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RAISING OF HOGS.

An Interesting Address Before
the Farmer's InstituteKent Farmers It is Said are not Com-
plying With the Demands of
the Market.The West Kent Farmers' Institute
held a meeting in the old town hall
Monday afternoon. There was a fair-
ly representative gathering of farm-
ers present, and the chair was occu-
pied by W. C. McGregor, of Tilbury,
president of the Institute. In his
opening address, Mr. McGregor spoke
of the discussions of the previous
meetings on the methods of raising
hogs, and the profit which had
resulted from these discussions.
In the meetings of the Institute, the
best methods for raising hogs, cattle,
and sheep were discussed. The
president thought that it might be
a good idea to also ponder on the
methods for men and intended to ad-
vocate that a delegation of ladies be
selected to attend one of the meetings
of the Institute and discuss this sub-
ject.

ABOUT HOGS.

Mr. McGregor then introduced Hy.
Glendenning, of Manila, who addressed
the meeting on "Hogs and export ba-
con trade."Throughout this section of the coun-
try, Mr. Glendenning said it was a well
understood fact that the farmers did
not get the same price for their hogs
as they did in the counties farther
east did. The buyers blamed the
corn feed, but the speaker did not
agree with them. In former years the
farmers had raised a broad thick
backed hog, but now they were raising
a lean hog, and this was the cause
of the trouble. The farmers got it into
their heads that it was this class of
hog that made them the most money
and they continued raising this class
of hogs even when the farmers east
were raising a different class and get-
ting more money for their product.
In Canada lately the pork packers had
been catering to the English market
and for this they wanted a midget
hog with a good length of body
so that they could make what is called
the "Welsh" cut. To make this
cut of bacon the pig was split down
the middle, the sides and hams were
left on, the bones were taken off from
the front shoulder and a couple of ribs
taken out. After this bacon had been
cured, it was put in boxes and shipped
to England. On its arrival it was
smoked and was then ready for the
market. The hogs which produced
this bacon were called "Welsh" hogs,
and these were the hogs which pro-
duced the most money for the farmer.
In the opinion of the speaker, however,
no one class of hog had the monopoly
of the trade and the price.

BREEDS TO RAISE.

The hogs which best approached the
English bacon type, were the Tam-
worths, the Yorkshires, and Berk-
shires. But a man could take any of
these and make either the right kind
of bacon or heavy bacon by improved
feeding so that there was a great deal
in the individuality of the man who
raised the hogs.It was essential in successful hog-
raising that the farmer should be kind
to his hogs. This seemed a little mat-
ter, but it was often all that stood be-
tween success and failure. Many a
man had lost the best part of his stock
through his own being afraid of his
hog, and in his terror, trampling her
where she was. If the little pigs were
ravenous and lively three or four days
after birth, the farmer should be
pretty sure that they were in good
condition. The food should then be
increased to the mother and it should
be such as would keep the bowels in a
laxative condition. It was formerly
Mr. Glendenning's custom to wean his
pigs five or six weeks after birth, but
he found better results when they
were not weaned till seven or eight
weeks after being born. The weaning
should be done gradually. The young
pigs being taken away during the day
and then returned at night for a
week.It was after the weaning that the
farmer began to make the bacon hog.
The pigs should not be fed too much
but should be let out to forage for
at least five months. Exercise and
bone-forming food bacon. The natural
food for the hog was grass roots,
nuts, earth and rotten wood. The food
of the hog had been changed a good
deal by feeding but when shut up it
fed on its natural food. Wheat was
one-sided and poor for building
up bone. Peas were a good factor
in the production of bone, while corn
was poor; peas high in the produc-tion of lean meat, corn low, peas low
in fat, corn high. Neither grain was
good alone but the two combined made
an excellent feed. The ratio should be
100 lbs. of peas to 150 lbs. of corn.
Barley was a well-balanced food and
one of the best. Oats had more of the
bone-forming ingredient in them
than any other grain and, if the speak-
er had his choice of grains, he would
have preferred oats to all others.
Corn and barley didn't make a good
mixture. Either bran or shorts work-
ed in well with corn and made the best
feed for hogs that the farmers of Kent
county could secure. Too much milk
was a bad thing for hogs but worked in
with corn, the evil effects of the milk were
counteracted. Beans, in Mr. Glenden-
ning's opinion, didn't produce soft pork
but soft pork resulted from hogs being
raised without exercise and killed
before they had matured. Of course
feed had something to do with it.Mr. Glendenning was warmly ap-
plauded at the conclusion of his speech.
President McGregor said that the only
case of soft pork that came under his
notice had resulted from a sow
with diseased kidneys. From obser-
vation he thought that soft pork was
caused by the hog being unhealthy
when killed.

KEEPING BOOKS.

J. H. Harvey, of Chatham, read
an excellent paper on "bookkeeping on
the farm." He advocated the keeping
of two books, a day book and a ledger.
The day book could be utilized in
posting to the ledger. At the end of
the year a trial balance could be
struck and the farmer could tell his
financial condition.One of the gentlemen present said
he found just what he was looking for
when the granaries were empty to be
the best time to make out the trial
balance.While Secretary Longmore collect-
ed the fees, President McGregor gave
a talk on his experience with silos.
W. N. Hull, of Southend, then gave
an address on "Insects injurious and
beneficial." New insects were ravag-
ing the crops every year. This was
the result of the increased areas be-
ing cultivated annually. The best
method for getting rid of these pests
was cultivation, and this was about
the only method. Mr. Hull's address
was highly interesting and instruc-
tive and was illustrated by specimens
of each insect.

AFISH STORY

Or How Jerry Cross Got His Axe Back
From the Bottom of the Lake"Did you ever hear how Jerry Cross
got his axe back from the bottom of
Moonhead Lake?" said an old resi-
dent of this town, who was talking
with a New York visitor. "He and his
brother Orlick were up at 'the lake'
and had just started in on the winter
fishing. Jerry, in chopping a hole
through the ice, let the axe slip
from his hands, and down it went to
the bottom. They were fishing in deep
water for whitefish, and there seemed
no way of getting the axe back, which
meant the trouble and loss of time in
making a trip thirty miles down the
lake to Greenville for a new one. An
idea came to Jerry, and he decided to
without up in the woods, and Orlick
was for making a start straightway for
Greenville, and he scolded his brother
for his carelessness."Why wasn't you more careful Jer-
ry?" he said. "You ought to have let
it get away from you in that foolish
manner.""Goodbye, Orlick," said Jerry; that
was a good word with him; "Just you
tend to yer fishing," and don't trouble
yourself about the axe. I'll get it when
I'm ready."Jerry baited a hook, taking a little
more pains with the line than usual,
lowered it down through the hole to
the bottom, tied the end of the line to
the tit-up, and went on to the next
hole. Orlick fretted and fussed about
the axe and kept up his complaining
after they had got to the camp at the
end of the day."We'll have no firewood to-morrow,
and one of us will have to lose two
good days in going to Greenville for
a new axe," he said. "And it's all owing
to yer carelessness in losin' the axe we
had.""Never you fret yourself about that
axe, Orlick," Jerry said. "We've wood
enough for to-night and I'll get the axe
safe and whole the first thing in the
mornin'.""Orlick was still grumbling about
the axe when they went out next
morning to the lake for the new fish
that had hooked themselves over-
night. Jerry came to the hole where
he had dropped the axe and pulled up
the line with the axe and a whitefish
both fast to it."Mebbe you'll believe me another
time when I tell you a thing," Jerry
said to his brother. "I dropped that
axe in a purpose. The handle was get-
tin' loose and I just wanted to swell
it up in the water.""Perhaps it will interest you to know
how Jerry worked it to get the wood
back, for most men in his place would
have counted it as a dead loss, and giv-
ing up hope of getting it again, from
the start. The fishermen in those days
used a very heavy sinker which was
fastened to the line about four feet
above the hook. In fishing, the sinker
rested on the bottom while the live
minnow that baited the hook swam
within the four foot limit of line that
extended beyond the sinker. The sink-
er used then was merely a strip of
sheeted lead rolled around the line and
hammered flat to it to keep it from
slipping. Jerry always carried a spare
piece of this lead in his pocket, and
when the sinker had fastened a pound
chunk of lead to the line about three
feet above the sinker. A whitefish
took the bait and, swimming round
and round the chunk of lead, wound
the line about the axe-handle so that
when Jerry pulled up the line, the axe
came up together, a simple enough
thing when one understands
how it was done, though it seemed like
a miracle to Orlick.The great amount of design work
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CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

Senator Morrill was the only member
of the present Senate who wrote with
a quill pen.Hyenas always fight kneeling, the
foreleg being the most vulnerable part
of their body.An ordinance providing for all-night
street cars in Baltimore was recently
rejected by the City Council.Australian newspapers report the
complete disappearance of Metis Is-
land, which as late as 1880 projected
150 feet above the ocean.While the wedding service is pro-
ceeding in Japan, the bride kindles a
torch and the bridegroom lights a fire
from it and burns the wife's play-
things.More than a century ago a meeting
house was erected at the head of the
Tuckahoe river, near Tuckahoe, N. J.,
and it was painted for the first time
three weeks ago. Red was the color.In every city or town in the Neth-
erlands you will find a Rosemary
street. In olden days only undertakers
lived in them, the rosemary being, in
the language of flowers, specially dedi-
cated to the dead.An Anglaise (N. J.) gunner killed
a duck a few days ago and attached
to one of the duck's feet was a large
clam. The duck had evidently been
wading in shallow water and had
stepped on a feeding bivalve.Hunters at South Haven, N. J.,
have exhausted all their ingenuity in
trying to capture a white crow that
for more than a year has been living
in the woods adjacent to the town with
several hundred of its black compan-
ions.A Belfast (Me.) citizen reports him-
self as the champion absent-minded
man. He got the fire in the kitchen
stove running nicely the other morn-
ing; then he went to the well, drew a
pail of water, brought the water in
and poured it into the stove.Jake Horn, of Corson's Inlet, N. J.,
who is known as the "eel king" of
South Jersey, has caught, with the
use of a spear, more than 100,000 eels
during the past 30 years. Their aggre-
gate length was more than 60 miles,
and their combined weight was more
than fifty tons.At the recent annual meeting of the
Egyptian exploration fund, Sir E.
Maunde Thompson declared that it
would not be surprising if whole books
of the New Testament dating from the
second century should be found among
the papyri now being discovered in
Central Egypt.John Logan, one of the oldest post-
masters in the United States, is dead
at his home at Crossroads, says a
York Pa. dispatch. He was appointed
postmaster in the administration of
President Van Buren, in 1837, and
filled the same office continuously up
to the time of his death. Mr. Logan
was 88 years old.Elisha Hunt, of Hawley, Mass., has
two cords of wood, stove length, which
has been in his shed thirty years,
which he is burning this winter, sound
and in as good condition as the day it
was put in the shed. He also has two
piles of fourteen-foot wood, two cords
each; one pile has been in forty years
and the other fifty-two years. He has
no wood on his own farm, and has to
buy all he uses.The setting of plaster of Paris may
be retarded by the addition of two to
four per cent of powdered alther root.
This addition not only retards the
hardening of the plaster, but also en-
ables it to be cut, filed, sawed and
turned. An addition of eight per cent
retards the complete setting of the
plaster for about an hour, so that the
mass may be used for any purpose,
where it is to remain plastic during at
least a portion of that time.Maurice Corson, a Palermo, N. J.,
storekeeper, who died a few days ago,
bought a quantity of calico during the
Civil War, paying 50 cents a yard for
it. When the price fell to eight cents
after the war Corson declared he would
not sell a yard of his goods unless he
realized a sum equivalent to the price
he had paid for it. The goods remain-
ed on the shelves, and were sold last
week for two and three cents a yard.Chickens are sold by the piece in
Buenos Ayres. They are dressed be-
fore being offered for sale, the only
feathers being left upon them being
those of the tail. The same custom
prevails in China as to dogs, where a
bit of the dog's hair is always left on
the end of the tail, even when the ani-
mal is cooked. But this is because the
Chinese consider the flesh of black
dogs the best, and most certain to put
a brave spirit into the body of the
eater.A physician quoted by the Richmond
Dispatch says that snow is healthful,
and that there is now less sickness in
that city than usual. "The amount
has been very appreciably reduced
within the past ten days, or during the
prevalence of the snow and ice," he
says. "I cannot imagine anything
purer than fresh snow, or the air
blowing over it. Not only this, but a
hard winter is always followed by a
summer in which there is little sick-
ness. Green winters make fat grave-
yards, you know."The Chilean coal mines, opened in
1855, seem to be nice places to work
in. The seams of coal run from the
shore under the waters of the Pacific
ocean, and the tunnels are so close
together that you could walk through them
in a dress suit without making yourself
dirty. They are lighted by electricity,
and you can have a ride for a mile
under the ocean on an electric car at a
speed of twenty miles an hour. The
mines form quite a catacomb of well-
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Minded BeggarWho has neglected his overcoat is the fellow who realizes that this
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GANG STILL AT IT.

How Money was Freely Offered
in East Middlesex.A Disgusted Reformer Tells how the
Party Tried to Bring Him into
Line.

London Free Press.

Mr. Albert Bernard, of Westminster
Township, is a disgusted Reformer,
who voted for Capt. Robson, and he is
not afraid to tell why he did so. He
was born on lot 4, con. 2, sixty-two
years ago, and has lived there all his
life. He had always voted for the
Liberal party ever since he had a
vote, and no one had before the late
by-election attempted to bribe him.
Then he got the shock of a lifetime,
and this is how he explains it."I decided," said Mr. Bernard on
Saturday, "not to vote for either party,
because I had come to believe one
was just as bad as the other. I was
dissatisfied with the way public af-
fairs were conducted, and said I would
not give another vote for my party or
either way. At the last municipal
election I did vote, however, to ac-
commodate my neighbors. But when I
was appealed to in the by-election by
my party friends I refused to go to
the polls. Then one of the agents of
Dr. McWilliam came to me and of-
fered me a \$2 bill—just one, too; if
I would vote for him, I said, No, sir,
I've got to have more than that! Next
day the same man came again and
offered me three \$2 bills, and I said
that that wasn't enough. He said he
could buy plenty for \$2 apiece, and
I replied, You can't buy me for \$2,
and I ain't a two-dollar man. He laid
the money down, and I picked it up and
said to him, I'll take it, and I'll
draw me down to poll No. 3, West-
minster, Norton's school, where I
polled for Capt. Tom Robson.Question—Are you sorry for doing
so, Mr. Bernard?Mr. Bernard—No, but I am damned
ashamed of my old political party. I
voted for forty years in Westminster,
and no man did that to me before. I
mean, attempted to buy my vote for
\$2. I ain't selling it for two dollars
nor for six, either.Question—What do you think a vote
ought to be worth?Mr. Bernard—Well, I'm not selling
my vote for money, but lots of people
do, and I can understand the tempta-
tion. If a man put down, say \$100,
before me, and I was very hard up at
the time, I don't really know how I
should look at it; but I know right
quick when it is two or six.

DRESDEN.

Feb. 6.—Miss Belle Merrill, of Both
well, is visiting friends in Dresden.Mrs. (Dr.) Galbraith has returned
from a trip to Iowa.George Carter is confined to the
house with grippe.Mrs. Jno. Leonard has returned
home.

BLANCHHEIM

Feb. 6.—Mrs. McFadden, Cedar
Springs, died yesterday.The Crooked brothers are in
Burlington attending the funeral of their
father, who died there last Friday.A load of young people from town are
driving to Chatham to-night to attend
a party at Mr. Bam's.H. L. Merritt will drive a load of
young people from Blenheim out to his
father's residence in Chatham to-
night.The fire inspector is in town this
morning and the firemen had an early
call and run.The Daily Planet is on sale at J. N.
Babcock's Drug Store, where subscrip-
tions will be taken, and the paper de-
livered to any part of the town.

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