

Miscellaneous.

Storm Sound in a Telephone.

A correspondent of L'Ingenieur... signing himself with the initials 'E. B.' occupied himself during the violent thunderstorm which occurred at Brussels on June 20, in listening to the storm sounds in the telephone wire. It was, of course, furnished with a good lightning conductor, and under such circumstances, he was convinced that the underwriting was not attended with danger. During the height of the storm there was a continuous noise, which could only be compared to that of frying. From time to time it would get louder; sometimes there would be a little popping sound, like a bubble bursting; sometimes the series of crackling noises which follow the fall of a drop of grease on a red-hot iron plate. This last noise came abruptly and loudly with such a sound of lightning and seemed to precede it. The observer was satisfied that his ear was surprised by the sound before his eye was surprised by the flash, but then they were less loud. Their force seemed to have no connection with the peals of thunder.

On the 600 lines of telephone wire which focus at Brussels, not one apparatus was damaged by the storm, its effects being altogether expended upon the lightning conductors. This security may encourage other observers to follow the example of 'E. B.' who considers that in this manner it is possible to obtain valuable contributions to the study of atmospheric electricity. He is of opinion that the constant noise heard in the wires proves the existence in the air of a current of atmospheric electricity flowing into the earth, and that a net-work of telephonic lines crossing a town would be its best possible protection against lightning.

WHAT RECOMMENDERS OF THE PAPER?—We recommend a careful perusal of the following plan statement, from a ten-year old exchange, both to postmasters and subscribers: The uncertain arrival, or uncertain delivery of papers at the country post offices, is often the ground of complaint against publishers and editors. Many of the offices are poorly supplied with conveniences for taking care of papers not matter what certainty they arrive. The papers are jumbled into a few little pigeon holes or piled upon a desk, but the barrels, in the midst of boots, hats, bridles, horse collars, and other careworn, which may be called for during the day by customers. Country post masters, in most cases, being engaged in some mercantile business, many newspapers find their way in some obscure corner, where they are hid for a time from human eyes as completely as if buried in a mountain cave. In some cases the paper is kept for a day or two, and is sent out, but it is not of course it didn't come. The indignant subscriber consequently abuses the mail carrier, and perhaps, calls for a pen, ink and paper to write a letter of complaint against the publisher and his papers punctually, when if the said paper was endowed with speech, it would cry out, 'here I am, squeezed and dealt behind this box, or under this barrel.' We have had just such instances at many country post offices elsewhere as in this country. These remarks have no reference to any particular office but are meant for all where they will apply.

Match-Making. A Parisian journal some time ago recorded an exceedingly clever bit of match-making executed by an Anglonormale lady of this order in brilliant style. Her eldest daughter had sailed from New York with some friends for a tour of Europe, and after 'doing' the continent had returned to the French capital for several months of rest and pleasuring. Attractive and clever, she had many suitors, some more some less desirable. She could not marry them all, so she admitted reduced the number to two—the best of the lot, of course. Then she wrote home to her mamma, explaining the exact situation of affairs, adding that they were both so handsome, agreeable, well connected and rich that she could not decide between them, and closed with the question, 'What shall I do? Ten days later she received a cablegram from mamma: 'I don't marry; both will be home.' The next transatlantic steamer brought Mrs. Blank with her second daughter, just turned eighteen and fresh from school. On her arrival the old lady at once took the helm of affairs, and steered so deftly through the dangerous waters that in a few hours she had reached port with all colors flying. To drop matters, she attended the wedding of her two daughters at the American chapel on the same morning. After due examination she decided that neither of the five fellows should go out of the family.

Here is an illustration of match making with a very different denouement. A certain member of parliament, who owned extensive estates, was spending a few days at the residence of a noble family. There were several interesting and accomplished young ladies in the family, to whom the honorable member showed every attention. Just as he was about to take leave the noble man's wife proceeded to consult him upon a matter which, she declared, was causing her no little distress. 'It is reported,' said the countess, 'that you wish to marry my daughter Lucy, and what shall we do? What are we to say about it?' 'Oh,' replied the countess, 'I, with much solicitude, just say she refused me.'—Chambers' Journal.

The Queen Anne style of architecture, says the New York Sun, which soon after it came in vogue here, was exaggerated and distorted by builders of cheap houses, in nature, presenting out of fashion, now that it has been overcome. One of the largest structures now building is in the Italian Renaissance style, and even the architecture which introduced the Queen Anne and returning to severe schools.

Agricultural.

Don't Poison Your Family.

Stores of vegetables or of fruit have a direct effect upon the air of the cellar, and consequently upon that of the rooms above, and, as a matter of health, should not be tolerated in any considerable quantities. The method of storing vegetables practiced by the market gardeners is applicable everywhere, and while it preserves the roots etc., in excellent condition, it will relieve the farm house of one source of discomfort, if not of disease. Large masses of our products, whether those we term vegetables, such as roots, cabbages etc., or those commonly called fruits, as apples, pears, etc., are not dried, inert matter but are constantly acting upon the air which surrounds them. As a rule, they take up oxygen from the air, and give off carbonic acid gas, a poison to animal life. No very large mass of vegetables or fruits should be stored in the cellar of the dwelling house for the winter. So far as roots are concerned, as well as cabbages and cauliflowers, it is not so much their weight, as a matter of fact, that is to be feared, but their odor. Of course, on farms where roots are largely cultivated, proper cellars are provided for storing them; but where moderate quantities of beets, carrots, parsnips, and other roots are used, they should be preserved in a separate building, or, if the method of storing in trenches is to be commended. The places selected for the trench must be one in which water will not settle, or in which it will drain off for complete drainage; otherwise the method will fail. A long pit, or trench is dug, six feet wide and three or four feet deep. The roots are then stacked up in sections of two feet long, and as high as the top of the trench. The roots are to be covered with soil, and before freezing weather comes on, enough earth should be put on, two feet, or less, and so rounded as to shed the water from rain and to exclude frost. —American Agriculturist.

THE SOIL FOR WINTER NEEDS to be prepared at once. A clover sod may be treated to a dressing of well rotted manure, or a ploughing it under. Much depends upon the variety of seed wheat, therefore sow only the best. If there is danger of the Hessian fly, it may be well to defer seeding till next month. For fall sowing of white turnips may be sown now. Out or barley stubble, when the soil is rich, can be turned under and produce six hundred bushels or more of late turnips per acre. Now is an excellent time to reclaim waste land. Brush cut this month will rarely sprout again, and drains may be opened, where it would be impossible to get teams on the land at any other season. It is best to clear thoroughly, and sow to grass, even if it is only a small portion of the waste land, and thus avoid the discouragement of half reclaiming a large area. Lime is an old-time fertilizer, and rarely fails to give good returns on grass land and on abundant in vegetable matter. Forty bushels per acre may be spread from the wagon. Muck for use in the stable can be dug now. Draw the muck with a scraper or otherwise, from the top to the side of the pile near by, where it can dry out after which it may be taken to the stable or storehouse. Muck increases in value by weathering, and it is well to have a year's supply constantly on hand. Fall ploughing for spring sowing has the benefit of frost to some extent, and the earlier it is done, the better. It improves heavy clay land more than a light sandy one. In a time of drought, look for and locate all springs or any indications that may lead to a supply of water. It is sometimes necessary to deepen wells which fail to furnish sufficient water. Wells should not be allowed to go to seed. It is not enough to pull them up, at the seeds already formed will ripen and propagate the pest. The only safe method is to burn the weeds; throwing them on the manure heap only increases a good seedling. —American Agriculturist.

—One who has killed the soil forty years, and in the meantime has accumulated a competency, and given his children a good education, says his experience has taught him these things: 1. One acre of land well prepared and well cultivated produces more than two which receive only the same amount of labor had on one. 2. One cow, horse, mule, sheep, or hog, well fed, is more profitable than two kept on the amount necessary to keep one well. 3. No farmer who buys corn, oats, wheat, fodder and hay, as a rule, for ten years can keep the sheep from the door in the end. 4. The farmer who never reads the agricultural papers, succers at book farming and improvements, always has a leaky roof, poor broken-down fences, and complaints of 'bad seasons.' 5. The farmer who is above his business and intrusts it to another to manage, soon has no business to attend to. 6. The farmer whose animal beverage is cold water is healthier, wealthier and wiser than he who does not refuse strong drink.

RASPBERRIES AND BLACKBERRIES—It should be kept in mind that a stem of raspberry or blackberry, that has once borne a crop of fruit, has served its purpose and will die. These stems will be replaced by a new growth, which will perfect itself this autumn, and be ready to produce a crop of fruit next summer. Therefore it is better to get the old stems out of the way, as soon as the fruit is off. More new shoots, or suckers, than are needed will grow, two, or at most three, are all that are required to a stool; all beyond these should be cut away as if they were weeds. Those which are allowed to grow, should be tied up to stakes or a trellis, as soon as large enough. Their upward growth should be stopped, by pinching the growing point, at five feet for blackberries, and three for raspberries. —American Agriculturist.

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