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erly. No more long hauls to adjoining towns. A price is offered right up to the last fraction of a cent. They will bring a stock-car to the siding now for only a few animals on a much closer margin of profit, or pay switching charges to complete a car started fur-ther up. And why? Take a guess!

Some Things Learned

Some Things Learned One of the important things we learned in livestock shipping was that profits and shrinkage are very closely related, hence the importance of doing everything possible to minimize the latter. While bedding in cars, feeding in home stock yards or in cars in transit and judicious loading such as proper partition in mixed cars, or not to over-load, are important factors in "shrink-age," the erux of the matter rests with "the run" the railway gives the stock. stock.

We are on a branch off a branch of the C.N.R. and our "runs" have not always been all that could be desired, having on more than one occasion been 24 hours making the 160 odd miles, in which case we never were able to "fill" which case we never were able to "fill" the stock back to initial weights. On the other hand when we got a "run" of 10 or 12 hours we seldom had little dif-ficulty in getting back reasonably close to, the initial weights on all but one class of cattle, which was slushy gras-sers in June or July. We must educate our stock-raisers to

We must educate our stock-raisers to keep this class of stock at home till

properly finished. Outside of this "run" proposition our dealings with the railway have been quite cordial and reasonably satisfactory.

They leased us our building site, built a new stock yard (after some delay), supplied cars promptly and granted re-turn transpostation as far as their road would take us via the main line, instead of wanting 36 hours longer for the regu-lar branch line train.

Service The Keynote

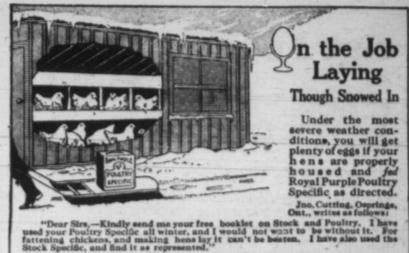
The management of our business is in the hands of the trustees under which work our president in charge of the general trading, our secretary in charge of carlot shipments, books and corres-pondence and one of the trustees in pondence and one of the trustees in charge of the livestock department. And please let me record it here that no of-ficer in any way connected with our society since its inception has given wages the slighest consideration in the "conducting of our business. No one has received a tithe of what their ser-vices would have commanded in comvices would have commanded in com-petitive business. Each has seemingly worked unselfishly to establish a su worked unsemanly to establish a suc-restful business and no small part of their reward has been reaped in the satisfaction which comes from having faithfully served others. The only salaried person in connection with our business is the president and so modest a man is he that he absolutely refuses to accept a wage commensurate with his work. work.

Our secretary "works for nothing and boards himself," while our livestock trustee receives half the net profits in trustee receives main the new promise in his depaytment as his remuneration. No trustee up to the present has received mileage or any other remuneration to at-tend the business of the society, tho all have spent much valuable time "for the good of the cause." Someone says: "No wonder they show

the good of the cause." Someone says: "No wonder they show profits." To this the reply comes: "When a person gets the true co-opera-tive spirit into one's nature so that it becomes a real part of him, then will he be willing to do a good turn for a neighbor, or all his neighbors without charging anything for it." Do you get the idea? The benefits of our organization to our community in the past three years

our community in the past three years cannot alone be estimated in dollars and cents. We could figure up a handne financial gain by approximation d supposition, but what seems to the and supposition, but what seems to the writer to be the great benefit is the elevating, broadening influence co-op-eration is having on our lives, bringing us nearer to that state in which "The Master" intends we should live, that

of loving your neighbor as yourself. In conclusion, it would seem we are only on the fringe of what might be done. The vista epons in the future of



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