

It is claimed by many who have tried this method of preserving fodder that it is cheaper in the long run than the old method of drying or making into hay, that the nutritious qualities are better preserved, and that consequently cattle thrive better when fed upon it, and that it more nearly resembles green fodder, so that cattle eat it more easily than they do the dry. Mr. Henry R. Stevens, of Dover, Mass., has been testing this method, and so well satisfied is he of its great superiority, that he has given his experience in the form of a little treatise on the subject, in which he gives not only his own experience, but also that of some twenty others, with ample directions based upon his experience. At page 49 he gives Professor McBride's opinion of the advantages of feeding ensilage over the same fodder in a natural or green state, who had experimented at the University Farm in Tennessee with about seventy tons, who reports that it was eaten greedily by all kinds of stock, and he concludes that it is fifty per cent. cheaper than hay. This little treatise costs only fifty cents, and to it we refer our readers for full details, believing that the subject is worthy of attention especially by those farmers who are raising stock or engaged in dairying.

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### TREE PLANTING AND PUBLIC MORALS.

The real text of my subject is a little different from my caption, and reads "our growing horticulture and its effects upon public morals." Perhaps, at first sight you and many of your numerous readers may be considerably puzzled to see the connection, and ask, Where is the relationship between tree planting and public morals? But upon a closer inspection, and a more intimate acquaintance we think that an obvious relationship does exist between the two seemingly incoherences. It is sometimes so as you know, in other matters of great importance to the general weal; the relationship between sobriety and success in life, for instance, is not very clearly discernible by some of our fast young men, who are breaking through all friendly restraints and living questionable and fast lives, thinking readily to attain ultimate success and outstrip their sober, but slower companion, who will most certainly come off victorious in the end. "Our growing horticulture" is a text of importance to the best interests of the country. I see among the items of your Forest cotem. that the delivery of fruit and ornamental trees at this station, this season, has been enormous, and he estimates the trade in his vicinity alone at \$2,000 annually. This, for such a locality, is a vast sum to contribute to the planting every year, and it may be taken as an idea of our growing horticulture generally. This growing condition of our horticulture, is not alone indicated by the amount of trees bought and planted by our people, but also by the