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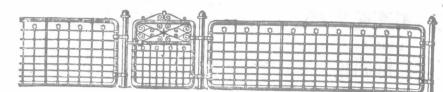
A VALUED PUBLICATION. A publication of interest to stockbreeders the world over is the annual report of the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry. The 17th annual report is just to hand, and contains the report of the Chief, Dr. D. E. Salmon, and his corps of assistants; such subjects as the free distribution of blackleg vaccine, a strong case being made out for the continuance of the scheme; some diseased conditions found as a result of meat inspection: and an interesting chapter on ocean transportation. Rabies is taken up by the Chief, who also contributes a useful article on "Poultry-raising on the farm." Other subjects of more or less strictly scientific nature, together with a number of fine plates and a lot of statistics, make up a bulky volume of 650 pages. The tardiness with which the report makes its appearance is its chief drawback. The front page contains the motto of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, viz., "Agriculture is the foundation of manufacture and commerce," which our legislators would at all times do well to remember.

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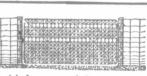
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