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farms, I regret to sav, [we find a de-preciation of the productive power of the land due to careless culture. We

find a want too often of busness-like age rate of duty levied upon manu-methods, due to the fact that in earlier factured articles ought to be sufficient

fication be encouraged and fostered by the application of the principle of protection to the development of new

industries on the farm. It is simply the extension to our agriculture of the protection so beneficially extended in he past to our manufacturing indus-

to silence forever any opposition to the demand I have made on behalf of the

American farmer in my annual report,

namely, that by a wise application of our admirable protective system all the benefits of our home market can be

secured to him for everything he may

be able to produce. It seems to me that our system of taxation demands

den of maintaining the governmen,t

upon the luxuries and comforts which

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away \$8 and suggested to my success

greeted by one of the men who steppe

"This gentlemen wants to buy me a

minutes he was fitted with a dandy-

the handsomely engraved name of firm and the address in Piccadilly.

rather envied my friend as I asked the

silk hat, he explained, and

"How many silk hats do you get in

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Advice for Farmers.

SECRETARY RUSK TALKS ON AGRICULTU-

RAL DEPRESSION

times business training was not regarded as an essential preparation for

the farmer's work, wherear to-day,

with altered conditions, when every

penny and, I may say every moment of time has to be profitably accounted for, and in the face of world-wide

competition, a successful farmer must

be as well trained and careful in busi-

prices studied with the vigilance which

chants and manufacturers. These last,

moreover, have the advantage of trans-

acting their business in immediate

proximity to trade centers, where the

widest information in reference thereto

is readily obtainable. Our farmer's

organizations are wisely seeking to supplement this want for the farmer;

the agricultural press is earnestly working in the same direction and one

of the most important duties devolving upon this Department consists in

gathering and promptly distributing reliable information on all those sub-

jects which are essentially interesting

avail himself of the information thus

supplied as his chief protection not

only against over supply of certain

products but against possible over-reaching on the part of purchasers. The farmer must look with suspicion

upon any attempts to abridge the source of his information. His advan-

tage will always be in the fullest knowledge of the facts. He must

carefully study the character and qual-ity of his products rather than mere quantity, and always bear in mind that, whether prices are high or low, it

is always the best goods at the best obtainable prices that are the most readily sold. Many of our farmers have been land-greedy and find them-selves the owners of more land than

they can properly care for in view of the comparatively high price of labor in the rural districts, and in view of the fact that but a small portion of man-

kind, comparatively, can profitably control the labor of others. The prud-

ent farmer will limit his efforts to that

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of his crops and the production of a larger proportion of the articles which we now import. These may be summarized as follows the figures given being for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, and the

alues those at the ports of export: Sugar and molasses, \$93,301,894, Animals and their products, except rool, \$42,263,014. Fibres, animal and vegetable, \$59.

Miscellaneous, including bread-stuffs, fruits, hay, hops, oils, rice, seed, tobac co, vegetables and wines, &c.,\$71,254,

For obvious reasons I omit any rul

erence here to the rinety millions ex-pended for tea, coffee and cocoa, but

mitting those we have still the enor

mous sum of \$266,273,738, imports of

agricultural products, the far greater part of which, amounting probably to

not less than two-hundred and forty or

of our agricultural experiment stations

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length the question of farm mortgages, transportation, the middle man, gamb-ling in farm products and combina-

soil and climate will permt."

tions to control the market and goes on to say: "I now come to the consideration of one of the gravest causes in my opinion of the present agricultural depression, but which I am happy to state can be effectually and directly dealt with through National legislation. Few people realize that our imports of agricultural products, estimated at prices paid by the consumers, are about equal to our agricultural exports estimated at prices paid to the farmer, yet such is the case. Our imports of products sold in competition with those actually produced on our own soil amount to nearly \$115,000, 000, and as much more could be pro duced on our own soil under favorable conditions. Growing a surplus of wheat, that surplus, whose price is forced down by the competition of Russia and India, regulates the price of the entire crop. The product of our vast cornfields, for which a com-paratively insignificant foreign demand exists, must be utilized largely by the farmer for the raising of cattle and logs. The foreign market for live attle which exists in Great Britain is so hampered by the oppressive regulaions requiring slaughter at point of anding as to exercise little or no beneicial influence in the price of his product, while the obstructive measures adopted by several of the Continental countries in regard to American pork has reduced the exports of that product since 1881 over 40 per cent. annually. Under such circumstances

man bow much I should pay. "Three dollars,' said he "Well I was prepared to find the price lower than on Broadway. I thought \$6, or possibly \$5, would be the figure. But \$3 knocked me silly. Without asking any questions I said: Let me have one at the same figure,' and there I was with two elegant silk hats instead of one and \$2 to the good. "My friend explained the mystery to me after we left the place. It seems that the majority of the 'bloods' around there can be but one cause assignable the town, after wearing their expensive for neglect by American farmers to head gear for a brief period, which turn their attention to other crops in does them very little harm except a the line of such agricultural products to the lining, leave them with the fashionable dealers. The projector of as we now import, and that is that in this they would meet an even more overwhelming and disastrous compe tition than they are now confronted

forward.

the industry we had just observed has an arrangement with these men to pur chase all the hats that are turned in to them at fifty cents apiece. It doesn't cost him much more than fifty cents more to put them in first rate shape gain, so you see he can make a nice thing out of them at \$3.

"But here,s a further wrinkle in the thing. You don't need to spend as regular readers of educational journals. much as \$3 even when you want a

new' silk hat. These Chatham street folks are quite accommodating, by the way, and urge you to come in and have your \$3 hat ironed up whenever it gets mussed free of cost. I had and demoralized in a rain storm I cal-led again. I had had it then more than six weeks. 'Suppose you give me this hat and a dollar,' suggested gypsies. The ballet have them.

Those who travel from door to door.

Those who travel from door to door.

the proprietor, 'and we'll give you a brand new one.' I closed the bar-gain right off and walked out with hat elegant hat of London make you were speaking of. Oh I tell you, here are ways of being nobby without being extravagant in this town if a fellow can only find them out."

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Report of County Schoole-

J. S. GRIMES, SUPERINTENDENT. Secretary Rusk, of the Department of Agriculture, is preparing an address to the farmers of the country in which he will endeavor to explain how the present depression in agriculture can be In enumerating the causes

In enumerating the causes

The post to our manufacturing industries. One glance at the comparative rates of duties levied upon agricultural as compared with other products, one glance at the free list, the greater portion of which consists of agricultural light could While the evidences of improve ents in all the districts are not what might be desired, they are plainly dis-cernible even in the most backward

districts. New school houses were built in the following townships: Greenwood, one Mt. Pleasant, one; Orange, one, and Sugarloaf one. A new school house in Bloomsburg,

Many of the small pupils suffer from the heat of the stove near which they progress with rising high temperature sit. The stove ought to be encased in and storms. The regular fall of tem-Every school house should have two

improvement in certain direc-tions. The cost of supporting the Government needs to be more equitably adjusted among the different classes of our people. At present in many States the burden of local taxaeet in height. tion presses heavily upon farm proper-ty, its very nature rendering it essily assessable. Every corporation created by the State, and to which special privilegs are granted either by State, raduates as teachers who do not have

the second or permanent diploma.

Bloomsburg, Catawissa and Centralia added quite a 'number of valuable books to their public school libraries.

A number of teachers in other districts county or incorporated village or city, should be taxed in proportion to its sarnings, and in all ways the principal of taxation should be to place the burstarted libraries from money secured

from evening entertainments.

Horace Mann said, "Had I the powthe wealthy sojoy, and to reduce it to a minimum in its application to the er I would scatter libraries over the hardly earned property of the poor and as a sower sows the seed.' It is hoped that before long school house in Pennsylvania will, like every school house in California, have ts school library, that the pupils will have proper school grounds, comfortable school houses properly supplied he course of a season, anyhow!" asked with aparatus, a proper school term one clerk of another in the office of a

big insurance company the other day as he picked up his associate's shiny "stove pipe" and glanced inside. "Here's an imported hat from Paris, and good instruction. Dani i Webster when asked wha was the greatest thought of his life said, "My individual responsibility to God." A great minister of education in if the stamp don't lie; two or three weeks ago you had a London hat and shortly before that you were sporting one of the fashionable makes here. Prassia made this striking observation, "I hold myself personally responsible to Almighty God for the advancement of the educational interest of the king-You must spend half of your salary on dom." Teachers and directors, we may very properly adopt this observa-tion, and if we will and keep it in mind The fellow clerk smiled and looked about him for a moment. "Will you keep mam if I let you into a good thing"? he asked and the promise was as we ought, the responsibility will be well met and the result will reflect quickly given,
"Well I lost a silk hat bet on the

redit upon us. The normal school is in a very pros-perous condition. Principal Waller is one of the most popular instructors election and one day I ruefully put that I ever knew.

ful friend that we go over on Broadway and get that hat. "Broadway!" said he. "Not much. You just come with me." So he marched me up to which he can efficiently perform. Again, more attention must be given, especially on our Western farms, to the raising by the farmer for his own use of everything that may be utilized by himself and household as far as into a diugy loft. Great heaps of high and climate will permt."

Way and get that hat. "Broadway!" lectures instructors, etc., of my predecessor's last institute were one hundred and seventy-eight dollars and fifty death and household as far as into a diugy loft. Great heaps of high last institute were sixty dollars and seventy-five cents. The receipts from the evening lectures of my first institute were sixty dollars and seventy-five cents. The entire expenses-janitor, hall, hats ran up to the ceiling along one ceipts of the last institute were ten was filled with derbys. The hats in seventy cents.

the heap were tough enough looking, but there were shelves of silk hats that in these educational meetings, and they were just as shiny and as tony looking have accomplished much good, not as any you ever saw in a Broadway only in the improved methods present-"A number of men stripped to their under shirts perspired as they worked away on hats in all stages of developeas the institute. ment, for a real hot stove in the centre of the room kept the temperature

pretty high. My friend had evidently gaged in holding local institutes, which were well attended. Hon. Henry Honck lectured at the Orangeville and countries simply because of the hopebeen there before, and was cordially Centralia institutes, Prof. Perinn, of looking bit of head gear, the lining stamped with a very English looking trade mark, with a lion and a shield The following were among the lecturers and instructors at the county in-

and that sort of thing, surrounded by stitute: Hon. E. E. Higbee, Profs. Neff, Noetling, Cope, Albert, Monroe, Frye, Miss Miller, Miss Guie, Miss Modon't know whether there is any such Clintock, Mrs. Lockwood, Drs. Waller, firm in existence, but what's the odds! Willits and Talmage. That hat was just as glossy as any you ever saw on Fifth avenue, and I

Bloomsburg, Berwick, Centralia and Catawissa have a regular course of study, and all except one send out a number of graduates each year. The alumni association of the Berwick high school now numbers about

fifty.

The closing exercises of the schools named were well attended and the exercises were exceedingly interesting. The directors are, as a rule, representative men and look carefully after the business interests of the schools. Thirty seven of our teachers were educated in our public schools; six attended an academy; one hundred and six, normal schools; nine, college

and fifty-six are graduates of the nor-We have in this county a number of normal school and yet competent teachers are in demand. A number of our schools were not supplied with teachers until January. The grade year by year has been raised, and in consequence many have been rejected. All our teachers have studied the science

The kair rajahs, or town gypsies of Spain, who are always held in the greatest contempt by members of rovday after getting it thoroughly soaked and demoralized in a rain storm I callowly callings of the town. The street harpists, the public guitar players, she with the tambourine or castanets, are

> selling geogaws and relics are gypsies. the jockeys at horse markets, every tinker in Spain, many of the cocheros and footmen, the rat catcher, the bird trainer and many of the sellers of sweets, the dulceros, are gypsies. The "show-gypsies," of Granada and Seville, thousands in number, are genuine members of the race, but are held in greater loathing by the better classes of their own race than by the Span-

Another vocation, always most ular in this country, has attracted the The Weather For May

Rev. Irl R. Hicks, in his Word and Works, has the following weather The distance originating the last of April will reach its climax about the

the west and causing a high temperature, by turns, over the whole continent in its progress to the East. Storms for the grammar and high school, costof much energy will result after the ing about twenty-five thousand dollars, same progressive order, with a very is now being erected, and will be cool wave following in their wake, and ready for occupancy by September 1. Particle of May 3-d. The reactionary move-have been added to the schools.

Good wave following in their wake, and ready for occupancy by September 1. Particle of May 3-d. The reactionary move-have been added to the schools. ing the 5th and 7th in their Eastward perature will follow, in all probability reaching the frost line in the North

separate and distinct out buildings, which should be entirely separate each from the other, and the approaches to May is from the 10th or 15th. Merwhich should likewise be separated by cury and "Vulcan" are both central on a substantial partition at least seven the 12th. The equinox of Mars reaching forward from the 26th, has come Townships having two terms of upon the field, and the moon's last school cannot expect to secure normal quarter is on the forenoon of the 11th. upon the field, and the moon's last graduates as teachers who do not that we have not yet passed out of their second degree. Two years (of that we have not yet passed out of not less than the minimum term) of successions that the combination unity is to be a secure of the combination of the comb These factors, combined with the fact known to us, indicate storms of very great energy about the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th. Within the limits here proper and prudent self-defence, to those who count the subject of suffi-cient importance to watch. Of course the usual cool wave will follow the storms-this time a full-grown onegradually surrounding its grip for the

> watchfulness, when clouds appear is. about the 18th and 19th. Very cool nights will follow. The last regular storm period for the month will be from the 22d to 26th. There is much tendency to an aggra-vated atmospheric condition, at times, when the moon is at her first quarter which falls on the 26th, with the equinox of Mars. Hence this period vill concentrate its force on its last days, or will be prolonged beyond its normal time, in continued rains up to

the reactionary movements on and about the 29th. The outlook for May is that there will be heavy and general rain falls, with much cool weather, rising into abnormally high temperatures during he passage of storm centers on and about the danger days. Earthquake phenomena will result about the same imes, the most probable being about the 18th and 19th.

The Pocket Conferree Prand .

About this time in each year that brings Congressional elections around. small politicians do a thriving trade in Great interest has been manifested pocket conferrees. A Congressional n these educational meetings, and they district that contains two or more counties, is next to certain to have a candidate who presents and presses ed, but in creating more interest and himself in every county. He may be, enthusiasm in educational work. The and often is, utterly unfitted for the schools have improved fully as much place, and would not be seriously thought of as a candidate if there was Nearly every Saturday from the first any probability of his county winning of December until the close of the the county nomination; but good men schools in the rural district, I was en- won't trade in pocket conferrees, and

lessness of the movement. Bucknell University, at the Catawissa But these petty pocket conferred institute, and we also had a number of traders understand their vocation between other distinguished lecturers and in-ter than do the people whose authority structors. They force the party of their county to give them a recom mendation for Congress, either with power to select their own conferrees or they are permitted to dictate their conferrees to the local convention. Thus equipped with a county to trade on, they play-first to get the nomination that nobody wants for them, if trickery and confusion shall happen to favo them, and second, to sell out for the highest price in cash or approved political obligations. Such is the game of

Both parties in the State nave saffered incalculable disturbance and frequent defeats solely because of the petty pocket conferree trader. We have known Congressional candidates to scoop in pocket conferrees and sell them out for a position in the dosa ment cellar in Washington. A recent removal of a gallant soldier from an interior post office before the expiration of his term was enforced by a Conressman who obtained his nomination by trading the post office to a candi private schools, two academies and a date in the same district for his pocket conferrees; and there are very many illustrations of serious and long party complications resulting from the sa' or trade of the petty owners of county pocket conferrees. All parties should take a bold stand

the small politican who plays the

ooket conferree fraud.

gainst this demoralizing speculation in pocket conferrees by small local politicians. In no instance should any party ever give to a candidate the conof county conferrees. If the people really desire the nomination of a local candidate, reputable and competent conferrees should be chosen to represent them in an honest effort to attain that end; but when conferrees must choose from other candidates, their votes should not be a matter of barter by their local candidate nor should they be subject to his direction. Such power, even when not exercised corruptly, is likely to be employed to gratify the resentments of the defeated local candidate, and the party that thus its generous confidence. Let all parties take a resolute stand against the pocket conferree fraud, and they will surley elevate the standard of their local politics and avert many party wrecks .- Times.

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Of the minor illuminats we have had in the course of the last century, alcohol, naphtha, benzine, camphene and gasoline may be mentioned.

In 1708 a Frenchman discovered the

process by which water-gas was made. In 1875 Professor Lowe established the first works in the United States.

Natural gas has been known and ex-tensively used in China and other parts in Asia for many centuries, and history tells us of a natural gas well in France in the time of Julius Caesar. It was first discovered in the United States near Pittsburg, about fifty years ago, but it is only of late years that it

has been extensively utilized.

Petroleum has been known since the dawn of history. For a number of years it was known to the Indians and early settlers as Seneca oil, and used as a medicine, chiefly as a liniment.

When prehistoric man discovered lst and 2d of May. It will be very that oil would burn, and, by means of warm between April 29th and May 4th not covering the whole country at the same time, of course, but starting in was obtained. Yet what a wretched that oil would burn, and, by means of wick, a light could be had, he must light it was! Put a lamp-wick in a cup of lard-oil, set fire to one end and note the result.

The use of whale oil originated with the Norwegians, and as early as 1860 the Dutch had 200 vessels in the business of catching whales. As late as

engaged in the fishery. engaged in the fishery.

Gas then began to effectually displace whale oil. In 1807 a number of London streets were lighted with gas, and about ten years later (1816) it was introduced into this country, but for some years it made slow progress in public favor. The first really success-ful plant was erected in Boston, in

The first systematic boring for petroleum began about 1857 to 1859, and in a few years the product increased enormously. At present the yearly output is between 20,000,000 and 30,000,000 of barrels, and new fields are constantly being opened. Russia has a great oil-field in Transcaucasia near

given, daugerous storms are more than liable to cross the country, jeopardizing property and lives. Should such arise there will be timely to be such as the store were no books to read such a such arise there will be timely to be such as the such Away back let us say, in the Stone ing property and lives. Should such arise there will be timely tokens of the approach, and ample time for all tend, but all the same there must have been occasions when a man felt like sitting up after dark. If he did, sat by a camp-fire that scorehed his face and blistered his eyes, or illumin-ed the darkness by the light of a torch gradually surrounding its grip for the reactionary storms on and next to the light. There will be good reasons for knows what an apology for a light it

> Palestine Explorations. A REPORT THAT THE PROPHET ISAIAH,8

The quarterly statement of the alestine Exploration Fund, which has just been issued, although it does not record any extraordinary discovery, yet describes much interesting work that is in progress. Two cis-terns have been found near the Damascus gate, the smaller of which would contain about 3,000 skins of water. It is entirely hewn in the rock, and before it was made into a cistern was rock-cut Jewish tombs. In the rock ceiling is a square 13 by 13 feet very nicely worked, with a kind of cornice around it exactly as in the

ombs of the kings. By the excavations made on the esstern brow of Zion it has been found that there were in ancient times caves and dwellings excavated in the rock, church which has been discovered in the village of Silwan, which has been hewn in the rock and which contains a the Prophet Isaiah is mentioned. Herr Schick thinks it probable that Isaiah's tomb may be under this chapel and hopes by further digging to find an entrance to the cave which is under the rocky court and is at present full of earth, and to discover rock-cut tombs. He thinks that the rock-cut chambers of the church were Jewish tombs before the Christian era and that afterward they were converted into chapels by the Christians.

Facing A Deficiency.

President Harrison, according to one of his faithful organs, "has beand large appropriations for public buildings and other purposes." It is intimated that he may "feel compelled to interpose official objections to ex-

essive appropriations.' This is what a Democratic Presidsnt did, and for doing which he was roundly abused by the Republican or-stors and organs. Can it be possible that Benjamin Harrison is to his predecessor and interpose his veto to prevent the execution of his party's policy to promote prosperity and make every body happy by distributing the Surplus among the people? It is in-

In his letter of acceptance Mr. Harrison succred at the Democrats for having "magnified and nursed the Surplus." The Republicans pursued the opposite policy. They have diminished and mortgaged the Surplus. And it is too late for the president to stop the "excessive liberality" even if he were disposed to do it.

That there is reason for the President's alarm is obvious. By his organ's own showing the revnues of the Government will be cut down to \$314.000,000 "if the pending Tariff bill or any other of simailiar character' is to be passed. The ordinary expenditures for the next fiscal year are mated by Secretary Windom at \$292, 000,000, besides \$49,000,000 for the Sinking Fund. This would involve a deficiency of \$27,000,000. But if the bills now before Congress and to which the party is pledged should pass "the aggregate for the year would exceed \$146,000,000." On this basis the de-

ficiency would be \$132,000,000. The Republican party found a Surolus and is facing a Deficiency. no wonder that, under pretense of reducing the revenue, it has reported a bill increasing the taxes in twelve of the thirteen schedules .- World.

What He Died of.

"I don't know what to make of my husband," said a young wife tearfully, "he begs me not to cook anything, but allow our trained cook to prepare the meals.
"My husband was different," said a

lady in deep mourning, "he was emphatic in his orders that the food should always be prepared by my hands. "And your husband-where is he

"He is dead."