

price of oats has been comparatively higher than the price of wheat, the products manufactured from oats have been adulterated by mixing them with products of wheat. Some of the manufacturers of oatmeal, it is reported, have been buying large quantities of wheat recently for the sole purpose of increasing the weight and cheapening their output. A great deal of wheat and the products of wheat are being used in the commercial foods that are placed upon the market, such as mill feeds, chops, etc. It certainly is an abnormal state of affairs when the grain, which, rated by its intrinsic value, stands high above every other cereal, gets so low in price that it can be used as an adulterant of foods not only for the human family, but of animals as well.

#### EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Dr Cyrus Teed, the Chicago fanatic, or fraud, who founded the religion of Koreshtanty, which is gaining some adherents in the north, seems to be losing his hold of his dupes, as he has found it necessary to bolster up his influence by telling them that he has discovered a process for making gold as cheaply as iron is made. He declares that he can furnish gold to the United States at the rate of \$6 per ton, and believes that it can even be produced as low as \$3 or \$4 a ton. He says the process of turning gold-bearing earth into the precious metal is similar to that followed in extracting aluminum from clay, and thinks he can make gold pavement for a material Jerusalem.

This is quite a reversal of the usual order of things. It is contained in a special to The Globe-Democrat from Hamburg, Pa.: That time works many singular changes has never been more fully proven than in the prevalent low prices of wheat and the abnormally high figure of oats. Since the