

Fun and Fancy.

On an orator's declaring that fortune knocked at every man's door once, an old Irishman said, "When a knock at mine I must have been out."

"Mother sent me," said a little girl to a neighbor, "to ask you to come and take a cup of tea with her. 'Did she say at what time, my dear?' 'No ma'am, she only said she would ask you and the thing would be off her mind, that was all she said.'"

It's funny when you ask a man to advertise he generally declines with the statement that nobody will see it. But if you advertise some little caper of his in the news column gratis, he gets indignant over the certainty that everybody will see it.

An impetuous fortune-hunter having been accepted by an heiress, at the wedding, when that portion of the ceremony was reached where the bridegroom says: "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," a spiteful relative of the bride exclaimed, "There goes his valise!"

A gray hair was espied among the raven locks of a charming young lady. "Oh, pray pull it out!" she exclaimed. "If I pull it out ten more will come to the funeral," replied the one who made the unwelcome discovery. "Pluck it out, nevertheless," said the dark haired damsel; "it's no consequence how many come to the funeral, provided they all come in black."

A vendor of cheap jewellery was knocked down by an Irishman the other night, and at once brought action against his assailant. The defendant protested before the Court that the agent called him a liar. The latter swore positively that he used no offensive language. Upon being asked to give the agent's words, the Irishman said:—"He tried to sell me an old ring, and I told him it was brass. He turned around to another man and sez, 'Tis alloy.'"

A fortune teller was arrested in Paris, and carried before the tribunal of correctional police. "You know how to read fortunes," said a man of great wit, but rather fond of a joke for a magistrate. "I do sir replied the sorcerer. "In this case," said the president, "you know the judgment we intend to pronounce?" "Certainly." "What will happen to you?" "Nothing." "You are sure of that?" "Yes; you will acquit me." "Acquit you?" "There is no doubt about it." "Why?" "Because, sir, if it had been your intention to condemn me, you would not have added irony to misfortune." The president, disconcerted, turned to his brother judges, and the sorcerer was discharged.

ESSAY ON HENS.—A teacher asked some time ago for an essay on hens. One of the pupils soon after presented him with the following:—Hens are curious animals. They don't have no nose, nor no teeth, nor no ears. They swallow their wittles whole and chew it up in their crops instead of 'em. The outside of hens is generally put into pillars and made into feather dusters. The inside of hens is filled up with marbles and shirt buttons and sich. A hen is very much smaller than a good many other animals, but they will dig up more tomato plants than anything that is not a hen. Hens are very useful to lay eggs for plum pudding. Hens have got wings to fly when they are scart. I cut my Uncle William's hen's neck off with a hatchet and it scart her to death. Hens sometimes make very fine spring chickens.

A SAFE PLACE FOR SECURITIES.—Old John Walsh was a banker, and also a money-lender. He was accounted a greedy, close fisted old chap, yet he possessed a sort of grim, rigid, humor, which in some cases, was really funny. One day a dashing, reckless young man of the period called upon him, "Mr. Walsh," said he "I want to borrow five hundred." "For how long?" "Six months." "What security can you give me?" The young fellow drew himself proudly up. "My own personal security sir." "My own personal security?" Old John turned and opened a stout, iron chest by his side. "Get in here, sir," said he. The young blade looked first at the chest and then at Walsh. "What for," asked he. "Because here is where I always keep all of my personal securities."

A young, smart-looking Scotch clergyman was preaching in a strange country church. Fearing that his harp was not properly parted in the middle, or perhaps that he might have a smudge on his nose, he quietly and significantly said to the beadle, there being no mirror in the vestry: "John, could you get me a glass?" John disappeared, and after a few minutes returned with something under his coat, which to the astonishment of the clergyman, he produced in the form of a lemonade bottle, with a gill of whiskey in it, saying: "ye maunna let on about it minister, for I got it as a great favor; and I wadna hee got it ava if I hadna said it was for you." It may be well to mention that among the humbler orders in Scotland "a glass" is the expression for a dram of liquor. In the foregoing anecdote we are not told whether the minister or John consumed the gill.—Chamber's Journal.

Farm and Garden.

Anything which interferes with the comfort and health of sheep will injure the quality of the wool.

Farm animals, when kept on grass or green succulent food, naturally make more salt than when kept on dry fodder. Salt increases digestion.

Early potatoes are better if dug as soon as ripe, and sold or stored in a cool, dry, well-ventilated cellar, than if allowed to remain in the ground and run the chance of injury from the effects of unfavorable weather.

Use a roller immediately after the plow, or after the harrow has been used once. This is the only proper use of the roller on fall sown fields. To roll the ground after the grain is sown is a mistake; it gives to the surface a smooth and pleasing appearance, but it is much more inclined to crust over; besides this, the protecting coat of snow is not held in winter as it would be if the surface was left rough. Besides having the soil in a proper mechanical condition through the means mentioned above, it must be provided with a good supply of manure.

COMPOSTING is the art of mixing organic matter, such as straw, muck, dead animals, etc., that must undergo decomposition before they become available as plant food, with inorganic matter that will absorb and retain the valuable gases that the organic matter would otherwise let pass into the air and thus be lost. Such a mixture must be kept moist, but not exposed to rains that would wash away the valuable soluble salts. Stable manure and muck make an excellent basis for a compost heap, with which ashes, leached and fresh lime, weeds (not in seed), waste matters, etc., can be mixed.

A PRINCIPLE IN FEEDING.—All food beyond such amount that is properly digested and assimilated by the animal is a source of loss to the owner, and that in two ways: First, the food is lost; and second, the animal is not kept in the best condition for getting the most out of its feed—its stomach is overloaded and its digestive apparatus more or less disarranged. Just inside the limits of assimilation is the point to have in view in feeding; in this way the animal will have a good appetite, and other things being equal, is sure to give the best returns for food consumed. There is a golden mean in feeding farm stock, which the farmer should find.

SPRING AND FALL PIGS.—Pigs littered in the fall or early winter, owing to the cold weather, lack of green food, etc., seldom make a good start, and in many cases are eaten so soon as dropped by the voracious dams. Pigs for the greatest profit should come about the opening of spring, with its fresh grass and warm sunshine; they can then be ready for the market by fall, and very few risks will be run. For this end sows should be bred in December or January. At one time large hogs were highly prized in the market, but now smaller ones are in demand, and such pork can be produced at less expense per pound than that of large hogs. Young hogs are the most profitable, born in spring and marketed in the fall.—[American Agriculturist.]

ADVANTAGES OF UNDER-DRAINING.

1. It prevents drouth.
2. It furnishes an increased supply of atmospheric fertilizers.
3. It warms the lower portion of the soil.
4. It hastens the decomposition of roots and other organic matter.
5. It accelerates the disintegration of the mineral matter in the soil.
6. It causes a more even distribution of nutritious matters among those parts of the soil traversed by roots.
7. It improves the mechanical texture of the soil.
8. It causes the poisonous excrementitious matter of plants to be carried out of the reach of their roots.
9. It prevents grasses from running out.
10. It enables us to deepen the surface soil by removing excess of water.
11. It renders soils much earlier in the spring.
12. It prevents the throwing out of grain in winter.
13. It allows us to work sooner after rain.
14. It keeps off the effects of cold weather longer in the fall.
15. It prevents the formation of acetic and other acids, which induce the growth of sorrel and similar weeds.
16. It hastens the decay of vegetable matter, and the finer communication of the earthy part of the soil.
17. It prevents in a great measure the evaporation of water, and the consequent abstraction of heat from the soil.
18. It admits fresh qualities of water from rains, etc., which are always more or less imbued with the fertilizing gases of the atmosphere, to be deposited among the absorbent parts of the soil, and given up to the necessities of plants.
19. It prevents the formation of so hard a crust on the surface of the soil as is customary on heavy lands.
20. It prevents, in a great measure, grass and winter grains from being winter killed.

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New York Butter Market. In reporting the market prices for butter, the New York Tribune, of May 20th, said, "Choice packages to the retail trade reach 19 to 20 cents, but light colored goods are hard to dispose of, and several lots were thought worth sold at 8 to 10 cents. This stern logic of dollars and cents is rapidly convincing dairymen that they should use the Perfected Butter Color made by Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt. It gives the perfect June color the year round and dairymen that use it never send light colored goods to market.

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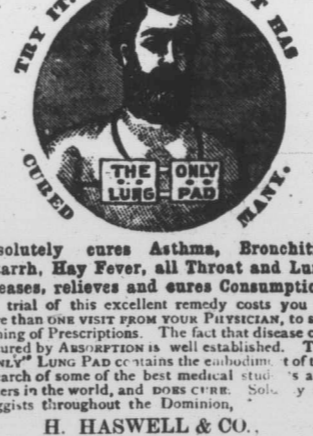
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