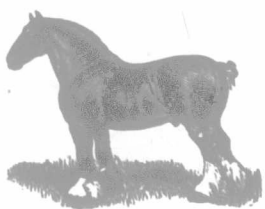


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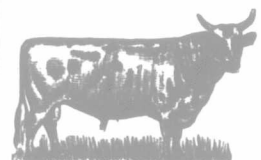
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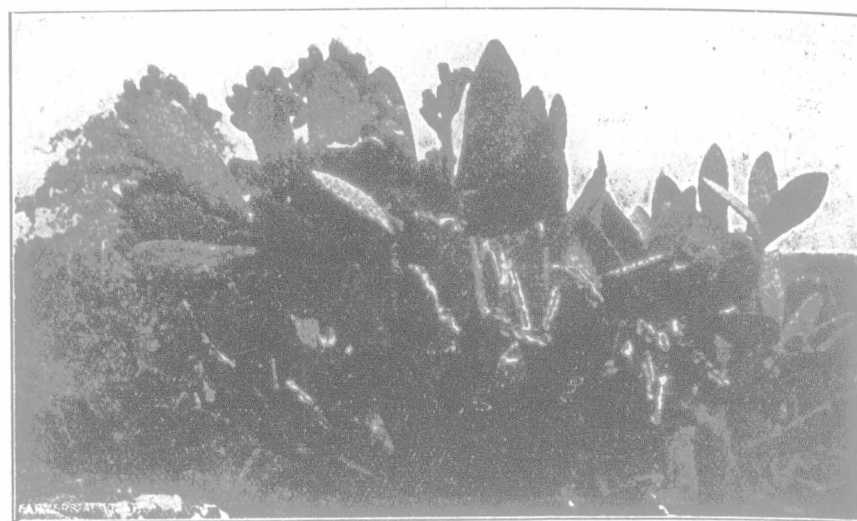
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PRICKLY PEAR USED AS STOCK FEED IN SOUTH AFRICA

farmers that the prickly pear is to prove a complete substitute for other food-stuffs for stock. This is by no means the case. Analyses made in the Laboratory of the Transvaal Department of Agriculture show that prickly pears contain nearly 94 per cent. of water, leaving only about 6 per cent. of solid material. Of this there is less than half of 1 per cent. protein and the soluble carbohydrates amount to less than 4 per cent. It is obvious, therefore, that the feeding value is extremely low.

In the southwestern United States the prickly pear is chiefly utilized during seasons of drought when grass is scarce on the veldt. The large water content of the succulent branches is useful at such times where drinking water is scarce; in western Texas it is stated that mature steers accustomed to the diet can live in a prickly pear pasture a long time without water, while working oxen fed on prickly pear drink water only two or three times a week in summer and once a week in winter. Though, as we have pointed out, it is not particularly nutritious, the prickly pear is capable at least of sustaining life; but if fed alone, without the addition of other foodstuffs, it causes laxity, and with working stock a tendency to bloat. If the stockman is in a position to add a more nutritious food material, such as mealies, ground velvet, beans, or cottonseed meal, an excellent ration can be provided and stock can be fattened for market on such a diet. As a matter of fact, many hundred head of cattle are marketed every year in the United States which have been fed entirely upon a ration of prickly pear and cotton seed; the ration usually consists of 5 to 7 lbs. of cotton seed and 50 to 60 lbs. of prickly pear per head per diem.

In southern India the stems of prickly pear plants have been successfully preserved in silos, but Dr. Griffiths observes that there is nothing to be gained, at any rate in the United States, by preserving the plant in this way; it appears to be

more economical to leave it growing on the veldt until wanted.

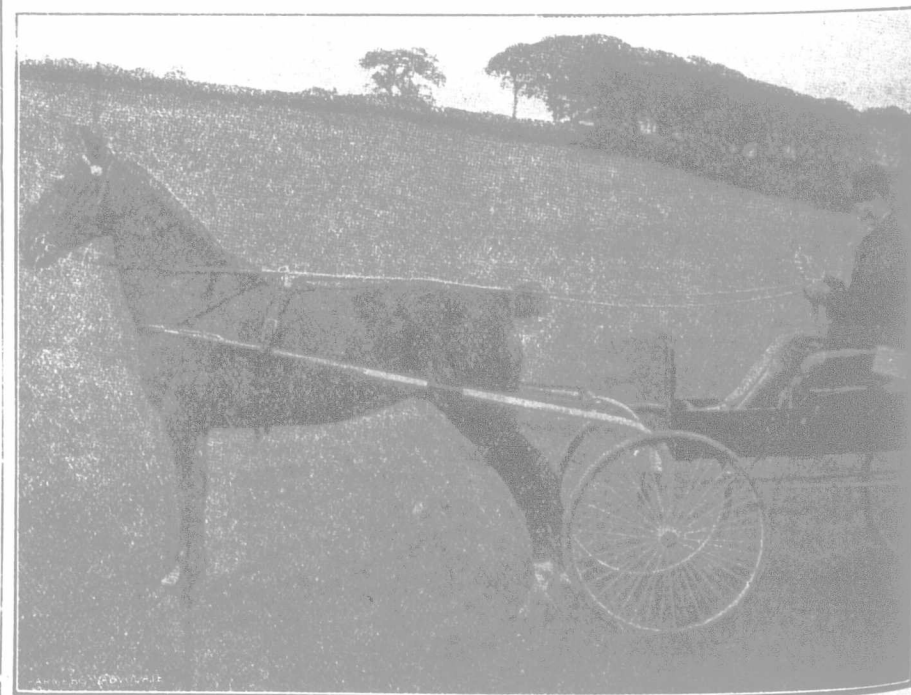
DANGEROUS CHARACTER OF PRICKLY PEAR

It should be borne in mind that in parts of Cape Colony and of Australia, the true prickly pear has become an absolute pest, rendering hundreds of acres of land quite useless from an economic point of view, the cost of clearing being greater than the intrinsic value of the land. Even for stock feed some of these places have become useless owing to the impenetrability of the prickly pear thickets. It is only, however, where owners or occupiers have neglected to take any precaution against the rapid spread of this plant that such a result has become possible.

Even with the so-called "spineless" forms the presence of minute spinelets is a cause of annoyance and injury. There is also a danger that the seeds from spineless plants which have become crossed with spiny ones, or which are themselves of hybrid origin, may develop a certain proportion of spiny forms, and care should be taken that if such occur they are not allowed to take possession of the field.

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