

AMERICAN EXPORTS AND ENGLISH MARKETS

A somewhat prominent writer in an English magazine endeavors to allay the fears of his countrymen in an article styled, "The truth about American competition."

In connection with these statements, as enabling one the better to judge of their truth, it is interesting to turn to the last published reports (December, 1880) of the United States Consul at Bristol, England.

The Electric Light in New York. "Cash," in a late letter, says there are six electric light companies operating in New York, with a combined capital of about \$6,000,000.

The New French Loan Scheme. Great crowds of people assembled March 17th outside the subscription offices in Paris, waiting for the opportunity to subscribe to the new \$200,000,000 3 per cent loan.

Department Estimates. The final estimate of the cereal crops of the United States for 1880, by the Department of Agriculture, are:

Table with 4 columns: Crop, Acres, Bushels, Value. Rows include Wheat, Rye, Oats, Barley, Corn, Potatoes.

French Thrift

Nearly every one in France saves money, and, as a consequence of this, nearly every one in France has an income apart from the one which he makes from his labor.

Mr. Hamerton has mentioned cases in which Frenchmen possessed of fair incomes from accumulated capital have gone on doing with perfect contentment work which was at once irksome and ill-paid, because the money thus gained was so much more to be laid by.

Draining Land. A young farmer desires information regarding the advantages of underdraining land. The subject has been thoroughly discussed in the columns of the Prairie Farmer, hitherto, but it is one that may be taken up often, with profit to the young farmers and new subscribers.

The lands that require the ameliorating influence of draining more than others are the heavy, tenacious clays, for without it they are seldom tilled with profit.

As a certain amount of moisture is essential to successful vegetable growth, so an excess of it is highly detrimental. When water cannot percolate through the earth, but remains either on the surface or in the soil, it becomes stagnant and unfit to perform its natural useful purpose.

In regard to the cost of draining, it is impossible to indicate even an approximate sum that will apply to all cases. The expense varies with varying circumstances, as will readily be understood from a little reflection.

North Pacific Railroad Lands. We have received printed circulars from D. C. Lewis, special Land Agent of the N. P. R. Co., reciting that they have resumed the sale of agricultural lands to actual settlers.

INDUCEMENTS TO INDUSTRIES.

The practice of offering premiums for the location of manufacturing establishments in towns which are anxious to stimulate their growth has been less general since 1873 than it was before that year; it is now, however, beginning to be heard of as the general prosperity of the country becomes more unmistakable and confidence in the future more settled.

This tendency has been made the object of criticism in some quarters, and it is true that something is to be said against as well as for the policy. The policy in aiding the growth of manufactures is abstractly sound; but the practical effect on special inducements for their location of certain points may not always be beneficial.

We do not intend to make a wholesale condemnation of the practice of holding out special inducements to the location of manufacturing industries. There is as much to be said in its favor as against it, and if we do not enter into a recapitulation of its good results, it is only because they are well known and evident.

And, after all, it may well be said to those aspiring communities who are anxious to infuse additional life into their organism, that the best way to secure a healthy growth, is to make their locations such as will naturally attract business and population to them.

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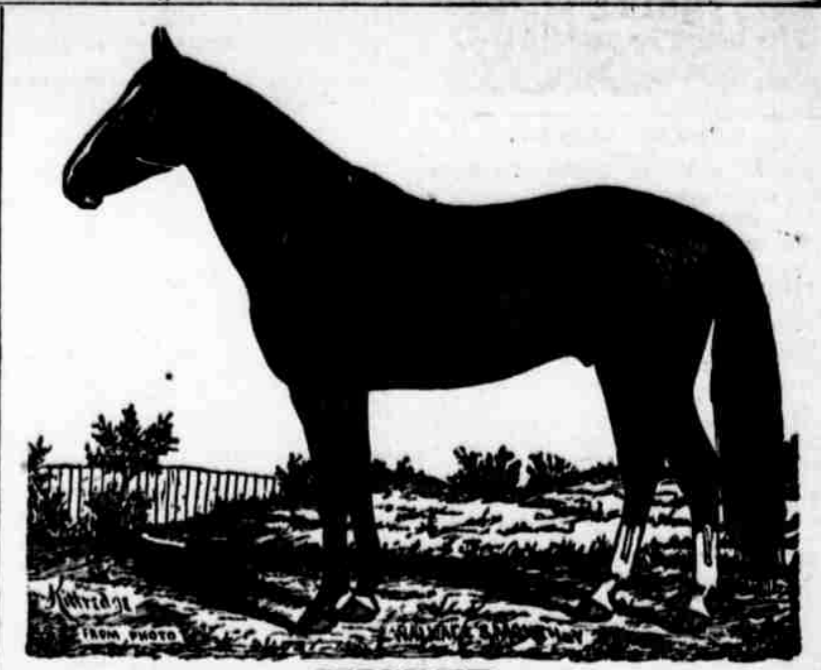
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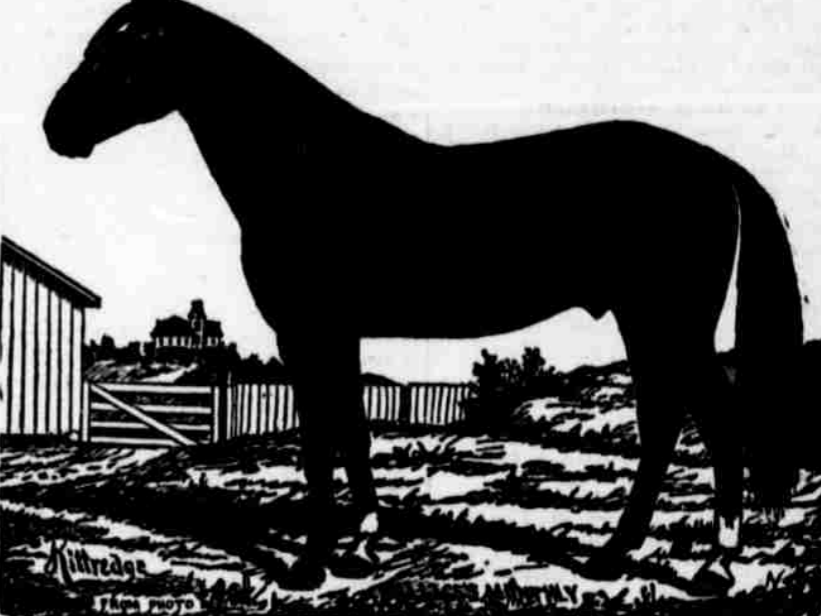
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