## Practical Talks and Plain Precepts for Farmers.

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which explain nature's laws and assist in the performance of all that is another way: In the growth of crops and animals, nature has certain ways of working. (It is not luck or chance.) To farm successfully we must work in harmony with these ways, or laws.

2 ye experience and study, we get acquainted with them. To fight weeds or insects best, we must know their nature and habits; to grow continually good crops, we must understand how

## Scientific or Book Farming.

r, 5 specimens. Ist prize, peach tree, 2nd prize, grape vine. Note. For 1st prizes in Secs. 4 to 21 inclusive a choice will be offered because the following variaties of peach: We have been called a book farmer

same with physics, geology, mensura tion, etc.

Chemistry teaches him the different clements of which the soil is composed; makes him familiar with the compounds formed by the union of those elements and their action upon one another and under the influence of sun, rain, frost, etc.

A knowledge of chemistry will show him when a soil is too sour and what substances will overcome the acidity.

little, make an excellent sweet pickle. They are sweeter than early fruit, which has little sweetness if allowed to ripen on the tree. The small Seckel pear, one of the sweetest of all fruits, is for that reason one of the best for is for that reason one of the best for pickling, but any sweet pear will make good pickles. Peel large pears while they are still firm, quarter them and remove the cores. Prepare a syrup of two pounds and a half of sugar to a quart of vinegar. Add an ounce of ginger root which has been scraped and sliced thin and parboiled in water until it is tender. Add an ounce of whole cinnamon and half an ounce of whole cinnamon and half an ounce of whole mace to the syrup. Cook the pears in this until they are tender enough to be pierced with a straw. After they are all cooked place in jars or a stone pot, and pour over them enough of the sweetened spiced vinegar to cover them. The earthen cover of Service of the control of the contro

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This would be a pretty grey, unhappy world if people did not make the best of things. Everybody, even the most apparently fortunate, has his sorrows and disappointments, which make wealth and success count as almost nothing in the scale. Indeed, the very ability to buy almost anything else that heart may desire anything else that heart may desir only makes the mockery more apparent. The only way in which to gai even a moderate share of contentment is to make the best of things, taking the hard knocks as one of the fortune of the war of life, and trying earnestly to find the easiest way of fitting the yoke to the neck.

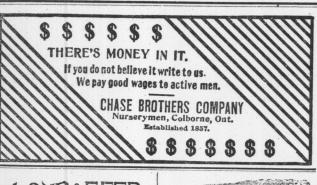
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## The Household.

Mother and Children

little ones will have to be more or less confined to the house, and the mother will either be taxed to find ways and means of keeping them happily interested and occupied or the house will be turned upside down by the noise and confusion they create. Some suggestions as to meeting these occasions be turned upside down by the noise and confusion they create. Some suggestions as to meeting these occasions may therefore be helpful. A "Rainy-Day Box" is the plan proposed by one mother. It requires, of course, preparation ahead of the time of need. But "forewarned is forearmed." Scraps of velvet and silk, odds and ends of ribbons and dress goods can be saved up for the box and will prove a bonanza for doll dressmaking, keeping the grls absorbed for many an hour. Old magazines will provide pictures to be cut and pasted into scrapbooks. If not needed for home use, these will be welcomed by the sick children, in the hospitals, and so thought and work for others can be woven into these pleasant occupations for idle hours.

Interesting employment may be found in "furnishing the house." Let the children cut out all the pictures of furniture and housekeeping articles and sort them out according as they are used in different rooms. Provide a large scrap-book giving a page to each room of the house. Then let the children arrange the pictures so as to "Gurnish" the kitchen, the parlor, the dining room, bedroom, etc. The catalogues of furniture dealers and house furnishings firms will supply an abundance of pictures and cuts of stoves, pots and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and the provide a charge scrap-book giving a page to each room of the house. Then let the children arrange the pictures so as to "Tve got a scheme, Hinnissy, from the children arrange the pictures and house furnishings firms will supply an abundance of pictures and cuts of stoves, pots and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and the provided and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and the provided and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and the provided and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and the provided and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and the pans the provide

pots and pans etc. The ingenuity of the children will be put to good use, and their powers of observation and memory developed.

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A microscope and a magnet are excellent means of occupation. Hunting for the insects on the house-plants, looking at finger-nails. or anything else, will interest the boys and girls, for the magnifying power makes every thing look somewhat unnatural. The Magnet may be set to drawing the needles out of an old pin-cushion, or attracting a small heap of steel-filings.

om one city or town to another by rranging them in order according to the railroad maps. Pan-American crap-books may be made that will be uite educational and seed catalogues cill furnish material for "making garens." Mother-wit will multiply these suggestions.

suggestions.

"Something new to play" is described by Elizabeth Ward in the American Mother' The children start the game by saying, "Now we will furnish a house and we will begin in the hall." game by saying, "Now we will furnish a house and we will begin in the hall." One child gives the name of some article of furniture in the hall, such as "chair", then another answers by giving the name of some other article, the first letter of which must be the last letter of the word just pronounced—for instance, "rug." When several children are playing, the one who answers most promptly holds precedence. From the hall we proceed to the parlor, thence to the library, the dining room, and finally to the kitchen. Up stairs they have the nursery, bath room and bedrooms. The children might plant flowers or "go to the potato, oyster-plant, tomato, onion,—thus carrying it on through the entire catalogue of vegetables, or they might plant flowets, or "go to the you." When they are older they might plant flowets, or "go to the you." When they are older they might plant flowets, or "go to the too." When they are older they might plant flowets, or "go to the too." When they are older they might interested, the mother, while sewing, may start a story thus: "When we went down to grandma's house we saw a force." The child answers "I

and never use soap in cleaning them. Those which have lain in stock for several years are the best to buy, as the paint is thoroughly hardened. Wash with a soft rag dipped in mixed with and matter and the paint is thoroughly hardened. nilk and water, and rub dry with a

milk and water, and rub dry with a handful of rags.

To remove grease spots from the wall paper, apply to the spots a paste of fuller's earth and cold water, leaving this on all night. If the spots have nor disappeared in the morn... a second application will usually be found efficacious. It is well to take grease marks out of paper directly after they are made.

Permanganate of potash is a cheap and effectual stain for hard board floors. Add one-half an ounce of permanganate to a quart of water and use this to paint over the floor, which must first be allowed to dry. Repeat the process if it is not as dark as you want it, and then let it dry and polish with beeswax and turpentine.

—"If curl papers are bad form at the breakfast table, facial deshabille is even more so," declares a charming hostess, who is also the mother of a large and happy family. "Why I con sider it as much woman's duty to wear a smile in the morning as to brush her hair and wash her face. Do I always feel like it? No, but I don't always feel like putting on my shoes; Still I wouldn't consider that any excuse for appearing barefooted at the breakfast table, would you? Oh, yes, one can always smile when one wants to. Now, just turn up the corners of your mouth for a minute and take the wrinkles out of your forchead and see how much happier you feel at once. There are two sides to this matter, as a distinct reflex action on one's self, one's temper and one's influence. That was Delsarte's basic principle, you know, or, as a more forceful and recent advocate has it, "Make your risibles a means of grace; set your face to live up to it." The old saying, "Laugh and grow fat," is another way of stating the case. Nothing makes wrinkles like worry and melancholy, Talk about the secret of eternal youto—why, there's nothing that will keef-complexion, digestion and circulation in order like an habitually cheery, happy frame of mind. And the very first step to this is to wear a cheesy happy 'frame of face,' as my small boy said the other day. Every woman of us would like to be beautiful. Well, there's the 'face that's good to look upon' and the one with faultless features. The former can be made, line by line, muscle by muscle, and in net results it often outranks the one of faultless features. As a cosmetic I -"If curl papers are bad form at the breakfast table, facial deshabille sults it often outranks the one of faultless features. As a cosmetic I know no better prescription than a cheerful countenance. In fact, I don't consider any woman well groomed and gowned in perfect taste unless she wears one"

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## Joker's Corner.

Mr. Dooley's Christmas Scheme

"I dinnaw f'r sure," said Mr. Hennesy sadly. "I'm goin' to get soamething. I give th' money f'r it this mornin. I think 'tis a volum iv Tinnyson's pomes. Is there a pote be that name?:

"I've got a scheme, Hinnissy, f'r makin' Chris'mas prisints an' savin' most av th' throuble an' expinse. D'ye know what a clearin'-house is? Well, I'll tell ye. A clearin'-house is an instichoochion started be th' banks so that they cud do business without money. We'll say a dollar is put in th' clearin'-house. I owe ye a dollar, Dorsey owes me a dollar, Hanrigan owes Dorsey a dollar, an' Doherty owes Dorsey a dollar. If Doherty asks Hanrigan i'r his dollar Hannigan don't go to Dorsey and search him an- Dorsey don't come to me with a warrant 'an' I don't take th' leg iv a chair to ye an' collect me obligation. vrybody along th' road needs to give vry wan else a goold watch. I want to giv ye wan an' ye'll want to get ight back at me, an' so through th' ist. Well, we chip in together an' buy a goold watch an' put it into th' learin'-house. Thin whin Chris'mas warmes around I saw' 'Chris'mas has learin'-house. Thin whin Chris'mas comes around I say' 'Chris'mas box, Hinnissy; here's a thrifle iv a goold watch I bought for ye. It cost a great lale av money but I can't do too much i'r me poor friends, 'an I give ye a pa-aper entitling ye to walk down to the great in the g pa-aper entitling ye to walk down to th' clearin'-house an' they give it back again, an' at th' end iv th' day ivry wan is dhressed up in his Chris'-mas prisint. I rayport to 'th' clearin'-house that ye owe me a shavin' mug, an' I owe Clancy wan, an' Clancy owes ye wan. Nawthin' doin', Th' manager iv th' clearin'-house certyfies that we're all square an' we can look anny man in th' eye. It cud go on this way i'r iver. Chris'mas prisinta niver change."

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may start a story thus: "When we wat tory thus: "When we wat of water. The child answers," and the child answers," and the child answers," and the child answers, "and the child answers," and the child answers, "It grew in a meadow," and the child answers, "and the child answers," and the child answers, "and the child answers," and the child answers, "It grew in a meadow," and the child answers, "and the child answers, "and the child answers, "and the child answers, "and the child answers," and the child answers, "and the child thought adds, "By a stream of water."
Again the mother takes up the thread. "In its branches sang a robin," and the child continues, "I saw its nest." Then, "I saw a thrush too," may be followed by any number of ideas, for the letter holds many possibilities and suggests houses, horses, hills. Any noun is permissible, provided that its first letter is identical with the last letter of the last noun given, and it is the name of something seen "on the way to grandma's house."—Christian Century.

Useful Suggestions.

An easily made cement is formed of rice flour. It should be mixed with cold water and allowed to boil slowly until quite thick.

Linen must be thoroughly dry and well aired before it is put away. When it shows signs of turning yellow wring out in luke-warm soap and water, dry and store again.

After thoroughly brushing out the dust from a black hat, go over it with a thin solution of gum arabic or mucilage, using a nail brush for that purpose. When the hat is dry it will be found to look almost new.

Never scrub oil cloths with a brush, and never use soap in cleaning them. Those which have lain in stock for the continues of the continues.

Sir, please excuse James for lateness. I kneaded him after breakfast." A la kneaded him after breaks. The absence is the made of the hild store with single for being tardy, I was mending his coat." The third excuse goes into more details but is none the less interesting: "Mister sir, my Jason had to be late to-day. It is his bizness to milk our cow. She kicked Jase in the back to-day when he wasn't looking or his kicked Jase, but never kicked him late. We would get rid of that, cow if we could. This is the fourth time she kicked Jase, but never kicked him late. We would get rid of that, cow if we could. Her shoes had to be half souled, and she had a sore throte. Her konstitshion is delikit and if she is absent any more you can k

The doctor advised him to take a stimulant once in awhile, but the farmer said he would not set such an example to his son who was growing up. The doctor asked him if he shaved. "Yes,' answered the farmer. "Then put a bottle of whiskey in your shaving cabinet, and every time you shave take a little."

The farmer said he would and departed. The doctor did not see the farmer again, but met his son about your office to get you to give me a certificate to put my father in an insane asylum," said the son.
"What are the symptoms?". asked the man of medicine.
"He wants to shave six or seven times a day!" answered the son.

Actor John Drew tells a good story about a Frenchman, who called on Augustin Daly and tried to persuade the manager to accept a play that he had translated from the French. When he started to leave he appropriately approximately appr time.
"I fear I have cockroached on your time, Mr. Daly. I hope you will par-"Not at all," said Mr. Daly, "but that word, my dear sir, is encroach-

"You are very kind to enlighten me so," ventured the Frenchman. "I see I was mixed up in my genders." turning home after a long absence, was greeted by her old mammy with: "An so, Miss Caroline, ye ain-t married yit?": "No mammy, and I've about given up all hope...
"Well, honey, it's powerful comfortin' when ye cease to struggle, but it will be mighty disappointin' to yer

-Old Gent, proposing health of happy pair at the breakfast table—"And as for the bridegroom, I can speak with still more confidence of him, for I was present at his christening, I was present at the banquet given in honor of his coming of age, and I am present here, to-day, and I trust I may be spared to be present at his funeral."

Ten girls in a composition class were told to write a telegram such as would be suitable to send home in case of a railway accident while traveling. One of the girls wrote "Dear papa, mamma is killed. I am in the refreshment room."

Adam was lucky in another was. He had no friends to come around telling him how he ought to bring up his boys.—Chicago Record Herald.

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