

## Revolting Methods in the Meat Industry.

Progressive Farmer.

In every part of America the Beef Trust is most cordially hated. True, Commissioner Garfield tried to put a halo of philanthropy about its head when he went forth to investigate the charges of excessive profits, but the people refused to accept his estimate; and lately one of the most popular novels has been Mr. Upton Sinclair's "The Jungle" in which he paints a horrible picture of conditions in Chicago among packing-house workers and the general oppression of the beef magnates. A few weeks ago therefore President Roosevelt ordered a general investigation by the Department of Commerce and Labor, and its report was made public last week. From beginning to end it is a sickening story—nothing short of revolting. It shows that in the preparation of sausages and canned meats the packers have had no regard for cleanliness and in the treatment of their employees they have had little regard for decency.

### DECLINE IN USE OF CANNED MEATS.

"In a word," says Messrs. Reynolds and Neill, "we saw meat shoveled from filthy wooden floors, piled on tables, rarely washed, pushed from room to room in rotten box carts, in all of which processes it was in the way of gathering dirt, splinters and filth"—and they give other details which are too unnice to look well in print. The same thing is true of that part of their report dealing with the conditions of the workers. "The ordinary decencies of life, they say, 'are completely ignored. The whole situation tends inevitably to the moral degradation of thousands of workers, who are forced to spend their working hours under conditions that are entirely unnecessary and unpardonable—conditions which are a menace not only to their own health, but to the health of those who use the food products prepared by them.'"

Of course, in the face of these facts Congress cannot fail to enact the pending legislation providing for stricter inspection of the packing house and for the enforcement of sanitary regulations. But even this comes too late to save the meat industry from a heavy falling-off in the late sale of packing-house products. With the disgusting details of the Neill-Reynolds report before every newspaper reader in the country, it will be a long time before the public appetite for Chicago sausage or "potted ham" becomes normal. This so-called "ham," by the way, is not ham at all, and the packers' calling such a mixture "ham" has suggested the now current lines:

"Mary had a little lamb,  
And when she saw it sicken,  
She shipped it off to Packingtown  
And now it labeled chicken."

### President's Uncle Dies.

Sayville, L. I., June 14.—Robert B. Roosevelt, uncle of the president, died here early today. He had been ill for several months.

Mr. Roosevelt was 76 years old. He was a lifelong democrat. Educated for the law, he practiced his profession in New York city for more than twenty years, retiring in 1871 to devote himself to literature and statescraft.

An Easterner was prospecting in the north Georgia mountains, when he came on a native apparently clinging to the steep side of a steep hill tilling corn. The prospector stopped for a chat and the mountaineer, nothing loath for a rest in the shade from his fatiguing toil, was agreeable.

"Say, friend, how in the world do you get the corn down off that hillside after it is ready for harvest?" asked the stranger.

"In jugs," was the laconic and probably truthful reply.

It is a good thing to take note of things a man jokes about himself, because those are just the things that he does not like to joke him about.

## An Unrighteous Ruling

Charlotte Observer.

That is a very unjust ruling of the Postoffice Department imposing a fine of \$200 on anyone who opens a letter by mistake. Business men do this constantly and in perfect honesty—with no thought of larceny of the contents of the envelopes. It is argued that people should examine their mail before leaving the postoffice and turn back any that may have been put in their boxes by mistake. But few if any of the people of cities or large towns get their mail at their postoffices. It is delivered to them by mail carriers, and there is nothing more natural than that a business man, running hastily through a large bunch of letters, should open one addressed to another person or firm of somewhat similar name and sent to him by error. He assumes, and naturally, that what is put in his postoffice box is his, does not think of a probability that it may not be, and doesn't scrutinize the address closely.

If punishment is to be visited upon anybody for innocent mistakes of this character—and there should be none—it should be upon the person who made the first mistake and not the one who committed the second, having been led into it—that is to say, the person in the local postoffice who puts the letter in the wrong box.

### Unknown Friends

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### How Tillman Lost an Eye

Pearson's Magazine for June.

Although his brothers were old enough to serve in the Confederate army Benjamin R. Tillman was a school boy of fifteen when the great struggle began. He knew that at sixteen he must join the Confederate forces, and his brothers wrote back from the field entreating him to get as much education as possible, because the war might last so long that he would never again be able to go to school.

Even at night young Tillman would continue his studies, frequently carrying a lighted pine knot into the woods and lying down with his books beside it. He was a lank, tall, silent boy, dictatorial and brusque, but a natural student. The heat of the pine torch injured his left eye, and a plunge in cold water brought on a tumor that destroyed it. It was the almost two year illness following this mishap that prevented the youth from serving in arms against the Union.

### You Can Hello While at Meals.

Greensboro News.

The New Hotel McAdoo has recently installed a complete system of long distance phones on the dining room tables for the convenience of guests. Already the innovation has made a distinct hit, as a patron of the hotel can now enjoy a talk to almost and point within the range of the Bell system, while waiting for meals to be served, thus saving considerable time to the busy and overworked traveling man.

The McAdoo is the first hotel in the south, and one of the few in the country, to adopt the scheme.

It is a deserved reproof that The Gastonia Gazette administers to the papers that print it "Rev. Smith" or "Rev. Jones," or "Hon. Winston" or "Hon. Somebody," and The Observer accepts its part of it in the full consciousness of guilt and with all humility.—Charlotte Observer.

## A Freak Chicken.

Gastonia Gazette.

Mr. S. E. Foy, of Pisgah, tells us of a freak chicken hatched by one of his Plymouth Rock hens this week. The chicken which was hatched in a sitting of twelve eggs selected from Plymouth Rocks and Leghorns had two heads, two bills, three eyes and two legs. The legs were turned backwards and were without joints. The chicken was alive for several hours after being hatched and was something very phenomenal in chickendom. At the time of the setting nothing unusual about the size or shape of the egg was noticed.

### How to Break Up a Cold

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### "Opened By Mistake."

Catawba County News.

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### Deafness Cannot Be Cured

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## Concrete: Its Rise and Application.

Scientific American.

The history of concrete dates back to the Roman period, and its growth seems to have followed and is proportional to the growth of the Portland cement industry. The word "concrete" to engineers and contractors has a very definite meaning, but to those not familiar with the subject, the word, "concrete" often suggests a "far side-walk." Concrete is a substance composed of broken stone, sand, cement, or sand, gravel and cement mixed together with water in certain well-defined proportions determined by experience. The resulting mixture is a pasty, jelly-like substance, which can be placed in excavations or box-like forms, and allowed to harden or "set" as it is called. In the course of twenty minutes or a half hour it will have undergone what is called the "initial set." In other words, it changes its physical condition from that of a semi-fluid to that of solid, and while it is not then hard it is solid. The hardness of the "permanent set" will depend on many things. With good cement this hardness will grow with age, and there are some cements which show from tests a continual growth in strength and hardness for many years. There are many cements called "quick-setting" cements, which take on a permanent set in a short time and show a high strength; but it has been determined by experience and tests, however, that quick-setting cements are not so good or stable in the end as the slow-setting article, which grows in strength indefinitely.

With the increased production of Portland cement the use of concrete has been rapidly growing, and today it is simply a question of expense, as concrete masonry can be built for very much less than stone masonry, the result being the marked displacement of the latter. It is used at the present time for making dwelling houses, factories, chimneys, dams, water tanks, railway ties, and fence posts. In fact, it is hard to name a structure in the present day that has not been built of concrete. The introduction of armored or reinforced concrete has still more widened its field of usefulness.

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					Collettsville				
					Lenoir	9.05	9.19	9.00	2.30
					Hudson	8.40	1.54	7.45	1.45
					Granite Falls	8.39	1.43	7.00	1.00
					Hickory	7.53	13.57	6.00	3.00
					Newton	7.28	13.28		1.00
					Lincolnton	6.65	11.40		10.45
					Gastonia	5.80	10.38		7.50
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