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How to Feed Horses.

A great majority of farmers seem to hold an entirely wrong conception of the capacity of a horse to consume feed and digest it properly, says C. P. Reynolds in the Chicago Drovers' Journal. The same error seems to exist, also, concerning the nature of the feed. The man who for a moment attempts to compare a horse with an ox and carries his impression into actual practice is making a great mistake. The two are just as dissimilar in their nature and ability to consume various feeds as there are differences in the make-up of their digestive systems. I have before me a table that has been carefully compiled and compared with other tables. This table gives the stomach of the horse as having a capacity of nineteen quarts, whereas the ox is credited with a stomach capacity of 266 quarts. There are undoubtedly hundreds of farmers who have never made such a comparison, and yet to all intents and purposes they attempt to feed the horse team as though they were handling a yoke of oxen.

The ordinary horse has a stomach with a capacity of somewhere between three and four gallons, and yet I have frequently seen men give their horses regularly hay enough to fill from two to three times this capacity. Such a course is entirely wrong, and the feeder has but to make a few comparisons in order to come to such a conclusion. I can recall from my own experience in feeding horses. I used to feed as though the horses were oxen, and thought I was doing right. The manger was filled quite full of hay, and yet some way the horses got rid of it. But it was a mistake, because it hurt the horses and was poor economy. Now we are feeding perhaps not half what we used to feed in the way of coarse fodder, and I am satisfied that the horses, and the same teams at that, keep in better condition the year around; besides saving that large amount of hay.

The horse's stomach is built for more highly concentrated feed than the ox. He cannot take the same kind simply because he has not the capacity to digest in sufficient quantities to supply his system with the needed nourishment. The result is, when such a course is followed, that the horse becomes badly pot-bellied, and is unable to secure the required advantage. A working horse should have plenty of grain, which furnishes his nourishment in the most highly concentrated form that is practicable to feed. It requires also a certain amount of hay, but the hay is not to supply it with the main portion of its nourishment. The most experienced teamsters are relying on grain for the main portion of the feed, not only because experience has demonstrated that it is most economical, but that it is also best for the horse.

Controlled by Congress

One of the most important of consequences of the supreme court decision in the insular cases is the absolute control given to congress regarding so-called "alien peoples" in our new possessions. A leading argument of the antis has been that the retention of Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines would mean the flooding of this country with cheap foreign labor to come into competition with our own.

In the prevailing opinion in the Downes case Justice Brown said:

"We are also of opinion that the power to acquire territory by treaty implies not only the power to govern such territory, but to prescribe upon what terms the United States will receive its inhabitants, and what their status shall be in what Chief Justice Marshall termed 'The American empire.'

"If those possessions are inhabited by alien races, differing from us in religion, customs, laws, methods of taxation and modes of thought, the administration of government and justice according to Anglo-Saxon principles may for a time be impossible, and the question at once arises whether large concessions ought not to be made for a time, that, ultimately, our own theories may be carried out and the blessings of a free government under the constitution extended to them. We decline to hold that there is anything in the constitution to prevent such action."

Chief Justice Fuller in his dissenting opinion falls into line with his colleague on this point. He says:

"Doubtless the subjects of the former sovereign are brought, by the transfer, under the protection of the acquiring power, and are so far impressed with its nationality, but it does not follow that they necessarily acquire the full status of citizens."

Laws excluding undesirable immigration which will compete with American labor are absolutely within the power of congress to grant or withhold in respect of the inhabitants of our new possessions who, as the supreme court has decided, acquire only such status toward citizenship as the congress of the people of the United States may determine. They are entitled to the natural rights of man under the constitution which include life,

liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The latter to be determined in its scope and its application, in relation to the happiness of the people of the United States. They can only come into competition with American labor through affirmative action of congress.

A Billion-Dollar Bank.

The financial world of London has been startled by the announcement that J. Pierpont Morgan is negotiating for the establishment of a great Anglo-American bank with a capital of \$1,000,000,000. The primary object of this banking octopus is to abolish all of the principal financial agencies and banks now engaged in the Anglo-American business.

This stupendous project contemplates the consolidation of the principal banking houses engaged in international financing with a view to controlling the vast and rapidly growing banking transactions between Europe and America. In other words, the billion-dollar bank about to be launched by J. Pierpont Morgan and his associates contemplates the creation of a single institution which would dominate not only the banking business passing to and fro between America and Europe, but practically dictate the financial operations of the world.

While this colossal scheme must tax the credulity of sober-minded people it is by no means to be dismissed as visionary or improbable. Twelve months ago few conservative business men would have been willing to credit the story that a billion-dollar syndicate could be formed to control the steel-making industry; six months ago few would have been disposed to credit a report that the Harriman syndicate, which acquired and reorganized the Union Pacific, would be able to obtain a control of the Southern Pacific, Central Pacific, Oregon Short Line and the Oregon Railway & Navigation company lines. It is doubtful whether even Harriman and his associates, three months ago, had any idea that they could organize another combination by which they would practically dominate the entire transcontinental railway system west of the Mississippi. And yet all these things have come to pass.

The magnitude of this concern can be better understood when it is borne in mind that the capital of the Bank of England is \$75,000,000, and the capital of all the joint-stock banking houses in Great Britain aggregates \$750,000,000. In other words, the proposed billion-dollar bank will have a larger paid up capital than all of the joint-stock banks in England, Scotland and Ireland, including the Bank of England.

It would be idle at this time to speculate upon the far-reaching influence upon the business interests of this country and the finances of the world of an international bank capitalized at \$1,000,000,000, with ramifications into every important financial center on the globe. The main purpose of Mr. Morgan's billion-dollar bank, doubtless, is to establish a world clearing house and, incidentally, to float enterprises requiring enormous capitalization, which could not be undertaken by existing financial institutions.

Greatest Menace of Consolidation.

The greatest menace to financial stability and commercial prosperity is not so much in the destruction of competition by consolidation of rival business concerns as it is in fraudulent and fictitious capitalization. That fact was clearly enunciated in the recent magazine contribution by Russell Sage, the veteran stockbroker who has given this subject a life study.

According to Mr. Sage there is something very much like sleight-of-hand in the way in which industrial plants are doubling up in value. "Here we have a factory—a good conservative productive investment which may be turning out anything from toys to locomotives. It falls into the hands of the consolidators and whereas it was worth \$50,000 yesterday, to-day it is worth \$150,000—at least on paper. Stocks are issued, bonds are put out and loans are solicited with these stocks as security. The man who owned the factory could not probably have borrowed over \$10,000 on it. Now, however, when the \$50,000 plant is changed into a stock issue of \$150,000 bankers and financiers are asked to advance \$60,000 or \$70,000 on what is practically the same property and many of them from all accounts make the advance."

This view of the dangerous consequences of the fictitious capitalization of concerns that have been consolidated under pretext of effecting greater economies is by no means original with Russell Sage. It has been presented time and again as the source of future bank failures and financial panics. History repeats itself. Inflation of credits in the shape of fiat currency, overvalued coin and overvalued securities of every description are certain to produce collapse and general disaster unless headed off by the enforcement of honest capitalization.

The consensus of opinion among all men who have given the subject serious consideration favors legal limitations on stock and bond issues and national regulation of the capitalization of all corporate concerns engaged in the interstate commerce through publicity of accounts and periodic inspection.

The Oregonian asks this question: "When will political bosses commit suicide?" Surely it ought to know, seeing that Portland is the hot bed for political bosses and the Oregonian has on many occasions espoused the cause of political bosses of the caliber of Joseph Simon, H. W. Corbett, H. H. Northrup, Henry McGinn and others. We say kill the political bosses off before they have time to commit suicide and then the state legislature will not be troubled with Simon-Corbett bosses, Mitchell-McBride bosses, or popo-demo bosses in the selection of United States senators.

And so it is decided that the state of Oregon cannot recover the school funds nor prosecute Davis for the defalcations. Surely Davis must now be considered a political hero by this time. We move that the school commissioners who appointed Davis clerk escort him back to Salem in triumph as the conquering hero. Great is the law which outlaws a crime of this description. And Davis is considered a law abiding citizen and entitled to the franchise when he should be dressed in the garb of a convict and doing time in the pen.

Will someone please inform the Yaquina Bay News that a national election took place last year and that Roosevelt is now vice-president; also that Mitchell has been elected senator for this state, for it will look bad for the summer educational association which meets at Newport to find that Bro. Matthews has not caught on to this yet.

You can't keep Kansas down. A Kansas jockey won the derby, a Kansas general captured Aguinaldo and now a Kansas hog is trying to swallow the Arkansas river. The state that discovered Carrie Nation has still one virtue left—it is still bleeding Kansas.

The patches on the granger's pants have, by the evolution of his calling, been removed from the front to the rear. So much of his work is now done by riding the tools and appliances with which he works that his overalls need re-enforcing in the seat rather than on the knees.

A Toledo boy read dime novels, killed his sister and brother, fired his father's barn and then committed suicide. After this we can't be persuaded that Marie Corelli wasn't inspired when she wrote "Wormwood."

To hear some people talk they imagine they hold the vote of this county in their vest pocket already. These parties may fool themselves badly, for it's no longer possible to dictate to the people how they must nominate and elect candidates.

The musicians in New York are having all kinds of trouble over the question of joining the union. Judging from the way they are chewing the rag, they have forgotten the American Federation resolutions against synecopation.

The Telephone-Register is responsible for this: "It is stated on good authority that the route for the proposed railroad from Sheridan to Tillamook City has been surveyed and staked off." Toot! toot! toot!—lah!

A woman minister who married a couple in Pennsylvania a few days ago (and it is said to be the first marriage ceremony ever solemnized by a woman in that state) at once turned the marriage fee over to her husband.

Indiana whitecaps presented a spring gown of tar trimmed with feathers, to a neighborhood scold. She didn't kick when they omitted the bonnet.

If the number of weddings is a sign, prosperity must have called on Paris. Last Sunday witnessed over 700 marriages in the French capital.

So Albert Tozier, of Portland, has been elected president of the national editorial association. Good boy, Albert, capture all you can for the Northwest.

A school has been started in the East, including in its curriculum "lip exercises for girls." We want a job as instructor.

The hired man who smokes around the hay barn is a \$25 a month menace to the entire farm.

Up Against a Stump.

MISTER HEADLIGHT.—Is it proper for a young girl to kiss a man? Also, would you advise holding the breath while kissing, and is there any way to stop the tickling sensations if he wears a moustache? I would also like to ask you whether a girl ought to pucker her lips before contract or just at the moment, and whether she ought to put her arms around his shoulders, but I do not want to take too much of your time. Thrillingly yours, BASHFUL MAID.

[It seems to us we have seen the same questions asked in another newspaper, but we are up against a stump to know how to answer intelligently, for we are not a connoisseur, epicurean or authority on such matters. As to the last question, if the fellow is liable to jump and run when he sees a kissing bee in a lady's bonnet, we would advise Bashful Maid to grab him by the neck and hang on like a leech before puckering her lips. Please do not fire any more such correspondence at us unless you are willing to reveal your identity, for we do not know whether you are a Bashful Maid or not.]

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