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Some time ago I had an attack of grippe which finally settled in my lidneys and bladder. I doctored the doctors and they do in the doctors and they do in the doctors. with the doctors and they claimed I had dropsy. I tried other remedies and got no relief from any of them. My condition was such that I was unable to work for about two months and the annoying symptoms caused me a great deal of pain. I was hardshe to turn over in bed. Seeing the of your Almanacs, I decided to give Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root a trial and after taking several bottles was able to resume my work again. leannot say too much in praise of our Swamp-Root as the results in my case were truly wonderful. Yours very truly,

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LIFE AT THE WHITE HOUSE. Becial Methods of the Chief Hostess of

Mrs. Wilson is usually at home, by appointment, to her intimate friends at 5 o'clock, when tea is served in the red room. These functions are identical with those in any private home and are informal. Once or twice a week and sometimes more often Mrs. Wilson will issue cards for a small tea, at which she frequently has the wives of cabinet members to assist

Mrs. Wilson since she came into the White House and one which has endeared her very much to the coterie of clever women who write the social news of the capital was to give a special afternoon reception in compliment to the newspaper women of Washington. The affair was most charming, other shallow rooting plants. In and Mrs. Wilson and her daughters graciously gave a few minutes indi-

There are three cooks who prepare the meals for the presidential family and for small dinner parties. All three are women and are widely experienced. There is a regular corps of laundresses and cleaners. The hundry and kitchens are located in the basement of the White House, far removed from the

the cut flowers are kept. These flowers are supplied to the White House fresh every day. This is one of the most interesting features of the history of the White House and its maintenance and has proved particularly so to Mrs. Wilson, whose great love of nature, and particularly flowers, is widely known.-Isabel Joyce in National Monthly.

Vacant Pedestals Stand Awaiting

Only thirteen of the twenty-one republics on the western hemisphere which form the Pan-American union have raised statues of their national herces in the magnificent marble building at Washington devoted to advancing the interests of pan-Americanism. In the main hall of the building stand twenty-one marble pedestals. On ten of them are busts of chosen national beroes, while three other Latin-American countries have selected the subjects to be thus honored.

George Washington is this country's contribution to the hall of American republics fame. Bolivar, who achieved the independence of Colombia, Peru and Bolivia, as well as Venezuela, is the representative of the last named country. Monuments to him stand also in the capitals of Venezuela, Peru and Colombia. San Martin, father of the Argentine independence, is that

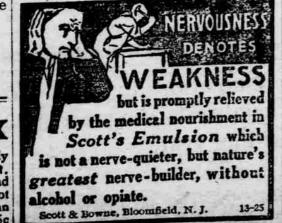
Brazil has the priest hero, Bonigacio; Mexico its two time president, Benito Juarez: Cuba, Marti; Honduras, Morazan; Costa Rica, Mora; Panama, Herrera, and Haiti, Dessalines. Uruguay has chosen Artigas; Guatemala, Barries, and the Dominican Republic, Duarte, although these three last statues have not yet been made.-Washington

Argentine's Frozen Hares.

To such an extent has Argentina's The preserved hares have taken pre-

Made It Complete.

one for every day in the year-365, quite complete," was the queen's re-



the Nation.

One of the mest gracious acts of

vidually to each of the women writers.

state and private apartments. There is also a "flower room," where

SOUTH AMERICAN HEROES.

Their Busts In Washington.

country's hero.

frozen hare industry developed that the government has been asked to lend assistance with respect to obtaining a greater quantity of supplies, and announcement is made that the principal difficulty is the lack of trappers. France is a ready market, having taken 300,000 frozen hares this season. miums at the exhibitions in Paris. Naples, Liege, London and Rome. Great Britain alone Imports over 50,000,000 pounds of frozen rabbits annually .-

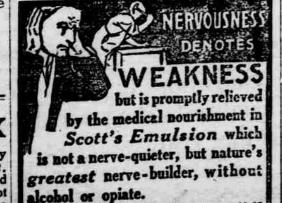
When Lablache, the famous operatic singer, was presented to Queen Victoria, her majesty, who had heard of the artist's hobby, asked if it was true that he had a large collection of snuffbexes. He replied that it was correct. He had "Nevertheless your collection is not

sponse. "Here is another for leap year."-Pearson's Weekly.

Spoiling a Compliment.

Jagson-I tried to pay the new woman a compliment last night in my speech, but it didn't seem to be appreciated. Dagson What did you say? Jagson-I said that the new woman would leave large footprints on the sands of time. - London Answers.

A New Vegetable Ivery. M. Gaston Bonnier has submitted to the National Agricultural society of Paris samples of a new vegetable ivory made from the albumen of the fruit of a certain small palm (of the genus hyphaena, tribe of borassus) growing in the forests of French Sudan. The albumen hardens on exposure to the air, and it resembles natural ivory in color and texture. This product is said to resemble the vegetable lvory from another palm (Phytelephas macrocarpa) found in equatorial South America.



Alfalfa should be grown on every farm. Make a beginning-start now.

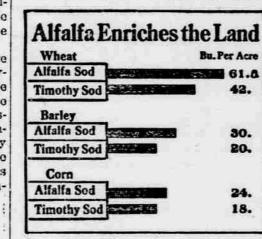
ALFALFA ENRICHES THE LAND Besides Producing More Abundant

Harvests Alfalfa Adds Plant Food to the Soll for the Use of Other Crops.

Alfalfa enriches the soil. The roots of the alfalfa plant penetrate 12 to 85 feet into the soil-far beyond the reach of corn, wheat, oats and this way potash, phosphorus and other elements of plant food are drawn up from below through the roots of the alfalfa plant and stored in the upper soil for the use of other crops. The experiment set forth in the ac-

companying chart was made in Can-

ada, where it was found that alfalfa



sod yielded 61.5 bushels of wheat per acre, as compared with 42 bushels on

timothy sed. Barley yielded 30 bushels per acre on alfalfa sod, and only 20 bushels on timothy sod. Canada is not a corn country, yet the experiments show similar results. Alfalfa sod yielded 24 bushels per acre of corn, as compared with 18 bushels on timothy sod. This is only one of many such experiments which give the same results, proving alfalfa to be a soil enriching

ALFALFA MOST VALUABLE CROP.

Per Acre Value Five Times More Than Clover-Some Wisconsin Census Figures Which Talk for Themseives.

According to the 1910 census of the hay crop, the state of Wisconsin grew 18,000 acres of alfalfa, which averaged 2.8 tons per acre for the entire state, and the average acre value of the crop was \$31.00. During the same year the combined acreage of timothy and clover averaged 1.6 tons per acre, valued at \$14.00. It costs no more to grow an acre of alfalfa than it does to grow an acre of timothy or clover. The average cost of growing an acre of clover or timothy is approximately \$10.00. Thus the farmer would clear \$4.00 per acre in growing these crops, whereas if he grew alfalfa he would make a profit of \$21.00 per acre, or

Alfalfa Most Valuable Forage Crop

Wisconsin Hay Crop, 1910

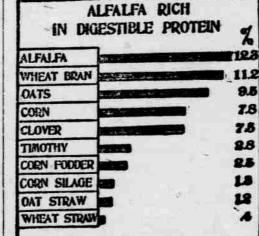
Acresge Av. Yield Per A. 18,000 2.8 Tons \$31 767,000 1.4 " 14 119,500 1.7 " 14 1,600,000 1.6 " 14 and

over five times the income received from any one of the other hay crops. The latest reports from Wisconsin show nearly 40,000 acres seeded to alfalfa with an average of about four tons to the acre.

ALFALFA RICH IN PROTEIN

With 12.3 Per Cent. of Digestible Protein, Alfalfa Surpasses Even Wheat Bran in Feeding Value.

Alfalfa has high feeding value, as shown by the chart below, taken crop. from California Bul. No. 132. This is due to its digestibility and its composition. Alfalfa is rich in digestible protein which is the bone and muscle building element. It is also rich in ni-



trogen, the component of protein, but protein is the costly food element. It is absolutely necessary for the production of milk and for young growing animals. Pigs will starve on corn alone. All animals must have frame building food as well as fat producing food, such as corn.

Alfalfa with corn makes a perfectly glanced ration, supplying the animal with an abundance of bone, flesh and tat siving material.

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EXCELS EVERY OTHER CROP

The Introduction of Alfalfa as a Gen eral Farm Crop in the United States Will Revolutionize Agriculture-Means More Live Stock, Better Soil and Larger Returns From the Crops That Follow.

By PROF. P. G. HOLDEN, Director Agricultural Extension Department International Harvester Co. of New

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1. It is a profitable crop.

2. Increases farm values. 3. Excels every other crop In yield per acre In feeding value As a drouth resister

As a soil enricher. No harder to grow than clover. Make a beginning—start now grow some alfalfa.

Repeated experiments made by the agricultural colleges, and the results obtained by the actual growers of alfalfa in the semi-arid sections of the west, throughout the corn belt states, and in the south and east, are conclualfalfa.

would not be increased greatly by raising alfalfa. Every farmer should aim to produce, as far as possible, his foodstuffs upon his own farm. During the last few years, the area

devoted to alfalfa has greatly increased in the region west of the Missouri river, and it is certain that there will be an equally rapid increase throughout the eastern and southern parts of the United States. Many of the attempts in the past to grow alfalfa in the humid regions

crop there will be little, if any, more trouble in securing a stand. Alfalfa will soon be grown abundantly and profitably upon every farm. It is no more difficult to grow than clover and gives double the yield. The deep rooting habit of alfalfa enables it to resist drouth when clover, timothy, blue grass and other forage grasses die for want of moisture. Al-

knowledge of the requirements of the

falfa roots grow deep into the soilfar beyond the roots of other plants. Its drouth resisting power is of no greater importance than its great value as a soil enricher. The long roots bring phosphorus, potash and other plant foods from below and store them in the upper soil for the use of other plants. Experiments show greatly increased yields of other crops grown upon alfalfa sod.

Alfalfa is rich in protein the most essential element in feed to make bone, blood and muscle in growing ani-

Why We Need Alfalfa.

There is no combination of feeds so economical for the production of beef, pork, mutton, butter and eggs. as corn and alfalfa. Neither will give the best results alone. We need alfalfa because it balances up the corn ration and saves the large waste of starch which always takes place where corn is fed alone. We need alfalfa because we can by means of it grow on our own farms the protein more profitably than we can buy it in feed stuffs. We need alfalfa because it feeds the soil and enables us to grow larger crops of corn and oats. We need alfalfa because it produces on an average double the feed value per acre of clover or any other forage

Advisable to Inoculate. In regions where alfalfa has not been grown it is found to be necessary to inoculate the ground by sowing three or four bags of soil secured from a field where alfalfa or sweet clover has been grown for a number of years; or where it is more convenient, artificial culture, such as "nitragin," "farmogerm," etc., may be applied. Where alfalfa has not been grown before it may make the difference between success and failure.

Alfalfa Essentiale.

A well prepared, firm, solid seed bed, plenty of good barnyard manure, and fallow to kill the weeds, are most important. Lime? Yes, one to two loads per acre, and by all means inoculate. Ground too wet for corn is not suited for alfalfa.

Make a Beginning-Start Now.

Every farmer should try at least a small piece of alfalfa and if he does not succeed at first, try again and keep on trying until he does succeed. It is worth the while. If the work is thoroughly done and at the proper time, you will most certainly succeed in securing a good stand; if the work is half done and out of season, you will just as certainly fail. Make a beginning stand Read The Commonwealth. \$1.00.

Great Loss of Property In New Berne, Washington and Other Points.

EAST CAROLINA STORM SWEPT

TWO PERSONS KILLED AT FARMVILLE.

A storm of equinoctial suddenness

and terrific fury broke on Eastern North Carolina Tuesday night and raged through Wednesday with fearful results. The damage is un-

At Farmville the front end of the arge tobacco warehouse was crushed in and two boys, Walter Bynum, aged 16, and McKinley Walker, aged 12, of Durham, were instantly killed Others were badly hurt.

The storm was very severe in Tarboro and Edgecombe county. Telephone lines were badly damaged and the young corn crop and the cotton crop suffered much. An estimate \$250,000.

Greenville suffered heavily. The brick building of the Daily Reflector was unroofed and the plant seriously damaged. Train service cut off. Crops damaged one-third is the story from Pitt.

Wilson and Wilson county suffered heavily, the loss probably reaching half million.

The estimated loss in Washington, N. C., and Beaufort county is over a million dollars. The mile-long bridge of the Norfolk-Southern across Pamlico river is swept away. business temporarily. But few business houses escaped damage. All the bridges of the Coast Line were sunk.

away at Vandemere.

velocity of 90 miles an hour.

a million dollars. The county bridge across the Neuse was swept away. have failed, but with our present Many of the streets were flooded. Beaufort and Morehead.

It is feared that not a soul is left on the island of Ocracoke. There is a population of 400 or more. The high tides may have swept away hundreds on the low lying banks,-Wilson Times.

Later advices say that the people

on Ocracoke island are safe. For New Nash County Road. It is reported that Battleboro and

ty line several miles nearer from that it is worth the monep, they will point of accessibility with a vehicle hand your half dollar back to you than is now the case. There has ed. The project has been fostered tee that guarantees. and it now appears that in the not far distant future we will see some work along this line .- Rocky Mount

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Should be No Breach of Contract.

A legislative investigating committee consisting of Representative Thomas J. Gold, of High Point; W. P. White, of Hobgood, and Senator Marsden Bellamy, of Wilmington, is now in our midst in quest of information regarding the status of the North Carolina School for the Feeble-Minded, which institution is located in Lenoir county near the limits of the city of Kinston. The committee will investigate conditions and report back to the special session, making such recommendations as may seem to them advisable.

We are sure that the committee will be pleased with the progress that has been made. The State's money has been well and wisely spent. The buildings that have been erected are of the modern type and indicate the thoughtfulness and carefulness displayed by Dr. Hardy, places Edgecombe's loss at over the superintendent, in laying the basis for the great work to be done out there.

And just at this time the committee will see some very fine crops in process of maturity on the institution's farm. These will again attest the superintendent's painstaking care and watchful oversight. The crops that will be to market include fine yields in corn, cotton, tobacco peanuts, hay, potatoes, etc. Of course hogs and cattle on the farm will consume a part of the produce and this, indirectly, make it more valuable. But the farm itself will The town is practically put out of yield a nice sum in return for the excellent attention given it.

Not only are the trustees looking for the special session to give the around Washington are swept away. institution a sufficient sum to enable sive evidence of the great value of Nearly all the boats in the harbor it to go to work immediately, but the citizens of Kinston are expec'-Belhaven is practically wiped off ing the legislature to put the instithe map and Aurora considerably tution on a solid, working basis. damaged. Fifteen houses swept The city has done its part in donating the land for the site and the The wind is said to have reached State must now do its part by vigorously sustaining the institution-or The storm and flood at New Berne there will be a breach of implied were the worst in the history of the contract, of which the State should town. The loss is estimated at half not be guilty.-Kinston Free Press.

WHEN YOUR LIVER GOES WRONG.

The storm was not so severe at Nearly Everybody Needs a Liver Stim- Boils, Strains and Lameness in Horses; ulant at One Time or Another.

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