CROP REPORTS.

RETURNS FOR CORN, BUCKWHEAT, POTATOES AND HAY FOR AUGUST TO THE AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25—The August returns to the Department of Agriculture show the general average of the condition of corn was 93, against 93 in July, 1878; as compared with August, 1878, there is a considerable decline, being 96 last year. Of 1,172 counties reporting the condition of the crops on the 1st of August, 239 report a full average condition, 309 above and 624 below. The New England and Middle Atlantic States all show a high average, and the only complaints were of a late spring. In Pennsylvania and Maryland the drought was not very injurious, and timely rains restored the crops to a fair average. In Virginia and the South Atlantic States the drought cut short the early planted corn; late planted was in a condition to be benefited by the rains generally reported at the date of the returns. The Gulf States, Alabama and Mississippi, report a fine condition, but Louisiana is low, and Texas makes the worst record of any State in the Union. Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana report an average somewhat below that of last year, while Illinois reports a very high condition. The States west of the Mississippi all report extraordinary growth and most favorable prospects. Iowa reports 104, Missouri 115, Kansas 114, and Nebraska 113. The Pacific States, with their small area planted in this cereal, rate a fair average.

The area planted in buckwheat shows a slight decrease since last year. New York and Pennsylvania, in which one-half of the buckwheat of the country is grown, show a loss of three per cent. In Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin, which produce the larger portion of the remainder, the acreage is nearly the same as last year. The condition is good, rather better than last year at this time.

The condition of the potato crop is 97 against 88 in July. The New England States show a stationary condition at 98. The Middle States rise from 95 to 102. The South Atlantic States fall from 90 to 88. The Gulf States are stationary at 90. The Southern inland States fall from 84 to 81. The States north of the Ohio show a very marked improvement, rising from 74 to 93. West of the Mississippi there is a decline of from 101 to 98, while on the Pacific slope there is a slight appreciation, from 100 to 101. In the northern portion of the Atlantic slope, above Maryland the conditions of growth appear to have been very favorable. The beetle is mentioned but by two correspondents in this region. Further south the drought considerably affected the crop. In the Gulf States this crop is grown to a limited extent, being displaced by sweet potatoes. The leading complaint here is a lack of moisture. The rains were not in time to maintain the July average in the Southern inland States, but the crop was saved from serious disaster. Earlier plantings were generally the most successful. The improving influence of July rains was felt especially in the region north of the Ohio. On the eastern slope of the Mississippi the "old-fashioned potato bug" is noted, but its ravages were mostly local. McDonough, Illinois, reports the fields nearly stripped of leaves by it. West of the Mississippi the crop was needing rain, but in Hamilton, Nebraska, the rains were excessive. The crop on the whole is well reported on the Pacific coast.

The summer of 1879 has not been favorable for the hay crop. The drought of June and July, which was so detrimental to other crops, also seriously shortened this. Timothy hay is above the average in only eight States. In New England and the Middle States the crop is good, but in all the Southern States it is short. In the States bordering on the Ohio river the same cause, drought, has reduced the product very materially since 1878. In the Northwestern States the returns are favorable, while in Kansas and Missouri they are very low. The Pacific States report very high averages. At the date of the returns rains were generally reported and the prospect for fall pasture was good.

A SCHOOLMISTRESS in one of the rural districts, while attempting to instruct her younger pupils in a little oral grammar, explained to them that a verb was a word before which could be placed he, she or it. "Will some one of the class now give me an example?" said the teacher. "O, yes, I know a verb," shouted a little miss; "cat." "Why, no, Maggie, cat is not a verb, cat is a noun." "Well, then," retorted the little one, "can't you put she before cat?" Unfortunately for the further elucidation of the subject, it was time for another class to recite.

A LITTLE fellow rushed into the street, recently, to look at a monkey that accompanied an organ grinder who was playing in front of an adjoining block. Never having perused the "Origin of Man," he gazed in wonder and admiration a few moments, and then rushing into the house met his grandmother to whom he addressed this inquiry: "Grandmother, who made monkeys?" "God, my boy," replied the old lady in her candid way. "Well," said the excitable grandson in rejoinder, "I bet God laughed when he got his first monkey done!"

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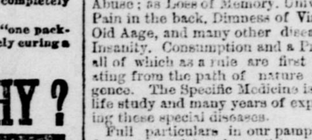

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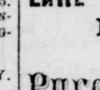
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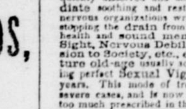

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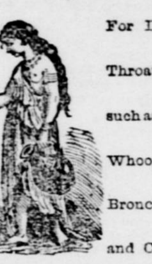

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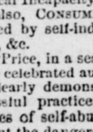

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