Chat with the Man Who Owns One Million Sheep and Sells Rams Worth \$5,000 Apiece—Origin of the Great Australian Industry.

RANK G. CARPENTER, IN ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC

Sydney, Australia, May 1.—I had a hat the other day with the sheep dwar of the great sheep country of the great sheep country of the great sheep continent. Ansattate is the word center of the world. I have more time 100,000,000 sheep, and it cuts amongh wool from their mean to bring \$100,000,000 a year. It has some of the largest flocks of these over gathered ingether, Job's athle spour a thomand tills cannot sumpare with them. There are a hunfred men in New South Wales showed the east own \$0,000 four mindreds more who have \$10,000 and many who own flocks of a thomand and upward. There are twenty-one men is this State who each own 100,000 sheep, and McCamphoy, the ting of them all, has more than a million.

ONE Million sheep means! Think what a million sheep means! Think what a million sheep means! Think what a million about mean? Let them weigh a hundred pounds upless and they would give enough mutton to furnish a allow to every man, rousen and shild in the United States, and serve enough for an Irish stew for our whole nation next day. The wool not them would clothe the people of my meed our etties, with the exception, extraga, of New Kork or Chicago, and hay would annually produce enough us hands for the Marys of half the United States.

pet lambs for the Marys of half the United States.

All these sheep are owned by Samuel McChughey, an Irishman, who came to Australia is 1856 with practicelly nothing. He failed at first, and started again with a small floot, and from year to year has added to his heldings until he has now more sheep than any man in the world. He has more seem of land than aboep, and his pessessions are in the heat parts of Assertials. I am told that one of his farms on the Darling Downs is thirty-six miles long and forty miles wide. He has other stations in New South Walm, and all together he owns more than a million acres and leasest about a million or so more. His estates are fenced off with wire into great paddecks, is which the sheep are kept. He has such artesian wells to supply them with water, and he imports finest of Vermont rams to improve his stock. At one shearing he sold a million and a quarter pounds of wool, and at another the product amounted to 12,000 bales. Home of his sheep have cut as such as twenty-two pounds of wool, and at a recent absenting twenty-live and at a recent absenting twenty-live and and at a recent absenting twenty-live and and at a recent absenting twenty-live and and at a recent absenting twenty-live. ather the product amounted to 12,000 bales. Home of his sheep have cut as anoth as tweaty-two pounds of wool, and at a recent absaring twenty-five averaged over sixtness pounds each. One of his rams, which took a premium at a recent abserp show, had a fleets upon it which, he told me, would cut forty-five pounds, and although he was affered \$6,000 for the sheep he refused it.

BIO PRICES FOR SHEEP.

It will surprise our farmers to know that it is not an uncommon thing in Australia for a blooded ram to sell for \$2,000 and upward. There are sheep sales here every year at which the best stock is sold at auction, and a number of instances have occurred in which rams have sold for a thousand guinean, or more than \$5,000 each. I have before me the highest prices of the steep sales during the past tee years. In 1900 eight sheep were sold from \$1,500 to \$5,000 each. In 1891 the highest price paid was \$3,500, but in 1896 the rams "Frendewt," owned by James Gibson, sold for \$5,000, while one of Mr. McCaughey's sheep brought \$2,300. In 1807 W. H. Gibson sold the ram "Royalist" for \$5,000, and in 1809 Thomas Gibson hold "Adwiral" for 1,500 guinean, or \$7,500. At these sales hundreds of wheep sold from \$100 to \$1,000, and many sold for between \$1,000 and \$5,000. In 1886 Mr. Gibson got on the average \$220 for the sheep he brought in the sale and in got on the average \$830 for the ep he brought to the mis, and in the average was \$1,000, while in This will show you that it pays to breed fine sheep in Australia, and will give you some idea of the enormous vaine of Mr. McCaughey's boldings, many of the aheep being very fine.

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WHAT THE RIPERS KING SAVN OF VEDHOST BAMS.

Mr. McCaughey believes that the
best raps for Australian sheep are
those from Vermont. There is a large
importation of such sheep every year,
and there are Americans who make a
business of taking sheep i cross the Pacific to Australia for sale. They choose
the flasst and best bred Vermont Mertmes, ship them to Puget Sound and
there by steamer to Sydney. Several
shipments have been made around the
Caps of Good Mops, but as a rule the
latter route is too long, and the sheep
sometimes die on the way.

Its my chat with Mr. McChaighey he
tald me that he hast been importing
Vermont rams for almost towarty years.

I have distributed the Vermont sheep through my flocks both in New South Wales and in Queenland, and the result is a considerable increase in the clip. We find that the sheep which come from a cream of the Vermont and the Australian retain their wool much longer than the Australian sheep.

HOW A \$5,000 SHEEP LOOKS. I wish I could show you some of the sheep exhibited at the Svincey sheep show. There were in all 700, representing every part of Automaths. Four hundred of these were so rinos, being in show. There were in all 700, representing every part of Au whith. Four hundred of these were revises, being is the fine-weet clees, a.d. 300 were fat sheep entered to the competition in the class for frozen mutton. Every sleep at the show was worth several hundred dollars, and some several thousand dollars, and some several thousand dollars, among the latter was Mr. Mc. Caughey's \$5,000 ram, which took first prize. It was a greet obleng bundle of wool with a pair of hig horns at one end of it. The wool lay on it in folds and rolls, the skin apparently wrighting itself is order that it might hold more. Its ears were entirely hidden by the wool. The wool cause out three inches over its eyes and there were small holes in it through which the eyes looked out. I stuck my tinger into the fiscer and could just touch the skin without putting my whole 6st into it. The wool hung down in great bunches on the belly, and the legs were covered cient to the hoofs. On the outside the wool was of a dirty color, but when I pulled it saids and looked in, it was of a rich oreamy white. The strands of wool were spiral and springy and very fine.

In some of the stalls I saw ewes which had 80 reconstructions.

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In some of the stalls I saw ewes which had 30 pounds of wool on them, and everywhere I beard the praises of our Vermont abeep. I asked one man whether the sheep did not lose their wool from generation to generation is so warm a country as New South Wales. He replied that they did, and that the bringing to of cold-climate sheep such as the Vermonts prevented this.

AMONG THE SQUATTERS

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The sheep owners, or squatters as they are called, were all well dressed and well educated men. There were hundreds of them at the show. They looked more like a crowd of Yankes business men than anything clas, and at the dinner which was given they made speeches in response to toasts which were as good as you will hear anywhere. They were all iandholders and many had farms which would be considered principalities in the United States, but which are looked upon as quite small here. For instance, I asked as to whether the Vice President had a large station. They reply was that he had not, and his possessions all told comprised only about 65, 000 acres of land. Another man was pointed out who owned 200,000 acres and another who had half a million sures, all under fence. eres, all under fence.

IN THE WOOL WAREHOUSES. Sydney is the chief wool market of Australia. It ships hundreds of millions of pounds of worl to Europe every year, and it has some of the largest wool warehouses in the world. Let us take a walk through one of them. We are in a great room covering many acres. It is roofed with glass and upon the floors are thousands of bales of wool. Each bale is as high as your shoulder. It is wranged in as your shoulder. It is wrapped in yellow bagging, but the top is open and the white wool seems to have burst forth and to be pouring out upon the floor. It is marked with the station from whence it comes.

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In other parts of the warehouse are mountains of wool which have been taken out of the bales, and in other places the most are picking the wool

Come with me to one of those piles and examine it. See how dirty and greasy the wool is. The sheep are not washed before shearing and the wool is exported as it comes from their backs the cleanaing being done after it reaches the European markets. Thrust your hand into the pile. Now isok at it! it shines as though it were coated with vaseline and your cuff is soiled with the grease.

ment forbade the exportation in order to solid with the greene.

SELLING WOOL IN SYDNEY.

One of the curious features of Sydney is it wool cales. Kverything is sold at anotion. The sales take place in November, December, and January, when buyers from Regiand and the Contineus and from the United States and Japan come here to bid. The buyers wear long overalls and it has estimated to be the late, taking socies of each how much to offer for it in the assisten rooms. As many as 19.00 halm are cometimes sold in a day and single sales will floot up as much it in the assisten rooms. As many as 19.00 halm are cometimes sold in a day and single sales will floot up as much it in the assistent rooms. As many as 19.00 halm are cometimes sold in a day and single sales will floot up as much in the sales of the sa SELLING WOOL IN SYDNEY

Canal. The shortest route is over 11,000 miles, and the carrying of four pounds 11,000 miles for 1 cent is one of the wonders of modern ciritization. The prices of wood vary seconding to quality. The coarse wood will often bring only 13 or 14 cents while the fine brings us much as 30 or 35 cents. There are certain brands of wool anoware by the names of their owners, which always bring high prices. I have before me a list of some of the greaty wool sales of last year, showing that certain buyors got as much as 5 cents as pound more than the ordinary market rates. There is also a difference in the price according to what part of the sheep the wool comes from. Every sheep in divided up into sections, and after the desce is taken off the wool from the legs goes hat one place, and so on, a dozen classifications being mode from the same sheet.

Sydney has its wool exchange, where all the wool anotions are bold. The exchange is situated near the heart of the city. It is a long narrow room much like a chapel, with an austioneer's deak like a pulpit in one end of it. The various wholesale dealers or commission merchants are allotted different days on which they may auction off their stock, and on those days the buyers come to bid. Cable reports are received as to the prices in the great wool markets over the world, and the excitement rises and fulls with the quotations. The commission merchants are only interested in getting as much as they can for their customers and the wool often brings more than it is worth. After it is sold the the commission man delivers it to the steamer packed ready for shipment.

Here in Australia the government has colleges for wool students. A branch of the technical schools is devoted to night classes for sheep breeders and wool dealers. In these schools the students are taught all about sheep. The different breeds are rexhibited and their qualities pointed out. The students have to grade and classify wool, and hundreds of bales from the station are supplied to the school by wool dealers for

the woot and sheep experts are aure of good wages.

Men from the woolen mills of Eogland are trought out here for this purpose, and every effort is made to produce the highest priecd wool.

I had a talk as to the growth or Australia's wool industry with one of the old time equatiers, a map who has been raising sheep for fifty jears and who has now about 50,000 on two different stations. Said he: "We have fewer sheep in Australia to day than we had ten years ago. Hoto in New South Wales we had more than 50,000.000 in 1891, and now we have just about 40,600,000. We have lost 20,000.000 by the drought and overstocking, and have now just about what we can and have now just about what we can easily feed. I can remember the time when there were only 6,000,000, sheep in this colony. Then all the sheep were berded. how they are kept in paddocks, fenced with wire, and it takes fewer shepherds and the cost is much less."

rame and Irish ewes, and as a result produced wool better than that of either of the ancestors. He then exmented with the merines. You know, perhaps that up to the present century the finest wool came from Spain, which had always been acted as a sheep breeding country. The Spanish had large flocks of merines, and the Government forbade the exportation in order to keep the wool trade in Spain. The desiers of that time thought that good wool could be grown nowhere else than in Spain, and the Spanish wool consequently bronght the highest prices.

THE SULTANA DEPENCES.

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Every twelve Magazino.

The Yildiz Palace at Constantinouse is a monument to fear. It is assumed proof, bomb proof, earthquake proof, freproof, microbe proof. Architects and engineers are building and rebuilding incasantly. Some new secret reteats a slways under way. The entire domain is surrounded by an immenso wall, thirty feet high, and the cholerat troops of the empire stand guard around it. An inner wall twelve feet thick, with gates of iron, encloses the private residence itself. The walls of his own dwelling are filled with armorp plate, in case of projectiles. It is said that a mysterious passage connects with ten secret bed chambers, farming an intricate inbyrinth. No one but his body attendant knows where the so intricate labyrinth. No one but his body attendant knows where the Sultan may sleep during any particular night. He has electric lights and telephones in his own apartments, but forbide them in Constantinople. Telephones might prove handy for conspirators, and be believes that a dynamite cartridge could be sent over a wire into the palaca. He fears claetric explusions, so Constantinople still gets along with gralights. He hates gets along with gaslights. He hates
the word dynamo, because it sounds
like dynamite. Balloons are tabooed,
lest one should pause over him long
enough to drop a chunk of explosive.
As to the regal luxury of the Yildig,
that is a matter of source. The de-As to the regal fuxury of the Yildiz, that is a matter of course. The domain is a small world in itself. Five thousand people live within the outor wall, not counting a small army of workman and the 7,000 imperial guardsmon. There are shops, factories, arsenals, stables, a library, on seam, picture gallery, theatre, and even a menagerie. The monarch loves trees, but he keeps their branches well lopped off so that he can see to the fathermost corner of his park.

Charite McKesson in a New Role.

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The Asheville Republicans who object to the appointment of Chas. F. McKescon as clerk of the Federal court. McKesson as clerk of the Federal court, are in a fever of opposition. The current issue of the Asheville Register contains a fluming cartoon, with high-waymen ou horseback, stopping a coach on the read. Underpeath the cut are these words:

"Chas, McKesson and Clan holding of the coach trying to reh one of

up a stage coach, trying to rob one of the best citizens of liqueombe county the best citisens of Runcombe county for opicion suke, yet McKesson is said to bu sluted to succeed C. B. Moore as Clerk of the United States Court. Will the people subset without protest?"
It also has a blood and thander affidavit from T. J. Caudier, decisted to be a leading Republican of Bamcombe county, which is as follows:
"It was in the year '68 that I first made the acquaintance of this man McKesson. I had been to Raleigh to attend the Constitutional Convention. No trains were run over the Ridge in

No trains were run over the Ridge in those days, so it was necessary to come from Morganton to Ashevilla in a stage coach. When we started from Morganton there were in the coach be-sides myself and Capt, Sweet, of Newbein, who was coming to the moun-tains on a visit, Geo. W. Guliagan, one of the best citizens who ever lived in Madison county, and the Misses Pulliam, two daughters of Capt Pulliam, of Asheville. It was in the time of the Grant campaign and there was a large crowd in front of the Walton House in crowd in front of the Waiton House in Morganton, cheering for the Democratic candidates. The crowd was unruly and nutleing that there were Republicans in the coach, they became offensive in their acts and their cheering. As the coach left the town I hurrahed once-for Grant and Colfax. After we had gotten several miles from Morganton we heard men approaching us from behind on horseback. Two of these men dashed on in front of the coach. One caught hold of our horses, while the other came to the aide of the coach and demanded that I get out. I was usver so angry in my life and I wanted to do this, but the ladles begged me not to do so, and Mr. Galbagan held me back; saying the men were drinking. "Where did your first sheep come from?" I asked.

"They were brought ever by the convicts," was the reply. "When Captain Philip came here in 1783 he brought twesty-nine sheep and other livestock. Those sheep did very well, and in a few years after that Capt. Macarthur started the idea of making a sheep country of Australia. Macarthur was a military man with a seisentife hent. He had a farm near Sydney, and experimented in crossing some East India rams and Irish ewes, and an a result produced wool better than that of either of the ancestors. He then ex mented with the merimos. You know, porhaps that op to the present center of the short that of the ancestors of the presence of the frightened ladics. All at once he leaned over, almost inside of the coach door, and I then caught him about the face and head and dragged him from his horse. This man who was trying to mob me for a light of the coach door, and I then caught him about the face and head and dragged him from his horse. This man who was trying to mob me for a light was natice insult. and dragged him from his horse. This man who was trying to mob me for opinion's sake, who was naing insulting language in the presence of these Asheville ladies, who was holding up a United States mull coach, was Charles McKesson, of Morganton, who is now to be honored with one of the best posi-McKessou, of Morgantou, was Charles McKessou, of Morgantou, who is now to be honored with one of the best positions in the gift of the Republican party, to succeed a man who has always been a gantleman and a good citizen. But about that trip: When the couch started on again the four men of horses rode on abead and stopped us again at the home of old man Rutherford. I told McKesson that if they would give me a fair chance I would litrash them all, and named a day when I would be there again on my way to Haleigh. I went to Morganton on the day named, and after a short stay in town, gut on the train. I was armed that time and McKesson must have realized the state of affairs, for he did show himself in the car, but did a hat of taiking on the outside. They had some in the station in the same rig in which we had come to Morganton. Herachel, I mean Collector Harkins, was with me on that trip, and he took the horses from them. Herschel was only a boy them, and wanted to go to Morganton to see the train. He had never seen a car before."

We could magine Charley McKesson leading a german with the grace of the modern beaux; delivering a temperance leature with the eloqueuce of Gough, going from one party to another with the same of m accomplished acrobat—but Charley McKesson as a highwayman, holding up a leading Republican on the road and scaring him, it is a staggerer to be asked to believe that the Burke acrobat ever played that

role.
This incident shows that when one Republican wents nowther Republican's job, a hair-pulling and mud-slinging size is on land, and outsiders would do well to stand from under.

A Shelby special to the Charlots On server may that T. D. McBrayer, a pind mechanic and mill man of the Shelly Cotton Mills has just completed a new invention in self-threading shuttles. This is one thing that has been tried time and again by many expert mill and patent right men, which has resulted in a Tailure. Mr. McBrayer's machine in a nimple one and does the work nicely. This muchine can be operated on any loom examps the Draper.

MEAT IN THE PHILAPPINEN.

An Episado or March to a Cavito.
I tuco read a garding description of thirst in the Soudan, says Occar E.
Davis in Everybody's Magazine. The man who wrote it said that thirst such as he had endured there was a good

man who wrote it soid that thirst auch as he had endined there way a good that he had endined there way a good thing, because it madero very good indeed the long fixty drink that he got when the drouth was unded: Sometimes in the Philippines nothing fixed but the blood, and you felt that habiling and steaming within you.

In Cavite there is a long high ridge with no streams ard no wells. In peace times an irrigating ditch waters it, but was has died it up. We marched before daybreak. By ten o'clock the sun had been shining for a million years straight into the brain of eyers man in the column. The tall, heat-witchered grass, the yellow, dead rios in the low abundaned fields, the faded trambons in the low structures that on is had been swales, joined with the myrisds of heat devits in their funtante dance. The still air scenned alive with them. The earth quivered, I saw a man throw out his bands an ipitch forward on his face. Somebody fried to shift him into a comfortable position, but when he was lifted up he was dead. Men fell out by cores. Not even the excitement of the fight could keep them up. They lay where they fell nor exced that the advance of the column would leave them in the hands of any enemy that might come beek over the line of them in the hands of any enemy that might come back over the line of march. These who camped at nightfall were scarcely more than half of all who started.

Once, early in the afternoon, we came to a nond of stagnant water. When they had broshed back the green ecum that covered it, the men drank of typhoid faver through all their cam-paigning was hid behind the resitty of their thirst.

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