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and to civilizations.'

Here is the second, from an article written by E. P. Powell, the delightful octogenarian contributor to New York Independent. It may startle you somewhat, yet believe me. Mr. Powell writes in no spirit of irreverence. Perhaps you will not quite accept his generalization. I do not ask you too. The main thing is that you have one more question to think about.

"The fine thing about Jesus," he says. "is that His common sense was so complete. He knew the plants and the trees. and the animals and the birds, and on the whole was what nowadays would pass for a progressive farmer. (Really, -not from a mercenary standpoint. Ed.) He had a poet's soul, and He had an eye all the time to lilies and wheat-fields. On the top of the Mount, Confucius and Lâo-tsze and Buddha and Jesus stand together with God in one group, and feach the same Life."

#### The Peel Co. (Ont.) Garden Competition.

I have just received word from Mr James Pearson, who instituted the annual Pearson Flower-garden Competition for Peel Co., and who has just returned from a trip through the West Indies, that the terms for the garden competition this year will be the same as those of last year, viz.:

Three prizes of \$30, \$20, \$10, will be given by him for the three best-laid-outand-kept flower-gardens in the County of Peel, Ont. All farmers' wives and daughters in Peel County are eligible for the competition, and all who tried last year, whether prizewinners or not, may enter again this year. In every case, taste in arrangement, selection, and care, will count in preference to extent, thus a very tiny, yet very beautiful garden, may stand a better chance of winning the prize than a larger and less luxuriant or more badly-planned one.

Will all who wish to enter this competition send in their names with full address, including township, concession, and number of lot, to this office as soon as possible, addressing the notification to "JUNIA," "THE FARMER'S ADVO-CATE," LONDON, ONT.

Next week, if possible, we will publish the account given by Mrs. D. N. Potter, Mono Mills, of her Prize Garden of last

"The Farmer's Advocate" must go to the home of each competitor.

### The Terrible House Fly.

Dear Junia,-This is the first time I is that we readers of "The Farmer's Advocate" always turn to you when in need of advice. I should like very much to one could sprinkle in an outside kitchen that would keep the flies out. The kitchen is used for cooking in only, but it is built in such a way that it is impossible to hang a screen door, and consequently the flies come in very plenti-

Lincoln Co., Ont. Mamie, you are a girl after my own heart. You wrote this letter in Febru-

ary, so now, you see, I can get it in just in the nick of time for the fly season. Sometimes I wish we could have a dozen pages for the Ingle Nook, but we can't, so each letter must perforce await its turn-unless in cases of excep-

tional need. Now, about those flies,-I am glad you realize the necessity of getting rid of them somehow. They do carry so much dirt around on their hairy little legs, and such thousands of bacteria all ready to increase into millions more. Have you ever read the parody on the nursery rhyme, 'Baby Bye''? There's a deal of truth in it, if very little poetry.

· Baby bye, Here's a fly, Let us swat him, you and I. While we talk,

See him walk. And for microbes never balk, Do you think, with six such feet, You and I would walk on meat?

Will this fly Tell me why He will walk on bread and pie? Sure he knows

Are all covered with typhos. I should think, if I were he, I'd not fall in milk and tea.

There he goes! Shut the doors, He may cause you many woes; Take a brick,-Kill him quick!

Or he'll make you very sick. Flies you strictly should avoid, If you would not have typhoid."

If it were only "this fly" one had to deal with,—but as you say, "they" are so likely to come in plentifully. Just another bit if poetry (! ! !) and then we'll come to business:

Ten little flies All in a line; One got a swat! Then there were \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* Nine little flies

Grimly sedate, Licking their chops-Swat! There were \* \* \* \* \* \* \* Eight little flies

Raising some more-Swat! Swat! Swat! Swat! Then there were \* \* \*

Four little flies Colored green-blue; Swat! (Ain't it easy!) Then there were \* \* Two little flies

Dodged the civilian-Early next day There were a million." (From Buffalo News.)

Now, I suppose I should apologize for imposing doggerel on you, but some times, on a subject such as this at least, a bit of nonsense makes more impression than the choicest of effusions by Alfred Noyes or William Butler Yeats,-that is supposing Noyes or Yeats could condescend to write on anything so commonplace as a wretched little household fly. When all has been said, too, I think that second selection rather clever. Don't

Now, about abolishing house flies: the first place, see that conditions for producing them are removed. Flies lay their eggs in any kind of moist filth,decaying vegetable matter, etc., but above all they delight in horse manure as a breeding place, hence, if all refuse from the horse stable is removed regularly, or covered closely, there is sure to be a marked decrease in the number of flies that find their way into the house. If, then, you would be free from the pest, you must see to it that one of two things is done. (1) That a cement-lined manure pit with a close have addressed you, bu now strange it cover is provided, or (2) That the manure is removed and spread on the fields twice a week. The insects require about a week to develop from egg to fly, know if there is any disinfectant which through the successive stages of maggot and pupa, hence a semi-weekly removal of the manure is sufficient to keep the fly nuisance greatly in check.

Sometimes, however, a farmer's wife simply cannot contrive to have such measures taken; the men seem eternally too busy, or else they are too careless to take the trouble. "It's all fad!" they declare. "Flies have come into the house for twenty-five years, and no one has taken typhoid fever.'

That is all very well, yet the fact remains that some day someone in the house may take typhoid or some other disease whose germs may be similarly carried on the small legs of flies and deposited on food. Even were such a case not possible, think of the filthiness of it! Flies travel over manure, over the pollution of privy pits, over dirt of every kind, then they calmly walk over and over your meat, your pies, your cakes; they are even inconsiderate enough to drop bodily into your milk-pitcher if they have half a chance.

In such case, the only thing one can do is to try to keep them out.

In the first place, kill every one of the large flies that you see in early spring. These are females, all ready to lay their eggs and send down their progeny of "a million" to torment you. Keep the dooryards clean, so that no lump of moist decaying matter may be there to form harborage for even a few maggots. Keep the swill-bucket clean and closely covered, so that the flies may not be attracted to it, and leave no pails of milk

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