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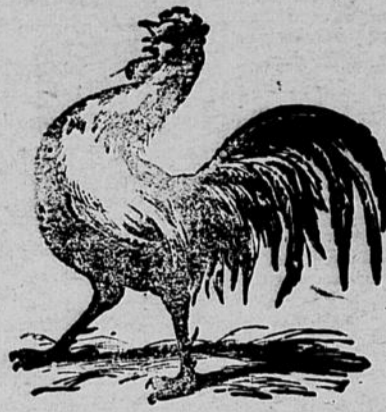
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A NEW ROOSTER CLUB.

The Sporting Element of the City Organize a New Club That is Intended to Do Up Doc Winsloe.



We, the undersigned citizens of Cooperstown, N. D., having come to the conclusion that Dr. Winsloe is putting on altogether too many airs since his game cock carried off the honors against Bill Davidson's Plymouth Rock champion fighter. His deportment having become unbearable, have, for the purpose of taking Doc down a peg or two and showing him that he is not the only pebble on the beach, banded ourselves together to purchase a game cock.

BY LAWS.

The name of this Association shall be the Cooperstown Game Cock Association.

The object of this association shall be to encourage, promote and maintain the ancient and modern sport of cock fighters.

HIRED FARM HELP.

Great Trouble in Getting Men is Due to Winter Work.

The difficulty of securing suitable hired help on the farms, as everybody knows, is becoming greater. The question has been much discussed and various reasons have been well put; others given have missed the mark says "The Farmer."

We do not propose at this time to discuss all the reasons for the difficulty connected with this feature of farm life. We would like, however, to impress this thought upon those engaged in tilling the soil, that unless they try to make some provision for keeping hired help on the farm during the winter as well as during the summer, this question will never be put upon its rightful basis. No man or any set of men can be expected to continue to work long at any calling they can only hope to find employment for a portion of the year. If they work in the summer and must needs go idle in the winter, they will begin to look about for some other line of work. Nor can any one blame them for so doing. In fact, their action is commendable.

Now this is certainly the position in which very many farm laborers are placed. They can only get work for a part of the year. As soon as winter closes in, the farmer tells them that he has no more work for them till the following spring. Consequently, they are out of employment, and must either pay their board until spring comes or seek work elsewhere. This question will never be put upon a proper basis until a change is made in this respect. There must be more permanence in the work given to farm hands. More attention must be given to providing them with a suitable place in which to live. If a house not necessarily large but comfortable is provided, and if employment is given during all the year, there is then more encouragement to those who gain a livelihood in that way.

The objection will be raised, why should the farmer go to the expense of hiring help

The shares shall be ten cents each, no member can buy less than five shares nor more than ten shares.

The officers of the association shall be and consist of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

A meeting can be called any time the president and secretary shall so direct, by notifying the members.

A quorum consists of three members being present in body.

Theo. Thompson, Pres.
Western Houghton V. P.
Wm. Davidson, Keeper.
S. O. Hagen, Secretary.
H. P. Hammer, Treas.
Knud Thompson.
Andrew Tuffeland.
C. F. Nelson.

in the winter which he cannot use to advantage? As farming is conducted at present, there may be some force in the objection when stated thus, but we are quite sure that in a great majority of instances sample work would be provided during all the year by simply modifying the character of the farming. Every farmer who keeps any considerable amount of stock must have considerable help during the winter season, as well as the summer. By managing in this way work will be provided even though it should not be work that will prove quite as profitable as some kind of work that is done in the summer season. It will certainly tend to keep good men on the farms who otherwise would abandon that line of work.

The remarks that have just been made are peculiarly applicable to a prairie country. In a country covered by forest, in the winter season, farm hands can get profitable employment in lumber camps, if they care to give attention to that kind of work. They can then come back to the farm and work in the summer. In many instances they can find employment in cutting cord wood where they do not care to engage in lumbering. But on the prairie, the farm hand who works in the summer and is then allowed to depart in the autumn has no recourse but to go idle during the following winter or to look for some other kind of employment. More attention will have to be given to this question in the future than has been in the past, otherwise the difficulties in connection with the management of farm labor will increase rather than diminish.

Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despondency invariably precede suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve and will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great Stomach, Liver and Kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by H. H. Bateman Druggist.

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Prof. Kaufman

of the Fargo Agricultural College will lecture to the farmers on creameries on

Friday, Feb. 19.

Come in and hear him.

Call For Special Session.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Griggs county, N. D.

Gentlemen: You are hereby notified that a special session of the board of county commissioners of Griggs county, N. D. will be held February 25th, A. D. 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m. Said meeting is called for the purpose of drawing and apportioning jurors and such other general business as may come before the board.

Dated at Cooperstown this 15th day of February A. D. 1904.

P. A. MELGARD,

County Auditor Griggs Co., N. D.

Auction Sale.

I will sell at public auction at my farm on Sec. 10-145-58 (the old Tom Trolson place) south east of Cooperstown, on March 8, 1904, the following property:

10 head of horses, 11 head of stock, machinery and farm implements, household and kitchen furniture, etc. Sums under \$10 cash, above that amount approved security till the 15th of October, 1904, at 10 per cent interest; or 5 per cent discount for cash. Sale commences at 10 a. m. Free lunch at noon.

F. GREENLAND, Auctioneer. R. H. LIMA, Proprietor.

Auction Sale.

The undersigned will offer for sale at public auction at his farm on Sec. 13-145-59, about four miles south of Cooperstown on Thursday, March 3, 1904.

The following described personal property: 15 head of horses, 15 head of cattle and 25 head of sheep. 13 Poland-China hogs, full blood 2 wagons, nearly new; 1 binder, 1 disc harrow; 1 drill; 1 mower, new; 1 hay rake, 2 buggies, 3 set work harness, everything used on a farm.

Terms: Under \$10 cash, over that amount approved notes until Oct. 15, 1904, 10 per cent interest.

Sale at 12 o'clock sharp. Free lunch at noon.

KNUT HAALAND, Proprietor. J. A. H. WINSLOE, Auctioneer.

A Dream Indeed.

Wife—I dreamed last night that I was in a store that was full of the loveliest bonnets and— Husband (hastily)—But that was only a dream, my dear. Wife—I knew that before I woke up, because you bought me one.—Philadelphia Press.

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Teacher's Examination.

The next regular state teacher's examination will be held at the courthouse in Cooperstown on Friday and Saturday March 11 and 12, 1904. Applicants should provide themselves with pens and ink. Paper will be furnished at the office.

CLARA FEIRING, Supt. of Schools.

For Sale.

One "New England" \$300 piano, antique oak case, full tri-chord action, three pedals; in good order, including stool and scarf. Cheap for cash or on the monthly payment plan. Also numerous household goods. Inquire at this office or write

F. A. HASKELL, Doty, Wash.

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership.

Cooperstown, N. D., Feb. 4, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Andrew H. Berg, Lewis Berg, Albert Larson and Erick Erickson, known as Berg Brothers & Co., at Cooperstown, Griggs county, State of North Dakota, have this fourth day of February, A. D. 1904, been dissolved by mutual agreement. All parties interested will please take notice of same and pay all book accounts due or coming due to said dissolved partnership to Mr. Lewis Berg, he being the party entitled to collect and receipt for same. Yours truly,

LEWIS BERG, ALBERT LARSON, ANDREW H. BERG, ERICK ERICKSON.

Auction Sale.

I will sell at public auction at my farm, Sec. 26-145-60, four miles west of Hannaford and two miles north, on Wednesday, Feb. 24, all of my horses, stock and farm machinery, including 25 horses, 20 head of short horn cattle; 3 cows should have been registered; young bulls as many as eight crosses; 1 horse, 1800; 1 horse, 1700; 1 horse, 1400; 1 horse, 1550; 1 Percheron mare in foal, 1450; 1 Percheron mare in foal, 1350, both bred to a splendid heavy black Percheron, Bismarck; 1 horse 1400; 1 horse, 1200; 1 Percheron mare 3 years old, 1400; 1 Clyde horse 3 years one span of drivers bred from standard mares, smart and thoroughly broken, can move in 3 minutes or work on gang plow, 3 and 4 years old, weight 2500; 4 colts 3 years old; 1 Percheron stallion colt 2 years old; 1 colt 1 year old; 1 Hambletonian mare in foal; 1 black horse 2 years old, 1 pony; 4 registered Clydesdale mare, Miss Morrison, No. 8994, Vol 9; Miss Lyon, No. 9000, Vol. 9; Handsome Princess, No. 11352, Vol. 12; Lady Morrison, No. 11351, Vol. 12; two of these mares are in foal by registered horses; 1 short horn bull, Prince, No. 205913, Vol. 44, P. 746, 3 years old; 4 brood sows; 1 hog; 80 chickens; several sets of light and heavy harness, also sufficient machinery for farming one thousand acres, piano, harp, sewing machine and household furniture.

Terms of sale: All sums under \$10, cash; over that amount approved security until Oct. 15, 1904, ten per cent interest.

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