

Rules for Plucking Geese.

Geese destined for breeding in farm-yards, and which are what are called old geese, may indeed be plucked thrice a year without inconvenience, at an interval of seven weeks; but young ones, before they are subjected to this operation, must have attained to the age of thirteen or fourteen weeks, and especially those soon destined for the table, because they would become meagre, and lose their quality.

Shearing of Sheep.

The following method has been found effectual. Immediately after the Sheep are shorn soak the roots of the wool that remain, all over with oil or butter and brimstone; and three or four days afterwards, wash them with salt and water, and the wool of the next season will not only be much finer and softer; but the quantity will be much enlarged; and it may be depended on that the Sheep will neither be troubled with the scab or vermin that year.

Lima and Frost Beans.

It often happens that early frosts destroy the vines of these beans before they are sufficiently ripe for seed. When a good number of pods are set on each hill, cut off the ends of all the vines with a sharp knife. This operation must be repeated several times during the season.—The whole nourishment will then go to the pods that are set, and they will ripen early.

Manure.

Every farm contains waste corners, and borders of fields, banks of brooks or ponds, &c. at this season of the year are covered with a luxuriant growth of weeds. When the hay and grain are secured, let the farmer mow them down and cast them into the barn-yard or hog-stye. By the next spring he will have on hand a supply of good manure, which would otherwise have been seeding his land with noxious weeds.

Receipt for making Cider, and preserving it sound for years.

All apples fit to be eaten will make good cider. The grand secret is in cleansing it from the filth and drags as early as possible. Each sort of apples are to be beaten and pressed by themselves.—Two kinds of juice, both good, would if mixed often make bad cider.—Throw out all imperfect, sorry, and sun burnt apples, as well dust and trash.—Beat your

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