

a Seeder in spring, and a Mower and Hay-rake hired in summer, learning to "cultivate" Indian Corn throughout the early summer months, to pitch hay on to a wagon with rather laborious work for a beginner—to spread day after day evenly on the wagon or stack, to "husk corn" through the fall, to help in some post suited to his strength and capacity at "threshing time," indeed to share with the farmer, his sons, and his hired men, in every operation of daily farm life; all this will busily occupy the day. Any young man with ordinary quickness and intelligence will find that his health is rapidly improving, and his strength becoming more vigorous. He will feel that while leading an enjoyable, somewhat hard-working life, he is acquiring not only the power of doing every kind of farm-work satisfactorily, but learning to understand the whole system of American agriculture as well as of stock-raising and management. He will rapidly acquire a feeling of self-reliance as the time approaches when he will become his own master and undertake the management of a Farm of his own. If he has conducted himself during his brief term of pupilage with diligence, self-restraint, and self-respect, he will find that he is parted from with regret, that he has made friends who will not forget him, and who will be glad to welcome and assist him in the future. Such are perhaps the least advantages of the preliminary training here recommended.

After the expiration of the twelve months, a young man of average physical strength ought to be capable of earning the full rate of wages of a skilled