

THE EVENING NEWS.

Wednesday, 21 September 1872.

AGRICULTURAL.

ALFALFA OR LUCERN.—At a recent meeting of the farmers' club of Napa, Mr. Combs made the following statement:

He was satisfied that any land good for corn would produce alfalfa. The only difficulty he had encountered was the gophers, they being very fond of the roots of this grass, would follow it in a very tender plant. If it was sown and an early frost came it would be lost; but after it came up and got set it became very hardy. There was no difficulty with it, however, if sown in the right time, in the right way, and soil. If in the spring it could not be sown, in the fall dry soil, either would do. He had investigated this subject in the Sacramento Valley. Last year in June he had gone on some land of Haggins & Trevis to see about some sheep. He found there 1,000 head of sheep, and 1,000 acres of alfalfa. From this he concluded that there had been one crop cut and they were then cutting the second, and expected to have sufficient crop to cut a third that they desired; but their custom was to cut two crops averaging about two tons to the acre and then use the third as pasture for sheep, until it was gone; then the crops cut fed them the rest of the year. The sheep were kept fat and in good condition from that 1,000 acres. They had no gophers there, because the overflow drowned them out. He had heard only that morning of a farm in Los Angeles county, where forty acres of alfalfa kept 1,000 sheep the year round, pasturing them from field to field. For fear this might be true he believed, he had brought the friend who had told him of it with him to substantiate it.

Another member, after inquiring for the accuracy of the foregoing statement, said that in Napa county he knew of alfalfa lands which sustained in good condition the year round, four head of cattle to the acre.

It is certain that our small farms must sustain more cattle and sheep, or cattle will not remain on these farms. When land is worth \$50 to \$100 an acre, it cannot be devoted profitably to cattle raising or sheep husbandry unless in some way we can make them more productive. Now, 40 acres in a farm of 100 acres devoted to alfalfa, promising that each acre thus treated would sustain four head of cattle, we have 240 head for this part of the farm, and one hundred left for grain growing, and a variety of other crops. This would yield more productively now than 200 acres of sheep, which would yield better revenue than could be got from the same area with the same amount of labor.

Many of the small grain farms have ceased to be profitable, the average production having decreased from year to year. Sheep have been introduced to raise fertility and bring the farm up to its old standard. If by the use of alfalfa the 100 acre farm can be made to sustain 2,000 high grade sheep—and according to the data given, it would—the returns would be very much more satisfactory with sheep husbandry than from any other branch of farming.—San Francisco Bulletin.

FARM LIFE.—Charles H. Brigham writes wisely and well of farm life in the "Herald of Health." He says the finest pictures of work and life are those in which the farmer figures. The songs of the nations celebrate the rustic here and there. The story of the workman and of the artisan is told for its pathos, while the story of the farmer is told for its joy. He who works upon the soil seems to be happy as a woman. The idyl of the Bible in "When I Ruled" among the readers, not the Don Quixote never to be found. Above these are to make glad the hearts of the widows. Horace does not go into the shops in the town to find his scenes of contentment, but out where the jocund plowmen are driving their teams. A farmer comes into the landscape, but not a calico paper or a heat cloth. He may be rough and awkward, but he is all the more picturesque for that, and there is no failing off of dignity where men go back from important charges to look after their estate, to drive the oxen, or mow the grass. Was Cincinnati degraded when he turned from the Senate House and the camp to the plow? Jefferson became a mean felon when he did it. White House to let out after the fields and orchards of Monticello! And is not Greeley more in his glory when he is laying down drains and trimming trees on his farm in Westchester, than when he is engrossed in his sage office in Frimley-house Square? They may ridicule the quaint talk of Mr. Greeley's incubations upon farming, but, after all, the public judgment will be that there is more wit and wisdom and good sense in these incubations than in all the essays upon political economy, or in all the calculations about votes and candidates. And the same is true with the dream of mine out of ten of those who toil for wealth, that they shall invest it in land, and become farmers on a large scale. The Pacha of Egypt is probably the largest farmer in the world, as he substantially owns all the land, and cultivates it by his subjects. The German nobility and the English nobility are mostly farmers, and think it no disgrace to carry on that business, though they would spurn all imputations that they are mechanics or tradesmen, because they get the rents of shops and factories.

ESTRAYS.

I HAVE in my possession one bay male and colt, mare 22 years old, English brand on left shoulder and right shoulder, ears on right side.

If not claimed within ten days, or if he is sold at public sale on the district pound, Payson, on Monday, the 23rd day of October, 1872, to the highest bidder, W. S. L. WILSON, District Pound-keeper,

Payson, U. T., Sept. 19, 1872.

RETRAY.

One year old iron grey horse, star in forehead, brand on right shoulder, ears on left.

One year old white, star in forehead, brand on left shoulder.

One year old colt, monogram, brand on neck, half year old, brand on right shoulder, ears on left.

One three year old red brindle, brand on left shoulder, brand on right shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old red brindle, brand on left shoulder, brand on right shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left shoulder and underbelly in left ear.

One year old black, brand on right shoulder, brand on left