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TAURUS ASCENDANT.

According to the reports from Chicago sources, the cattle market is liable to sharp advances. In fact, these advances are already begun. The lack of feed through Nebraska and some of the other inter-river states (if we may coin the phrase to apply to that section between the Mississippi and the Missouri) caused the forcing to market of everything that could possibly be put on the market. Besides this the low prices caused many stock growers to get discouraged, and in consequence thousands of cows and calves were slaughtered. The result of this is that the visible cattle supply available for beef is 2,000,000 short in the United States. The long prevalence of low prices, followed by suddenly made good ones, will cause still a further destruction of cows by those anxious to realize on them.

From this it is almost a certainty that the price of beef cattle is to not only advance, but that the price will remain high for a number of years. It will take eight or ten years, perhaps more, to increase our herds to the limit where the supply will more than equal the demand, and, indeed, it is possible that beef will never again be as low in this country as it has been in the past six years. Cattle can no longer be raised under the old conditions; the ranges are going, many of them already gone, and the day when the cowboy shall cease to clank his spurs on the wide prairies is fast approaching. The country is being settled, the wild grasses destroyed, and between the two the conditions of cattle-raising on this coast will gradually approach those in the East. They will be raised on tame grasses in enclosed fields.

In the meanwhile the natural growth of the country in ten years will add nearly as many millions to our population, so that our market will receive consumers amounting to 12 per cent of our present population. This change is going to be of immense benefit to the Pacific coast, because it will cause eventually the utilization of the immense Snake river plains, the vast regions of Southeastern Oregon, of Nevada, and of the other regions lacking in rainfall. It will cause the adoption of systems by which water can be stored and the barren plains irrigated. The vast sage brush plains are peculiarly adapted to the growing of alfalfa and the raising of stock. We predict that the Snake river plains will in the next twenty years be one of the greatest cattle-raising regions of the world.

Put in alfalfa; one acre will support as much stock as 160 acres of sage brush lands will otherwise, and the millions of acres of the Northwest will find in furnishing food for stock the one thing for which they are especially adapted.

If the figures given by some of the Portland papers are correct, it is high time the moral wave struck that city. One of the papers states that there are 3,000 women of a certain class in Portland. The census gives that city a population of 75,000. Dividing this between the sexes, there are 37,500. Dividing this again by two, and we have in round numbers 19,000, which would give practically the number of women above the age of 21 years. Allowing for those under 21 who may need the shelter of a refuge home, and also for those above a certain age, and the number of women in Portland will not exceed 15,000. It will be seen from this either that our Portland contemporary grossly exaggerates the number in giving it as 3,000, or else 20 per cent of the female population of the city is included in the class named. We do not believe the percentage will exceed one-fourth of the number named.

An exchange has a long editorial to prove the assertion made in its headline "The College Man a Power." We heartily agree with our contemporary that the college man is a power, if the right college man is selected. That a college education is a great benefit to some men—cannot be denied; but it is to those men who have the intellect to bear cultivation. The fact that a man has graduated from college does not necessarily prove that he has ability or force of character. Some college men are a "power;" some men who never saw the inside of a college are also a power, and often a greater power. This latter class, if given the benefit of a college education, would no doubt have reached as high places in the world, but that they reached them without the

college education shows that the power lay in the men, and not in the college.

The city and other elections held in the East give a pretty good idea as to how the elections will go next year. Everywhere the republican majorities are larger than ever before known. Even the old democratic stronghold, St. Louis, was captured by them. Democracy is not a hardy plant, its tender twigs are susceptible to frosts, both late and early, and it bears fruit only once in twenty or thirty years. The last crop was a peculiar one, being the result of a graft of figs upon thistles, resulting in a fruit pleasant neither to the sight, smell nor taste.

"Yesterday," says the Sun, "the first importation of opium in fifteen years was entered and the duty paid at the Portland custom house." The reduction of the duty has made the business unprofitable, and the government will now get some revenue from the importation of the death-dealing drug.

Postmaster-General Bissell has been superseded by the new appointee, Ex-Congressman Wilson of West Virginia, who has taken the office and is now in full charge of mails. It is to be hoped he will do better at getting the mails around on time than he did in getting up a tariff bill.

THE MARKETS.

FRIDAY, April 5th.—There is but little to say about the market or market conditions, because of the fact that the season for marketing farm products is not yet opened. Some little wheat remains over in the hands of producers from last year, but the aggregate quantity is not large.

Wheat has crawled up steadily since last fall, until it has reached 38 cents; not a satisfactory figure, but much better than last fall prices. The outlook, as taken from Clapp's reports and estimates for 1895, is rather brighter than for the past two years, as far as production is concerned. There will be a short crop in the United States. At the same time our foreign market is getting a very black eye from the tariff systems adopted by countries which we have heretofore supplied. Italy has imposed a duty on wheat of 36.7 cents a bushel. Spain added 9 cents more last year, so the tariff is now 55. Sweden raised the duty 13 cents. Germany has levied a duty of 33 cents. In fact, nearly all the old world countries have placed a duty on wheat, that will make itself felt in smaller consumption abroad, and consequent decreased demand.

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Stockholders Meeting.

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