The Farm.

The demand during the last two years for information regarding the best practices for the successful growth of hemp and jute has caused the Department of Agriculture to issue "A Report on the Culture of Hemp and Jute in the Juited States, with Statements Concerning the Practice Employed in Foreign Countries, the Preparation of the Fibre for Market, and Remarks on the Machine Question," by Charles Richards Dodge, special agent, (Report No. 8, Fibre Investigations, pp. 43, pls. III, figs. 4.)

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Formerly the hemp-growing industry of this country was of considerable importance, large areas were devoted to the cultivation of the plant, and as much as 75,000 tons of the fibre were produced in one year, but last year hardly more than 5,000 tons were reported for the whole country. The bulletin treats of the history of hemp and the range of its culture, statistics, and production in the United States, soil selection, fertility and preparation, the necessity for good seed, harvesting and retting the crop, extracting the fiber, recent experiments in California and the South, and the use to which the fibre is put. The extension of the already established culture of hemp might supply a substitute for the jute in many of the course jute manufactures now produced in this country, and thus re-establish one of the decreasing the extra work, it is more economical than pasturing. The best succession is first a culture, out in July, sown.

The second part of this belletin gives a history of this industry, and discusses the different kinds of jute, the fibre and its uses, culture in India and the United States, the extraction of the fibre as practised in each country, and the value of the crop. The bulletin is not for general free distribution, but can ne secured for to cents from the Superintendent of Documents, Union Building, Washington, D. C.

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Some Insects Injurious to Stored Grain.

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In publishing the bulletin entitled "Some Insects Injurious to Stored Grain," by F.
H. Chittenden, Assistant Entomologist (Farmers' Bulletin No. 45), the Department of Agriculture has provided a popular account of some of the pests which destroy large amounts of valuable farm products, with suggestions as to the best means of preventing their access to granaries, mills, etc., and of destroying those which have already found shelter within the grain, already found shelter within the grain,

Culture of Mamp and Jute in the United respectively considered.

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sion of the already established culture of hemp might supply a substitute for the jute in many of the course jute mamnfactures now produced in this country, and thus re-establish one of the decreasing products of American farms. The present large demand for India jute encourages the attempt to produce that fiber in this country. For the fiscal year 1894-95 at least 160,000 tons of the fiber and butts were imported into this country for manufacture, yet it is perfectly adaptable to culture in the Southern portion of the United States, and the samples produced from American-grown jute have been proved at least expul to the India product.

Avoid Bones With Fat Adhering.

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While cut green bone is perhaps the best food that can be used for laying hens, and also the cheapest, yet there is a way to feed it. There are different kinds of bone, some being better adapted to the use of poultry than others. It is a mistake to use fat and marrow with the bone. It is true that it is not an easy matter to get rid of such adhering materials, but it would be well to always endeavor to secure bones with lean meat adhering. Avoid fat as much as possible, as the lat is not only undesirable, but often injurious when the hens are in high condition. Bones are intended as nitrogenous and not carbonaceous matter. Grain will supply all the carbonaceous matter and are digestible. They are largely composed of hime (being phosphate of lime), and are far superior to oyster shells, because the bone serves as food, which is not the case with shells. One pound of cut green bone for sixteen hens once a day will be sufficient, and the more lean meat on them the better will be the results obtained.—(Farm and Fireside.

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The most important of the upward of two score of species which occur commonly in granaries are treated; their life history, habits and food are described, and they are presented as larva or "worm," pupa, and adult, in eighteen figures, so that one unacquainted with entomology might casily recognize them.

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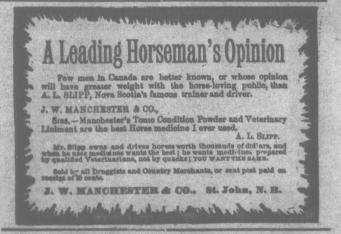
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