Women Farmers and Ranchers.

The management of Kansas farms and ranches is not confined entirely to men, for, according to the Topeka Capital, there are some very shrewd and capable managers among the ladies. One of these is Miss Kittie D. La Master, of Gardner, Johnson county. Miss Master goes to the Live Stock exchange and attends to the financial part of the business. "I have been engaged in farming," says the lady, "for the past six years on account of ill health of my father, who is incapacitated for work on account of rheumatism, which goes hard with him at his age, which is 73 years. When my mother and myself took charge of the farm of over 800 acres every one predicted we would be failures, but we are very well satisfied with the results." Of the other Kansas women who are patrons of the Kansas City live stock market may be mentioned Mrs. I. D. Harkleroad, Silverdale, Cowley county; Mrs. B. D. Freeman, Madison, Greenwood county; Mrs. Mary A. Dowling, Chapman, Dickinson county; Mrs. Mary Nurgesson, La Cygne, Linn county, and Mrs. John Stack, Rossville, Shawnee county. There are some ladies who manage large cattle ranches. Mrs. Lucien Scott, of Lavenworth, Kan., manages her ranch in the panhandle of Texas, which consists of 260,000 acres, all fenced, and on which there are between 6,000 and 7,000 cattle.

Search is now being made in the subterranean rooms of the great Kremlin, of Moscow, Russia, for the famous library of Ivan IV., surnamed the Terrible. Eight hundred famous but lost manuscripts are supposed to be hidden there. U11

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No Such Thing.

The quality of endurance of or indifference to what in other men produces shock or repulsion is said to belong to men without nerves. There is no such thing and cannot be. The finer the physical development the keener perhaps is the sensibility to pain. Let neuralgia put on its harness for a raid and get after such men, the nerves will be found all quivering at once. And so this malady works, a creeping ugly foe to health let on torture and misery, until it meets its antipathy, St. Jacobs Oil, which cures and conquers, quickly, surely.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials free. Address

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TENDER MEAT.

Some Hints About the Way It is to be Obtained.

There is a universal demand for tender meat, but how is it to be obtained when a large proportion of the choicest cuts of beef are miserably tough and to make them palatable require different treatment in cooking from the tenderloin part of the same steak? Would it not be practicable for the butcher to remedy this matter by a different method of cutting? If the tender and tough parts of a beef could be each to itself there would be an advantage to the buyer and no disadvantage to the butcher excepting perhaps his having to put different prices on the two kinds.

The Frenchman secures tender meat by keeping it till it becomes "gamey," but this flavor is not popular with the American taste. Under certain conditions of atmosphere it is possible to make meat tender by keeping it a certain length of time without its developing the objectionable "gamey" flavor. This may be done in cold storage; it is also done in the Southwest, where the air is very pure and dry. The meat is hung in the open air where it will grow more tender and delicious from day to day without the least flavor of taint; meat is sometimes kept in this way for six weeks. In the many families where neither a cold storage or a northwestern air is available tough meat may be at least improved if not made very tender by certain methods of cooking.

In the case of steak have the meat cut three-fourths or one inch thick; crush the fibers by pounding smartly with a potato masher or other smooth implement; this does not let out the juices so much as chopping or breaking the surface with a meat hammer; brown quickly, turning often, over a bed of good coals, if to be had, if not in a hot skillet; the point is to seal in the juices, not to cook the steak through; lay it in a dry hot skillet, season both sides with butter, pepper and salt; cover closely and set on the back of the stove, where it will keep steaming hot without frying at all; in from thirty to forty minutes, according to the thickness of the steak, it will be done, and if the directions are carefully followed it will prove savory, juicy and tender enough to be eaten with satisfaction. Round and flank steaks are excellent cooked in this way.

For pot roast brown all the cut surfaces in a hot skillet; rub with flour. In a pot containing some boiling water put a trivet; on this lay the meat, to keep it out of the water; cover closely and keep at the boiling point till tender. The time will vary with the age and condition of the animal; three to four hours' cooking is sometimes required. When nearly done salt and pepper should be sprinkled over the roast and a bay leaf dropped into the water. Just before dishing lift the roast out of the pot, pour off the gravy and return the roast to the pot with the fat side down; when browned turn the other side to brown; it is then ready for the table. Remove the bay leaf from the gravy and pour into the pot after the meat is dished; heat and thicken if necessary.

A Clock Run by Alcohol.

There is in St. Louis a clock that for simplicity and accuracy surpasses the historic one of Benjamin Franklin. It is the property of Gerhard Eckhardt, 1,242 South Fourth street, and was constructed on a plan designed by one of his assistants, Robert Saloch.

The framework is shaped like an elongated horseshoe, about two and one-half feet in height, and from its center hangs a wheel four and one-half inches in diameter and one inch wide. This wheel is inclosed by glass so as to be airtight. Along its inner circumference are sixteen small partitions connected with each other by means of a puncture the size of a pinhole.

The wheel turns on an axle six inches long, about which is coiled the thread by which the wheel is suspended. Now if the sixteen partitions were empty there would be nothing to prevent the thread about the axle uncoiling and the wheel falling down. As a counter force, therefore, eight of the partitions are filled with alcohol, and when the thread begins to unwind the alcohol on one side is higher than on the other.

Consequently the force of gravity acts to prevent the string from untwisting further. It is here that the pinholes come in, for as the alcohol slowly oozes through them in order to seek the proper level the thread unwinds a little more, the one side is again raised slightly and so the thread by scarcely perceptible steps slowly descends.

On the scale figured out in this instrument it takes just twelve hours for the wheel to descend the distance of two feet. It can then be easily wound up again by twisting back the thread upon the axle. To mark the exact time of the day there is constructed on one side of the frame a straight dial with divisions as close as five minutes. A single hand balanced upon the axle of the descending wheel points the time upon the scale.

Mr. Saloch told a reporter that he had been at work on this ingenious device during the whole of last summer. He had tried all sorts of substances, water, oil, etc., but had found none so serviceable as alcohol. There is, of course, no very great merit to the clock as it is now, except as a show piece.

By slightly complicating matters, however, adding four wheels and enlarging the axle of the wheel, Mr. Saloch says that the clock can run from three to ten years with a descent of only about a foot and a half during that time.

A New Sugar.

In the markets of Japan large quantities of gelatinous, translucent wafers, called namakouniaku, are sold for food. These apparently consist of starch paste, but C. Tsuji, of the Imperial college of agriculture at Tokio, finds that they do not give a blue coloration with iodine and hence contain no starch. By further tests the substance was proven to be mannane, from which the sugar, mannose, can be prepared by the same method that glucose is prepared from starch. The wafers are made from the large brown root of a cultivated plant, Amorphophallus, which is extensively grown in Japan and China. The roots are boiled in water, then ground into a pulp and forced through a colander into a large wooden tub which contains an equal quantity of slaked lime and double the amount of water. This mixture is thoroughly kneaded with the feet and then boiled in lime water until it forms the gelatinous mass from which the wafers are made, and which is also used to give a better lustre to clothes than is possible with laundry starch. Paper treated with this paste of konniaku is used instead of oiled paper for Japanese umbrellas and waterproof cloths. The raw roots are sometimes skinned, sliced, dried and ground into a powder, which may be kept indefinitely before being boiled with lime water to make the paste and wafers. As this mannane forms a nutritious food it must be changed by the digestive fluids into mannose sugar, though the enzymes which digest starch apparently do not affect mannane.

My Typewritist Has Reformed.

"I refuse to be discharged," said my typewritist, calmly, after having pretended to shed tears in a corner of her pocket handkerchief. "I know I shouldn't have stayed home yesterday if the snow was twice as deep, and I admit that I was not sick and had no excuse whatever for not coming downtown, except that I wanted to keep warm and snug. I wasn't happy, though, for the lecture you have given me was ringing in my ears all day long. I know I ought to act more like a business woman and I will try to after this. That's why I refuse to be discharged now. I insist on my right to have another chance."

"This is either your thirty-second or thirty-third chance," I made answer, solemnly, "and there are plenty of girls out of work who would appreciate the advantages that you cast away."

"Maybe there are, but how many of them, I should like to know, would say the funny things that I do that you print in the paper? I've heard lots of people say that they bought the paper just to read what I said. I'll promise to be good, and I've decided to stay for your sake as well as mine, and if you've got that syndicate story ready I'll take it now and pound it out."

The sublime audacity of the young lady's point of view so excited my admiration that I relented. Somehow, though, I don't feel a glow of satisfaction over a duty performed. I may not be firm enough for this young woman.

The Rothschild of Japan.

Japan has a banking house that has been in business without a break for over 300 years. It began with Yechigo No Kami, an impoverished feudal noble of the province of Ise, who broke away from the traditions of his caste and went into the liquor trade, manufacturing sake from rice. One of his sons established a bank, which two centuries ago was removed to Tokio, the present capital, and from the name of the principal at the time took the name by which it is now known of the Mitsui bank. Like the Rothschilds, the whole family is engaged in the business, a marked feature of which is that the capital belongs to all in common, while no one member can claim a separate share. The most competent individual is chosen president. The bank has now over thirty branches and is the largest private bank in Japan.

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A Bank Failure.

AN INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

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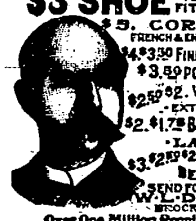

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