RAILROADS ALSO HIT BY H. C. L.

An Interesting Cost List of Railroae Equipment and the Advance in Prices.

The alarm with which the housewife views the rising cost of foodstuffs is paralleled by the concern shown by railroad officials over the way material is soaring to the skies.

It is averred by railroad managers that these figures presage the crossing of the danger line.

Comparison of the cost of railroad equipment in May, 1915, and there is no other animal that can May of this year, indicate that in two years such material has risen in some cases as high as 488 per cent.

How the cost of railroad ma-

terial has adva	nced	in t	wo y	ears:
	F	rice	1	Price
Locomotives	May	, 1915	May	, 1917
Switch				27,300
. Atlantic	20	,240		35,400
Pacific	27	.000		47,290
Mogul	18	,235		31,900
Mikado passeng	zer 24	,580		43,000
Mikado freigh	t 26	,410		46,200
Consolidation	21	,320		37,300
Mallet Mogul	38	,800		67,900
Mallet Consolie	d'. 42	,375		74,100
Passenger cars				
Chair, steel				18,750
Coach, "	11	,500		17,250
Dining, "	22	,000		33,000
Baggage, "	9	,700		11,550
Postal, "	10	,500		15,750
Freight cars				
Box, steel unde				
frame		,255		2,010
Gondola, all ste		,180		2,185
Spikes, per ton.		30		68
		36		80
		305		810
		280		680
Pig Lead "		74		185
Manganese "		78		400

Cotton waste " ... Queer Idea About the Brain.

Old writers had no idea that the brain had anything to do with the mind. They associated the mind with the heart or with other organs of the body, doubtless because these organs are moved or affected by mental action. Aristotle, the best informed of the Greeks, said that the chief business of the brain was to cool the blood for the heart.

AGRICULTURAL NOTES

By R. C. Jones, County Agricultural Agent.

Save the Dairy Cow.

(From Hoard's Dairyman)

In our nationaal preparedness for the impending food crisis it is just as essential that provision be made for an adequate supply of milk, butter and cheese as for a supply of bread-stuffs. It is, therefore, very necessary that the source of milk supply, the dairy cow, be preserved.

As the price of beef advances the tendency is to utilize the dairy cattle for meat. Our earnest protest is that dairy cattle should not be slaughtered promiscously, for convert the rough feeds into such nourishing and necessary foods and do it so economically.

No food has taken such an important part in the development and growth of mankind as milk. Sufficient evidence to prove this statement lies in the fact that the mortality of children- under two years of age has exceeded 90 per cent. in all of the countries engaged in the present war, with the exception of England who has been constantly supplied with condensed milk from the United States. Statistics gathered by the Red Cross show that in Servia today, the mortality of infants is so great there are practically no children under the age of two years.

The future of our country depends upon the children of today and no food can take the place of milk in the nourishment of the child. This is sufficient evidence that such an important industry as dairying should have immediate conideration. One of the largest distribut-163 ors of food products to the allies, in Retterdam, Holland, states that no food has added more to the strength and endurance of the soldiers in the trenches than condensed milk.

Mr. Nunn, President of the National Dairy Council, makes this statement: "Our people should bear in mind the significance of the heart-rending appeal made to the

German Reichstag by Field Marshal von Hinderburg. He cries for fat-fat fat for his soldiers and fat for the weakened people."

Mr. Nunn contends that the fate of Germany hangs upon their being able to obtain fat and since butterfat contains the material which promotes a growth to much greater degree than any other fat, and since the dairy cow produces during her lifetime the same amount of human food as 17 steers, provision should be made for the conservation of the dairy cow in our scheme of preparedness.

Cheese is one of the cheapest sources of energy giving protein and is very essential in the rations of the soldiers. The cow produces on an average enough milk in one year to make 600 to 700 pounds of cheese, which is equivalent in food to 1800 to 2220 pounds of meat. If the cow is slaughtered she will furnish not more than 325 and more likely less than 250 pounds of edible meat after the waste has been deducted.

Meat from one cow will supply a sufficient amount of beef in a ra tion for two soldiers for a year, while milk from one cow of good average production will supply an equivalent food value for 20 soldiers for one year.

In addition to this, the cow pro duces a calf for the future propa gation of the production of milk. When she is slaughtered for meat ber existence ends, but if used for milk production she will duplicate her work the following year. This alone is sufficient evidence of the supreme necessity of preserving this valuable anim 1.

Moreover, the dairy cow has another asset, in that she consumes rough feed and produces the best human food. She also produces manure which increases soil fertility and makes crop production more abundant and more profitable. Without the addition of such fertility our production would be seriously impared in a few years. The preservation of the dairy cow and the dairy heifer is most essential, and if the nation does not preserve this source of our food supply it will soon find itself in distress.

It should be the duty of the state and the nation to immediately take steps to maintain and stimulate dairy production in the following ways:

First, by the prohibition of the sale of productive and profitable dairy cows and dairy heifers from good producing cows.

Second, by the use of selected and efficient sires in the propagation of herds, since there are sires whose daughters have produced 550,000 pounds more butterfat during their lives than the daughters of the average bull.

Third, by an extensive campaign to educate the farmers so that they will increase rather than decrease the number of efficient dairy cattle in their herds.

Fourth, by arranging some method by which the dairyman will receive proper remuneration for his products, so there will be an incentive for him to remain in the business.

Fifth, by educating the consuming public to the food value and the relative economy of the use of milk and its products to assist in the economy of food in our present e crieis.

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jade green broadcloth. It is worn with a spangled Russian hat.

Removing Furniture Bruises.

To remove bruises from furniture moisten the part with warm water, double a piece of heavy brown paper five or six times, moisten it thoroughly with warm water and lay it over the bruise. Place a moderately hot tron on the paper until the moisture is evaporated, being careful not to expose the wood to the direct heat of the iron. If the brulse has not disappeared repeat. After two or three applications the bruise will be raised level with the surface.

Treatment For Old Floors.

A common method of treating old floors in bad condition is to use a good floor paint after the floor has been cleaned. A dark color, such as a brown, produced by burned umber, or such neutral colors as will harmonize with the color scheme of the room should be used. It is not advisable to use a cheap varnish, as it is not permanent and will not pay in the long run.

Sun dried oysters are a delicacy in

Japan is becoming interested in sheep

Inspiration Miscellany

Grow, but Don't Swell

It is well for you to have confidence in your ability, but when it reaches the stage of "swelledheadedness" your value to yourself or to any one else begins to dwindle.

"Some men grow with responsibility: others merely swell." The man who swells has ceased to grow.

He has reached a place where he thinks he has all the knowledge he needs, and naturally all growth is retarded.

The best way-the most convincing way-to prove one's capability, is by actions, not words.

The fellow who is continually bragging about what he can do is seldom of much account

It is the man who does things in a quick, intelligent manner who wins. Such a man will be found at the top, because he deserves to be there.

All concerns want him, because he not only accomplishes much as the result of his concentrated endeavor, but his influence is good on the other employees.

Save the exertion it takes to tell what you can do and use it in performing your tasks. In this way you will get so much consideration eventually that you will not be tempted to

The other fellow will do it for you .-Louisville Herald.

The Battle of Life.

In God's eyes the differences of social position, of intellect, of dress, which different men exhibit and all the other rarities on which they so fantastically pin their pride, must be so small as practically to vanish, and all that should remain is the common fact that here we are, a countless multitude of vessels of life, each of us pent in to peculiar difficulties, with which we must severally struggle by using whatever of fortitude and goodness we can summon up.-William James.

Mistakes.

When you make a mistake don't look back at it long. Take the reason of the thing into your own mind, see how similar mistakes can be avoided and then look forward. Mistakes are lessons of wisdom. The past cannot be changed. The future is yet in your power.-White.

The Simplon Pass.

The Simplon pass always has been the great highway of travel from Switzerland into Italy. It was used by Caesar and his legions as far back as 50 B. C., and, although Napoleon happened to use the St. Bernard pass, he recognized the superior importance of the Simplon and ordered a military road to be built over it to serve in future campaigns. It was begun in 1800, but before it was completed, in 1808, the fortunes of the battlefield led the emperor elsewhere, so he never saw it. While thus constructed for war, no army ever crossed it. Instead of furnishing a route for cannons, it became a peaceful medium for international

An Illusion.

Touch your forehead with the forefinger. Keep the latter motionless and slowly rotate your head and you will have an irresistible sensation that it is the finger tip that is moving and

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