

FOUR MONTHS

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BY A WOMAN.
Facts, Fashions, AND Fancies.
FOR A WOMAN.

FADS OF FASHION.

Some Things That Will Enhance Feminine Toilettes This Season.

Long chains of gold set with jewels or quaint stones are still worn by the best dressed people. Some that are especially beautiful are made of two or more rows of seed pearls with jewels threaded at intervals. A long chain of seed pearls and amethysts that I saw lately was very attractive; also a short one of pearls with contrasting stones. The gold net purses are still popular but have expanded in size to hold a pencil and a pocket handkerchief.

Never before has the bolero been so much in evidence as it is this season and the variety of shapes it takes is surprising. Some are quite short in the front with long points in front, others are quite round, many are cut square, while the newest of all show little coat tails behind. But no matter what style of bolero you wear if your belt is not properly adjusted, it will not look smart.

Brown holland is again to be worn by the smart people of fashion. Made in regular tailor-form and trimmed with the new strappings piped and scalloped at the edge, or with a very deep circular flounce graduated in width from front back and decorated with rows of front lace insertion, with corresponding garniture on the waist, it forms a trim and stylish creation for day wear. But in an economical light it is hardly to be recommended. It crosses easily and loses in the wash. The handkerchief is the delicate fawn brown tint that lends holland all its distinction.

Tan colored batistes and creu linen lawn, grass cloths and silk linens will be trimmed with lace appliques and insertions of the same shade. The gumpie and sleeves of the matching net or lace are trimmed with the same shade. The sleeves are of tucked batiste linen, etc., alternating with a line of pink or blue. The smartest of the dresses, however, are the light-colored, again red is effective without relieving the neutral effect of the tan or cream.

Black and white effects in costumes, fabrics and dress trimmings are again the rage in London, Paris and America, and notably in the first named city.

The heavier weaves of the new summer line fabrics are deemed very stylish and trimmed with the pretty linen laces or waved insertions laid over pink or blue are very smart in appearance. A Spanish red is effective with black lace insertions and black velvet ribbon choux for garniture; but it is certainly pronounced as well.

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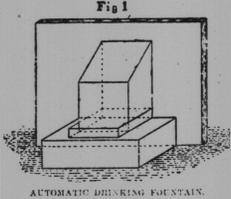
Have you had it in your house? It's cough and cough and cough, and then that terrible whoop! Don't upset the stomach by giving mucous medicine. Just let the child breathe in the soothing vapor of Vapo-Cresoleine. It goes right to the spot that's diseased. Relief is immediate, and in a very few days the cure is complete. For asthma, catarrh, and colds it's equally good.

Y. M. A. of Trinity.
The annual meeting of the Young Men's Association of Trinity church was held last evening. The report of the secretary showed the affairs of the association to be in a very prosperous condition, the year just closed having been the most successful since the organization in 1891.

THE POULTRY HOUSE.

A. T. Gilbert Sends These Sketches of Some Excellent Furnishings to the London Farmer's Advocate.

Fig. 1 represents an automatic drinking fountain which will be found useful for chickens of any age or size. This fountain is composed of two parts, which we will designate as tank and pan. It is represented in sketch as sitting on a block of wood, close to a board fence or partition of some kind, ready for service. The dimensions of tank are 6 by 5 inches, and 12 inches high in rear, with sloping top of 45 degrees, or one-half pitch. The pan is 6-1/2 by 5 inches, and 1 inch high. The black dot in front of tank represents a small hole, 2-inch in diameter, the top of which should not exceed three-quarters of an inch from lower edge of tank, thus allowing the same



depth of water in that part of pan which extends out from tank in front. To fill the tank it is necessary to invert it, after which place the cover or pan on top, holding the pan in place with one hand, and lifting the tank with the other, thus giving all a gentle upward movement, and at the same time turning the fountain over, carefully place it in its position ready for use. A little practice will enable one to perform this movement without any perceptible waste. A fountain of the above size will hold a little over a gallon, and, if constructed from galvanized iron, may be made complete for about 25 cents, if a number were ordered.

Fig. 2 represents a feeding dish for half-grown chicks. I have two sizes. Small ones made from old tin pie dishes, and the larger (as shown) from worn-out milk pans, such as we sometimes find thrown over the garden wall and considered worthless. In constructing these little feed dishes, we simply procure a block of wood for each dish cut to the proper diameter, and fitting the tank with the other, thus giving all a gentle upward movement, and at the same time turning the fountain over, carefully place it in its position ready for use. A little practice will enable one to perform this movement without any perceptible waste. A fountain of the above size will hold a little over a gallon, and, if constructed from galvanized iron, may be made complete for about 25 cents, if a number were ordered.

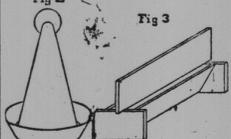
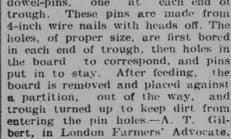


Fig. 3 represents an ordinary V-shaped wooden trough, with a board about 8 inches wide extending from end to end of same, as shown. Its purpose is merely to keep the water from getting into the trough, when feeding, and it does this admirably. The board is held in position by two doweled-pins, one at each end of the trough. These pins are made from 4-inch wire nails with heads off. The holes, of proper size, are first bored in end of trough, then holes in board to correspond, and pins are put in to stay. After feeding, the board is removed and placed against a partition, and the trough is then turned up to keep dirt from entering the pin holes.—A. T. Gilbert, in London Farmer's Advocate.



How to Save Liquid Manure.
How to save it and take it over to D. We plowed a deep furrow from water run B, and made a heavy bank of earth at E. Now when it rains all the water of the barnyard goes to D, also all that comes down the run B. The field is in the pasture, and it will be of great benefit to it. The ditch E can be lengthened at any time when the land is fertile enough at D.—Ira Graber, in Agricultural Epitomist.



Ways of the Sheep.
The sheep appreciates generous attention and manifests his fondness of it by smiling at the feed basket. There is a strange affinity between the sheep and the dog. Although the latter sometimes dines on an innocent lamb, where the dog has been intelligently trained he will evince a most remarkable anxiety for the welfare of his heavy-coated friend. Frequently do they play together for hours without incurring each other's displeasure. To do this the dog must exercise more intelligence than the sheep.

Too Late.
Wife (after a quarrel)—I wish I'd never met you!
Husband—Yes. Now, when it's too late, you are sorry for me!—New York World.

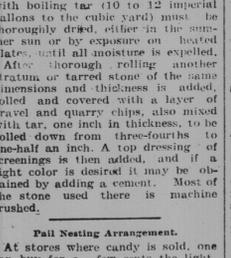
TAR MACADAM PAVING.

Authorities Claim That for Excellence, Durability and Cheapness It Has No Equal.

After years of experiment the city of Hamilton is laying a pavement that for excellence, durability and cheapness is commended for examination to those in charge of similar work elsewhere. The possibility of making good roads at reasonable cost has been demonstrated, and tests extending over a number of years on business streets prove that tarred macadam makes not only a smooth and solid roadway, but one that can be kept in perfect repair at nominal expense. The first cost in Hamilton, where limestone is abundant and near at hand, is from 70 to 86 cents per square yard, and the engineer estimates the cost of repairing and maintaining it to be less than one cent per yard a year, while asphalt costs over three cents. The addition of tar renders the roadway impervious to water, frost-proof in winter and prevents mud and dust in summer. It is easily repaired and does not require scraping, thus avoiding much wearing of the surface.

One block of tar macadam laid more than a year ago on a business street where there is heavy teaming shows no perceptible wear to-day. In residential streets these pavements have been in use eight years without any repairs, and in fact are in better condition. The success of this method of roadmaking depends on care in its execution, as in the case of all composite work of this character, and for the information of those interested the substance of an interview with the engineer of public works, E. G. Barrow, covering details of the processes in use there will prove interesting and instructive. Either stone or cement curbing should be placed before beginning the roadway. Cement costs there 50 cents per lineal foot and is six inches thick and 20 inches in thickness. If the soil is of a spongy nature, large, flat stones are preferred. All interstices should be filled with small stone and gravel well rolled in. Over this a coating of gravel should be rolled hard and then a layer of tar-saturated stone, not exceeding two inches in thickness. These stones before being laid with boiling tar (10 to 12 imperial gallons to the cubic yard) must be thoroughly dried, either by the sun or by exposure on heated plates, until all moisture is expelled. After thorough rolling another stratum of tar-saturated stone of same dimensions and thickness is added, rolled and covered with a layer of gravel and quarry chips, also mixed well together. If the surface is to be rolled down from three-fourths to one-half an inch. A top dressing of screenings is then added, and if a light color is desired, the stone is obtained by adding a cement. Most of the stone used there is machine crushed.

Paill Nesting Arrangement.
At stores where candy is sold, one can buy for a few cents the light, but large, wooden paills in which chocolates are shipped from the factory. These paills make excellent



Selection of Fruit Trees.
Only experienced persons are capable of selecting varieties of fruit trees. Novices should always seek advice. The soil, climate and demand of the market are to be considered. Varieties that may be suitable for one locality may be almost worthless in another, and it is the lack of knowledge in selecting varieties that causes some failures. Selection is a very important matter, for the grower waits several years for his crop it is then too late to rectify mistakes except at a great loss.

Sunflowers as a Farm Crop.
The sunflower is overlooked as a crop in this country. It will produce as many bushels of seed as corn, and a bushel of seed will produce about a gallon of oil. The residuum is equal to linseed meal for stock. The flowers are worked upon by bees, and the stocks make excellent fuel. The leaves are said to be cured and used as fillers in cigars, and the seed can be ground into meal from which bread can be made, and are also excellent when fed whole to poultry.

Colored Canned Tomatoes.
Attention is called by the London Lancet to the fact that canned tomatoes are now being extensively colored in order to make them look attractive and as if made from ripe fruit. Among the colors so employed are coal tar colors and cochineal. The subject of artificial coloring and preservation of food is now receiving great attention in England.

India and Ceylon have competed successfully with China in the production of tea that, whereas in 1880 2,100,000 hundred weight of the leaf were exported from China, only 1,631,000 hundredweight left the country in 1899.

TESTING SEEDS.

A Simple Method of Testing Field and Garden Seeds at Home Fully Explained.

The time for planting seeds approaches. It is important to know whether or not your seeds are good. There are numerous simple devices by which every farmer and gardener may test his field and garden seeds at home. To prepare for such tests it is necessary to observe the following conditions: Proper temperature, sufficient moisture, a good supply of air, and absence of light. All field and garden seeds will germinate in a rather wide range of temperature, from 40 to 115 degrees F. The temperature of ordinary living rooms is about 68 degrees, and is satisfactory for the germination of most seeds. Soak the seeds in water for about six hours, then place them in contact with a damp surface, but they must not be covered or even partially covered with water, as this would exclude the air and prevent germination.



One of the simplest seed testers consists of a shallow box of loose earth or sand, the box to be placed in the house until it is warm. The soaked seeds are counted, placed in the box and covered with a thin layer of earth or sand. The box is to remain in the living room for several days. As the seedlings come up, count them and compare with the record the date and number of seeds planted. It is advisable to keep a record of the date and number of seeds planted.

HOMIOPATHY SAID TO FAIL.
It is best not to fill the box quite full of earth or sand, as it may then be covered with a board to prevent evaporation without cutting off the air supply. Another simple tester consists of two dinner plates and two pieces of white flannel of about the same size, as shown in the illustration. Rampen the flannel thoroughly and spread a piece on a plate and soak the seeds, count and lay them upon the flannel, spread another piece over them, and cover with another plate. It is necessary only to lift the plate and remove the upper piece of flannel to examine the seeds.

Either of these testers properly handled will furnish a fairly satisfactory result. Several kinds of seeds may be tested at the same time either by having a large box or by using several plates. Seed tests should be begun early enough to carry them through and allow time to procure other seeds for testing in case the first lot do not grow. At least from 75 to 95 out of 100 should germinate. The time required for the germination of the different field and garden seeds will vary as a rule from one to 10 days, a few requiring more or less time. If the percentage of germination is low and it is desirable for any reason to use that particular supply of seed, plant a larger quantity than you need. It is difficult to detect the presence of weed seeds, especially among grasses and clover seeds. This is an important matter, since numerous troublesome weeds have been introduced into new crops by means of field and garden seeds.

Keeping Records is Hard Work.
Keeping the record of a large pure bred herd is very tedious, exacting and intricate. The value of pure bred breeding stock depends largely on the integrity and thoroughness of the record of the breeding. Intending buyers of pure bred bulls do not always appreciate this until they get some understanding of it and are broken hearted and certain grades of stock comes to high. A short time in charge of a pure bred herd will convince anyone of the value of a good and exacting work on the record.—L. H. Kerriek, in the Rural.

PROVISIONS.

Am clear pork, per bbl	19 25 to 19 75
Am lard, per bbl	17 75 to 18 25
P. E. prime meat, "	17 75 to 18 25
Plate beef, "	14 25 to 14 75
Butter, factory new, lb	14 50 to 15 00
Butter, dairy, "	11 to 12 00
Butter, creamery, "	12 25 to 12 75
Lard, tubs, pure, lb	0 10 to 0 15
Lard, compound, "	0 09 to 0 10
Eggs, per doz, fresh, "	0 10 to 0 12
Beans, white, per bush	1 05 to 1 15
Beans, Y. E., "	2 50 to 2 60
Onions, per lb	0 24 to 0 02

GRAIN.

Oats, Ontario, "	0 49 to 0 41
Provincial, "	0 38 to 0 30
Split peas, "	4 10 to 4 10
Port barley, "	4 10 to 4 20
Hay, pressed, "	12 00 to 12 50

THE GOLF CLUB.

Ladies' Committee Hears Report on the Year, and Elects Officers.

The annual meeting of the ladies' committee of the St. John Golf Club, was held yesterday afternoon. The report for the year, submitted by Miss Helen Sidney-Smith, showed that the season of 1900 had been successful. At this date, there are 67 playing members and 45 tea members, an increase of 26 playing members and a falling off of nine tea members.

The sum of \$183.00 was collected by the secretary, of this \$170.40 was handed to the secretary of the gentlemen's committee to defray expenses of entertainment. Tea was held at the club house every Thursday from June until October, weather permitting. Mrs. Prescott was again thanked for a donation of \$4, which in July and August, were sold of the Woodstock St. John match was also spoken of; also on Sept. 15, a match between the officers of H. M. S. Crescent and St. John. Special functions followed each of these. Dr. Bayard was thanked for providing tea tables and chairs on the last mentioned occasion.

A report of the matches at Halifax in September, the ladies were defeated in the singles by two holes, but won in the foursomes by eight holes and have reason to be proud of their record in their foreign match, as they had three new players with them. The Halifax club handsomely entertained the visitors.

St. John Markets.

Country Market—Wholesale.

Beef (butcher) per carcass	0 65 to 0 68
Beef (country) per qt	0 04 to 0 06
Bacon (smoked) roll	0 12 to 0 14
Bacon (unsalted) breakfast	0 13 to 0 14
Butter (tubs)	0 06 to 0 07
Butter (tubs) creamery	0 06 to 0 07
Butter (tubs) factory new	0 09 to 0 10
Butter, per bbl	1 00 to 1 25
Bookwheat meal, per cwt	0 50 to 0 55
Chickens, per doz	0 50 to 0 55
Calf skins, "	0 00 to 0 08
Carrots, per doz	0 08 to 0 10
Cabbage, per doz	0 10 to 0 15
Eggs, "	0 09 to 0 10
Fowl, per pair	0 80 to 0 85
Hams (smoked)	0 12 to 0 12
Hides, per lb	0 05 to 0 06
Sausages, per doz	0 25 to 0 30
Lard, "	0 10 to 0 12
Lamb skins, "	0 10 to 0 10
Mutton, per doz	0 60 to 0 65
Mutton, per carcass	0 07 to 0 09
Pork (carcass)	0 00 to 0 00
Pork (smoked) breakfast	0 00 to 0 00
Potatoes, per bbl	0 75 to 1 25
Prunings, per bbl	1 25 to 1 50
Shoulder (smoked)	0 08 to 0 10
Squash, per cwt	0 25 to 0 30
Stocks, per doz	0 15 to 0 20
Turkeys, per bbl	0 00 to 0 00
Veal, per carcass	0 05 to 0 08

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OILS.

American Water White, lect A, gal.	0 00 to 0 18
Canadian Water White, do	0 17 to 0 18
Canadian prime white Sil., do	0 15 to 0 16
Castor oil, com. lb.	0 85 to 0 88
Linseed oil, boiled, do	0 82 to 0 85
do, raw, "	0 65 to 0 70
Olive oil, gal.	0 12 to 0 13
Castor oil, com. lb.	0 85 to 0 93
Extra lard oil, "	0 35 to 0 65
No. 1 lard oil, "	0 57 to 0 62
Seal oil, steam refined, do	0 54 to 0 55
do, pale, "	0 27 to 0 29
Coal oil, "	0 00 to 0 00

London Layers, new, "	0 00 to 0 00
Black Balck, do	2 00 to 2 80
Loose Muscadel, do	0 08 to 0 09
Valencia layer, new, do	0 08 to 0 09
Valencia, do	0 12 to 0 12
Carraita, do	0 09 to 0 09
Carraita, boxes, do	0 10 to 0 11

Apples, new, do	2 00 to 3 00
do, old, do	0 04 to 0 05
Evaporated Apples, do	0 06 to 0 06
Evaporated Apples, do	0 10 to 0 10
Evaporated Peaches, do	0 05 to 0 10
Prunes, do	2 50 to 3 00
Lemons, box, do	6 10 to 6 15
Figs, do	0 04 to 0 05
Black, box, do	0 00 to 0 00
Grapes, Am, do	0 00 to 0 00
Valencia Oranges, do	6 00 to 6 03
Bananas, do	1 75 to 2 25
Oranges Jamaica per box, do	0 00 to 0 00
Oranges Jamaica per bbl, do	2 00 to 2 00

Barladon, new, do	0 26 to 0 28
Demara, do	0 00 to 0 00
New Orleans, do	0 29 to 0 35
Porto Rico, new, do	0 35 to 0 36

FLOUR AND MEAL.	
Madillings, bags free, do	22 00 to 22 50
Manitoba Patent, do	4 85 to 4 50
Canada High Grade Family, do	3 95 to 4 60
Medium Patents, do	3 80 to 3 90
Optimal Roller, do	3 25 to 3 85
Salt Standard, do	3 75 to 3 85

Liverpool, sack ex store, do	0 54 to 0 56
Butter salt, factory 100 lb, do	1 00 to 1 00
SPICES.	
Nutmegs, do	0 55 to 0 75
Peas per lb, ground, do	0 15 to 0 22
Cloves whole, do	0 20 to 0 22
Cloves ground, do	0 22 to 0 23
Cinger, ground, do	0 18 to 0 22
Pepper, ground, do	0 18 to 0 22

Condensed, 1 lb cans, per doz, do	3 25 to 3 25
No. 2, do	3 25 to 3 25
Condensed 1 lb cans, per doz, do	2 50 to 2 50
Java, per lb, green, do	0 30 to 0 34
Jamaica, do	0 24 to 0 28