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TRANSPORTATION.

The first farmers in America took the first available land—for better lands for the want of adequate tools with which to work them and for lack of transportation with which to reach them, could not be farmed and so had little value. With the development of transportation and the improvement of farm tools land not formerly available was brought under cultivation, larger crops were produced on a similar number of acres and at less expense. By the methods of 1830 it took 64 hours and 15 minutes of man labor and required an expense of \$3.71 to produce an acre of wheat. By the methods of 1896, the latest period on which we have figures, it took 2 hours and 58 minutes and cost 72 cents to produce an acre of wheat.

Certainly improved farm tools and the development of Railway and Highway transportation increased the value of farm production and the value of farm land, when it is considered that based upon estimates already made: The value of farm products in America in 1921 will be greater than the value of the lands and the buildings on the lands in 1900.

No matter how economical a farm product may be raised: it must be delivered to some market before the sale of the same is complete and the money is collected for it. Therefore nothing is more vital to the farmer than the safe, sure and economical hauling of his product.

It was estimated by Mr. Herbert Hoover, perhaps the greatest authority on food production in the world, that 50 per cent of the perishable food raised in America never reached the consumer for lack of adequate transportation.

Potatoes rotting in Michigan for lack of cars to haul them to Chicago where a good price was being paid—Fruit, berries and melons going to waste in Texas for lack of cars to move them and many similar cases were cited by Mr. Hoover, not the least important of which was that wherein, Hogs, Fat—Ready for market, through Illinois and Iowa were being held at an expense to the farmer while the market was declining the farmer was unable to ship for lack of cars. Mr. Hoover went on to state that following the war, the shortage of food would be even greater and in the meantime draft-horses which should be replaced by trucks were eating the crop of an acreage which was capable of feeding 40,000,000. The remedy for these transportation evils according to Mr. Hoover lay in mechanical transport—The Truck for the Farmer.

Cardinal Principle of Conversation.
You invite a good conversationalist the moment you talk your own tale of woe and start listening closely to the other fellow's.—St. Joseph Gazette.

MICKIE SAYS

YOOH! A FELLER RUNNING A NEWSPAPER GITS KINDA HARDENED SO KNOWERS DONT GOTTER HIM AUSA. FRANKS, DICK ETC. WHO BRINGS IN COPY FULL OF MISTAKES THAN TH ATLANTIC OCEAN IS DE WATERS 'N IVE KIN CORRECT THEM ALL 'N IGT NO THANKS—DUT IF WE HAVE ONE, GOOD NIGHT AN' FAREWELL OUR NAME IS

MUDI!



"CAVEMAN STUFF" IN CHINA

Ardent Wooer Carried Off the Girl of His Choice Strapped Helplessly on His Back

"Lah-bah!" or the "twelfth moon eighth day" is always lucky for marriages. Poor people of the Auld province in China can be sure of an auspicious day without going to the expense of consulting the fortune-tellers.

This year in the town of Lunghow there was a novel marriage procession. A young man of twenty-two wanted his bride, but her parents are said to have thought him too poor for the girl, and demanded a sum of money which they thought would end in the match being broken off. Friends suggested he should abduct the girl; so on the auspicious "eighth" he and a few friends went to the girl's home, and they were in such force as to carry the day. To prevent anything like lawlessness the bride and groom were bound together back to back and the young man was marched off like the snail, with his house child as wife on his back. The girl had protested she did not want to be his wife, and apparently sulked, but next day things were smoothed over by friends. "But why tie them back to back?" asked one. "Oh, to stop the girl from struggling," said a friend of the groom. In other words it was cave-man stuff.—North China Herald.

Lucky Animals.

Animal mascots become ever more and more popular. Farmers are wearing little black hats, office men the fisherman's mascot is the petrol, the owner of good weather. The black cat is almost universally considered lucky, but this is especially so with actors and actresses. Many of the "profession" would not dream of playing a first night through without a small black cat charm of some sort. The airman's mascot is the eagle, and a gardener will often keep for luck a charm in the form of a fat little beetle with gray eyes should always choose a monkey mascot. Brown eyes will find the horse a lucky animal, and blue eyes should wear a little bear charm. A quaint colored butterfly is the best luck-bringer for green-eyed people. It is unlucky for fair-haired people to wear any mascot in the form of a snake, and a mouse charm will only bring bad luck to anyone who is rash enough to wear it.

Stupendous but Useless.

Sixty centuries ago a stupendous stone structure was built covering the equivalent of 10 city blocks, or about 13 acres. It stretched its pointed apex nearly 500 feet heavenward, and has stood through all times as a monument to the man who reared it as a colossal mausoleum to house his kingly bones.

One hundred thousand men, says the record, toiled under the scorching sun of Egypt for 30 years to build that structure. Ninety million cubic feet of stone piled one upon another combined to form the Great Pyramid of Cheops. It was a thousand years old when Moses led the children out of Israel through the Red sea.

Another Revision.

When fashion enters the door, bills fly in the window. Boston Transcript.

AUTOMOBILE PAINTS

The Automobile club of Philadelphia is 21 years old.

Mexico recently placed an order in this country for 100,000 automobile tires.

The cost of a new passenger car is not a deductible item when filling out an income tax return.

In the city of Montevideo, Uruguay, there are 5,500 private automobiles, 1,550 taxis and 200 commercial cars.

A smooth start is the sign of a good driver. Do not feed the car too much gasoline. Let the clutch in very gently.

Five chauffeurs and two footmen are employed at the White House garage in Washington, for the operation of motor vehicles.

Be very careful when passing another car. There may be one coming towards you. Many head-on collisions are caused by careless passing.

As a supplement to their inadequate salaries, three superintendents of public schools in Georgia are automobile salesmen, and two are garage men.

Show up the motor car before going downhill and use the brakes sparingly. Continual dragging of brakes is injurious to the health of the motor car.

Twine Made of Asbestos.
Twine for binding parts of apparatus exposed to fire or acid is now being made of asbestos.

"Leadstone"
This machine, made of iron, or leadstone, as it is called, was first found in Macedonia, in Asia Minor, the name having been derived from this circumstance. The name leadstone, which is applied to this material, is given on account of its being used when employed as a guide or leading stone, from the old Spanish word "lumbre" to lead. Leadstone or magnetite, made of iron, is very abundant in nature, especially in Sweden and Norway, where it is worked as an iron ore and furnishes the best quality of iron. It is also found in Canada.

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