55. $82\frac{1}{2}\%$ of $\frac{3}{5}$ of the goods $= 49\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the whole, and $76\frac{1}{4}\%$ of $\frac{2}{5}$ of the goods $= 30\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the whole. $\therefore$ the amt. realized $= 80\%$ of whole value. If the whole val. would realize $81\frac{1}{4}\%$ of claims, then 80% of value would realize 80% of $81\frac{1}{4}\%$, or 65%.

56. Time required to plough 1 strip and to turn $= 4\frac{1}{2}$ min. $\therefore$ in 9 hr. he ploughs 4800 rods. $\therefore$ no. of ac. $=$
$$\frac{4800}{160} \times \frac{11}{12 \times 3 \times 5\frac{1}{2}}.$$

57. On \$500 the interest is \$10·20 in 73 days, &c.

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58. Suppose he bought 4 lb. Then he sold 1 lb. at a reduction of 10c. $\therefore$ he intended to gain 90c. on the 4 lb., which is 30% of cost. $\therefore$ cost of 4 lb. $=$ \$3.

59. P. W. of \$5·70 $=$ \$5·62½. $\therefore$ cash S. P. $= \$5{\cdot}62\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{106\frac{2}{3}}{100} = \$6$, which amounts to \$6·12 in 6 mo.

60. Net inc. on each share $=$ \$4·90, which is 7% of cost. $\therefore$ cost of 1 share $=$ \$70. $\therefore$ market value $= \$69\frac{7}{8}$.

61. Total cost $=$ \$2220. S. P. $= \$672 + \$1495 + \$345 = \$2512$. Com. $=$ \$75·36. $\therefore$ net S. P. $=$ \$2353·20. $\therefore$ gain $=$ \$133·20, or 6%.

62. The loss $= \frac{1}{16}$. But the loss is equal to the discount on the amount of the marked price above the cost; that is the loss may be obtained by multiplying the cost by the square of the discount fraction. $\therefore$ the discount fraction is $\frac{1}{4}$, or 25%.

63. Taking 7, 6, 5 as the length, breadth and height, area of walls and ceiling $= 172$. $\therefore$ each sq. unit costs \$2 $=$ cost of 4 sq. yd. $\therefore$ 1 sq. unit $=$ 4 sq. yd.; but area of floor $=$ 42 sq. units $=$ 168 sq. yd.