**Late 1800’s Farmers Challenges**

**SS.912.A.3.1 Analyze the Economic Challenges to American Farmers and Farmers' Responses to These Challenges in the Mid to Late 1800's**

**Key Terms:**

Agricultural surplus, frontier, assimilate, The Dawes Act, business monopolies, Cross of Gold, Farmers Alliance, Grange, Granger laws, homestead, Homestead Act (1862,) populism

**Review Questions:**

1. What role did mining play in the development of the American West?
2. Describe the reasons for the growth of the cattle industry on the Great Plains.
3. How did vaqueros contribute to the cattle industry in the West?
4. What developments of the late 1800s attracted settlers to endure the hardships of the Great Plains?
5. How did new technologies help improve settlers’ ability to cultivate larger, more profitable farms?
6. How did the arrival of new settlers affect the Plains Indians?
7. What effect did Helen Hunt Jackson’s book *A Century of Dishonor* have?