FARM AND GARDEN.

Many farmers to day find the oat crop one of our most valuable hay substitutes. A mixture of oats and peas will afford a much more valuable folder than oats alone. The peas add to the value in two ways by increasing the quantity of protons and by providing a more digestible forage than oats alone. The larger the proportion of peas the more valuable the mixture so long as the proportion of peas dees not exceed a half of the whole.

It is now that the far seeing, thoughtful, provident farmer has an abundance of food for his live stock in those supplementary crops which may be so easily and profitably grown for the late feeding. He who has a few acres of fodder corn or other green crops, and some roots in the ground for still later feeding, is on the safe side and will resp the benefits of his carefulras. Those who have neglected it will have the opportunity of planning for next year's necessities.

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There is no more profitable-business for any farmer who will take the necessary pains than the growing of the common farm seeds. It is the simplest matter in the world. Take a plot of land within the ability of the farmer to cultivate it in the very best manner. Work it thoroughly and manure it well, adding fertilizers as may be necessary to make it fully fertile. Prepare the seed, selected of the best to be procured, in such a way as to avoid the common diseases of the plants. If wheat, steep the seed in the usual solution of four cunces of blusstone in five gallons of water. When steeped a few minutes drain off the liquid and sprinkle the seed with fresh air-slacked lime.

Sow this seed in drills twelve inches apart, and quite thinly in the rows. Cover three inches deep. Keap the soil between these rows well cultivated by a hand plow or a hoe, as long as may be possible. When the crop is ripe, select the longest, fullest ears, and keep these for another year's sowing. Sell the rest to the neighbors at easily two or three times the value of the common grain. This is the seed which in a short time, will grow surely into a profitable local business, that may greatly increase in time. By repeated culture in this way of the best seed selected each year, a pedigree variety will be established that will become firmly fixed in type.

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It is time now to be thinking of the next lamb crop. The ewes are to be selected and prepared by some little extra (seding—a little of the right kind will go a long way in putting them in the right condition for the breeding time. This should be as early as possible, for the gain of a searly as possible, for the gain of a month, or better, of two, in the age of the lambs may easily double the profit made from them.

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The good feeding will hasten the season and prepare the ewes for the sam in good time. The better condition will help the lambs considerably, and enable the ewes to supply them better with milk. Of course, the feeding is to be continued during the feeding is to be continued during the better would have been without this early start. The ram is to be pushed as much as possible at the same time. If it has not been selected yet, it should be without delay, as the presence of it with the ewes will tend to hasten the coupling. At the same time, every preparation for the comfort of the flock during the Winter should be made while there is ample leisure for it.

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One thing to be done during the leisure of the Autumn is to gather litter for the stables and for the conjugation of the Autumn is to gather litter for the stables and for the conjugation. It is a waste and extravagance that is to be avoided to spend money for whatever may be procured from the resources of the farm. Swamps are everywhere, and, if one farmer does not own one, a neighbor does, and the use of it might be secured for a source of valuable fertilizing matter to become the basis of a lot of rich compost for use next Spring. It a few hundred loads of the muck be dug from a swamp in such a way as to leave the ground improved and made available for use in growing grass, two profits will be made without counting the value of the compost. The muck thrown on to the bank to drain and mellow should be drawn to some convenient place—where it can be used when the time comes is the set—and a bed of it a foot deep be laid to begin with. This is liberally spread over with fresh air-slacked lime; the manure is spread over the bed six inches deep. The heap is thus built up to a height of six feet or more, in alternate layers of muck, lime and manure. The whole heap will ferment, and the decomposing of the whole will leave a very useful lot of compost equal to as much of the best manure, and the decomposing of the whole will leave a very useful lot of compost equal to as much of the best manure, and the decomposing of the whole will leave a very useful lot of compost equal to as much of the best manure, and the decomposing of the whole will leave a very useful lot of compost equal to as much of the best manure, and the decomposing of the whole will leave a to not of this compost as it stands is worth \$4 to \$5.5.

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Which is worse, imprisonment for life r a life-long disease, like scrofuls, for rample? The formet, certainly, would be preferable were it not that Ayer's arangearilla can always come to the scene and give the poor sufferer health, treasth and hamiliness.

FIRESIDE FUN.

Illostess (to one of her guests at upper table): "Do have a bit of orgon-ola cheese. Guest (noticing suppor table: "Do have a bit of Gorgon ola cheese. Guest (noticing cincese almost walking from the table) "No, thank you. I believe in what the old proverb says "Live and let

live." Awful accident at Jones yester-day." So? I didn't hear of it." "Jones lit his thumb with the ham-mer and immediately exploded with rage, while his wife burst into tears."

Mr. Jabble (proudly) ... My daughter plays the piano entirely by oar."
Next-door Noighbor (growlingly,
"By ear? I should have thought,
from the confounded row she kiels up,
that she played it with her feet."

A tattered wreek of humanny, who has answered a marriage advertisement, finds waiting on the park bench a bedizened fright of a woman. "Ato you," he asks, "the lady of great personal attractions" "And are you the gentleman having an assured position?"

Boarder: "Will you kindly give me another cup of coffee, Mrs. Land-ladeigh?" Landlady. "This makes the fourth cup of coffee you have had, Mr. Boreder." Boarder: "I know it. The doctor says I must drink plenty of hot water.

of hot water.

Sandy: "Mac, I hear ye have fallen
in love w! bonnie Katie Stevens."
Mac: "Weel, Sandy, I wass near—
verra near—desin' it; but I foont the
lassie had na siller, so I said toe
myself, 'Mac, be a mon!' An' I wass
a mon, an' noo I pass her by w' silent
contempt!"

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As a nursemaid is dragging a bawling child from the dining room the guest, an elderly bachelor, remarks to his host. "I am very fond of the little ones—that is, when they ery." "Singular that you should like them when they cry." "Yes; because then they are taken away."

The Rev. Dogwood (to Convict Bill, about to be electrocuted): "Do you realize that in two minutes you will be beyond this sinful world? There is time yet to seek the shore, though you are in midstream." Convict Bill: "No. J don't t'ink dere is. I'm afraid the current will be too swift for me."

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"A shave, sir?" 'Yes." (The operation was performed more or less clumsily. "How much?" 'One shilline." "Dear me, I thought you only charged sixpence." 'Yes, for an ordinary shave, but this time I happined to cut you and had to apply an astringent lotion to stop the bleeding—that makes sixpence extra."

ing—that makes sixpence extra."

On one occasion Mr. Henry Irving and Mr. Montague Williams were walking together down Harbour street, Ramgate, when a party of the niggers for which that place is noted met them. "Good morning, Mr. Irving," said one of the black men, doffing his cap. "Good morning," replied the famous astor, with a kindly nod. Then, turning to Mr. Montague Williams, he was heard to remark, "You know one must recognise a brother artist."

ise a brother artist."

One day Oarlyle went into a tobacconist's shop in Chelsea and asked for a certain braud of tobacco. The shop man, not having the kind asked for, and not knowing whom he was dealing with, produced another sort, which he thought might pass for that desired. Carlyle took the tobacco in his hand and examined it; then, looking at the shopman, he said. "Deal in the veracities, "ir—deal in the veracities, "and stalked out of the shop, as the shopman muttered, "I wonder what brand is that."

what brand is that."

At assizes held in a small English county town, where the courts were inconveniently near each other, the door between them being loft open, the loud tones of Sergeant A. s address to the jury burst from one court into the other. The judge in the latter court, being much annoyed, shouted aloud, "Mr. Under Sheriff, pleass to shut that door," and then, in an undertone, added, "I'll be hanged if Sergeant A. shall convince two juries at once 1"

The following story is told of Paganini, the great violinat. A lady occupying a position in the social world invited him to a dinner-party, to which men and women distinguished in art and literature were bidden. Rightly or wrongly, she expected that he would consent to play something during the evening. But she reckned without her guest. When the great man arrived she discovered that he had not brought his instrument. "Oh, Signor Paganini," she exclaimed, reprosobfully, "you have not brought your violin!" "No, Lady..." was the witty answer, "my violin never dines out."

dines out."

"I'm sorry." she said, gently, "that I cannot be all that you wish in your life. But I will always think of you as a very dear friend." "Thank you," he said. "And if there is any way I can ever assist you by advise or endeavour do not hesistate to call on me." "That's downright kind of you," he replied, greatly chered. "You see, so long as you have declined to be mine, I thought I'd propose to Miss Binkins, and if you'll see her, and put in a good word for me——"And that's why slas jumped up and west away huffy, and rowed she'd never speak to him again as long as she lived.

DOMESTIC READING.

It is among the grumblers, the disappointed, the failures, that we may look for those who expect prizes to fall into their mouths.

Must men's affection for a woman is fed on her regard for them Greatness in love is no more common than greatness in leading armies.

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Our incomes should be like our shoes: if too small they will gall and pinch us, but if too large they will cause us to stumble and trip.

The keenest abuse of our enemies will not hurt as a much in the estimation of the discerning as the injudicuse praise of our friends.

The first and last and closest triaducation to any living creature is What do you like? Tell me what you are. The life of man is made up of action and endurance, and life is fruitful in the ratio in which it is laid out in noble action or in patient perseverance.

As soon as we have seen our plain duty in each thing that presents itself, let us confine ourselves to that, and withdraw ourselves from everything else.

We cannot really know the truth unless we love well. They who love well will know well.

A man is not good at all unless he takes pleasure in noble deeds.

The God given mandate, Work thou in well-doing, lies mysteriously written in Promethean, prophetic characters in our hearts, and leaves us no rest, night or day, till it be deciph-ered and obeyed.

ered and obeyed.

The object of true education is not merely to make people do the right things, but enjoy the right things; not merely pure, but to love purity; not merely just, but to hunger and thirst after justice.

The charms of Nature, the charms of man, the infinite loveliness of truth and virtue are not hidden from the eye of the poor, but from the eye of the vain, the corrupted and self-seeking, be he poor or rich.

The possions may be stronger

The passions may be stronger than the conscience, may lift up a louder voice, but their clamour differs wholly from the tone of command in which the conscience anastes. which the conscience speaks. They are not clothed with its binding

There are some people who seem bent on going through life with their mouths open like the young birds. If they do not think so they act as if they thought the world owed them a living.

living.

The some of sociology is to develop the life of the individual out of a mere self-conscious existence into a personal ity that shares the life of the whole brotherhood of man and the fatherhood

or Uod.

Free speech is to a great people what winds are to oceans and malarial regions, which waft away the elements of disease, and bring new elements of health; and where free speech is stopped misema is bred, and death comes fast.

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An excellent means of keeping ourselves in an inward quiet and freedom of spirit is to put an end, at the close of every action, to all further thought the compliance of the complia

interference is no true kindness but a self-indulgent orally.

Did you ever hear a man who had striven all his life faithfully and singly towards an object and in no measure obtained it? If a man constantly aspiree, is he not elevated? Did ever a man try heroism, magnanimity, truth, sincerity, and find that there was no advantage in them—that it was a vain endeavor?

Whatever littleness degrades our spirits will lessen them and drag them down. Whatever noble fire is in our hearts will burn also in our work. Whatever purity is ours will chasten and exalt it, for as we are so our work is, and what we sow in our lives that, beyond a doubt, we shall reap for good or ill in the strengthening or defacing of whatever gifts have fallen to our lot.—Lord Leighton.

Always the unknown will encompass and interfuse the known; always we must walk by faith more than by sight. The higher we aspire and reach, the further will the ideal recede: the further will the ideal strong will be the attractions of the true, the beautiful, and the good.

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Chats With the Children.

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From The Ninoteenth's ontary.

Great me with joy to rise to day,
Lord God, and go upon my way
Beneath Thy care, what path soc er I take.
Lord Christ, vouchsafe in me to prove
The mighty power of Thy love.
And guard me weit, for Thy sweet Mother a

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As angels watch the Mother Mard And Thee within the manger laid, young Child and ancient Derty, Humble, with ex and sas on either hand, Though holy Joseph also kept His happy watch the while ye slept And guarded you right faithfully. So guard Thou me, that Thy divine command May not be unfulfilled in me.

May not be unfulfilled in me.

In the Soptember number of "The Strand" there is a very interesting account of curious Public School customs in England. These customs are for the most part very old, some them the thirteenth or fourteenth century. At Etun, which is the first mentioned school, no boy is allowed to go on the river until he has learned to swim, and he must pass an examination before two masters, who are very carcult to see that he can swim well and can make a good "header" The boys have to swim to and from a goal about 25 yds. from their starting point. They must turn on their backs and show that they know how to float. A boy who makes a bad dive at the beginning is generally turned back. The is custom of "passing" originated in 1839 or 1810, when a boy was drowned by being thrown out of his boat. A curious custom called "shirking" formerly prevailed at Eton. Boys were allowed to boat on the Themes, but the approaches to it were "out of bounds." The streets of Windsor were so also, but on the castle torrace it was quite lawful to walk. This curious system led to many amusing incidents. Sometimes when the boys were "out of bounds" and met a master they quickly popped into a shop or round a corner and the master master, who could not turn round, as cliquette forbade him. So as long as they kept bohind him nothing was said. This ridiculous custom was put a stop to thirty or forty years ago. When a boy first went to Winchester he was always the subject of several more or less pleasant customs. Among others he is asked by some way if he has a certain book, without which he is told he cannot get through his effect that he has been made a fool of.

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A well-known politician recently arrived at Queenstown, after crossing the Atlantic, and was quickly surrounded by the usual sellers of curios, amongst them an old frish woman with some sprays of shamrock, one peany sech.

Our friend took one and gave the woman a shilling.

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In great delight she cried: "God bless yer honour, and may every hair of yer head be a toroh to light ye to

of yer head be a torch to light ye to glory!"

Baising his hat and displaying a perfectly bald head, he said:

"Thank you, madam; but even that, you see, would not make a very brilliant torchight procession."

"Blees yer honour," cried the ready dame, "tis just the same, for they've all gone on before ye."

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The wind comes whispering to me of the country green and cour –

Of redwing blacklirds chattering beside a reedy pool;

It brings no southing fancies of the home-

stead on the hill And I heard the thrush's evening song and

the robin's morning trill;
So I fall to thinking tenderly of those I

What has become of Ezra Marah who lived on Baker's hill? me of Noble Pratt whose

father kept the mili father kept the mill?
And what's become of Lizzle Crum and
Amartania Snell,
And of Roxie Root, who 'tended school in
Boston for a spoil.'
They were the boys and they the girls who
shared my youthful play—
They do not answer to my call! My play.
mates—where are they?

What has become of Levi and his little

Who lived next door to where we lived some forty years ago?

I'd like to see the Newton boys and Quiacy
Adams Brown.

Adems Brown, nd Hepsy Hall and Ella Cowles who

Who I am sure would answer could they hear my call!

I'd like to see Bill Warner and the Conkey

that we were men !
And one—I shall not name hor—could I see
her genile face
And hear her citilen troble in tale distant,
loosely place!
The flowers and hopes of springtime—they

perished long ago

And the garden where they blossomed is
white with winter snow.

white with winter snow.

Octtage neath the maples, have you seen those girls and boys
Tast but a little while ago made, oh! such pleasant noise?
Otrees, and hills, and brooks, and lanes, and mandows, do you know
Where I shall find my little friends of forty

years ago?
You see I'm old and weary, and I've traveiled long and far;
I am looking for my playmates--I wonder
where they are!

--Eugene Frein

-EUGENE FIELD.

I am looking for my playmices—i wonder where they are!

—EUGENE FIRED.

"'Gad's Hill' was a morry house," writes Stephen Fiske in fondly recalling incidents of his visits to Charles Dickens, in an article telling the personal side of the movelist in September Ladies' Home Journal. "Dickens was a wellapring of mirth, and his humor infected the whole party. Often, he would walk out and lean against the doorpost, while ' was at the gate, and we would shout with laughter over the fan that we had had and were going to have. When everything else failed the library was an unerding amusement. The room was lined with books from floor to ceiling, even the backs of the doors being booksase; but the books on the doors and along the floor were bogus. Dummy backs had been lettered with titles and pasted on the glass, and the titles had been selected by such wite as Dickens, Yates, the Collins brothers, Albert Smith, and Mark Lemon, of 'Punch.' We used to sit on the floor to study this mock library and roll over with delight at some elsever satire. I remember 'The Virtues of Our Ancestors,' a volumes so thin that the title had to be princed lengthwise; 'Five Minutes in India, by a British Toories,' in two volumes as large as an unabridged dictionary; 'Lives of the Poets,' a more pamphlet; Eggs on Bacon,' to match. 'Coke on Lattleou'; 'Statues Kreeted to the Dake of Wellington,' fifteen portly volumes, and there were dozens of other quies and cranks. A catalogue of these bogus books should have been preserved, but nobody realized that Dickens would ever die."

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