FAMOUS WEST POINT.

|  | CANNING FACTORIES. <br> TRE MOSTPRODUCTIVE COUNTY <br> IN THE UNITED STAIES, <br> Great Farms That Raise Fruits and <br> Vegetables For the Canneries- Corn From the Cob to the Can-Peeling Machines. $\begin{aligned} & \text { ORFOLK COUNTY, Massachu- } \\ & \text { setts, is the centre of the can- } \\ & \text { ning industry in the East, and } \\ & \text { probably more farmers' pro. } \end{aligned}$ |
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|  | of contracting with the farmers for their products meets with the most genera approval. |
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|  | Farming land is worth from $\$ 30$ anacre upwards, according to its location, fertility and other |
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| many of the owners have brought the many of the such a high state of fertility |  |
|  | high state of fertility that $\$ 100, \$ 200$ and $\$ 300$ per acre could not purchase it. Every acre is made to |
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|  | there spring and fall to fertilizo the land, |
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|  | people are then required to rush thing through, both on the farm and in th |
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|  | mer vacation, and many children and women help in the work, |
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|  | for if allowed to stand any length of time, it would heat and spoil. General. ly the factory dislikes to handle |
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|  | always examines it carefully before it is given to the huskers. |
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|  | passed into a hopper, and from this it is poured into cans that rotate around in |
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|  | a patent cap put on and soldered down |
|  | by men. A packer puts the cans in a rack, which carries three dozen at a time |
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|  | then, and the men who handle the cans next must nuderstand their business. |
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|  | Just as soon as the steam is out, a dro ? of solder is put over the hole, and the cans are then ready for the tinal cooking. A <br> A Luje tank is srranged for this cooking, and it is done entirely by steam. Each factory has its time-limit for cooking the coin, and it is a trade zecret that few eare to divuige. The whole success of the process depeads pressure of the steam at this point. |
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