

Written for the Catholic Record. The Bells of Bruges.

Hark! the bells are chiming From Bruges' hidden towers, Their majestic rhyming Snow sublimed powers, As their soft thunder sweet sounds seem echoing from the listening heavens over us.

FARM AND LIVE STOCK NOTES.

In killing, don't be brutal. Pigs are very sensitive to cold. Scrub the water-trough sometimes. Ice-cold water is unfit for animals. The quater bees can now be kept the better.

Sheep need dry, well-ventilated winter quarters. If there is spare time, put the gates and fences in order. Pine saw dust in nest boxes is said to keep away from fowls.

Banking up against the building is sure to keep out a deal of cold. Rock salt, in lumps, so placed that it can be licked at pleasure, suits sheep.

Eggs in winter.—To secure these, there must first be a warm, dry, well-ventilated stable. Warm food will also aid matters.

Ventilation.—The hen, sheep and other animal pens should be provided with means for drawing off the vitiated air of their apartments. The same thing is essential to a perfect root-cellar.

The Economy of Shelter.—Nature requires that the body of an animal shall always be kept warm, otherwise it will perish. The food which is consumed is the direct source of animal heat.

Orchard and Garden. Cut down bare hard freezing. Clean the trees of bark scales. Moisture hastens decay in fruit.

head, that will admit of a circulation of sun, light and air.

Flowers and the Lawn. Protect pansy beds lightly. Geraniums suffer if crowded. The least frost kills cinerarias.

Chrysanthemums after flowering.—As soon as the blossom is gone, cut down the plants to near the soil. The pots may then be stored for the winter in the cellar.

Manuring Trees.—If you wish to hurry up the growth of an evergreen or other tree, wonders may be done by applying a surface dressing of rich manure.

The Parish Priest. DUTIES OF CATHOLICS IN THEIR CONGREGATIONS. In all the avocations of life, there is none in which is displayed the self-sacrifice that is exhibited in the Catholic priesthood.

The case is different in Catholic congregations. The priest having none to support but himself, is supposed to live on the air, or on very little, and furthermore, many priests too willingly work and labor, and appear outwardly contented and happy.

We are aware that in many congregations the trustee system is not in vogue, and even where it is that the pew rent returns do not meet the priest's salary.

The church and school are run for almost nothing. Let any priest in the country give a chance to a critic or grumbler to meet the expenses of a congregation and school with what income is received.

The claim is strongly put forth that men can be poisoned with castor-oil beans, by dropping some of these along their runs. Horseradish should be dug before the ground freezes, and packed in earth in the cellar.

offices in the land; and his night and day labor deserves much higher remuneration than what is accorded to him.

Some people fall short of what they should do, while others do more than their share. On this point we can hardly suggest a remedy. Every congregation experiences the same trouble, since the backsliders haven't the honor, the justice, the Catholic spirit to do their duty; yet they no sooner get sick than they send for the priest, and expect him to attend them, though knowing that they do not deserve it from their past conduct.

Some Bishops entirely prohibit priests from attending their sick calls. As churches are for all, and they intrude themselves without bearing their portion of expense, their moral sense of justice is so clouded that nothing short of an earthquake would awaken them.

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