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HARD SENSE.—Ex-Senator Chandler had something wise to say about farming, as well as something significant about politics, when he addressed his neighbors at his farm in Michigan, not long ago.

He declared that farming was not only the oldest but most respectable occupation known to man. "I would rather put him an eighty-acre lot that had never had an axe or a plough upon it, than place him in the best Government office in the land."

KEEPING BUTTER.—Farmers are certainly slovenly in making and preserving butter.

And much that comes into the market is very inferior in quality; but if a good, sweet, clean article is purchased it is often spoiled by the conditions under which it is kept by the purchaser.

THE CULTIVATION OF CABBAGES.—Will you or some of your subscribers be kind enough to furnish some information in regard to the proper cultivation of cabbage.

In the Eastern sections of Ontario the cultivation of this vegetable has been almost entirely discontinued, owing to the ravages of insects, &c. Farmers, horticulturists and others are not a little benefited by the many useful hints to be found in the weekly issue of your paper.

CANADIAN CATTLE FOR ENGLAND.

(To the Editor of the Toronto Globe.)

Sir,—My first cargo of Canadian cattle this season has to be shipped by way of Boston, as all the Canadian steamers were early engaged for all the summer.

G. F. FRANKLAND.

Liverpool, May 28.

CURRENTS.—What a faithful friend the old fashioned currant is!

It survives neglect, bears fruit with regularity, never winter-kills nor mildews, resists the competition of weeds and the robbery of grass, and with a little help will triumph over its few enemies.

THE WEATHER AND CROP PROSPECTS.

A run through the country at this moment can leave but one impression on the mind, and that a very satisfactory and encouraging one. The oldest inhabitant,—proverbially ill to please—has never seen anything like this; the shrewdest and most matter-of-fact observer is for once inclined to agree with that "aged party" to Vancouver is compelled to acknowledge that the present season promises rather better than of the "splendid years" when he was young.

SKIMMED MILK AS FEED FOR CALVES.

EARLY PROFIT OF STOCK-RAISING.

We have taken occasion heretofore, through the columns of the FARMER, to speak of the advantages of feeding skim milk to calves.

SUITABLE GRASSES FOR DIFFERENT SOILS.

The different soils require different grasses. Clay soil is adapted to timothy, and will grow the clovers well, notably the white clover which is native to it.

THE CUT-WORM—HABITS, PREVENTIVES, ETC.

Among foes to Agriculture stands conspicuous, the cut-worm. He is an old offender. I was, as I then supposed, acquainted with him half a century ago when he, as he does now, cut off the corn, the cabbage plants, beans, etc., and if he could go any better, the potato. But I then know him only as a worm, and what become of him, and where he wintered, I supposed to be none of my business.

HOW FARMS GROW POOR.

The soil is the farmer's raw material, out of which he manufactures food and clothing. Much plant-food is indeed derived from the air, more even than scientific men have been hitherto in the habit of thinking.

THE BOW PARK HERD, ONTARIO.

We have received the catalogue of this herd of cattle, which number between three and four hundred animals, many of them as fine animals as can be got in any country.

THE BREEDING OF HORSES.—In an article on the recent demand for an horse from abroad, the American Agriculturist, in giving some hints on the methods of improving our stock says: "It has been too frequently the case that farmers have not only begrudged the cost of the services of a good sire, but they have also reserved for breeding, until a vast number of horses are constitutionally prone to disease, and are of little value from their birth."

AGRICULTURE.

NEW EXHIBITION BUILDING.

A large number of men commenced work on the New Exhibition Building on Monday. We have seen the pencil drawings of the Building and think it will be quite as suitable for the purpose intended as the old one; it is roomy and showy and will have a fine appearance.

WE HAVE RECEIVED QUOTE A CHEERING LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE KINCARDINE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

one of the new settlers in which he says the yearlings from the imported bull show great improvement. He looks forward with pleasure to being present at the Exhibition. We take the liberty of quoting the following from his letter, and wish others would follow his example in turning growing:

WE HAVE RECEIVED THE SIXTH ANNUAL CATALOGUE OF THIS FAMOUS COLLECTION OF SHORT-HORN, SHEEP, CLYDESDALE HORSES, AND BERKSHIRE PIGS.

The volume in which the volume is got up is most interesting, being the result of immense labor. A number of records have been analyzed pedigree of the sires for half a dozen generations back.

ON THE BOTH SIDE OF THE HOUSE WE ALSO FIND A LARGE NUMBER OF GOOD ANIMALS.

as, for instance, 2 Mantinis, 3 Fames, 1 Fril, 5 Paulines, 5 Duchesses of Dereham, &c. Vanguard, a Mantini bull, stands at the head of this division of the herd. There are also a large number of Cotswold and Border Leicester sheep, while some very valuable Clydesdale mares have recently been sent from Scotland, which, along with the others, are intended to form the nucleus of a Clydesdale stud.



Literature.

The Gray Spiders: OR LIFE AND LOVE IN FLORIDA.

What I am about to relate is simply a personal adventure which occurred to me several years ago, while spending the winter in Florida. I was quite a young man then, with a good deal of time on my hands, and a lively appreciation of anything that afforded an hour's excitement. It was not because my constitution rebelled against the rigors of a northern winter that I chose a milder climate, but because my friend, Jules Fessenden, was possessed of a hypothetical notion that the state of his health demanded such a change, that I must accompany him to prevent his dying of ennui.

At the hotel where we took up our quarters was a family from Virginia, named Wharton. The daughter, Amy Wharton, was a pretty, modest girl of nineteen summers, whose engaging manners and sweet disposition made her the pet of the whole house. Having nothing better to do, I allowed myself to drift into a flirtation with this young lady, and followed it up blindly till I had gone too far to retreat. Before I was aware of the risk I incurred by my heedlessness, I made the alarming discovery that I had fallen desperately in love with her.

For awhile she treated me with friendly consideration, and even seemed to prefer my society to that of other men. But at length, without the least apparent cause, her manner changed; warmth and gaiety gave place to cold reserve, and she treated me with distant courtesy, as if I were the least significant of all her acquaintances. Of course this made me miserable, and I passed many a sleepless night gazing my brain for an explanation of the change that had come over Amy Wharton. I could think of nothing I had said or done that would be likely to offend her, and was forced to conclude—although it was a terrible blow to my self-esteem, and did not wish to count me among her friends.

I observed, too, that another young man was paying her marked attention—a young man from her own State, who rejoiced in the appellation of Sidney Spencer. She was evidently pleased with him and received his attentions in a manner which my jealous imagination construed into open encouragement. I had disliked Sidney Spencer from the moment I first met him, and this irrefutable proof that she preferred his society to mine was a bitter pill to swallow.

Matters had gone on thus for some time when a party was organized to make a pleasure excursion up the St. Johns River, in row-boats. Nearly all the young people at the hotel, became members of the party, including Amy Wharton, Sidney Spencer, Jules Fessenden and myself. Jules and I took our guns, in the expectation of bagging some game—both being fond of the sport, and possessed of excellent rifles—and an early hour one fine morning we set out.

It was a pleasant row up the broad, winding river, whose banks flanked by luxuriant vegetation, and bright plumaged birds fitted in and out of the green foliage. I cannot say that I was in a mood to enjoy it, but the rest seemed to take a keen pleasure in the excursion, especially the ladies. Sidney Spencer occupied a seat near Amy Wharton, and deluged her with a ceaseless flow of small talk during the whole of the voyage. I tried to appear unconcerned, but an very much afraid that I made a sad failure of it, for I was burning up with jealous rage, and would have asked my pleasurable passenger to wring my rival's neck.

We landed at last, it was a wildly picturesque spot, truly tropical in its nature and very inviting in its general aspect. We struck off through the woods, leaving the boats tied up on the bank. The purpose of the ladies was to gather flowers and mosses, and the better to accomplish it, they plunged deep into the forest.

By some accident I found myself walking beside Miss Wharton. It was no design on my part—certainly not on hers—more like a blunder on both our parts; but certain it was that we were thrown together, and the rest of the party were moving on ahead of us. Neither could so rude as to leave the other, though I could not help seeing that she was annoyed.

T. W. SMITH, PLOWS. FISHER'S BUILDING, Queen Street, Fredericton, N. B. EUROPE, CANADA, and the UNITED STATES. One of the best and cheapest stocks of CLOTHS, CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, AND Gents' Furnishing Goods.

Notice of Removal. G. T. WHELPLEY. WOULD respectfully announce to his friends and the public generally that he has removed THREE DOORS BELOW THE OLD STORE, where his improved facilities to carry on a first-class grocery store, he hopes to merit a continuance of the very liberal patronage he received for the last twelve years.

TAKE NOTICE! The Highest Prices in Cash paid for HIDES & BEEF TALLOW, BY F'nton Leather Co., KING STREET, FREDERICTON. KEEP COOL ICE. ICE. ICE.

YOUTH'S READY-MADE CLOTHING Extra Value. INSPECTION INVITED. COMPETITION DEFIED. THOMAS W. SMITH, Merchant Tailor. F'nton, June 8, 1878.

Are you in need of a Good Suit of Clothes! if so call and examine as fair assorted stock of ENGLISH, SCOTCH, GERMAN, CANADIAN and DOMESTIC CLOTHS as can be produced in the city. A complete line of GENTS FURNISHING GOODS THE LATEST NOVELTIES PAPER COLLARS, IN GLASS JARS, TRUNKS PAIRS, ORNAMENT BOXES, &c.

Ready-Made Clothing, HATS, CAPS, &c. ALWAYS ON HAND. A Perfect Fit in all the latest Styles Guaranteed, at BOTTOM PRICES! All Goods Warranted as represented at the Clothing Establishment of THOS. W. SMITH, Fisher's Building, Queen Street, Fredericton.

FARMERS! WHITTIER & HOOPER. Are selling the best grades of AMERICAN and CANADIAN FLOUR at as low rates as can be bought in F'nton. CORNMEAL, best quality, very fine. OATMEAL, extra quality, at St. John's prices. Also, constantly on hand GOOD CANADIAN OATS, Suitable for Stock or feeding purposes.

Paints. Paints. 75 KIDS BEST WHITE LEAD. 1 Keg Yellow Red Green Blue and Black. 1 Keg Pure Zinc White. 1 Keg Pure Bright Red (in 2 colors). 1 Keg Pure White Lead. 1 Keg Pure White Lead. 1 Keg Pure White Lead.

Cheap Travel. IMPORTANT TO THE TOURIST. The only reliable and comfortable mode of travel is by rail. The Atlantic Coast Line, the St. John's and Fredericton Railway, and the New Brunswick Railway, all offer excellent facilities for the traveler.

Fraser, Wetmore & Winslow, ATTORNEYS AND BARRISTERS AT LAW, Solicitors, Conveyancers, etc. MONEY NEGOTIATED, and LOANS MADE. F'nton, April 13, 1878.

BECKWITH & SEELY, Attorneys-at-Law, Notaries Public, etc. Office in CITY HALL, FREDERICTON. Attend at Oromocto and Fredericton Junction, alternate Saturdays. Accounts Collected, and Loans Negotiated.

ALLEN & WILSON, Barristers and Attorneys AT LAW. Office in WILSON'S BUILDING, next to WAVEFLY HOUSE, FREDERICTON.

HUGH McMONAGLE, Successor, Corner, King's County NEW BRUNSWICK. Dealer of Yorkshire Cattle, and Leinster Sheep.

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SPRING STOCK OF Seeds, which will be found fresh and true to their kinds. GERMAN FLOWER SEEDS in original packages, very fine. COLORED MOSSES and BOUQUETS. Drovers True Yellow Onion Seed.

GEO. H. DAVIS, Druggist and Apothecary, (Cor. Queen and Regent Sts. F'nton, April 13, 1878. 1878. SEEDS. 1878. FRESH Garden, Field and Flower SEEDS.

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GEO. C. HUNT, Druggist, Queen Street. EDGECOMBE'S BLOCK, York Street. WHITTIER & HOOPER American and CANADIAN FLOUR

THE following brands in store and to arrive: Hall's, Union, National, New Nation, Globe Best, Strong Builders, Hago Dell, White Pigeon, Reliance, Big "A", Dickson, Faultless, Tidal Wave, Yemango, White Pigeon, Also: Coles County Corn Meal, Oatmeal, Collish, Herring, Corned Goods, a large variety.

New Live yStable. THE Subscriber wishes to inform the public that he has opened a LIVERY STABLE Westmorland St. near Queen St. will always keep ready for customers FIRST CLASS TURN OUTS. SECOND TO NONE IN THE CITY. He hopes by strict attention to business and reasonable charges to merit a fair share of public patronage.

J. A. RUSSELL, Superphosphate, FARMERS' PLASTER, Whittier & Hooper, EDGECOMBE'S BLOCK, York Street. Locks. Locks. Locks. Locks.

MONEY TO LOAN. \$500 TO \$10,000. GRIND STONES. GRIND STONES. GRIND STONES. For Sale by JAMES S. NEILL.

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