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With pleasure we give insertion to the communication of Rusticus on "Our Forest Trees." We have ever looked upon the indiscriminate destruction of forest trees by settlers as a crying evil, and a great injury as well to the settler as to the country generally. It is a well ascertained fact, that a total destruction of trees has proved very injurious to countries where they have all been destroyed, and in Ireland and Scotland, every effort is being made now, and for several years past, to replace the trees that have been destroyed, as well as planting them where they have never been. A country without trees, however well cultivated, can never have the beautiful appearance of one that has a sufficiency of trees. Scattered trees, and some along the line of fences, are very ornamental, as well as useful to cattle, and clumps reserved in corners of farms and other places, answer for fire-wood, fencing, shelter, and ornament. There may be difficulty with the new settler in saving trees when preparing the land for cultivation, but, we think, by adopting proper precaution, the fire might be prevented from injuring trees wished to be preserved. Where there is a *will* to preserve the trees, a *way* will be found to do so. We do not expect, however, that they will be effectually preserved unless there is some regulation enforced upon those who obtain wild land, that they shall reserve a proportion of trees. It is nothing less than spoliation that all the beautiful trees that naturally ornament the country should be cut down and burned, not sparing one. The subject is entitled to the consideration of the

Legislature. If destroying all the trees is an injury, it is one that cannot be repaired in one or many years. We know, and have heard, of cutting down trees along fences, where they were no injury to the lands or crops, and most beautifully ornamental trees in fields, that were a most useful shade to cattle, cut down merely for the wood for fire. It is impossible to see such destruction of the greatest ornaments of our country without wishing there was some law to prevent such acts. In the United States they wish to introduce trees into all their towns and villages, and along the road sides, and they certainly are a beautiful ornament to their towns. Why should we be less civilized than our neighbors of the same family? All admit our country is naturally beautiful, but if we deprive it of its trees, one of its most beautiful features will be destroyed.

We had occasion, a few days ago, to call at the Bookstore of Mr. Lay, agent for the sale of books and periodicals published in the United States, and he very kindly presented us with the following works on Agriculture and Gardening: "Domestic Animals," by R. S. Allen, "Gardener's and Farmer's Dictionary," and "The Complete Gardener and Florist," which are all excellent works on the particular subjects to which they refer. The first work gives a very good history and description of domestic animals, with several well executed wood cuts of the various animals described, and we can recommend it to agriculturists. The second work, "The Gardener's and