

AGRICULTURE TO BE FEATURED AT FAIR

MANAGEMENT REALIZES THAT AGRICULTURE IS FOUNDATION OF COMMERCE.

The managers of the Northern Illinois fair at Streator, Sept. 7 to 11, 1914, realize that "Agriculture is the foundation of Commerce." It is the basis of prosperity. Every means therefore have been used to produce exhibits which will benefit the farmer and give him greater inspiration. In farm machinery there will be an exhibit to rival any fair in Illinois. There will be tractors to give daily demonstrations as to their use and utility. There will be seed exhibits with well-informed men to explain their value. There will be live stock of the best grades including all farm animals. There will be pointed out the means for a better and more enjoyable country life, with all its opportunities for health, wealth and happiness.

While the educational feature of the fair is always of first consideration, nothing has been spared to make the occasion also amusing, exciting and entertaining.

HOME COMING WEEK FOR THE OLD RESIDENTS

GREAT PLANS ARE MADE FOR STREATOR TO RECEIVE FORMER RESIDENTS.

The week of the Northern Illinois Fair at Streator, September 7 to 11, 1914, will be home coming week. Everybody is taking an interest in again bringing together old friends who have been separated from each other by the necessities of health or fortune. There will be many glad reunions. Everybody who ever lived in this part of the country is urgently requested to come and see his old friends. They will be at the fair grounds shaking hands with neighbors whom they left years ago. And while renewing their acquaintances and reciting old experiences they will be royally entertained by the exhibits and entertainments at the fair.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Northern Illinois Fair's Culinary Show.

The Northern Illinois Fair at Streator, September 7 to 11, 1914, will have a magnificent culinary show. The housewives of the district have already begun entering their choice recipes for competition. The Northern Illinois Fair believes in the modern tendency to household education, and offers substantial premiums to encourage this interest. The fair has always aided progress.

THE BIGGEST AND BEST FAIR.

While claiming to be the biggest and best fair in the state outside of Springfield, the managers of the Northern Illinois Fair at Streator, Sept. 7 to 11, 1914, have the same purpose as those of all other fairs, and recommends all to visit not only the fairs in Streator, but surrounding fairs, and get the benefit of what is to be learned. The farmers are the backbone of prosperity. Their welfare is the welfare of the masses. The farmer who can cause one hundred bushels of corn to grow where only thirty-five grew before, is not only adding to his own prosperity but is a philanthropist as well. Every fair uses all its means to further the interests of the farmer, and to inspire him to use improved methods.

At the Northern Illinois Fair will be exhibited all kinds of farm machinery, nearly every breed of farm animals, seeds for staple crops, and the exhibits will be in charge of men anxious to explain their merits and methods of production, to get the best results. Farmers will also meet a large number of other farmers and their exchange of experiences will be helpful. Farmers will find every line of agricultural interest represented at the fair in Streator and they are cordially invited to come.

AUTOMOBILE TRIPS.

During the week of the Northern Illinois Fair at Streator, September 7 to 11, 1914, one can enjoy the most delightful automobile trips. The roads are excellent, and after a brief ride one arrives at the grounds keen for a day of profitable diversion and amusement. They will see the greatest outdoor entertainment ever staged in this part of the country. The live stock and machinery exhibits, farm products, floral hall, and afterward the races, including running horse races, balloon races, Roman chariot races and various other forms of sport, and the twenty great free circus acts, will just put them in good humor for a nice restful ride home. It is a trip with an object and therefore most enjoyable.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

Monday will be children's day at the Northern Illinois Fair at Streator, Sept. 7 to 11, 1914. They will not only be admitted free, but they are invited to come, and will be carefully looked after while on the grounds.

The greatest outdoor entertainment staged this year in Illinois will be the Northern Illinois Fair at Streator, Sept. 7 to 11.

How a Curate's Daughter Became a Marchioness

By EDITH V. ROSS

One day when the Marquis of Ballyshannon was hunting, hot and thirsty, he came to a well from which a girl was drawing water. Dismounting, he went toward her and asked her for a drink. She told him that she would be happy to give him one, but there was no cup at hand. The marquis said that he would drink from the bucket. At this the girl made a grimace, looking from the marquis to the bucket, as much as to say, "It's no fit thing for a gentleman to drink from." Then, making a cup of her two hands, she dipped them in the bucket, filled them with the cool water and offered the marquis a drink from the improvised cup.

Though the girl was but a country lassie, her hands were beautifully shaped, and while the marquis was drinking he looked up into her two liquid eyes and drank of the soul behind them as well as of the water within her hands. Not a great deal of water can be held in such a cup, certainly not enough to quench the thirst of a hot and tired huntsman. So the marquis drank a number of times from the improvised receptacle, and every time he looked into the girl's eyes till at last he drew drafts of love.

When he was ashamed to drink any more he left a kiss in the cup, withdrew, mounted his horse and rode away. The girl stood looking after him till he reached the crest of a rise in the ground, when he turned, threw her a kiss from the tips of his fingers, then descended the opposite side of the declivity and was lost to sight.

Somehow after this the marquis could not refrain from thinking of the lass, and the lass was constantly dreaming of the marquis. But it was a long while before they met again. There was war between landlord and tenant in those times, and all Ireland was in commotion. A landlord riding on a lonely road was shot; another receiving an unknown visitor was found a short time afterward stabbed to the heart. At the height of the trouble the Marquis of Ballyshannon was riding to his home one evening after dark when he saw a figure step from the side of the road into the middle of it in front of him. On account of the troublous times he went armed, and, drawing a pistol from his holster, he cocked it and aimed at the figure in the road.

"Don't shoot," came a woman's voice, spoken in a low tone. "I'm here to warn you."

"Who are you?" asked the marquis. "I'm the girl that made the cup of her two hands for you to drink from. Don't go any farther by the road. Cross the field and go into your place by the rear gate."

"Why should I do that?" "Two men are waiting for you to kill you."

The marquis made no reply to this for a few minutes. He was thinking. Presently he said:

"I am armed. Why should I be turned from entering my own grounds at the front?"

"Because you'll see no enemy. They're concealed."

The girl by this time was standing very near the marquis. Bending down, she kissed her, then turned his horse to the field, as she had advised, and, crossing it, rode safely in through his rear gate. As he was doing so he heard a shriek. Turning, he rode back to the road. It was too dark for him to see anything distinctly, but as he left the field he heard a moan which seemed to come from the road on which he had entered. Then he caught sight of a dark substance lying in the road. It was a woman.

"Who is it?" he asked. "Kathleen."

He did not know the name, but he recognized the girl who had made the cup for him and had only a few minutes before saved his life by warning him. He did not doubt that she had paid the penalty for doing so.

Taking her up in his arms, he carried her—leading his horse by the bridle—back across the field, through the gate and into his home. There he laid her on a lounge and sent one of his servants for a doctor. The girl had been hit by a bludgeon and stunned. When she was able to give an account of what had happened, she said that the two men who were lying in wait for the marquis came on the ground a few minutes after he had left the road, and, finding Kathleen and assuming that she had warned him, one of them struck her. But the other had interfered and saved her from what would have been a fatal blow. Hearing a horse's hoofbeats and not knowing who was approaching, they had made off just as the marquis returned.

Kathleen was the daughter of a farmer. A servant maid had heard the two men, her brothers, planning to kill the marquis and had told her mistress. Kathleen had thus taken steps to prevent the murder.

Kathleen was not able to leave the place where she was cared for for some time, and, when she did, the marquis took her in his carriage and was cloistered with the farmer, her father.

And this is the story of how a simple country girl became the Marchioness of Ballyshannon. She was much beloved by the people in her neighborhood, for she spent much of her time among the poor ministering to their wants.



Are the comptroller of the currency and the comptroller of the treasury one and the same person?

No. The comptroller of the treasury and the comptroller of the currency are entirely different officers. The former is an accounting officer, who revises and certifies accounts after they have been passed by the different auditors. The comptroller of the currency has general charge and supervision of national banks. The comptroller of the treasury receives \$6,000 a year, the comptroller of the currency \$5,000.

What is the meaning of the name Frankenstein, which is used in the sense of a person who created beings?

Frankenstein was the hero of a novel by Mrs. Shelley, published at first without the author's name in 1818. He was a student who in the course of his delving into the obscurer problems of nature succeeded in the creation of artificial life. His product was a monster who killed his friend and pursued Frankenstein from land to land begging for a mate.

What is the population of Cuba?

The last census of Cuba, taken in 1907, showed 1,428,176 whites, 274,272 negroes, 234,695 mixed and 11,837 Chinese.

Where is Daniel Webster buried?

At Marshfield, Mass., where he died.

Please inform me whether the ten cent piece of 1835 is worth more than its face value.

No. The dimes of 1805, 1807, 1809, 1811 and 1846 command a small premium ranging from 20 cents to \$1, but the 1835 dime is not listed in any coin catalogue as being worth more than face value. The rarest dimes are those of the dates 1796 (fillet head), 1797, 1798, 1800, 1802 and 1822. Any one of these is worth from \$2 to \$4.

Standing of the "Knocker."

Even "the knocker" claims a certain amount of respect if he doesn't hit from behind or use brass knuckles.

ADVERTISING IN THIS PAPER PAYS

Is it true that some of the states have no townships or township governments? If so, what states and why?

All the states have counties, and in all the states the counties are subdivided for the purposes of local government, but the term township is not used in all or in a majority of them. All the New England states have towns instead of townships, and quite a number of states have precincts, districts, etc. Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky use the term magisterial district instead of township; Georgia has militia districts, Maryland election districts, Delaware hundreds and Mississippi beats or supervisors districts. In Louisiana the counties are called parishes, and each parish is subdivided into police jury wards. The term hundred, used in Delaware instead of township, is a very old Anglo-Saxon term used in connection with local government.

Has a five dollar note from the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad company, Oct. 18, 1842, any value?

No, unless some relic hunter should place a value on it.

Please state where the phrase "potter's field" originated; also the meaning of the words.

According to the Scriptures (Matthew xxvii, 7), the chief priests took the silver pieces which had been returned by Judas "and bought with them the potter's field to bury strangers in." Biblical critics say that the field which they bought was originally a potter's field and afterward received the name Aeldama (field of blood), from the fact that it was bought with the price of Judas' treachery. The origin of the expression is not known, and the whole subject is enveloped in doubt.

Has the Royal Arcanum any connection with the Masonic order, and if so, what?

The Royal Arcanum, a fraternal and beneficial society, was organized, distinct from the Masonic order, in Boston in 1877. It now has a membership of more than 250,000.

What is plumbago, or blacklead?

It is a mixture of charcoal and iron.

GREAT OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT

ARRANGEMENTS MADE THAT GUARANTEE THE LIVEST ATTRACTIONS AND EVENTS.

KANKAKEE FAIR BIG SHOW

Five Days of Races, Horse Shows, Aviation, Free Circus and a General Big Time for All.

The greatest outdoor entertainment ever given will be presented by the Kankakee Inter-State Fair at Kankakee, Ill., August 31 to September 4. Preparations unparalleled in the history of this great Fair will this year produce a show the like of which the amusement-loving public has never before seen. Ten thousand dollars have been added to the already magnificently large premiums, making a grand total of over forty thousand dollars, offered for premiums and attractions. Untold expense, the experience of years and the unflagging efforts of the management have produced a program of 25 of the world's foremost free acts.

Free Outdoor Circus.

On the open-air platform directly opposite the grand stand will be presented every afternoon and evening of the Fair, 25 free acts, each one of which is worthy of being the feature act of a great circus. They are the very best that experience, judgment and money could procure. These alone will make an attraction that will hold the attention of thousands.

Aviation.

In the great open field, around which lies the speedy half-mile track, Andre Houpert will daily start on a spectacular aerial exhibition in his Bleriot, 70-horse power military monoplane.

Houpert is a distinguished flyer and aerial scientist, whose thrilling flights have stirred millions in Europe and America. He is the first man ever to have made a flight before the people of Japan. At Petulama, Cal., he shattered the cross-country record by covering 14½ miles in 12 minutes and 32 seconds. Loving cups by the score and medals by the dozen attest his prowess as an aviator.

Races and Horse Show.

Four stake races each with a purse of \$1,000 have been guaranteed. Fifty

horses from the speediest barns of 16 states will enter the hot competition for these \$1,000 stakes. It will be an aggregation of swift horses such as has seldom been seen by the patrons of the Kankakee Fair.

Immediately following the races a horse show, including fancy drivers, trained saddle horses, and finished equestrian performers, will be given in front of the grand stand. For this competition \$2,075 is offered in premiums. Every afternoon several hours will be occupied by this interesting and unusual show.

America's Biggest Percheron Show.

More money in regular cash premiums is offered for Percherons at this Fair than has ever before, or is now being offered by any State or Inter-State Fair or National or International Stock Show in the United States. One thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars, in addition to the much-sought prizes of the Percheron Society of America, will be paid in cash to the exhibitors of Percheron horses.

These handsome premiums, marking a new era in the world of Percheron exhibits, combined with the courteous treatment given all exhibitors, will attract some of the best breeders of the country.

"Dairy Day," Monday.

The first day of the Fair will see an innovation in Fair ideas. "Dairy Day" to be marked by an exhibit of all dairy cattle on the grounds as well as a complete, up-to-the-minute display of dairy machinery, will be the feature.

Premiums and awards aggregating over twenty-three hundred dollars are offered in this department. The Holstein show, the importance of which has induced the Holstein-Friesian Association of America to recognize this Fair, will be on an equal footing in the amount of premiums, the breadth of its scope and the number of animals on exhibition with the largest and most famous dairy shows of the middle West.

All-Around Show.

Automobiles by the hundreds and trains by the score will bear the people from a radius of 100 miles to this, the country's greatest show. Every day of the Fair will see motoring parties from all the counties adjoining Kankakee. It will be the gala week for eastern Illinois and western Indiana.

There is a treat in store for the lovers of real, first-class amusements. From every direction they will come, by auto, by wagon and by train. They will come for the enjoyment of the free attractions, for the education that comes from the magnificent farm displays, for a view of the noblest horse-flesh that trods American soil.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS FAIR

STREATOR, ILLINOIS, Sept. 7-8-9-10-11, 1914

BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER

The unequalled success of the past has justified the hopes of the management that in time Northern Illinois will have a keen rival of the great State Fair at Springfield. Every year is an approach toward that cherished consummation, and every year is an improvement. There are some features which are indispensable; among them are:

- Live Stock and Machinery Exhibits
- Needlework, Art and Natural Sciences
- RACES, GAMES, SPORTS AND AMUSEMENTS
- ALL THESE HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR ABUNDANTLY. THERE WILL BE
- 16 Running Horse Races For Liberal Purses Including the \$500 Streator Derby
- ROMAN CHARIOT RACES ROMAN STANDING RACES NOVELTY RACES
- BALLOON RACES EXCITEMENT THRILLS GASPS AND CHEERS

Among the Free Attractions Will Be:

The Whirlwind Genoa Seven People in the Most Marvelous Acts in the World	Alvarado's Circus Trick Animals in Wonderful Performances	Breakaway Barlows Aerial Novelties Astounding, Clever and Skillful, Novel and Interesting	Lavanion and Malcolm Triple Bar Artists, Grotesque Gymnastics, Remarkable Feats
The Hi Hashi Japs Five People in Oriental Acts Startling and Inconceivable	McKenney--Hunter Roman Chariot and Standing Races, High Jumping, Educated Horses	Granada and Fedora Revolving Electric Cascade and Thrilling High Wire Acts	Thrilling Balloon Races And Parachute Drops, New and Exciting

Five Other Big Acts All in Front of the Amphitheater Every Afternoon and Evening, and All Free

THE GLADWAY LINED WITH SPLENDID ATTRACTIONS New, Interesting, Spectacular and Instructive

EWING'S MONSTER WORLD FAMOUS ZOUAVE BAND With Music and Drills

Nowhere else can anyone witness such a wonderful display of exhibits and enjoy such a program of amusements for twenty times the cost of admission to the Fair. Come and enjoy a feast that is both intellectual and diverting.

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