

LEMONS GO TO \$8.50 PER

LOCAL QUOTATIONS REACH HIGH TIDE

Even at These Figures the Supply is Limited.

- ANIMALS ON FARMS**
- Washington, Jan. 29.—The government report today on the number of livestock held on the farms on January 1, with per cent compared with a year ago, shows:
- Horses—Per cent, 100.3; totals, 29,567,000.
- Mules—Per cent, 106.6; totals, 4,386,000.
- Sheep—Per cent, 98.3; totals, 51,482,000.
- Cattle—Per cent, 96.7; Totals, 36,039,000 compared with 37,260,000 a year ago.
- Hogs—Per cent, 93.5; totals, 61,178,000 compared with 65,410,000 a year ago.
- Milch cows—Per cent, 99; totals, 20,497,000.

Lemons in the local market have reached a top notch price—\$8.50 a box and the end is not in sight. They are now selling in the local market for 40 cents a dozen. The supply is so limited that it is not at all unlikely that the price will be almost prohibitive. The delicious drink may be on the forbidden list this summer unless the tariff on lemons is let down on the fruit to allow outside products to come in and relieve the situation.

On the other hand the price of sugar has not been as low in five years as now. The local growers are paying \$571 for a hundred pounds and are selling the same at \$5.70. This is for cash. Credit sales cost the purchaser \$6.10. This new deal in sugar is the result of the promise of the Democrats to take the tariff off of sugar and allow its entry into the country free of duty. What the price will be in a month from now is problematical but it looks as if the price is down to stay down.

- Flour, Feed and Grain.**
- Wild Hay—(retail)—\$12.00.
- Timothy—\$15.00 (retail).
- Alfalfa hay—\$12.00 (retail).
- Shorts—\$1.45 per cwt.
- Oats—\$1.50 per cwt.
- Barley—\$1.45 per cwt.
- Blue Stem Flour—\$1.25 sack.
- Patent—\$1.35.
- White Quartz—\$1.35 per sack.
- Snowdrift—\$1.35.

- Fruit, Etc.**
- Home grown apples—75c@1.00 a box.
- Oranges—25@60c.
- Bananas—40c per doz.
- Pineapple—20c and 25c. case.
- Cranberries—15c qt.
- Grape fruit—Straight 10c.

- Vegetables and Miscellaneous.**
- Onions—1.50 per cwt., small lots 2c lb.
- Potatoes—50c per cwt.
- Beans—White, \$1-3c; R.M., 10 cans.
- Radishes—2 bunches 15c.
- Cabbage—2c.
- Celery—15c bunch straight. (Home grown 10c.)
- Honey—20c. 3 lbs. for 50c.
- Sweet potatoes—5c per lb.
- Green peppers—20c lb.
- Squash—2 1/2 lb.
- Turnips—2 1/4 lb.

- Eggs and Butter.**
- Storage eggs—35c.
- Ranch eggs—40c.
- Fresh eggs—40c.
- Butter—Fancy creamery, 46 cents, 1 lb. roll; 2 lb. roll, 80c.
- Ranch butter—1 lb. roll 40; 2 lb. roll 75c.

- Cattle**
- Heavy fed steers—\$6.75 cwt.
- Choice—\$6.65 cwt.
- Common—\$6.25@6.60 cwt.
- Fancy cows—\$6.00@6.25 cwt.
- Fancy light cows—\$5.50 cwt.
- Heavy calves—\$4.00@5.50 cwt.
- Fancy light calves—\$3.90 cwt.

- Hogs.**
- Heavy hogs—\$5.50 @6.00 cwt.
- Medium light hogs—\$6.65 cwt.
- Best light hogs—\$6.75 cwt.

- Sheep.**
- Best lambs—\$6.25@6.35 cwt.
- Ordinary lambs—\$6.75 cwt.
- Poor lambs—\$4.90 cwt.
- Yearlings—\$4.80 cwt.
- Ewes—\$4.15@4.25.

- Fowl and Miscellaneous.**
- Ducks—dressed, 15c.
- Geese—Dressed 18c.

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Detective Is Convicted.

Grants' Pass, Ore., Jan. 29.—Three hundred dollars is what it cost E. Gardner, a detective, employed by the city, to bet a drink of soda with a minor. Judge Jewell imposed sentence today but an appeal has been taken.

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JOLTED HER DIGNITY.

The Matron, the Mules and a Spectacular Procession.

They tell a story in army circles in Washington, wherein a young matron of much dignity and a string of army mules were the principal actors. It appears that this young woman has quite a regal air, a circumstance that added much to the humor of the situation in which she found herself. Also, it should be added, it is her custom to investigate pretty thoroughly any new phase of life with which she comes in contact. Accordingly, on the occasion of her visit to an army post in the west, she had everything about the post carefully explained to her.

One day, when her host and hostesses were out of the house, this young woman thought it well to go to the corral to inspect the army mules. She went among the animals, carefully examining each one.

She happened to wear a costume of very light color that quickly attracted the attention of the animals, which were accustomed, like all army pack mules, to be led by the whitest animal among them. They slowly wobbled their ears as they noticed the unfurled white parasol of their visitor.

The young woman finished her inspection and took her departure. As she left the corral, she heard steps behind her. Glancing back, she saw a mule following her, while all the rest of the animals were falling into line behind their leader.

She was not afraid. Indeed, she deemed fear quite beneath her dignity. But she was startled, to say the least, and quickened her pace. The mule immediately in her rear increased his pace, too, and marched steadily along with his nose just touching the back of the white parasol.

Then it was that the occupants of the long row of officers' quarters were astonished to witness the spectacle of an extremely dignified woman coming up the avenue, at a gait that might be termed a compromise between her dignity and a desire to run, with a string of army mules behind her, the head of each just touching the tail of the one in front of him. The young woman's steps are said to have exceeded the prescribed army stride by about two feet. Her dignity was decidedly "not on straight." There were about twenty-five mules in the procession.—Youth's Companion.

JUSTICE AND JOLLITY.

They Mixed Punishment and Merriment in the Good Old Days.

The milkman who waters his milk and the grocer who adulterates his butter are not, after all, the products of our modern civilization. These men, it appears, have an ancestry of a respectable antiquity. Witness an edict which an antiquary has discovered in the archives of Puy-de-Dome:

"Whoever shall have sold watered milk, in his mouth shall be set a tube and into the side tube shall be poured the watered milk till the doctor or barber there present shall assert that the culprit cannot swallow more without being put in danger of his days. Who soever shall have sold butter containing turpils, stones or any other foreign substance shall be seized and attached in a very curious manner to our pillory of Pontet.

"Then the said butter shall be placed on his head till the sun shall have melted it completely, and in the meantime the children and waver folk of the villages shall insult him with such outrageous epithets as shall please them, subject to the respect of God and his majesty.

"Whosoever shall have sold evil or rotten eggs shall be seized by the body and exposed in our pillory of Pontet. The said eggs shall be given to the children of the villages, who shall by way of joyful diversion throw them in the face of the culprit, so that it may be full of merriment and laughter."

Justice had a humorous way with it in those good old days.—Paris Cor London Telegraph.

A Kindness to the Fish.

Ethel, who was ten years old, was studying her geographical reader and learned that fish are placed in brine before they are dried and prepared for sale. After explaining that brine is very strong salt water the teacher asked why the fish were placed in it. Ethel's face was illumined with sudden understanding, and she promptly replied:

"Because they are used to salt water."—Youth's Companion.

Economizing.

"I think I saw your little boy chewing tobacco as I came in the gate."

"Yes, that was Johnny."

"Mercy! Do you permit him to chew?"

"Well, you see, that was an almost new plug of tobacco his father left when he died, and it seemed a sin to waste it."—Houston Post.

A Nice Lovable Girl.

Jack—The college girl I am engaged to picked me up on grammar before a week had passed over our heads. Tom—You got off light and easy. The college girl I knew corrected my English while I was proposing to her.—Boston Transcript.

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