

COMMISSIONER GARFIELD'S REPORT

It is Found to be Favorable to the Great Packers.

The report of Commissioner of Corporations Garfield on the beef industry, after about eight months' investigation in Chicago and elsewhere, shows that there has been an enormous amount of exaggeration in the statements that have appeared for some time past in regard to the beef business.

The report made to President Roosevelt by Commissioner Garfield is really the first official statement of the actual conditions of the beef business that has been made, and as all the conclusions arrived at are based, as shown by him, upon data officially obtained, there seems to be no reason why they should not be regarded as reliable and in all respects trustworthy.

This report shows why the price of both cattle and beef advanced to the highest level ever known after the short crop of 1901, and states that because of the decrease in number of cattle and also in decreased weight, "the high prices of beef which caused so much complaint among consumers at this time were attributable wholly to these abnormal cattle prices."

All the figures of the live weight and live cost of all dressed beef cattle were obtained from actual killing records, and all information of every kind obtained by the Commissioner was voluntarily and freely offered by the packers, all books of record and papers connected with the business having been placed at his disposal.

To make certain that the results of the investigation should be absolutely accurate, the Commissioner states that a double method of ascertaining profits was adopted, and, without going into detail here, it is found that the conclusion arrived at shows an average profit of 99 cents per head. The Commissioner says "the close parallelism in the results of the two methods of ascertaining the profits confirms completely the correctness of the general conclusions." It is clearly established that "Western packers do not control more than half of the beef supply of the United States," the conclusion of the Commissioner being that the business done by them amounts to "about 45 per cent." of the total slaughter of the country.

The whole report is extremely interesting and well worthy of careful perusal. As an official report it may be regarded as worthy of confidence, and it certainly leads the reader to the conclusion arrived at by the Commissioner when he states that "the capitalization of none of these concerns is excessive as compared with its actual investment," and that from thorough and rigid examination of original entries in books and papers to which he had access there was also "indirect evidence that the profits of the packers in their beef business are less than is frequently supposed," as shown by comparison between the total profits and the total amount of sales.

Kansas as Center of Universe. Thomas A. McNeal, Kansas state printer, believes the state to be "the center of the universe," and he justifies his belief in this convincing way: "Scientists have noted that if a man starts from Kansas and travels eastward and keeps going until Kansas is again reached and then takes the same journey, but starting to the westward, the distance traveled is precisely the same."

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WOMAN'S WORLD

NOTED WOMAN ARTIST.

Cecilia Beaux has been so closely identified with the life of Philadelphia that she holds a nearer relation than the others to the actual growth of taste. She has been a serene and intimate influence, without assertion, but with quiet firmness in the choice of things of beauty as opposed to things of fashion. Her example has made for elevated opinion and helped to form standards high and clear in those narrow paths between the ephemeral and the enduring which confuse the uneducated.

All the world joins us in this—the cultivated world whose sentiments make opinions—and in testimony I am tempted to quote a very few lines from a remarkable private letter written by a noted French critic when Miss Cecilia Beaux's pictures first appeared in the salon. "There is one name," he writes, "which you may conjure with, and around it the laurels entwine themselves—Mme. Cecilia Beaux. She shows us a side of America free from hurry, retired and tranquil, and we rest content and meditative in the atmosphere created by her admirable talent. This, to be sure, is but one phase of your country. Would that all corners of America equally had their Cecilia Beauxes."

HOW GRIFFONS ARE MADE. Yet true it is. All sorts of scandals have developed in Paris and London through the discovery, and now the echoes are disturbing the serenity of metropolitan fashion on this side of the water. It appears the griffons are made to order in Brussels itself, the terriers in their own home—Halifax, a center of Yorkshire industry. How do they make the imitation griffons? Oh, well they're not entirely false; they're griffons, fast enough—yet not fast enough in the laundry sense, for—whisper—they won't wash!

MY LADY'S LOCKS. Do you know the rich, clear, brilliant brown of the topaz? All those adjectives fail to describe its clear, deep golden qualities, if you don't know it. At any rate, topaz-colored hair is the latest thing, if your locks are of such a shade that they can be cultivated into a topaz-like bloom, blessed are you among women. But don't dye them, for that will take off the rich, shining bloom. It is merely a question of cultivating and invigorating, and urging the hair to bloom as the gardener urges the rose to flourish.

MAKING OVER A WAIST. A pretty way to refresh worn white China India silk waists is to put in a guimpe and full half-sleeves of colored lace. This lace, by the way, can be easily colored at home with any one of the prepared dyes. One girl recently made an old China silk waist by these means. She took some quite dilapidated Renaissance lace which had been on another gown...

VALUE OF EXAMPLE. To have your child truthful, be truthful. To have him kind to others, be kind yourself to others. To have him honest, present to him in yourself a living example of honesty. The chief part of a child's knowledge comes through observation. Acts mean more to him than words.

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Mrs. Henry Schooley, of Kingston, is suffering from a broken bone in her foot. She has been in the habit of sitting on her foot and believes she broke the bone in that way.

despaired, but should never be gotten by doing harm to others; that when acquired should be treated as a trust, not as a hoard. Prescribe healthful amusements, and so far as you can, take part in them.

A TIED GIRLDE. It is quite possible to have a different girdle for every gown, and to have them look natty and nice with no trouble at all, by adopting the following plan: Take two yards and a half of ribbon, more or less, according to the waist measure. After skirt and waist are properly adjusted place the center of the ribbon at the center of the waist front. Run the ribbon around the waist, cross at the back and bring the ends in front again. Cross them in the middle and pin securely with a safety pin, through bodice and corset, and tie the remaining ends in a smart little bow exactly over the pin.

WHY WOMEN TAKE HUSBANDS' NAMES. The custom which makes it proper for the wife to assume the name of her husband at marriage is involved in much obscurity. A recent authority advances the opinion that it originated from a Roman custom and became common after the Roman occupation of England.

After being idle for three years, the Duncannon iron works, owned by the United States Steel Corporation, is to resume operations this week, giving employment to 500 men.

United States Commissioner of Corporations James R. Garfield has appointed Attorney P. E. Kilcullen, of Scranton, his special agent to Lackawanna County. Mr. Kilcullen has appointed John T. Brown, also of Scranton, as his assistant, and will at once begin to investigate conditions as to corporations in this vicinity.

A cave-in over an abandoned mine is causing much damage at Claridge, a mining town. A church and three stores, with their contents, have been wrecked, while two other houses are gradually sinking into the mine, forcing their occupants to vacate. The people of the town fear a further cave-in that will swallow up other buildings.

While returning on a freight train from a visit to his brother-in-law, William Hinkle, in Lebanon, William Garrett, a Pittsford boilermaker, fell from the train at Douglassville and was killed.

John Reppert, of Bests, aged 82 years, died from burns received in trying to save his wife, aged 80 years, whose dress caught fire while she was working at the kitchen stove and who died the same night.

THE KEYSTONE STATE

Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in Short Order.

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A cave-in occurred on the public road two miles west of Mt. Carmel. A cemetery is situated alongside the road at this spot, and it is feared part of it will sink into the mines.

Henry Ocker and Edward Anthony, of Middlesex Township, were arrested charged with forging the name of Mrs. Wenzel to a \$500 note, cashed by I. W. Wenzel. Anthony was committed to jail and Ocker entered bail.

District Superintendent M. E. Coombs, of the Carnegie Steel Company, announces that the Greenville plant of the company would resume as soon as the machinery could be put in order. The mill has been idle a year.

John Staver was held in \$500 bail for trial charged with assaulting John Danko and smashing his cornet. Danko is a member of St. John's Band, of Hazleton. It is said that rivalry due to their attentions to a girl caused trouble between the men.

Dependent because of continued illness, Charles T. Trout, aged 50 years, junior member of a Grandview drugist firm, committed suicide at the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. W. H. Robinson, of Pottsville, by shooting himself with a revolver.

A. T. Duffy, of Scranton, chairman of the Grievance Committee of the union railroad firemen on the Lackawanna system, has been appointed inspector of safety appliances on railroads by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

At the sale of the property of the late Richard Finney, at Cornwallis, upward of a thousand persons gathered, the majority to see the accumulation of relics, many a century old. Old gold and silver watches were sold by the dozen. Stocks of flint lock guns and pistols sold for a mere song. A good price was received for a gig in which it is supposed Washington once rode.

WOMEN NOT TRUTHFUL

This Statement Has Been Unjustly Made, Because Modest Women Evade Questions Asked By Male Physicians.



An eminent physician says that "Women are not truthful; they will lie to their physicians." This statement should be qualified; women do tell the truth, but not the whole truth, to a male physician, but this is only in regard to those painful and troublesome disorders peculiar to their sex. There can be no more terrible ordeal to a delicate, sensitive, refined woman than to be obliged to answer certain questions when those questions are asked, even by her family physician. This is especially the case with unmarried women.

The long-standing controversy between the Burns and Hayes factions of the Knights of Labor was decided by the Court of Appeals of the District in favor of the Hayes faction.

Earliest Green Onions. The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., always have something new, something valuable. This year they offer among their new money making vegetables, an Earliest Green Eating Onion. It is a winner, Mr. Farmer and Gardener!

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