

## HAS BECOME POPULAR

THE BELGIAN HARE INDUSTRY FINDS VERY MANY FRIENDS.

Numerous People Will Engage in Breeding the Little Animals Here, Among Them Dugan Brothers.

(From Daily Statesman, May 19.)

The indications are that it will soon require a good deal of space to keep record of the news in connection with the Belgian hare boom, that has come up from California to Oregon. There would be a good deal of news, in this connection, to record since the publication of last Saturday's Statesman, who the names of all the people here who are going into the breeding of the animals and talking of going into it, could be gathered, with details. The plans of a good many are not yet mature.

The following extracts from a letter, received in this city yesterday, by a friend of his, from W. F. Dugan, will give an idea of the proportions the industry will assume here:

"Johnny and I have concluded to go to Salem and open a rabbitry in that building (the one next south of the Central public school). We expect to close a deal to represent one of the leading rabbitries of California, and in any event will embark extensively in the business on our own account. I have made a study of this subject for some time back and have familiarized myself with the breeding and business end of it until I am convinced that it is the coming business—already partly come—and that there is money in it, more than in the prune business or steam fitting, either.

"Johnny and I will be in Salem early next month to build a rabbitry, prepare for stock and get everything in shape to get into the business at once, and may bring a few samples with us. I have put in considerable time inspecting rabbitries, noting the habits, feeding, etc., of the animals, and when we go to Salem, will be thoroughly posted and will be able to give information on the care and breeding of these animals."

Mr. Dugan means by "Johnny," his brother. Both of them are well known here. When it is considered that they are giving up good business situations and prospects in San Francisco, to come to Salem and engage in the breeding of Belgian hares, it may be assumed that they are enthusiastic on the subject. As is well known, they were formerly the leading plumbers here, and

Salem people who may or might be interested in the Belgian hare industry.

### "WE TOLD YOU SO."

The following editorials appeared in the Daily Statesman of October 1, and 3, 1897, respectively. This was before the industry had been started in California, although a beginning and considerable progress had been made in Colorado. When it is considered that now hundreds of thousands of dollars are invested in the Belgian hare industry by Californians, it may be seen how rapidly it can be developed, and an idea formed of its future in the Northwest. Little attention was paid to these articles at the time, but now everybody wants Belgian hares, or soon will be wanting them. Following are the articles:

### "BELGIAN HARES."

"A department of diversified farming

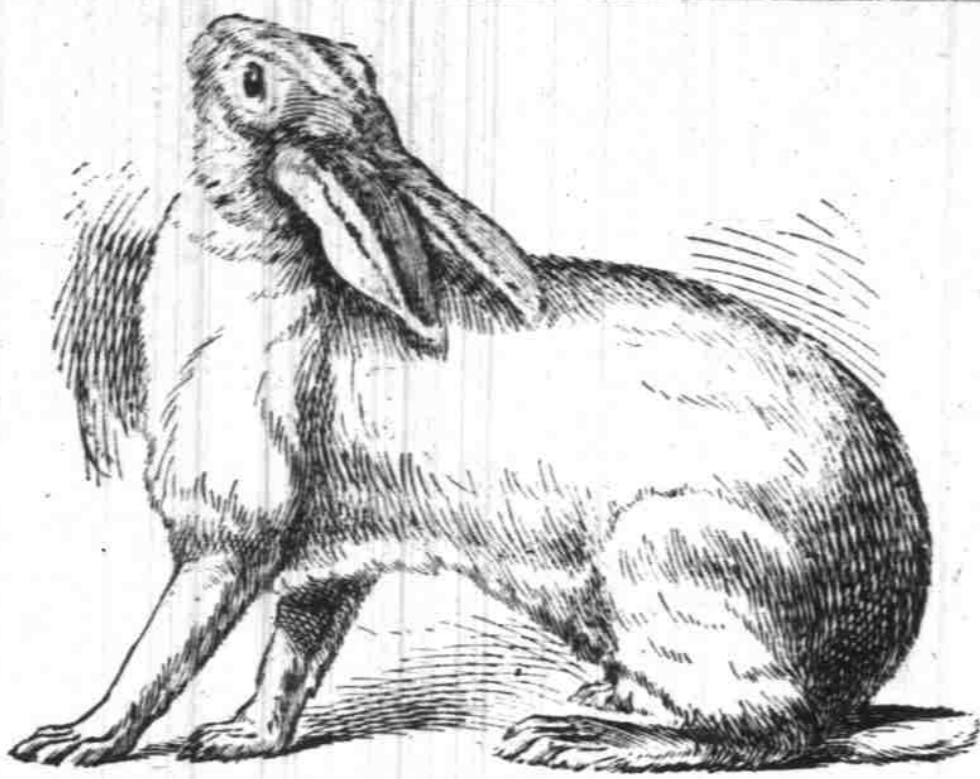
development of diversified agriculture."

—Daily Statesman, October 1, 1897.  
"If Belgian hare meat can be produced cheaper than beef, and if it is as good as turkey, why may not Salem become a Belgian hare center? Then she can fill the old darkey's initial requisite in the recipe for preparing roast-rabbit—'just catch the rabbit.'—Statesman (Daily) of October 3, 1897.

### CLOTHES TRANSFORMATION.

How the Uniformed Employees Gets Into Citizen's Dress in a Moment.

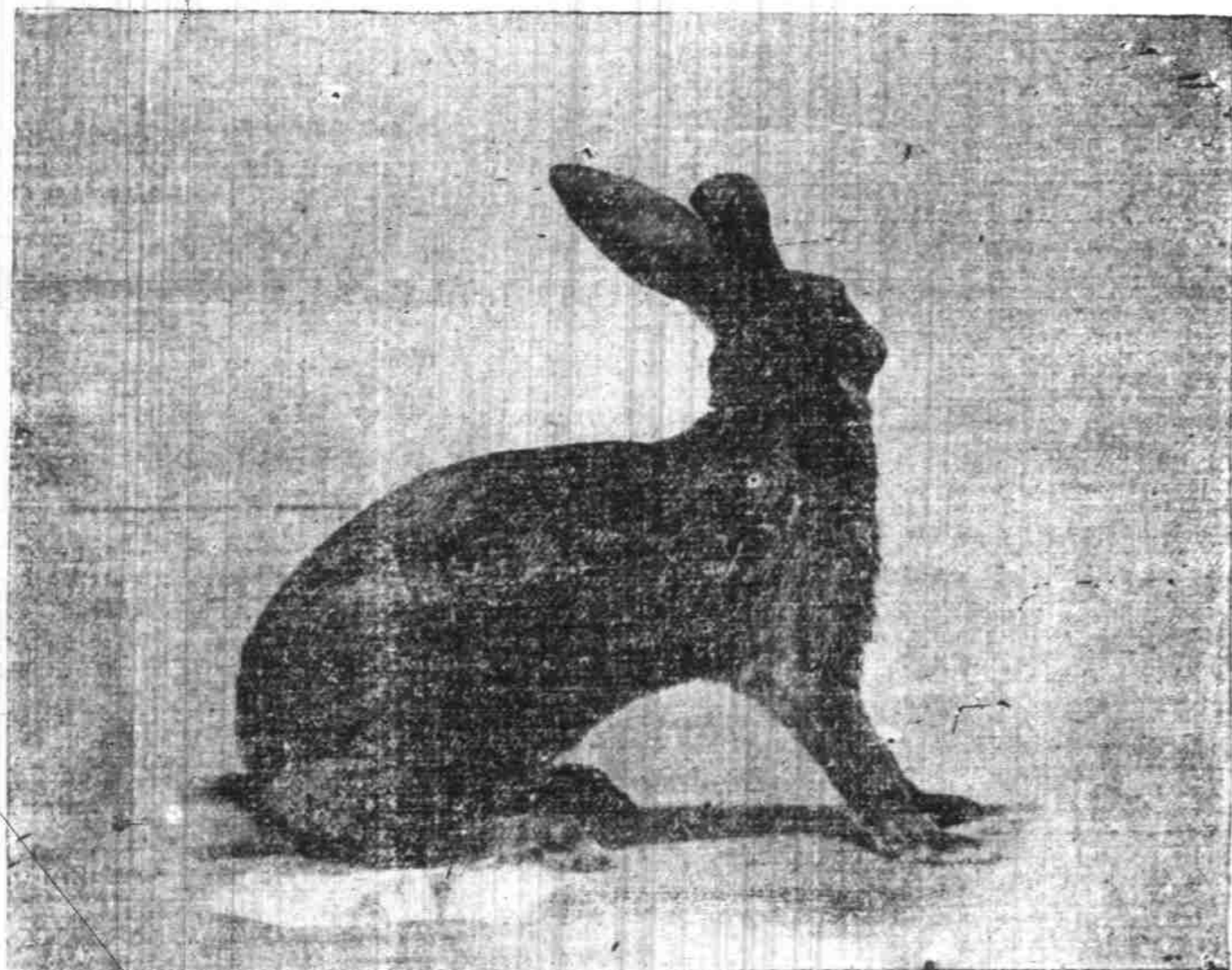
In these days of uniformed employees there are to be found means whereby a uniform coat may quickly and easily be changed in its appearance to that of an ordinary civilian. This is done simply by changing the buttons. There are different kinds of buttons



that is attracting attention in Oregon is the raising of Belgian hares for the market; though it has been so far pursued in a very quiet manner, and the development has not been more than sufficient to supply the demand for breeding purposes.

"The man who first brought Belgian hares to this coast is W. W. Green, now of Tangent, Linn county, but formerly a teacher in the Marion county schools. This gentleman has a large number of the animals on exhibition at the fair, but not entered for premiums. He prefers to let those who se-

for this purpose. Some are made with a shank that goes through an eyelet made in the coat, where commonly a button would be sewed on, this movable button being fastened at the back. Buttons of this kind are changed bodily, one kind removed and the other kind put in its place. There is another kind of transformation button in which a black button of ordinary appearance is sewed onto the coat in the usual manner there to remain; the gold button in this case consisting of a cap which screws, or is otherwise fastened, right over the black button, which it



DUKE OF EDINBORO.

Property of Pacific Belgian Hare Co., 1275 Broadway, Oakland, Cal., and the first prize winner at the Belgian Hare Show at Los Angeles. The highest scoring imported buck.

they own a good deal of property in Salem.

### A BELGIAN HARE ISSUE.

This week's issue of the Pacific Homestead, published in this city, devotes about twelve pages to the Belgian hare industry, including about that many columns of advertising matter from California and Oregon breeders. It is a splendid issue of that paper and the pictures presented herewith are taken from a number in the Homestead. They were made by the Northwest Engraving Company, and they show up much better in that paper than they will in the Statesman, having been printed on a different press with a superior quality of paper. Sample copies of the Homestead may be had at the Statesman business office, and they will be mailed free to any friends of

secured their starts from his stock take the premiums this year; for he has taken them before.

"It is the intention of several of the men who have experimented in the raising of the Belgian hares to go into the business on a large scale, with a view to supplying the markets.

"They say the meat can be produced for one-fourth the cost of beef, and that it is of a superior quality; equal to the best turkey. It is perfectly white. They say also that the skins of the animals are useful for making robes; that the hair does not slip off, as it does from the skins of the common rabbits.

"It may be worth the while of our farmers generally to look into this matter; maybe this is a good hen under which to set some of their eggs, in the

covers. Screwing on these caps would put a man into uniform; taking them off would put him back into a blue coat such as might be worn anywhere.

The device of a silk band that may be put in a moment around a uniform cap, is familiar; it covers up the gold braid there, which is after all likely to be the most conspicuous thing about a uniform, more so than the brass buttons on the coat. It is a common thing for men who wear uniforms in civil employments to keep an ordinary hat where they can get at it to substitute it for the official cap when their work for the day is ended.

Fine printing. Statesman Job Office.

### THE UNSUCCESSFUL.

We met them on the common way: They passed and gave no sign—The heroes that had lost the day, The failures, half divine.

Ranged in a quiet place, we see Their mighty ranks contain Figure too great for victory, Hearts too unspoiled for gain.

Here are earth's splendid failures, come From glorious foughten fields; Some bear the wounds of combat, some Are prone upon their shields.

To us, that still do battle here, If we in aught prevail, Grant, God, a triumph not too dear Or strength, like theirs, to fail.—Elizabeth C. Cardozo, in May Century.



One of the Stud Bucks of the Olive Grove Stock Farm, Florin, Cal.

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## THE OFFICIAL BALLOT

PREPARATIONS MADE FOR COMPILING AND ARRANGING IT.

Prohibition Candidates File Petitions and Acceptances—A Social Democrat for School Superintendent.

(From Daily Statesman, May 19.)

County Clerk W. W. Hall is arranging the official ballot for the June election, but will not be able to do much in this respect until after 5 o'clock this evening, at which hour the time for filing nominations by petition will close. A large number of nominations and acceptances were filed yesterday afternoon, among them being those of the Prohibition candidates for county and legislative candidates. All of these were filed by petition. The nominations thus received yesterday were:

Prohibition Ticket.  
Representatives—J. Matt Brown, of Silverton; J. H. Batten, Yew Park; Charles Baldwin, Yew Park; Fred P. Hurst, Aurora; D. Bowerman, East Salem.

County judge—Oliver Jory, South Salem.  
Sheriff—Enos Presnall, North Salem.  
Recorder—A. D. Leach, South Salem.

Treasurer—John Illig, of Hubbard.  
Assessor—J. A. Taylor, North Salem.

Superintendent of schools—C. O. Reynolds, Salem No. 4.  
Social Democratic Ticket.

Superintendent of schools—F. A. Myers, East Salem.  
Democratic Citizens Ticket.

Justice of the Peace, Turner—T. E. Herren.  
Constable, Turner—Jesse Potter.

The prohibition candidates named above, were petitioned for by members of all political parties, it being found impossible to find sufficient Prohibitionists in the county to make up the required number for the petitions. As a sample of the names placed on the petitions, those found on one are given below:

S. Condit, John Illig, L. H. Pederson, C. W. Dickman, O. P. Arnes, George W. Grannis, Theo. Howe, E. P. Kyle, O. D. E. Fuson, C. S. Brock, S. L. Frazier, N. Huyck, S. P. Soules, J. H. Batten, S. Balliet, H. S. Jory, R. Reid, J. C. Baker, A. D. Leach, D. Bowerman, J. M. Brown, C. Marsh, John Gibson, W. H. Osborn, J. J. Evans, T. H. Simpkins, H. H. Hurst, C. Baldwin, G. F. Dailey, W. C. Reynolds, J. Muellhaupt, B. J. Sharp, G. J. Thomas, T. H. Kundret, R. H. Leabo, W. Fennell, W. Thomas, C. O. Reynolds, L. H. McMahan, C. W. Scriber, E. F. Tucker, E. O'Flynn, N. J. Lehman, G. A. Nye, G. F. Mason, A. W. Bennett, Robert Basig, Caleb Hughes, J. D. Brower, A. S. Kightlinger, J. H. B. Royal, T. E. Royal, A. Darr, A. J. Garland, J. A. Taylor, Enos Presnall, Oliver Jory.

### UP-TO-DATE BLACKSMITH APRONS.

On Easter Monday morning the blacksmiths all over the land, followed an immemorial custom, put on new leather aprons. They do this twice a year, at the Easter and Christmas holidays. Dealers expect it of them, and lay in a great stock in advance. The most recherche blacksmith's apron is now made of sheepskin. It has a diamond-shaped bib to cover the breast, but fashion dictates that this should not be worn up, but should fall from the waist down over the stomach carelessly. The apron fastens behind with two brass buttons, and comes in three colors—white, lemon and tan. The white one, which is affected by the younger and more modish sort of blacksmith, is re-enforced and padded at the knees for horseshoeing and such like work. This is an effeminacy disdained by the austere and hardy blacksmith of the old school. Though all aprons are slit up the middle to the thigh, they still continue to be sold unslit. It is be-

## Weak Children

How sad it is to see weak children—boys and girls who are pale and thin. They cannot enjoy the sports of childhood, neither are they able to profit by school life. They are indeed to be pitied. But there is hope for them.

**Scott's Emulsion** has helped such children for over a quarter of a century. Your doctor will tell you it is both food and medicine to them. They begin to pick up at once under its use. Their color improves, the flesh becomes more firm, the weight increases and all the full life and vigor of childhood returns again.

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cause the manufacturers are not progressive. An apron costs \$1 and lasts about six months.—Philadelphia Record.

**Robbed the Grave.**  
A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts., guaranteed, at DR. STONE'S Drug Store.

### A SENATOR'S CHAIR.

Senator Dixon H. Lewis of Alabama was the largest man who ever held a seat in that body, weighing 408 pounds, says the Washington correspondence of the Chicago Tribune. He was a member of the senate from 1843 to 1849. There was not a chair in the chamber large enough to accommodate the form of this giant, and after breaking three or four of the ordinary variety, he was provided with a large mahogany chair. When Senator Lewis retired, his chair was placed in the basement, and when David Davis of Illinois came to the senate it was brought out for his use, but the Illinoisian did not relish it, and got extremely wrathful about it, and considered that a personal affront had been offered him. He declined to use the one made for Senator Lewis. This chair was sent to the Columbian Exposition as the one occupied by Senator Davis. This was a mistake, as he never sat in it. The chair was finally returned to the capitol and placed in the basement. A few days ago Representative Blair of Texas received a letter from Dixon H. Lewis, grandson of Senator Lewis. The writer said he understood that his grandfather occupied a chair which had been specially made for him during his term in the Senate. An investigation was set upon foot by the Texas congressman and the chair was found. Mr. Blair had it condemned, purchased it, and sent it to the grandson of the gigantic Senator.

A man who could make so vile a pun would not scruple to pick a pocket.—John Dennis.

## THE FLAX INDUSTRY

E. E. LARIMORE, OF THE SCIO SCUTCHING MILLS, VISITS SALEM.

Approximately 1000 Acres Being Grown in Linn County—Manufactures Grain Sacks and Burlap.

(From Daily Statesman, May 19.)

The flax industry in Oregon has by no means been abandoned. Locally, for want of funds, the raising of flax has been suspended, but the industry is being very extensively cultivated in Linn county.

E. E. Larimore, formerly president of the Portland Linseed Oil Works, but now located at Scio, where he is president of the Scio Flax Company, was in Salem Thursday for the purpose of procuring from members of the Oregon Woman's Flax Fibre Association, several bundles of flax fibre with which to experiment with the new machinery that has been installed in the Scio plant. The Scio institution was organized and established for business about six months ago, and is prepared to manufacture burlap, wheat sacks and binding twine from the flax fibre. These products, which are largely consumed in the valley, have heretofore been made from jute that was shipped here from India. Mr. Larimore says there are 1000 acres of flax to be harvested on the forks of the Santiam and in the immediate vicinity of Scio.

The Oregon Woman's Flax Fibre Association is not actively engaged in flax growing this year. The association still possesses a large quantity of flax fibre and a lot of machinery that it is anxious to dispose of, not desiring to further engage in the culture of this product. The fact that during recent years it has developed that burlap and wheat sacks can be manufactured from flax fibre, has caused penal institutions in Washington and California to become interested to the extent that a plant has been installed in both institutions, where convict labor is employed in the manufacture of both of these articles. If it is desirable to furnish Oregon convicts with additional employment, this would probably be a good opportunity to provide more work for them and give the farmers the benefit of the product. The soil, as has been successfully proven, is admirably adapted to the cultivation of flax. The seed can be saved, from which farmers can realize \$1 a bushel, while the fibre can be utilized in the manufacture of grain sacks, burlap and other useful articles. The growing of flax is remunerative employment, while the manufacturing thereof into various articles can but prove profitable in that there will always be a large demand for the products of such a manufactory.

### PRICES.

"He says he never took a penny for his vote," said the practical politician. "He says true," answered Senator Sorghum. "I've known times to be hard, but I never saw the day when votes were selling for one cent apiece in this neighborhood."—Washington Star.

The ancients believed that rheumatism was the work of a demon within man. Any one who has had an attack of sciatic or inflammatory rheumatism will agree that the infliction is demonic enough to warrant the belief. It has never been claimed that Chamberlain's Pain Balm would cast out demons, but it will cure rheumatism, and hundreds bear testimony to the truth of this statement. One application relieves the pain, and this quick relief which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by F. G. Haas, druggist, Salem, Oregon.

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Justice discards party, friendship, kindred, and is therefore always represented as blind.—Addison.

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