

Great Care Taken of Silk.
 Silk is the most costly of all fibers and in the raw state represents a value so great as to be quadrupled in transportation in a pound of raw silk. It is shipped from coast to coast in special silk express trains, under extreme guard, the shipment running in value from \$100,000 to \$2,000,000.

Big Man in His Day.
 Colonel John Phillips, giant for his time, is a subject of much interest to the great numbers of his day. How did they get a regulation uniform to fit him, for he stood eleven feet three inches in a working frock? If indeed, Phillips of those times wore stock-ings, how a fit?

Some Nominations.
 In a preliminary school examination a question about the sunset was asked. A bright pupil in this test replied: "The sun sets are smoking, and the stars are having an evening." It is such a case is found in the history of some folks here. This is the case of the school.

Sealand Cotton.
 The cotton of the Sealand cotton is produced in the island of Sealand, England. It is a very fine cotton and is used for the production of the finest quality of cotton goods.

Quality of Goods.
 The quality of goods is a matter of great importance. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer to produce goods of the highest quality. This is the only way to ensure the satisfaction of the customer.

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Carrying a Ton a Mile for less than a Cent

Freight rates have played a very small part in the rising cost of living.

Other causes—the waste of war, under-production, credit inflation—have added dollars to the cost of the necessities of life, while freight charges have added only cents.

The average charge for hauling a ton of freight a mile is less than a cent.

A suit of clothing that sold for \$30 before the war was carried 2,265 miles by rail from Chicago to Los Angeles for 16½ cents.

Now the freight charge is 22 cents and the suit sells for \$50.

The cost of the suit has increased 20 dollars. The freight on it has increased only 5½ cents.

Other transportation charges enter into the cost of the finished article, carrying the load to the retailer, the retail price, but these charges amount to but a few cents more.

The \$10 pair of shoes that used to sell for \$5 goes from the New England factory to the Florida dealer for a freight charge of 5½ cents—only one cent more than the pre-war rate.

Beef pays only two-thirds of a cent a pound freight from Chicago to New York.

American freight rates are the lowest in the world.

This advertisement is published by the Association of Railway Executives

The following statement concerning the railroad situation may be obtained by writing to the Association of Railway Executives, 65 Broadway, New York.

Clothes Last Six Times Longer

Proved by actual test! Clothes do last six times longer when they are washed in the Electric Washing Machine than when they are washed by hand.

Just as long as you continue to rub those delicate fabrics on the wash-board they are going to wear out more rapidly than they should.

Remember, even those thin places in your linen. The more you rub clothes and napkins never was made to be rubbed on the wash-board. Linen never should be rubbed.

There is no rubbing with the Electric Washer. That is why clothes last six times as long.

Ask your neighbor what she thinks about her Electric Washing Machine.

Ask us for particulars.

The Detroit Edison Co.

A Golden Opportunity

To Secure Your Own Home Newspaper and Your Own Home Farm Paper at Bargain Rates

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

ONE YEAR
 and
 The Michigan Farmer
 ONE YEAR
 Special Price
 \$1.50

A Big Home Offer

Your Own Paper
 The Michigan Farmer is a paper of great value to the farmer. It contains all the news and information that a farmer needs to know. It is a paper that every farmer should have.

The Michigan Farmer
 Many new agricultural opportunities have come up, upon which farmers will find it necessary to keep well informed. The year The Michigan Farmer will publish numerous articles bearing upon these new developments that will be most helpful. Help Practical, Reliable—is just an older name for The Michigan Farmer.


Do Not Overlook This Great Home News and Farm Paper Offer.
 The Birmingham Eccentric, Birmingham, Mich.

Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

It is the Road Runabout, a perfect whirlwind of utility. Fits the needs of everybody, anywhere, everywhere, and all the time. It is the only car that can be used in any part of the country. It is all that its name implies—a Runabout that is as handy as a pocket knife. It is a car that is as strong as a horse, as reliable as a watch, and as easy to operate as a piece of machinery. It is a car that is as cheap as a bicycle, and as comfortable as a chair. It is a car that is as fast as a train, and as safe as a ship. It is a car that is as useful as a tool, and as durable as a building. It is a car that is as popular as a star, and as famous as a name. It is a car that is as good as gold, and as valuable as a diamond. It is a car that is as perfect as a work of art, and as beautiful as a painting. It is a car that is as great as a god, and as powerful as a king. It is a car that is as good as a friend, and as loyal as a dog. It is a car that is as good as a home, and as warm as a blanket. It is a car that is as good as a life, and as precious as a treasure. It is a car that is as good as a dream, and as wonderful as a miracle. It is a car that is as good as a heaven, and as blissful as a paradise. It is a car that is as good as a god, and as powerful as a king. It is a car that is as good as a friend, and as loyal as a dog. It is a car that is as good as a home, and as warm as a blanket. It is a car that is as good as a life, and as precious as a treasure. It is a car that is as good as a dream, and as wonderful as a miracle. It is a car that is as good as a heaven, and as blissful as a paradise.

BOUGHNER BROS.
 Birmingham, Mich.



GRASS SEED

FREE SAMPLES

Why is it that the man who has his picture taken standing beside a vase of flowers set on a table covered with a lace doily is always the man who is reported to the police and the newspapers by his wife as among those missing?

Origin of "A. 1."

"A. 1." is a symbol originating in the Lloyd's Maritime Insurance association denoting a ship that has been found first-class in construction and equipment. The "A" is for good construction and the "1" for good equipment.

American Mutual Seed Co., Dept. Chicago, Ill.

Boulevards in Havana has one of the finest hard systems in the world, having nearly 200 miles of paved streets.