

NOTICE.

Through the mistake of the printer the date of February was not changed for the March number. Many persons think they did not receive their March paper in consequence. Be careful and look at the numbers of the pages, and you will find them correct.

Flowers.

ABRONIA, Nat. Ord. *Nyctaginaceae*. Handsome trailing plants, with several branches, each five or six inches in length, bearing clusters of sweet-scented flowers, resembling the Verbena both in flower and habit of plant, and continuing in bloom during the whole season. Fine for baskets, and desirable in the garden. Set the plants eighteen inches apart. Sow the seed under glass, if possible, and separate the little seed from the rough husk before sowing, as it sometimes causes the seed to rot. Treat as half-hardy annuals.

ALYSSUM, Nat. Ord. *Cruciferae*. Very free-flowering plants, useful for beds, edgings, etc., blooming the whole summer; should be set five inches apart, and then they will form a mass of flowers, fine for bouquets. The "Sweet Alyssum" is as fragrant as Mignonette; flowers pure white. Seed may be sown in the open ground early in the spring or autumn. The little black flea that destroy turnips and cucumbers in the seed-leaf, will often eat up whole beds of Alyssum just as they appear.

ANTIRRHINUM, (Snapdragon,) Nat. Ord. *Scrophulariaceae*.

Very showy and hardy perennials, always flowering well the first summer, and until after hard frosts. Sometimes the plants suffer in winter, especially when permitted to exhaust themselves by excessive flowering, but they generally flower well the second season, and sometimes the third. When it is desired to keep the plants for flowering the second or third season, never allow seed to form; and if one half the plant is cut down too near the surface of the ground about the middle of summer, new vigorous shoots will be produced for the next season's flowering. They exhibit a fine variety of colors and are exceedingly brilliant. Sow either in the farm or garden, early in spring. Easily transplanted. Set six to nine inches apart. The Antirrhinum is gold to the florist.

ARGEMONE, Nat. Ord. *Papaveraceae*. Curious, free-flowering, hardy annuals, with large, bright, Poppy-like flowers. The leaves are armed with prickles, and resemble those of the Thistle. More than two feet high, and makes a very pretty summer screen or hedge. Plant twelve inches apart.

ASTER, Nat. Ord. *Compositae*. Really astonishing is the improvement made in the Aster from year to year. We have them in our grounds now so large that we could not give an engraving of one of natural size on a page of our Catalogue—almost as large as a Paeony, and as perfectly double as the best Chrysanthemum or Dahlia. For an autumn display the Aster is unsurpassed. Give the Aster a deep, rich soil, and mulching with coarse manure is very beneficial. Plants may be grown in the hot-bed, cold-frame, or seed-bed in the garden. They can be transplanted very easily. Twelve inches apart is the proper distance for making a showy bed of the large varieties; the dwarf kinds may be set six inches of less. The tall, large-flowered varieties need a little support, or during storms of rain and wind they are easily blown down when in blossom. Set a stick in the ground, close to the roots, and fasten the stem to it at about the centre. The top of the stake should be about six inches below the flowers, and it will not be seen,

Farmers.

The main discussion must remain in your hands. We have done our duty towards you. We have given you a paper wherein to express your views on any subject in connection with agricultural prosperity. Not one of you can say that we have refused to publish your suggestions. Give us your opinions on the present postal arrangements affecting agricultural publications, and the dissemination of seeds by mail. They both affect your interests materially, and that of the whole country.

Annexation.

We are not about to discuss this question on its merits, but we do think the administration of our agricultural and postal affairs in this Dominion have given the greatest impetus to annexation it ever had if such ever takes place. The authorities in this matter have done their utmost to trample out every agricultural paper that was published, by oppressing the editors of such journals by undue and injudicious taxation. Consequently, at the present day we have no agricultural paper published in the Dominion worthy of the name, when compared with the scores that are published across the lines. Therefore, our farmers are now in a great measure supplied with the publications from the States. \$100 tax per month is about the sum we are now paying for postage—about four times as much as we should have to pay across the lines; and yet we are told we are lightly taxed! We cannot see it in that light, nor do we see any prospect of much reduction; for we have done our utmost to induce our government to carry agricultural publications and seeds as cheaply as they are carried in the United States; but it has been of no avail. "Persevere and Succeed" has been our motto. You may depend we shall have an alteration; and the government will yet, in some future day, encourage agricultural enterprise.

Lord, Remember Me.

ST. LUKE, 23: 42.
Through all the changing scenes of life,
Whatever my lot may be,
By faith I'd look to Thee and pray—
O Lord, remember me.

When sorrows break upon my soul,
All joys and comforts flee;
I'll pray—as did the thief of old—
O Lord, remember me.

When Satan tempts and fears dismay,
I then will look to Thee,
And still will urge my humble prayer—
O Lord, remember me.

The storms of life may fiercely blow,
To drive my soul from Thee;
Still, trusting in Thy grace I'll pray—
O Lord, remember me.

The dying sinner Thou didst save,
And take to dwell with Thee;
Thy grace is still the same, my Lord—
Thou wilt remember me.

JAMES LAWSON.

Cataraqui, Frontenac, Ont.

Editor Farmers Advocate.

The Emporium Implements.

Plowman's Hardened Metal Plough has given entire satisfaction in this vicinity. The wood-sawing machines that you have sent here are superior to any others, and we had spared no expense in endeavoring to procure the best kinds we could hear of.

Your respectfully,

JAMES GILL.

Amherstburg, April 21, 1871.

ANGLO SAXON, the King of Canadian Stock, is again engaged to travel in the County of Oxford. This celebrated horse has carried off more honors than any horse ever owned in Canada, having won four first prizes, the Prince of Wales prize and the Gold Medal as the best roadster or carriage horse; he always carried off the highest prizes as the best horse of any age or breed whenever shown at the Provincial Exhibitions. He gained the last season the highest prize given to his class of horses in the Dominion. He is a dark bay, heavy black mane and tail, stands 16½ hands high, weighs 1375 lbs. He has perfect and square action, a strong constitution, docile temper, and of perfect form. His stock are greatly sought after, and realize higher prices than any stock in Canada. He is just the class of horse required in our country. He is a sure stock producer, as his last year's route will show by the book. The finest horses owned in each section of the country where he has ever travelled, shew them to be the best in each of the counties, and most enquired after. His stock has taken the First, Second and Third Prizes at the Provincial Exhibitions. For particulars send to the Agricultural Emporium, and procure a hand bill.

A Competent Witness.

"William Look—tell us, William, who made you?"

William who was considered a fool, looked thoughtful a moment, and answered, "Moses, I s'pose."

"That will do," said counsellor Gray, addressing the Court. "The witness says he supposes Moses made him; that is an intelligent answer, more so than I thought him capable of giving, for it shows that he has some faint idea of Scripture. I submit that it does not entitle him to be sworn as a witness capable of giving evidence."

"Mr. Judge," said the fool, "may I ax the lawyer a question?"

"Certainly."

"Well, then, Mr. Lawyer, who d'ye s'pose made you?"

"Aaron, I suppose," said Counsellor Gray, imitating the witness.

After the mirth had somewhat subsided the witness drawled out,

"Wal, now, we do read in the book that Aaron once made a calf, but who thought the darned critter had got in here?"

Garget in Cows.

Brantford, April 20, 1871.

Editor Farmer's Advocate.
As the season is at hand when cows will be getting fresh feed, and be likely to get bad bags, I send you the following receipt for garget or bad bag in cows. I have found it to work very well.

Take a few carrots, or a head of cabbage, and cut them or it up fine; put them in a frying pan, with enough lard to cover them. Let this stew until the vegetable is entirely cooked; then strain through a cotton or linen cloth, and put away for use. When needed, rub the ointment well into the affected part, night and morning, and keep the cow warm and dry.

I have seen a great many receipts for this disease, but never found one to answer the purpose as well as this.

THOMAS A. GOOD.

We shall be happy to hear from Mr. Good again.—Ed.

From one of our Sub's.

Editor Farmer's Advocate.

Dear Mr. Weld.—I herewith enclose one dollar in payment of the Advocate for the present year.

My youngest girl says she would send you another if she had it, to be up with the man who sent you two lately; but unfortunately you see there is an if. Oh! these if's and but's.

However, we congratulate you on some success amid your discouragements, with which we all have to contend.

My family and I intend by and bye to leave for Kansas—that spot about which there is so much pro and con talked and wrote about. I have a son there who I believe sends us true accounts, as far as he has yet seen, and who says that a very little experience would convince us that a farmer could make a living there with one-third the labor that he does in this locality.

A man can do well by stock-raising. There is no end of pasture; and cattle require housing only for about two months. I intended to put you on your guard against "Sick of Kansas," but as Mr. Doherty has done so better, I shall only add that instead of my son being sick of Kansas, he says that he believes if he keeps his health as well as he has done, "A horse-whip could not drive him from it."

Excuse this scrawl, as I did not intend to write a letter when I commenced. Should you think fit to publish this, you are welcome. May your labors be crowned with success.

Yours respectfully,

WM. CLARK.

Kinmount, Victoria, March 18, 1871.

Editor Farmer's Advocate.

Seed Report.

Dear Sir,—As you make enquiry about the produce of the many valuable seeds sent from your Emporium, I report as follows:—

From the 4-ounce package of Early Rose that you sent me, I dug 61 pounds. They were planted the 12th of May, and dug the 6th of August. The 4-ounce package of Breeze's King of the Earlies produced 40 pounds of excellent potatoes. Yours truly,

WM. JOHNSTON.

Dalston, April 6, 1871.

Editor Farmer's Advocate.

Horse-Racing, &c.

Dear Sir,—I am much pleased with your paper. I hope you will continue your straightforward course, and be not deterred by those who would deprive us of information, forsooth because it may have come from the Yankees; and also by those who would destroy our agricultural exhibitions and the moral tone of society by encouraging horse-racing. I think your picture in our last paper is a very good specimen of the folly and shallow-mindedness of those who assemble at horse-races.

A SUBSCRIBER.

Manotick, April 10, 1871.

PAIN KILLER.

Husband.—And what does the Parson's wife say about it?

Wife.—Why, it does every thing but impossibilities; she cures Sore Throat, Canker, Rash, Croup, Cough, Colds, Bowel Complaints, Cramps, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, in fact she is a host of doctors in herself if she has a bottle of Pain Killer with her.

Husband.—She needs to be: I never saw such children as hers are; they are always cutting their fingers, spraining their ankles and falling downstairs.

Wife.—Yes, and the Pain Killer is magical when used for Sprains, Bruises and Fresh Cuts. That reminds me: Willie cut his finger awfully this morning—I will hasten and put some Pain Killer on it.

(To be continued.)

The PAIN KILLER is an internal and external remedy for pain. For internal pain, Cramps, Spasms, Stomach Colds, and Bowel difficulties, a few drops in water will give immediate relief. As a liniment it is without an equal; it stops pain almost instantly. Be sure and get the genuine, made by Perry Davis & Son, and sold by all Druggists and Grocers.

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TO PUZZLE

Correct answer borne; Jane T. den, Morpeth; Mrs. S. C. Cregg.

We parted in sack sign;

I saw not her eye Fell down on her

1—If your grate be

2—Elbow.

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