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This book covers the general subject of Agriculture. It contains very little that is really new; but it puts old knowledge in new form. That is all that can be expected of a book on Agriculture. The early part of the book discusses Soils—their origin, composition, best condition for working, water content and principles of fertility. Tillage and drainage receive ample attention.

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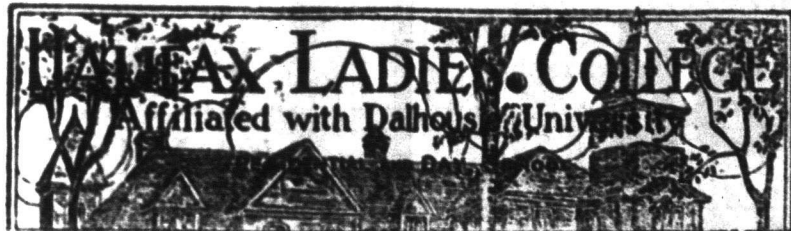
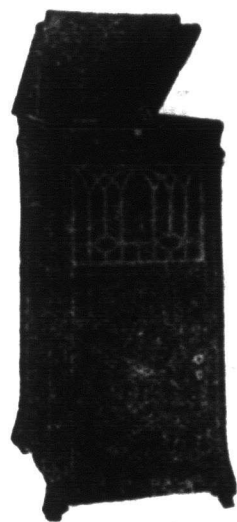
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