared now to take care of its insane. The hospital at Clarinda has now about two hun dred and twenty-five patients, thus greatly relieving the crowded hospitals at Mount Pleasant and Independence. When the next legislature meets it will probably make a liberal appropriation for continuing the work of building at Clarinda. The work so far done there is limited to the construction of the main building, with one wing, and the kitchen and engine house, some little distance away, but connected by a corridor. The intervening space may in time be filled by the chapel and amosement hall, if the present plans are varied out. The purpose present plans are carried out. The appropriation made by the last general assembly has been exhausted, so that no more build has been expansively, so that no more build-ing will be done this year. The three state hospitals can now provide for about two thousand patients, and when the Clarinda hospital is completed the accommodations will be increased several hundred more.

The "Q" Cuts Expenses. DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 10.— Special to THE BEE. ]—The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad takes off its night train, from this city to Kunsas City, beginning to-night. The reason alleged is that the commissioners have reduced rates so low that they have to retrench expenses by cutting down the cr-s vice when possible.

THE CLEARANCE RECORD. The Financial Transactions of the

Past Week. Boston, Mass., Feb. 10.- [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-The following table compiled from dispatches to the Post from themanagers of the leading clearing houses of the United States, shows the gross exchanges for the week ended Pebruary 9, 1889, with rates per cent of increase or decrease as compared with the amounts for

the corresponding week in 1888:

CITIES.	CLEARINGS.	ncrease	Decrease	
New York	\$746,354,257	35.6	2-1-0	
Boston	92,136,324			
Philadelphia	66,977,174	26.9	400	
Chicago	60,614,000 19,348,510	16.9		
St. Louis	19,348,510	2.3		
San Francisco	14,171,170	1253374		
New Orleans	14,430,028		120	
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Pittsburg	11,412,985	0.0	30	
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Louisville	7,233,5.0	15.9	***	
Providence	5,126,9.0	110.0	200	
Milwaukee	4,622,030	14.0		
Detroit	4,503,000	4.5	192	
Minneapolis	3,172,714		0.	
St. Paul	3.265.924		1:	
Omaha.	3 742 128	31.9		
Cleveland	11,294,879 2,030,847 2,437,638 3,031,457	16.4		
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Denver	2,437,638	43.4	.v.	
Commons	3,031,457		19.	
Hartford	10, 1110, 4174	, 83.9		
Duluth.	2,315,164			
Indianapolis	1,707,254		17.	
Gaiveston	1,347,983			
St. Joseph	1,030,800	10.1	13	
Springfield.	1,000,000	06.4		
New Haven	1,000,120	90 6	12.7	
Norfolk	1 001 422	10.1	7.	
Worcester	988 891	13.6	18	
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Lowell	619,239	15 3		
Grand Rapids	673,813 513,249	31.8	7:0	
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Total	81,121,571,395	29.1		
Outside New York	375,217,138	18.4		

Heavy Storms in England.

(Conuclant 1889 by James Gordon Bennett.) LONDON, Feb. 10 .- New York Herald Cable-Special to THE BEE. |-On Saturday last the people of the United Kingdom were warned through the London edition of the Herald, that a storm may be expected to strike the western and northern British and Norwegian coasts between Sunday and Tuesday. The storm has duly appeared, and reports are coming in from all parts of the north of Scotland, Finland, Brussels, and the south of England, giving details of a gale. Heavy falls of snow are general, and in London it lays to a depth of several inches. In the provinces it is found several feet deep. Vehicular traffic is practically at a standstill, and the streets are deserted The English channel is very rough. Rocket signals observed from Dover are supposed to be from vessels in distress. Two steamers from Dover to Calais and Ostend left the first named port, one with twenty and the other with but two passengers. Telegraphic communication, both inland and continental,

is much interrupted. Morality Going to Seed.

[Copyright 1889 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, Feb. 10.—[New York Herald Cable-Special to Tue Bee. | - Cardinal Manning, in the course of an interview with the Herald correspondent on the publication of the London edition on Sanday, said in reply to a question as to whether he could detect in the United States any harmful results produced by the Sunday newspapers "I certainly can in one respect-that is as regards divorce. In this and other matters of morality I recognize in America a decided tendency to, as I call it, go to seed. I fear that in America the freedom of divorce has done much to break up domestic life, and it certainly requires but slight observation to see that in the observance of Sunday you have drifted far, far away from the usage of your forefathers. Yes, I fear that American morality is going to seed, and her Sun day newspapers must have had something to

English Brutality Denounced. LONDON, Feb. 10.-Notwithstanding the heavy snow storm that prevailed, thousands

of citizens, chiefly from the workingmen's and radical clubs, held a demonstration at Hyde Park to-day. Speeches were delivered from twelve platforms. A resolution, which was put simultaniously at all of the platforms and carried amid great cheering, declared that the citizens of London con-demn the brutal policy of coercion, protest against the government's uncivilized treat ment of political prisoners, and demand the release of the Irish patriots whose only crime is the exercise of the ordinary rights of free speech. The socialists occupied one platform, decorated with red flags, and at which was was displayed a banner with the inscription "Remember Chicago." The speakers at this platform utilized the occasion to denounce land owners and capitalists. Perfect order was maintained throughout the proceedings.

The Ministry's Fate Doubtful Panis, Feb. 10 .- It is expected that the

chamber of deputies will pass the scruting l'arrondeissment bill to-morrow after a short debate. The real issue between the cubinet and the opposition will be fought on the re-vision scheme on Thursday. The fate of the ministry is doubtful.

The Mahli Alarmed.

Caino, Feb. 10.-A Greek who just arrived here from Khartoum reports that Senussi has taken El-Obeid, and that the Mahdi is Alarmed.

## IF IT'S BAD WHAT'S THE ODDS

Cleveland's Nomination For Civil Service Commissioner.

ALL THE BETTER FOR OUR SIDE

How Some of the Republican Sena\* tors Expressed Themselves on Thompson's Appointment-

Cabinet Gossip. WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMANA BEE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 10. The removal of Civil Service Commissioner Edgerton was almost the sole topic of comment to-day. Administration men say that the president had secured a sufficient number of republican senstors to guaranty the confirmation of Thompson before the removal was decided upon. So far your correspondent has been unable to find a republican senator who says he will support the nomination, although there are some who go so far as to say they might as well vote for Thompson's confirmation as that of any other democrat, since the law requires that a democrat shall be on the board, and that the worse the democratic nomination is, the better for the republican party. Others maintain that President Harrison should be permitted to pass upon the democracy of the democratic member of the board, since the appointee is to serve under the new administration, which will come within a fortnight or a week after action is taken on the nomination, and that President Cleveland has asgumed to pass upon the republicanism of District Commissioner Webb, and others. They hold further, that if Thompson, who has nothing except politics to recommend him for the place, is desired by President Harrison, the latter can very easily nominate him; and further, that if President Cleveland had thought the new administration would have looked with favor upon Thompson he would not have nominated

can senators for the purpose of agreeing to action or non-action upon the nomination, if it is found that there are republicans who are inclined to vote for his confirmation. The fact that the president removed Edgerton be-cause the latter wanted to honestly enfore the civil service laws in the face of opposi-tion to men highly connected with the ad-ministration, will not opporate to the benefit of Thompson, who has had his strikers out for weeks, working in the interest of his confirmation, and scheming to oust Edgerton. Something of Thompson's political antecedants will be learned by the senate before action is taken.

THE TARFFE BLL.

The tariff bill will be reported back to the house next week, either Wednesday or Thursday. That is what two democratic members of the ways and means committee said to day and they coupled this statement with the assertion that the bill would cortainly not remain in the committee room after next Thursday. Just in what shape the bill will be reported back has not yet been determined and will not be until the democratic members of the committee have have had a

him. A caucus will be held by the republi-

cussed in the house and that it will not go to to a conference committee before it has been pretty thoroughly considered in a committee of the whole.

Mr. Randail said yesterday that he intended to report the Cowles bill to repeal the tobacco tax, back to the house early in

conference. The senate bill may be reported back with the recommendation to the

the usual order of things a conference com-mittee would be appointed, or the committee may report back practically a new bill as an

amendment to the senate amendment. Whichever course may be pursued the ways

and means men say that the bill will be dis-

the week, either on Tuesday or Wednesday. THE DEFICIENCY BILL. The sub-committee of the appropriations committee was at all work all day on the deficiency bill, and it is expected that that bill will be laid before the full committee on Monday. This is the last appropriation bill, and Mr. Randall said a few days ago that he wanted all the regular appropriation bills disposed of before the Cowle's bill was considered. The republican members of the committee believe there is a majority in favor of the resolution in the committee, and also a small majority in the house. Now, however, that the tariff bill is to be reported to the house so soon, it is very likely that Mr. Randall will hold back the Cowles resolution, as he said when it was first referred to his committee that he would wait until he knew what would be the action of the ways and means committee on the senate tariff bill. Mr. Randall did not like the reference of Mr. Cowles gresolution to his committee, as he considered it irregular,

but the house having ordered it, he had no alteration in the matter.

CABINET GOSSIP.
Cabinet gossip in Washington was to-day confined to Representative Thomas, of Illinois, for the secretaryship of the navy. It was announced on Saturday, and repeated in to-day's local papers, that intimations have been given Captain Thomas that his name was being seriously considered by General Harrison, and that he might expect Harrison, and that he might expect an invitation to visit Indianapolis. To-night Senator Cullom mailed to General Harrison a very formidable endorsement of Captain Thomas. It was prepared by the senate of the state of Illinois, and signed by overy member of that body, democrats alike with republicans. It was also signed by all of the leading republicans in Thomas' district and some of the state in Thomas' district and some of the state officers. It was countersigned by Senator Cullom, who added his own personal endorsement in the strongest possible language. The memorial, after setting forth his military record, calls attention to the fact that Captain Thomas has served five terms in congress and has constantly been a member of the committee on naval affairs, has made a study of naval construction, and is eminently qualified for the position; that he would have been continued in con gaess as long as he desired to be a member of that body, had it not been for the fact that he was in very bad health at the time his convention met last spring, and he in-sisted that he should not be nominated; that his health has been fully restored during the past few months. A number of republicans members of the house have written personal letters to General Harrison, strongly urging his appointment, and Wharton Barker, and other well known republicans of Philadel-phia and New York, are also among his in-

wast virginia politician, now in the city, who has recently returned from Charlestan, says that if the senatorial contest had been the only one before the West Virginia legislature it could have been settled before this time. The real interest in the present fight is over the gubernatorial situation, and the two parties in the legissituation, and the two parties in the legis-lature are playing with the senatorial matter as a side issue. Nothing class but the governorship is talked of there and there is no interest whatever manifested in the sena-torial matter. The appearances are that General Goff's chances to be either senator or governor have not disappeared, and it is believed that the outlook for his ultimate lection to the United Statef senate is much cetter than for his inauguration as governor.

THE INDIAN DEPREDATIONS Senator Chandler anticipates an exceed-agly lively session of his committee on adian depredations to-morrow morning. It Indian depredations to morrow morning. It is not imprebable that testimony will be taken which will cause an open rupture between Secretary Vilas and Indian Commissioner Oberly. There has been trouble brewing between these two officials ever since the latter became Indian commissioner, it is all on account of Vilas permitting tumber to be taken off Indian lands in