



**Effect of Salt on Wheat.**—In an interesting series of experiments recently on the farm of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, the manurial value of salt was unmistakably indicated. An acre of wheat dressed with three hundred pounds of common salt yielded thirty-nine bushels of grain, with a proportionate amount of straw, while an adjoining acre, left unmannered, produced only twenty-nine bushels per acre, with the straw imperfectly developed. The entire crop of the crop is not stated, but this experiment shows that the additional ten bushels resulting from the salt were produced at a cost of thirty cents each. In another case a piece of ground intended for wheat was ploughed the preceding fall, and again in May, when it was sowed with salt, and afterward ploughed before seeding. On the 1st and 2d of September wheat was sown at the rate of two bushels to the acre. The crop when harvested, yielded, according to the estimate of the owner, Mr. John Parke, not less than forty bushels of grain to the acre, with a luxuriant growth of straw. From these and many similar cases the inference seems to be that salt is a specific for the wheat crop, imparting solidity to the grain and firmness to the straw. But it must not be concluded that equally good results will always follow the application of salt. —*Montreal Gazette.*

**Insects and Flowers.**  
It has long been known that flowers were necessary to insects; but it is only within the last few years that it has been discovered that insects are quite necessary to flowers. There are, however, but two or three tribes of insects whose visits are serviceable to flowers in the way of fertilization. The Lepidoptera or butterfly tribe are especially so, and the moths flying by night and visiting such flowers as are only open at that time, are furnished with a trunk or proboscis which sucks up honey in its fluid state, and in seeking the insect becomes covered with pollen, which it transfers from flower to flower. In this way a single insect will fertilize many flowers. Besides being attracted by the color of flowers, insects seem capable of appreciating taste and smell, just as the higher animals do. What flowers are to insects, fruits are to birds and mammals. Both are colored, scented and sweet; but they have acquired their various allurements for the attraction of different creatures. —*Chamber's Journal.*

**Agricultural Museum.**—Yesterday this institution received a large bundle of some beautiful specimens of the regular West India sugar cane. It was raised in Bladen county by Hayes W. Beatty, Esq. It is very fine indeed.

**Fighting with a Wild Cat.**  
Batting with an Escaped Beast in Cadmus' Woods.

(New York Sun, 12th.)  
A Rocky Mountain wild cat belonging to Mr. John Spencer, of Bayonne, N. J., was allowed to escape on Sunday through the carelessness of some persons who were looking at it in its cage. Mr. Spencer returned on Saturday from a hunting expedition in the West, bringing the wild cat, which he had wounded, with him. Its fierceness had not yet worn off, and it no sooner regained its freedom than it bounded away to the woods. Men armed with guns, and accompanied by dogs went in pursuit. The wild cat was tracked into Cadmus' woods. There it turned at bay, and with all its natural ferocity attacked a dog that was chasing it. A fierce battle followed. The fighting animals grappled, rolled over, and sprang at each other with fierce yells and barks. The dog was terribly lacerated, and it came running out of the woods howling with pain. The wild cat had scratched out one of its eyes, and otherwise seriously injured it.

A valuable sound was then put on the trail, and it led the party to a large hollow stump near the shore of Newark Bay. The hound kept at a respectful distance from the stump, in which the wild cat was evidently crouching. Mr. Spencer approached, and to secure the animal, fired his gun into the stump. Instantly the wild cat sprang out with a terrific yell. It crouched, lashing its tail, and prepared for a spring at its pursuer. The battle with the dog had seemingly whetted its fury. Suddenly it sprang with all its strength at Mr. Spencer, its owner, who approached nearer than the others, thinking the animal might recognize its master. Mr. Spencer luckily escaped its claws by dashing aside. It landed several feet behind Mr. Spencer. Before it could make another spring Mr. Thomas Churchill, the hotel proprietor, sent a bullet through its heart.

The wild cat is to be stuffed for Mr. Churchill, to whom the owner presented it as a trophy of his marksmanship.

**Another California Wonder.**—The champion long-nosed man resides at Sacramento. Its owner was at breakfast yesterday, when a friend seated at the opposite side of the table, knowing him to be a little near-sighted, remarked, "There is a fly on the end of your nose." "Is there?" responded the owner of the horn of plenty. "I don't know it. Just please scare him off; you're nearer to him than I am!" —*Sacramento Record-Union.*

**AN INSTANCE OF INDIAN DARING.**

The Beaver (Utah) *Square Dealer* says: "An instance of what an Apache Indian will do in the way of cool daring once occurred on a rancho in Arizona. The owner of the rancho was an American. To guard against the Apaches he had built a block-house, and, adjoining it, a court-yard and corral, surrounded by an adobe wall 8 feet high and 5 feet thick. In the corral the herd were nightly secured. He had a contract to feed and guard 400 head of beef cattle belonging to the United States for, some thirty miles away. More than one attempt had been made by the Apaches to capture the herd, while feeding two or three miles from the block-house. But the vigilant herdsman had driven the cattle at a gallop into the corral, before the Indians could "stampede" them. One night these came a fearful storm. A solitary Apache, unarmed, and with nothing to protect him from the rain, climbed over the corral wall, crouching in the corner he waited for day. Early in the morning, the storm having passed away, eight herdsmen, mounted and armed, waited at the corral's gate for the herd to be out. The gate was opened. The stock poured out. Suddenly up sprang the Apache; vaulting on the nearest horse; he clutched his mane with one hand, while with the other he waved his red blanket and yelled like a demon. In an instant every hoof made a rush and the stampede began. The horse frightened, darted into the midst of the flying cattle. As in a frenzy they went through the gateway, the Apache clasped his arms around the horse's neck, and, throwing his body on one side of the maddened animal disappeared from view. A thousand men ranged in column could not stop that rush of the crazed herd down the valley. The herdsman fired a volley which wounded and killed some of the cattle. Two bands of Apaches, darting out from opposite sides of the valley, closed up from behind the herd. Four hundred head of cattle were thus captured and run off by the daring and cunning of one Apache.

**TAME OSTRICHES.**

These strange birds stalked at the head of the procession of domestic animals and appeared to be on the most excellent terms with all of them. Occasionally one would deviate to the right or left of the track to pick a mouthful of grass, but as soon as the drover would leave the road and shout at it, it would immediately fall into its proper place and march forward with the utmost demure gravity, as if to be guilty of an infringement of rules was the last thing it would think of. Ostriches always have an intensely stupid look, but they are not nearly such fools as the uninitiated would take them for; and although the most timid creatures on the earth when in a state of nature, in captivity or when domesticated, they are bold and dangerous, more especially the males. Horse or rider indiscriminately they will attack, walking up to the object of their indignation with a quiet, measured stride, never evincing for a moment the slightest evidence of hostility—in fact, looking such fools that no one would imagine them capable of inimical ideas—when, with a quick movement, done with great strength and velocity, they raise their foot and strike forward, the edges of the toes being so sharp that they will cut your clothes the whole length of the stroke. As they are too valuable to be knocked on the head, perhaps you turn to run from them, but their speed is such that an attempt thus to elude them is useless. The only plan then to be pursued is to throw yourself down and lip still on your face or back. They cannot kick you in these positions, but they will jump on you and trample all over you. While this operation is going on you may give vent to your feelings and satisfy your self-esteem by bestowing upon them a few reminders that two can play at the same game.

**Advice to Lovers.**—Never slip the ring on her finger, boys, till you slip around early some morning and see how nature triumphs over art—when you give nature a fair chance, and her best fellow ain't around. You wouldn't recognize her without an introduction; and from the looks of her wardrobe you'd take her for the hired girl, or a yellow fever sufferer. But just let the bell ring, or a vision of a pair of coat-tails flop around the corner, and the way she faces off the distance intervening between the buttery dog and a brush and comb, would make a carrier pigeon tear its hair with envy.

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