The Midway Dispatch.

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Fire at Midway.

P. Burns & Co's Butcher Shop was desroyed by Fire Friday morning.

P. Burns & Co's meat market on Fifth Street, was destroyed by fire last Friday morning. It is supposed that the fire originated from the stove, but whether the blaze started where the pipe entered the roof or close to stove, it is not known, as it had gained too much headway before it was noticed to be able to determine.

The fire was discovered about five o'clock in the mosning by J. S. Harrison, who rooms in an adjoining building. He gave the alarm and in a remarkably short time a large number of people were on hand and efforts were made to save the contents of the burning structure, but the flames and smoke rendered such impossible, so their attention was directed to preventing the neighboring buildings from catching on fire, in which they were assisted by a fair wind.

The building belonged to the firm and was not much of a loss in itself but the stock and fixtures totalled about $600.

The shop was only re-opened on the previous Monday, having been closed for about a year, but prospective railway building in this vicinity at an early date prompted the firm to re-open for business.

The firm will re-open immediately and it is altogether probable a commodious shop will be built to replace the one destroyed.

Goldfinch Bonded.

The Goldfinch mineral claim is again under bond. This time C. M. Fassett of Spokane, has taken hold of of it for himself and others associated with him in this venture, Heretofore the Goldfinch has not been given a fair show to demonstrate whether or not it is a property that may be expected to develop into a mine. In the summer of 1901 it was under bond to one party who did a little work but a few tons of ore taken from near the surface not returning high values when sent to the Greenwood smelter, it was dropped. Last summer Phil. McDonald and Jas. Sutherland opened a small stope on the vein and shipped two cars of ore, from which the returns were satisfactory, but no development work of consequence was done before they relinquished their option on the claim. Mr. Fassett, on the contrary, appears determined to give the property a better test, for he is inviting for tenders for sinking the shaft 100 feet, at which depth the vein should show reliable evidences of permanence or otherwise.

Adjoining the Goldfinch are the Lancashire fraction and E Pluribus Unum claims under bond to parties represented by D. W. McVicar of Nelson. An old prospect shaft on the former has been cleaned out and sinking is now in progress, the present depth being 25 feet. Some nice looking ore is being taken out, with gold showing freely in the quartz in some of the specimens. The shaft is to be sunk to 50 feet, at which depth a drift will be run on the vein to determine its general character and width.

Will work Morning Star.

From Fairview comes information to the effect that an effort is being made to resume work on the Morning Star, a gold-quartz property from which in the winter of 1892-93 and 1894-95 2,700 tons of ore were mined and put through the Strathyre Company's stamp mill, situate about 4,000 feet distant from the mine. From this ore bullion valued at about $31,000 was recovered. The Morning Star and the adjoining Black Diamond, together having an area of 41.2 acres, were owned by S. Mangott and P. McEachern, of Fairview. They did most of their development work on the Morning Star, on which are two well-defined leads. On one of these they sank a shaft 70 feet and on the other they followed the vein down on the incline for 140 feet. A drift run 50 feet each way from the latter shaft at the 100-foot level showed the vein to vary from two to six feet in width. Other development work was also done, including a prospect shaft on the Black Diamond sunk 35 feet and opening up a vein with two to four ft. of ore similar in general character and value to that taken from the Morning Star. It is stated that Mr. Mangott is arranging for sinking another 100 feet on the Morning Star, Recent developments in the New Fairview Corporation's neighboring Stemwinder mine at the 300-foot level encouraging renewed effort on the other properties near by.

Licence Board Meets.

The board of licence commissioners for the Boundary Creek licence district held its half yearly statuary meeting at Grand Forks last Monday evening. There were present E. Jacobs, Greenwood, chairman; H. B. Cannon, Grand Forks, and W. E. Townsend, Rossland; also the chief licence inspector for the district, I. A. Dinsmore, of Grand Forks. Renewals of 24 hotel liquor licences were approved and the issue of five new licences was authorised, one conditionally as stated below. The renewals were as follows:

S. T. Larsen, Riverside Hotel, Rock Creek; S. Dahl, Central Hotel, Midway; L. E. Salter, Hotel Spokane, Midway; S. A. Crowell, Crowell's Hotel, Midway; C. M. Crouse, Lancashire Hotel, Midway; John Albi, Commercial Hotel, Midway; Thos. Wake, Boundary Falls Hotel, Boundary Falls; Lewis Bros., Smelter Hotel, Boundary Falls; J. W. O'Brien, Vendome Hotel, Anaconda; Jas. Henderson, Algoma Hotel, Deadwood; Thompson & Hodgkinson, Columbia Hotel, Deadwood; C. E. Roberts, Columbia Hotel, Eholt; G. A. Rendell, Hotel Northern, Eholt; J. A. McMaster, Union Hotel, Eholt; Norman Luse, Summit Hotel, Eholt; Fred Kaiser, Commercial Hotel, Eholt; W. M. Ludlow, Oro Denoro Hotel, Summit Camp; R. V. Chisholm, Windsor Hotel, Summit Camp; W. H. Dinsmore, Globe Hotel, Fourth of July Creek; J. McLaren, Grand Prairie Hotel, Carson; C. K. Simpson, Wayside Hotel, near Columbia; C. H. Thomas, Cascade Hotel, Cascade City; Paulson Bros., Paulson's Hotel (late Hotel Westwood) Bonanza Siding, near Gladstone; H. M. Rumbali, Castlegar Hotel, Castlegar.

When the application for new licences came before the board it was mentioned that the Phoenix Pioneer had made the following statement in an editorial published the previous Saturday: "Already a number of present holders of licences, who cannot qualify as under the new Act, are having licences taken out in the names of those who can qualify. There is nothing in the Act, so far as known, to prevent this, and advantage is naturally being taken of that fact." In reply to an enquiry from the board the Chief Licence Inspector said that there was only one application those statements could possibly apply to, viz. that of Morrin, Thompson & Co., of Phoenix, for licence for the Hartford Hotel, at Hartford Junction, for which a licence had been held by J. J. Bassett. This application was granted conditionally that the inspector be fully satisfied that the applicants are bona fide proprietors of the hotel, or should it appear to him that they are simply permitting their names to be used for the benefit of some other person the licence is not to be issued to them. Applications for new licences were granted to Philip McDonald, Oakland Hotel, Midway; S. McOrmond, Miners' Exchange Hotel, Eholt; Eli Lavalley, Christina Hotel, Christina Lake, and Thos. Price, Price's Hotel, Fife, on the Columbian & Western Railway, between Cascade and Gladstone.

British Columbia Horses for the East.

The recent shipment of British Columbia horses to Ontario naturally suggests three important points, viz:—(1) What does the Eastern market demand? (2) What can the West supply? (3) What steps should be taken by Western breeders to meet the demand?

The cessation of breeding operations in Ontario some nine or ten years ago caused a rise in prices, and the requirements of the Army in South Africa increased the demand. General business prosperity has led to an active demand for drivers and farm horses in the country, and for all kinds of harness horses, heavy draught, express horses and ordinary streeters in the cities. The lumber business being exceptionally brisk, a large number of heavy horses are required in the numerous logging camps. Heavy drafts are easily worth $400 a team; these must be from 1500 lbs. up, and are wanted as heavy as possible. Express horses are generally used single, must be active and able to trot with a good load. They should weigh from 1200 to 1500 lbs., and are worth about $150. Ordinary streeters for delivery wagons, hacks, etc., vary in size, style, action, weight and age. Drivers, carriage horses and saddle horses sell largely according to style action and manners and will run from $125 to $300.

In Manitoba and the farming sections of the North West Territories there has been and will be next spring a good demand for horses, medium and heavy, for farm work and railway construction also drivers for liverymen and farmers. There has also been a good trade in Indian ponies, used for herding, driving or for children to ride to school. Of all the various classes, the West, viz—the western

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Boundary Ore Shipments.

The tonnage of ore shipped by the mines of the Boundary District during 1901, and for 1902, up to December 1st. is as under:

	1901	1902
Old Ironsides and Knob Hill group	231,762	280,601
Mother Lode	99,548	122,577
B. C.	47,517	11,627
Sunset	800	6,750
Emma	.....	6,700
Winnipeg	1,040	785
King Solomon	850	.....
Snowshoe	1,731	15,940
No. 7	665	532
Jewel	325	2,175
Golden Crown	.....	625
Sundry small shipments	2,500	287
Totals	386,738	448,599

Shipments during 1900 totalled 97,837 tons; during the year 1901, to December 31st. 386,738 tons, and during 1902, to December 1st, 448,599 tons, making an aggregate of 336,174 tons

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MONDAY, DECEMBER, 22, 1902.

THE DISPATCH wishes its readers and patrons a merry Christmas.

It is said in official circles that the Dominion parliament will be convened on February 12th.

Venezuela is still well to the front, but Grover Cleveland, its famous champion, is now in a state of "innocuos desuetude."

The organization of a Forest and Stream Club, to prevent the rapid destruction of game in the Boundary country, is a move in the right direction, and if sufficient interest be displayed by the individual members it will have the effect of materially lessening the evil. But a little wise legislation on the part of the provincial government would do more towards altering the existing circumstances and bringing about a remedy than the combined efforts of many such organizations. So far as deer are concerned, if the government would but shorten the time limit of the open season and permit each person to kill only two or three deer during that season, instead of ten as at present allowed, there would be more encouragement for organizations such as the Forest and Stream Club, to undertake the work of seeing that the game laws are carried out. Under the existing laws it is almost impossible to make a conviction, as is evinced by the recent arrest and subsequent dismissal of two men taken up on the charge of killing deer in excess of the number allowed, when there was but little doubt the parties were guilty of the offence with which they were charged. However as the Forest and Stream Club will doubtless draw the government's attention to the necessary changes in the game act as well as exercise its efforts to prevent any infringement of the law, much good should result therefrom.

Referring to the tariff, at the banquet recently given in his honor at Halifax, Mr. Fielding, Minister of Finance, laid down the principle that tariff in Canada must always be a compromise. It must be a policy of each giving up something for the good of the other, so that the greatest good of the whole community might be secured. "We have never had a free trade tariff in Canada; our tariff always meant a measure of incidental protection." The government, he said, was not going to tie itself down to every item. If there were inequalities they would be considered and changed. If anything happened warranting a change he would not shut his eyes to it. If the country had prospered under the present tariff there was no need for excitement or for taking measures leading up to the excessive tariff of the National Policy. There is hope for better government in Canada, when its public men give utterance to such sentiments. They come from a mind emancipated: that can see good in protection as well as free trade. Mr. Fielding's opponents will call it "political opportunism." They believe in "fixed principles" that a man should be mentally chained to Adam Smith, Cobden Bright or Sir John A. MacDonald. Had the McKenzie administration in 1878, yielded to the demands of the manufacturers for more protection than the 17 per cent tariff afforded, it is probable that it would have been sustained at the polls. The liberals of those days had "fixed principles." They could not see any good in protection, it was all wrong, while revenue tariff was all right. The electors begged to differ from them, and voted for the "National Policy." A spirit of compromise at that time in tariff matters might have changed the political history of the Dominion. We do not believe in "fixed principles," they are poor things with which to meet changed conditions. Adherence to them will probably prevent a preferential tariff within the British Empire for generations, while a spirit of compromise, "a policy of each giving up something for the good of the other so that the greatest good of the whole community should be secured,, would bring it about in a few years.

May He Rest in Peace.

It is reported that the Mad Mullah, while in the act of prayer, met death by a spear thrust in the stomach.

An accident to the stage from Curlew to Republic last Saturday resulted in the driver having three ribs broken and one of the passengers having a leg fractured.

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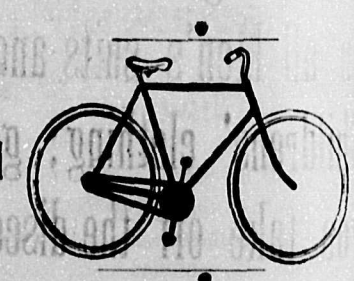

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LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Mrs. Jas. Kerr, of Greenwood, is visiting Mrs. N. Munroe.

N. Lamont, of Grand Forks, was in Midway on Friday.

The Midway school closed for the holidays on Friday last.

Jas. Goodyear, of Anarchist Mountain; was a visitor to Midway on Thursday.

Miss Mary Matthes was a passenger on last night's stage from Curlew on her way to Boundary Falls.

F. M. Kerby, P. L. S., is at present engaged in surveying lots on Norris and Megraw's Riverside addition to Midway.

J. P. Keane, superintendent of the Cariboo mine, Camp McKinney, went out on Thursday on his periodical trip to Idaho.

Harry Johns, superintendent of the Sunset mine, was in Midway yesterday on his way to Chesaw. He was accompanied by Mrs. Johns.

W. E. McBoyle has leased the St Louis Hotel, Camp McKinney, and will apply at once for a licence to sell liquors. He expects to open the premises before the end of the year.

A small blaze in a Chinese shack last week, caused great excitement among the celestials for a few minutes, but the flames were subdued before any erious damage resulted.

Harry Pittendrigh and family, of Rock Creek, were among Friday's visitors to Midway. They were accompanied by Miss Mills, teacher of the Rock Creek school, who took the train for the coast, where she will spend the holidays at her home.

Val. Haynes went through Midway on Tuesday with a band of 133 head of beef cattle for P. Burns & Co. This is the last lot of Ellis' cattle that will come in from the Okanagan this season. Already winter feeding of the cattle has commenced at Penticton. Burns & Co. have sufficient beef in stock to about last through the winter.

Customs officer R. Gardom left last Saturday for Enderby, where he will spend a holiday vacation with his parents. He was accompanied by Mrs. Gardom. During his temporary absence his duties will be attended to by A. A. McPhail.

Thomas Burbank, of near Midway, recently came on five cougars sitting together in the snow at the head of Kerr creek. As he had his gun along he made good use of it, killing three of the group, the others getting away. Since then he has been paid by provincial government agent McMynn the customary bounty of $7.50 each, or $22.50 for his bag of three. At the same time he collected the bounty on four coyottes he had previously killed.

J. Proudfoot, head shift boss at the Cariboo-McKinney Company's Cariboo mine; Camp McKinney, met with an accident to one of his eyes more than a week ago and although little attention was paid to it at the time, last week it gave him such pain that he consulted Dr. Spankie, who removed from the injured organ a small piece of steel and it is now showing improvement and the probabilities are that no permanent injury will result.

W. O. Miller, of Vancouver, C. P. R. fuel agent and car service inspector, has just concluded an official visit to the Boundary. From Grand Forks he took a trip to Republic. From him it was learned that recent interruptions in the fuel supply and other obstacles to keeping the smelters running at full blast, have made it difficult to provide for the transportation requirements of the district, and yet not have a number of freight cars idle. The intermittent demand, caused by frequent temporary stoppages at the smelters has been a source of trouble to the traffic department of the district.

Last Monday a shooting affray occured about 15 miles below Oro, on the Okanogan. As both the parties to it are interested in concealing the truth it is hard to get the exact facts, but it is certain that Saul Hamilton a half breed, shot John O'Neil in the jaw inflicting a dangerous wound. It seems that O'Neil, who is a discharged employee of the United States Indian Department, has been in the habit of of making a rendezvous of the house of an Indian woman named Mary Chance, and bringing whiskey there for the purpose of debauchery. Saul Hamilton, who was living with the woman resented this, hence the row. As O'Neil always goes around with a big six-shooter tied to him, little sympathy is expressed for him.

The necessity for some steps being taken in the direction of preventing the destruction of game to the extent it has been carried on in the Ketttle River district above Rock Creek having become quite evident to those who desire to prevent its extermination, a public meeting was held at Greenwood last Wednesday evening to determine upon action that will give promise of having this effect. There was an attendance of between 20 and 30, including several Midway residents. Rev. Dr. McRae was voted to the chair. After preliminary discussion it was resolved that those present form themselves into a Forest and Stream Club, and the following officers and committee were elected: President, H. C. Shaw; Vice-President, C. L. Thomet (Midway); Secretary and Treasurer E. W. Monk; Committee, Geo. Findlay, J. P. Myers-Gray and W. O. Wright. Seventeen of those present signed the members' roll, and others in sympathy with the movement expressed a wish to first have before them the constitution and by-laws. It was decided to endeavor to induce as many as possible of the residents of the Boundary District to become members. In the course of a general conversational discussion a number of suggestions were made, but no definite decision upon the various matters considered were adopted, it having eventually been decided to leave it to the executive to bring in a report to the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 7, prox., embodying suggestions as to amendments to the Game Protection Act; etc. A draft constitution and by-laws will be submitted to the same meeting for approval and adoption.

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7.00 a.m.	NELSON	8.00 p.m.
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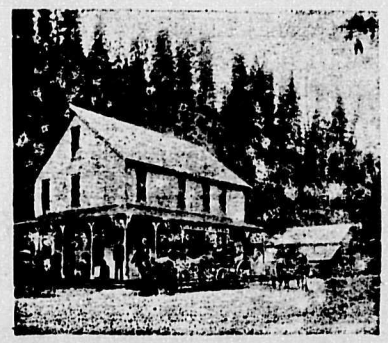

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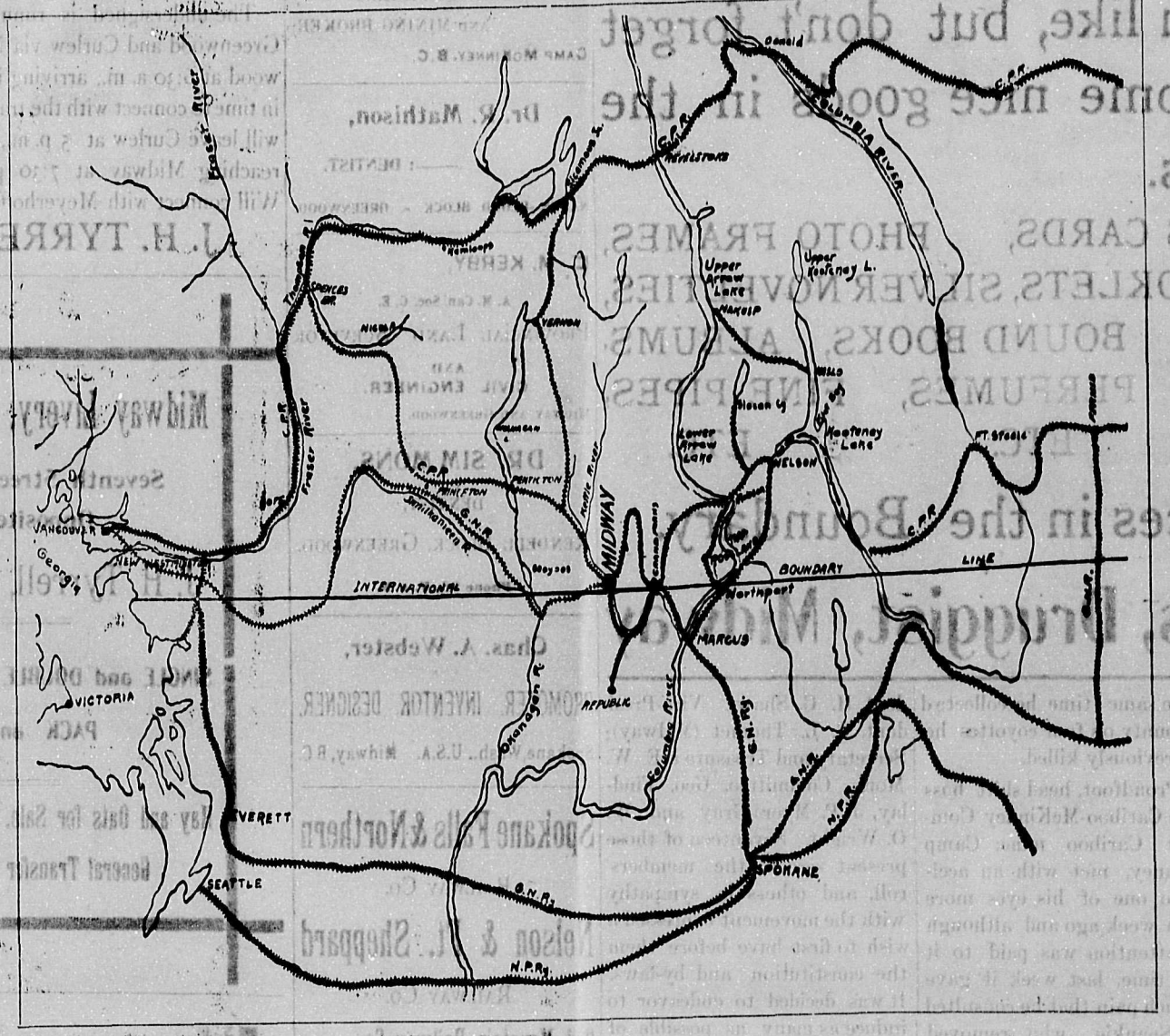

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portion of the Territories, and the Interior of British Columbia—can supply comparatively few over the 1000 lb. limit, the few horses over that weight being not much more than will supply local demnads. But of horses about that weight there are large number of useful, hardy horses with excellent bone, which at present prices it will pay to ship, but the market must not be overdone at any one time.

To Ontario and Manitoba a large number of western ponies have been shipped. These shipments have injured the reputation of western horses and have led the Ontario man in particular to believe that there is nothing better in the west than the untameable broncho stock, and at the present time he will not bid on anything branded, beyond what he considers a bargain, because he thinks his purchase is bound to give him more trouble than local stock. Graded heavy stock is no more difficult to break than eastern horses and the brand is seldom conspicuous enough to be called a blemish. It is a matter of surprise to a western man to hear it commented upon as a blemish and a mark of wickedness, and if the eastern man would consider for a moment that horse ranch could not be conducted without branding, he might look upon it with less disfavor. In regard to hardiness, endurance and bone, the western horse is equal to the eastern, and once broken he will be as gentle as any. In our recent shipment of western horses to Toronto, people came to the stables and poked the horses with umbrellas, etc., and while not criticising the reasonableness of such actions, the fact remains that the horse took the treatment with equanimity.

The question of whether or not the horses should be broken brings up a number of points. In Manitoba and the Territories some people are suspicious of broken horses as they know that as a rule the horse rancher breaks few horses, and they think there may be something wrong with anything broken that is offered for sale.

A fat horse will sell better than one out of condition. If the horses are to be broken it must be seen to that when they come to be shipped they are in good condition, as this may easily mean a difference of $30 per head. In handling a bunch of horses it is necessary to keep down expenses and to prevent loss of condition, to put them on the market as soon as possible from the time they leave their pasture, as every extra day means loss of money.

The accomodation on the C. P. R. is not good, the condition of some of the yards being bad, and the service west of Calgary slow. East of Calgary stock trains make good time and are handled well, and quickly as a rule. The C. P. R. authorities have always shown a disposition to assist the live stock men in every way, and suitable provision will no doubt be made immediately to handle this new line of trade. Cheaper hay should be provided at most of the leading points, $13 to $20 per ton is too much to charge for hay and in consequence the larger dealers purchase their own. There is every reason to expect that the trade in horses will continue and grow. The west can raise horses cheaper than the east and of as good quality. For this reason the west can look forward to the profitable export of horses, as well as beef, but it is probable that the eastern dealer will do the breaking and educating and he will find the profitable market for the best of these horses, when thoroughly broken, in the cities of the East and of the Old Country. This will leave to the rancher the business of raising horses, supplying his local market and making regular shipments to some reliable auctioneer in the East. In the west the aim should be to grow a better and heavier class of horses. The draft breeds are the safest, i. e.: the Clydes, and Shires, starting with a 1500 lb. sire and using a heavier animal as the herd is improved, in order to avoid too violent crosses. The foals should be weaned and fed the first winter, as this will improve their size and will make them quieter and easier to handle. It will also pay to halter break them the first winter.

In short taking into consideration present prices, horse raising should justifiy the adoption of business methods. Good horses will always sell in preference to poor ones and good ones cost little more to raise, practically only the difference in the service fee of the sire.

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