

On and Around the Farm

An Epitome of Expert Opinion and Interesting Facts Gathered from Authoritative Sources.

General Notes.

England's Foreign Trade in Horses.—The United Kingdom imports annually 30,000 to 40,000 head of horses, and exports two-thirds as many. Shipments are almost exclusively to France, Belgium and Holland, including many American horses reshipped.

and export markets, it is interesting to note that Europe apparently has enough to last until the new crop is available. Recent direct advices from Stettin, Germany, report a good demand for alsike and red clover seeds, but present quotations for the first considered rather high. Very large stocks of timothy are reported. Merchants and outsiders some months ago bought freely for speculative pur-



IRRIGATION SCENES IN COLORADO.

Australia's Splendid Butter Trade with foreign countries should stimulate our own exporters. A single steamer recently cleared from Melbourne with 700 tons for England. **

Argentina's Agricultural Exports.—In '98, 2,501,000 frozen sheep carcasses were exported, against 2,066,000 in '97; butter 27,647 and 15,866 cases respectively; flaxseed 154,590 and 167,852 tons. Last year's wheat and corn exports were greatly in excess of '97. Argentina is now shipping out fairly liberal quantities of wheat from the latest crop, harvested in Jan. 1899. **

Europe's Clover Requirements.—With the prospect in view of a fairly good out-turn of grass seeds available for domestic

poses, and the stored quantities in that part of Europe are now sufficient to last until the new crop begins to move. The outlook for the German crop is generally good, subject to weather conditions at harvest time. **

Milk Compared to Grain.—It has been found that 100 lbs. of skimmilk, if fed in connection with grain, will produce about five lbs. of pork; 560 lbs. of milk have been found equivalent to ninety-three lbs. of mixed grain ration. **

Tender Peaches, such as Crawfords, can be shipped with safety only when the fruit is packed while yet firm and cooled to a temperature of forty degrees as soon as possible.