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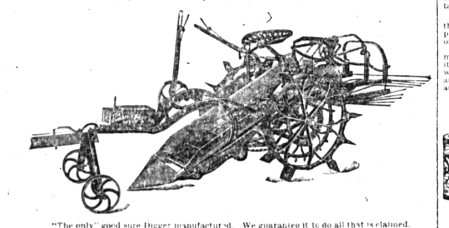

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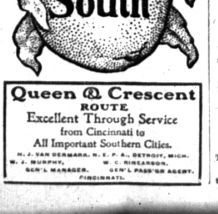


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TIME TABLE.

Trains Run on Central Standard Time

| GOING NORTH | STATIONS. | GOING SOUTH |
|---|---|---|
| Mixed Pass. No. 5 | | Mixed Pass. No. 2 |
| Mod. No. 3 | | Mod. No. 4 |
| No. 1 | | No. 6 |
| A M P M A M P M | | A M P M A M P M |
| 4 00 5 55 | M | 9 25 11 50 |
| | Mich Cent. | |
| * 5 5 5 15 | 8 15 PONTIAC | 8 05 10 10 4 00 |
| 10 10 6 00 | 8 50 Oxford | 7 47 9 50 3 42 |
| 10 50 | 9 05 Lake | 7 32 9 35 3 27 |
| 7 00 9 05 | 12 35 Clarkville | 7 15 9 15 3 05 |
| P. M. P. M. | P. M. AT | P. M. A. M. P. M. |

Schedule of Trains between

PONTIAC AND OXFORD

In Effect July 23, 1900.

| GOING NORTH | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Stations | No. 2 | No. 4 | No. 6 | No. 10 | No. 8 |
| | a.m. | a.m. | p.m. | p.m. | p.m. |
| Pontiac | 5 30 | 8 15 | 9 40 | 1 40 | 5 15 |
| Eames | 5 45 | 8 28 | 9 45 | 1 55 | 5 25 |
| Cole | 5 55 | 8 35 | 9 53 | 2 05 | 5 39 |
| Oxford | 6 10 | 8 50 | 10 10 | 2 20 | 5 50 |
| | a.m. | a.m. | a.m. | p.m. | p.m. |
| GOING SOUTH | | | | | |
| Stations | No. 5 | No. 1 | No. 3 | No. 11 | No. 9 |
| | a.m. | a.m. | p.m. | p.m. | p.m. |
| Oxford | 6 40 | 10 10 | 11 55 | 4 25 | 7 25 |
| Cole | 6 55 | 10 25 | 12 10 | 4 40 | 7 40 |
| Eames | 7 05 | 10 37 | 12 25 | 4 45 | 7 48 |
| Pontiac | 7 20 | 10 40 | 12 40 | 5 00 | 8 05 |
| | a.m. | a.m. | p.m. | p.m. | p.m. |

CONNECTIONS: Pontiac with Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Ry., and Michigan Air Line Division of Grand Trunk Ry. Oxford with Bay City Division Michigan Central Ry. Lake City with Chicago & Grand Trunk Ry. Clifford with Flint & Pere Marquette Ry. Pigeon with Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron Ry.

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Time Table—Pontiac Division.

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Cars leave Birmingham for Pontiac at 6:30 a. m., and every half hour thereafter until 8:00 p. m. and hourly until 12 o'clock midnight.

First car leaves Detroit for Birmingham at 6:00 a. m., 7:00 a. m. and every half hour thereafter until 7:00 p. m. and hourly until 11:00 p. m. Last car waits for the theaters.

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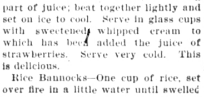


Banana Cream—Slice three ripe bananas, pass through a sieve, add small box crushed strawberries, reserving part of juice; beat together lightly and set on ice to cool. Serve in glass cups with sweetened whipped cream to which has been added the juice of strawberries. Serve very cold. This is delicious.

Rice Buttermilk—One cup of rice, set over fire in a little water until swelled thoroughly; add one cup milk and piece of butter size of walnut. Let stand until morning, add one-half pint Indian meal, two well-beaten eggs, two tablespoonfuls of flour, a liberal pint of milk, a half teaspoonful of salt. Bake one hour in shallow pans.

Asparagus with Eggs—Boil a bunch of asparagus twenty minutes. Cut off the tender tops and lay in a deep pie plate. Season with butter, pepper and salt. Beat four eggs just enough to break up the yolks, add a tablespoonful melted butter, pepper and salt and pour upon the asparagus. Bake eight minutes in a quick oven and serve immediately.

Cheese Pudding.—Mix four tablespoonfuls of fine bread crumbs with four tablespoonfuls of grated cheese, season to taste with mustard, salt and pepper. Separate two eggs and beat the yolks with a scant cup of milk. Add the whites of the eggs beaten to a froth and pour the mixture over the cheese and crumbs. Put small pieces of butter over the top and bake in the oven for twenty minutes.

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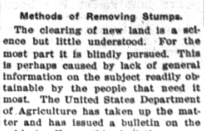
### Methods of Removing Stumps.

The clearing of new land is a science but little understood. For the most part it is blindly pursued. This is perhaps caused by lack of general information on the subject readily obtainable by the people that need it most. The United States Department of Agriculture has taken up the matter and has issued a bulletin on the subject. From this bulletin we reproduce a number of cuts.

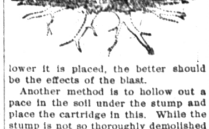
The first cut shows a stump ready for blasting, the dynamite cartridge being in position shown. It may be placed even lower than this, but it is frequently very difficult to do so. The



lower it is placed, the better should be the effects of the blast.

Another method is to hollow out a pace in the soil under the stump and place the cartridge in this. While the stump is not so thoroughly demolished as in the other way, yet it is generally split enough to make its removal possible.

In our second illustration we show one method of removing saplings by the use of a horse and chain. At time of attempting removel by this method, the ground should be soft and



loose. The chain should be fastened to the tree as high above the ground as the flexibility of the tree will permit. A horse or a team of horses should be hitched to the other end of the chain. While the horses are pulling, a chopper cuts away the roots.

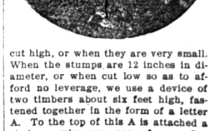
We also show a method of pulling stumps by means of horse and chain. One of the large roots of a stump is used as the hitching point of the chain. The chain is placed across the top of the stump, which acts as a fulcrum and furnishes leverage for its own removal.

A method in use at the Alaska experiment stations is thus described by Prof. C. C. Georgeson, special agent in charge of those stations, in his annual report for 1901:

"It has been our policy to gradually extend the clearing of land when time could be spared from other work. The timber is small and the task is not a difficult one, but the stumps are numerous, and it became necessary to

devise some plan by which they could be pulled rapidly. The roots do not grow deep and it does not take great power to pull the average stump. A machine which was set up over the stump and worked by hand was first tried, but it proved to be too slow work, and it was too cumbersome to move. As a cheap and efficient means to aid in this work, I devised a simple stump-pulling tackle, consisting of two triple blocks and 200 feet of one-inch rope. One block is anchored to a solid stump and the other is attached to the stump it is desired to pull. When secured in this way the oxen are hitched to the rope and driven up slowly, and the stump usually comes out without trouble. The method of using this tackle is srown in Fig. 4.

"The illustrations show the method of attachment when the stumps are



cut high, or when they are very small. When the stumps are 12 inches in diameter, or when cut low so as to afford no leverage, we use a device of two timbers about six feet high, fastened together in the form of a letter A. To the top of this A is attached a chain or wire rope some four or five feet long and terminating in a hook. The A leans against one side of the stump and the hook is attached to a large root on the other side. The power is then applied to the top of the A, and as this is raised up the stump is tilted over. This device simply affords greater leverage than when the block is secured directly to the stump, as shown in the illustration.

The period of the first domestication of the horse is unknown, but it is suspected that Egypt was the scene of his first service. Horsemen and chariots are mentioned in Genesis, in connection with the history of Joseph, in transferring his father's remains from Egypt to Canaan. The horse was also in common use among the Egyptians in the time of Moses. Solomon received many horses from Egypt.

Nothing looks more peculiar than to see a young man trying to flirt, when he doesn't know how.

### Prepare for Cold Weather.

In the summer is the time to prepare the cow stables for cold weather. Comfort is money when applied to the cow. The cow stable should be warm, or at least should be warmable. Tests have been made at some of our experiment stations to determine how much comfort counts in the saving of feed. It has been proven that a cow exposed to cold and wet requires 25 per cent more food to produce the same amount of milk than is required if she is properly kept in a warm stable. The dairy cow will not stand the cold that a beef steer will stand. With the dairy cow the fat is deposited on the intestines or worked up into cream. It is evident that if what little fat she has is on the intestines it does not serve to keep her warm except in so far as it is burned up in the lungs. On the other hand the beef steer has his fat under the hide or infiltrated through the meat. The fat in that form helps to keep out the cold. The result is that the steer will lie down in a snowbank in the full sweep of the wind, chew his cud and look happy. The dairy cow on the same day will hump in the shelter of anything she can find and will look very unhappy. She demands and should have comfortable quarters, where the temperature can be kept at about 70 degrees or a little over.

### Temperature of Milk.

Milk, when drawn from the udder of the cow, has a temperature of 98 degrees. If this temperature is permitted to remain at that point the few bacteria in the milk when drawn will increase with great rapidity to an innumerable host. Therefore the milk should be cooled down as quickly as possible to 50 degrees and below. This, to a considerable extent, stops the increase of bacteria. Where the separator is used the milk need not be cooled before separating. It should be separated at once and then run over a milk cooler of some approved make. In a few minutes it will thus be reduced to the desired temperature. Carelessness as regards temperature is the cause of much of the poor farm-made butter on the market. The milk during the time when the cream is rising is permitted to remain at almost any temperature. This facilitates the increase of the more badly flavored bacteria, and the cream is thus spoiled before the butter is made. A low temperature from the first would have given milk and cream of better flavor and of greater value.

### Irish Looking for African Market.

Reports from Ireland indicate that the Irish are reaching out for the South African market. In some parts of South Africa butter is reported as selling at 85 cents per pound and to be of inferior quality even at that price. The Irish creamerymen and dairymen think they have as good a chance to take this market as any others. They claim that state aid to foreign dairymen is preventing large sales of Irish butter in England. They would therefore look elsewhere. The queer thing to a distant observer is that among the competitors that are driving the Irish butter out of the English market are enumerated the Australians. Now if the Australians can send butter all the way to London and successfully compete with Irish butter, what will prevent the Australians doing the same thing in South Africa? To us it does not look possible for the Irish to wage a successful warfare of this kind in a field thousands of miles from Ireland, when they cannot meet the same competition at their own doors.

### Chicago Milkmen Prosecuted.

The Illinois state dairy and food commissioner has brought about 100 suits against Chicago milkmen for the breaking of the state law relative to signs and names on wagons, selling skim milk for whole milk and for watering milk. Much of the milk being sold for the use of children in the poorer quarters was found to be watered. Some of the cases are due to the use of formaldehyde in the milk, but these cases are not reported as numerous. The best part of the prosecutions consists in the publication in the daily papers of the names of the men being prosecuted and the charges against them. Thus in the list printed last week we find that there are charges against 17 for selling adulterated milk, charges against ten for having no labels on their cans of skim milk and also for selling adulterated milk, and against nine for selling skim milk contrary to law and violating the label law. The other prosecutions are for the violation of the label law.

### When Butter Went Down.

When the price of butter went down at the opening of the pasturage season a certain New York firm imagined that it had singly and alone been the cause of the sudden decline in butter prices throughout the country. The firm in question sells butterine. They attempted to stay the passage of the oleomargarine bill by advertising in some New York papers, calling the attention of people to the matter. Directly after the advertisement appeared the spring pasture season opened and butter fell from 33 to 22 cents. The firm then came out in a long letter in a publication declaring that their advertisement had so frightened the butter makers that they had put down the price as mentioned. The advertisement cost the firm $250 and they claim to have saved to the people of the United States through it the enormous sum of $4,000,000. The modesty of the firm in question is remarkable.

A man's greatness is often exhibited in his self-imposed restrictions.

The human heart is like a well-strung harp—a succession of sweet tones and of discords.

The life of a grass widow is not always green, nor does it run to hayseed.