

short keepers. Rough steers of the same weights sold at \$3.40 to \$3.60 per cwt. Light steers, weighing 800 to 900 lbs. each, sold at \$3.20 to \$3.40 per cwt., and bulls at \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt.

Stockers.—Yearling steers, 500 to 600 lbs. in weight, were easy at \$2.60 to \$2.75, with heifers and black and white steers of the same weight bringing \$2 to \$2.60 per cwt.

Milch Cows.—Prices were firm for these, ranging all the way from \$30 to \$50 each.

Calves.—These are in fair demand at Buffalo at \$7.50 to \$7.75 per cwt. for choice to extra, and \$7.25 to \$7.50 for good to choice. At Toronto market calves bring from \$4 to \$10 each as to quality.

Sheep and Lambs.

The Buffalo market is steady with an upward tendency. Receipts of Canadian lambs are falling off and it is expected that the bulk of these have been marketed. They were in good demand there on Friday on the basis of \$5.50 to \$5.60 per cwt. At Toronto market lambs sold on Friday at \$3.50 to \$4.12½ per cwt., with a few choice lots of ewes and wethers for exports at \$4.25 to \$4.50 per cwt. Prices were firm for sheep at \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt. for ewes and \$2.50 for bucks, butchers' sheep being \$2 to \$2.50 each.

Hogs.

The deliveries on Friday were large with prices steady. Best select bacon hogs, weighing not less than 160 nor more than 200 lbs. each, unfed and unwatered (off cars) sold at \$4.37½; thick and light fats at \$4 per cwt. Unculled car lots sold at \$4.20 to \$4.30 per cwt., and Essex and Kent corn fed hogs at \$4.15 per cwt. As will be seen from the following quotation Buffalo prices for the same day are about on a par with prices here: "Heavy were quotable \$4.25 to \$4.30; mixed, \$4.25 to \$4.27½; Yorkers, \$4.25 to \$4.30; pigs, \$4.15 to \$4.25; roughs, \$3.50 to \$3.80; stags, \$3 to \$3.50." Prices at Montreal have advanced ¼ per lb. over last week at Montreal where packers are paying from \$4.25 to \$4.50 per cwt. The *Trade Bulletin* cable re Canadian bacon reads thus:

London, December 14, 1899.—The market has kept firm all week under light supplies, and values have undergone no change since my last. Pea-fed lean sides 39s. to 42s.

Curious Mathematical Puzzle.

Following is a very curious puzzle. Try it, all of you.

Open a book at random and select a word within the first ten lines, and within the tenth word from the end of the line. Mark the word. Now double the number of the page and multiply the sum by five.

Then add twenty.

Then add the number of the line you have selected.

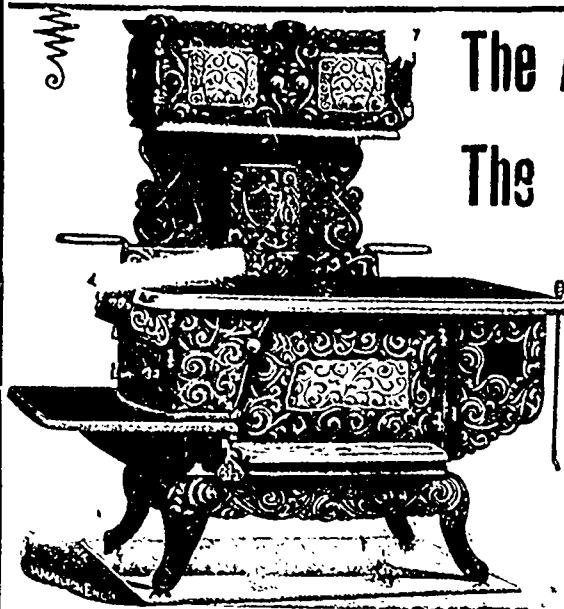
Then add five.

Then multiply the sum by ten.

Add the number of the word in the line. From this sum subtract 250 and the remainder will indicate in the units column the number of the word, in the tens column the number of the line, and the remaining figures the number of the page.—*Philadelphia Times*.

The man came out of an office building on the run and started down the street. "Here! Here!" cried the policeman on the corner. "What's your hurry?" "There's a man back there trying to sell me a book on twenty-eight weekly instalments of \$2.33 each!" cried the victim. The policeman instantly released his hold. "Run!" he cried. "Run like a white-head! Maybe you can get away from him yet."—*Chicago Post*.

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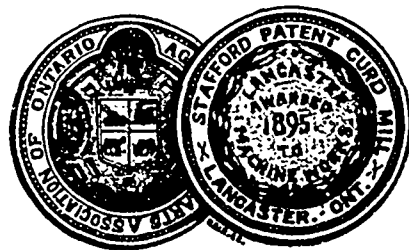
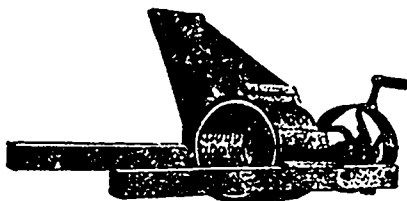
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