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SOME FARM POINTERS.

The wheat crop is hardly harvested before the wise farmer begins his plans for sowing wheat again. Experience has proved the wisdom of early sowing on many lands for wheat so as to allow the land to settle well. In some places it is becoming understood, however, that it is best to sow wheat rather late on account of the ravages of the Hessian fly. It has been determined by a careful wheat grower that the same kind of wheat sown with a month's difference between the sowing made no difference in the time of the wheat's ripening. Remember the adage that more farm implements and machinery "run" out than wear out. Exposing implements and machinery to the rains and hot sun will really prove more destructive to them than the actual use they get. All such things should be kept under shelter when not in actual use. Look them carefully over when put away, and if any repairs are needed attend to them at once, so as to have in readiness to take quick advantage of all favorable weather opportunities.

Crisson clover makes a good target for fields that are now ungrazed with noxious weeds. Sow the seed any time in October. The clover will afford considerable winter pasture and be excellent to turn under in the early spring for a crop of feed. The crop will become a summer weed preventer and will turn such ungrazed fields into sources of profit, as the turning under will enrich the soil.

Always be careful to mark some of the best reebls and corn that are to be saved for seed. Proper seed selection means improvement, both in quality and yield. Wise farmers place high value on choice seed for all kinds of crops. It pays to pay an increased price for prime, plump seed wheat. Poor seed of any kind should never be planted and it is always a wise investment to secure the best seed on the market at the time.

The cabbage worm when it once commences its depredations on the cabbage is very destructive. It will riddle the cabbage leaves so far as to be comparatively worthless. Paris green is the best remedy for it, and 50 gallons of water is recommended. It is considered perfectly safe until the heads commence to form. Many good authorities claim it may be used after the heads form, as they say cabbage heads grow large from the inside instead of from the outside after a certain time of growth. Hot water is also effectively used. Some farmers say they use a small handful of salt on each worm head. Kerosene and milk, put on with an ordinary sprayer, also part kerosene to five of milk, is a very good plan.

POULTRY POINTERS.

If you begin to fight the lice early your growing chickens should now be moderately free from the troublesome pests. Some people keep their poultry well, but seem to forget it in different ways. Promptness and thoroughness, as in all other professions, is of vast importance in poultry culture. Six months is considered long enough for a pullet to lay varying variety to get ready for laying.

Air-lacked lime scattered on the range will kill many of the germs that sicken chicks.

HORSE HINTS.

A horseman writes: "I pride myself on the care I give my horses, and I say keep the curycomb off of them if you desire a fine, glossy coat. The curycomb irritates the skin, creates more dandruff than it cleans out, splits and cuts the hair and makes the coat rough and dull looking. The curycomb is of no use to me except to give me the brush. Brush your horse well, give him a good rubbing with a cloth and you will secure a nice glossy coat."

The horse may know a good deal more than his owner, but, unfortunately for both, the horse is not permitted to use his superior knowledge. Is the curycomb a benefit or a damage to the coat of the horse? There is a growing opinion that the man who curycombs his horse makes a mistake. The teeth of the comb break off many hairs and split many more. Many hairs are rubbed by the teeth of the comb. Furthermore, it is claimed that "the comb creates dandruff by loosening scales of the skin. The scales if left to loosen by natural processes, will flake off in due time, and only brushing is needed to remove them and to spread through the hair the natural oil secretion of the skin. Must the curycomb get Who can successfully deny these statements against the sharp-toothed comb?"

All hard-worked horses in farm fields are greatly refreshed by an occasional rub with a coarse cloth or wisp of fine, dry hay. Repeated sponges during a hot day, the simple attention will do wonders for the going, sweating animal.

A PROFESSIONAL SNAP.

"What's the matter with that man Goldrox, doctor?"

"Oh, simply a nervous trouble."

"Nervous trouble, is it?"

"Yes; he's worrying about his money."

"Oh, well, it ought to be easy for you to relieve him of that."

ROYALTY ON DRESS.

Following are the opinions of some of Europe's potentates in the matter of masculine dress. The Prince of Wales once said to the Empress of Germany, "No man has a right to be slovenly in his dress, and no man who can possibly afford it has a right to be glaringly 'out of fashion' as regards his attire. A well-dressed man, even as a tastelessly dressed woman, is a pleasing sight; a slovenly-dressed man, even as a dowdily-dressed woman, is an eyesore. For instance—and his royal highness laughed good-naturedly—"what right has any man who possesses more than one suit of clothes to appear in public with a light coat and vest and black trousers? Or what right has any individual to make life unbearable for those around him by wearing a frock coat and a little straw hat? To dress well is an art, and an art that ought to be studied by both men and women."

The King of the Belgians, on his last unofficial visit to England, said to the Duke of Cambridge, "When I am in my own country I can always distinguish an Englishman in two ways; firstly, by his abominable French; secondly, by his charming style of dressing." "Your majesty," replied the duke, "we can always tell a Belgian in our country; firstly, by his charming style of addressing; secondly, by his villainous style of dressing."

The venerable Emperor of Austria, though very far from being perfectly correct himself in his style of dressing, is nevertheless very particular about the correctness of his courtiers' dress, and those who daily surround him. A certain well-known foreigner, recognized in Vienna as one of the most learned men in Austria, is also recognized as one of the most careless and slovenly as regards his attire. Once at court he appeared in a suit of the most ordinary and untidy than usual. "Sir," said the outspoken emperor, "much study has I have no doubt, considerably adorned your mind; but I should take it as the greatest favor if you would allow some tailor to adorn your body as well."

SIR ROBERT HART.

The most famous man in China today is Sir Robert Hart, K.C.B., the Inspector General of Customs. Through-out the Chinese Empire an import and export duty is levied on foreign and native goods arriving at or leaving the treaty ports, and the revenues from these duties form one of China's principal sources of income. The organization which is responsible for the collection of the revenue is the Imperial Maritime Customs. Its management is entirely in the hands of foreigners, and has been since 1859; that is, for more than forty years, fore-igners representing the leading Western nationalities have served as employees of the Chinese government in collecting its maritime revenue at the treaty ports, and during that period the Customs Service, which began in a small way, has steadily developed, and become a great and complex organization. Its successful growth and uniform record for so many years are mainly due to the uncommon abilities and remarkable qualities of Sir Robert.

Sir Robert is of medium size, not striking in appearance, and, like many other great men, is modest and unassuming and of an amiable disposition. But he is a man of firm purpose and iron force of will. The keystone of the extraordinary organization which he has created is discipline; no laxity is permitted. A copy of the rules and regulations governing the service is given to each new member, so that he knows what is required of him, and what the result will be if he should prove delinquent.

PARCEL POST ODDITIES.

Referring to some of the contradictory rules of the British postoffice, J. Henniker Heaton, M. P., says: "No living creature, except bees," may be sent by post, although in France crabs and in Germany human beings may be so forwarded. The prohibition of living creatures is no doubt due to the experience of the officials charged to open parcels forwarded by sea and land routes. The prohibition of living creatures is no doubt due to the experience of the officials charged to open parcels forwarded by sea and land routes.

WELL PUT.

In a Massachusetts college, there is a professor who is not only popular with the students, but with all the small boys of the town as well.

He has a certain quaint dignity of speech, mingled with an air of comradeship with youth and all its fun, which makes friends for him at every turn.

One day a boy who was snowballing with great spirit missed his aim—a young person of his own age who returned his favors with interest—and hit the dignified professor in the center of his august forehead.

"O professor," stammered the culprit, hastening to his student's side, "I'm so sorry the snowball hit you! It was a real soft one I know, but I meant it for Billy Bowen!"

"No harm has been done, my friend," said the professor cordially, as he wiped the snow from his forehead with an ample handkerchief. "I should say of your part in this matter that though your execution was faulty, the general idea was excellent."

It is possible that some of the words unfamiliar to the ears of Billy Bowen's antagonist, but the smile that accompanied them was easily comprehended, and the professor passed on his way, well pleased.

PARADOXICAL.

She—On a person do two things at once.

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INUNDATION OF THE SAHARA.

Sudden and heavy rain showers occur from time to time in the Sahara, but they never attained such proportions as did the rainstorm which occurred on April 12 in Wadi Ururia.

Ururia, situated between Berrian and Ghardaya, belongs to the Wadi Mis system, and is so flat that the excavations of an artesian well recently bored from the only elevation in the whole district. A French contemporary states that, according to a report of General Pedoya, commander of the Algerian Division, a body of 90 soldiers arrived on April 12 in Wadi Ururia. The weather, the paper continues, was beautiful. In the afternoon, at about half-past five, a thin rain came down. At half-past eight a cry was heard:

"The water comes!" Within a few seconds an area of more than 800 feet in diameter was filled with water to a man's height, and six soldiers perished. The report of General Pedoya says that a formidable thunderstorm accompanied by a terrible rainstorm in the Wadi district was the cause of the inundation. The bodies of the drowned soldiers were found at a distance of a few miles from the camp.

The rest of the soldiers was only saved by hurrying to the above mentioned artificial hill. Such rain showers in the Sahara, even if they last from one-half to three-quarters of an hour, have not the slightest influence upon the vegetation.

BRITAIN'S GOLD MINE.

Up in an obscure corner of North Wales the only gold mine in the United Kingdom is being worked. It is known as St. David's. Here a profitable plant, covering 780 acres, is in active operation. Eight or nine lodes outcrop on the property, three of which have been tapped. One of the "reefs" averages one and one-half feet in width, another two and one-half feet and the broadest of the trio five feet. The total results from all sources show a recovery of fourteen and one-half pennyweights of gold per ton of ore, and the total cost of mining, milling and concentration is placed at the extremely low figure of 8 shillings, 6 pence. The use of water power and the hydraulic mining system, combined with a low wage scale, enable the abnormally cheap cost of production, and the £20,000 or £25,000 of the company's capital stock is paying out of dividends of 8 shillings or 9s. a share. The St. David's mine is said to be still undiscovered as far as its ultimate possibilities are concerned.

Excessive moisture caused by the heavy rainfall in the Limerick district, has produced an abnormal growth of poisonous fungi and herbs, causing death among dairy stock, especially in low-lying parts.

Brigadier-General O'Moore Creagh, who is detailed for special service in China, is an Irishman being the seventh son of Captain Creagh, R.N. of Cahersiveen, County Clare. He won the Victoria Cross for valor during the Afghan War of 1879.

"Captain, dear," said an Irish tenant to his squire, who was off to the front at the head of the militia, "don't be for goin' to be massacred by the Boers." "Oh, I'll escape right enough, Mick; if I'm to be shot, I'll come here and let my tenants do it." "God save us, Captain, 'tis a true Irishman an' a lover o' yer country ye are, after all."

"Why, Ellen, what are you going to leave your home for?" She shook her head, and out into light and back into shadow swept the waves of her golden, brown hair.

"You see, papa has had a great deal of trouble, and somehow Squire Turner has got our house into his hands, and we shall have to leave it in a little while, because papa can't raise the money to pay off the mortgage, and you don't know how his 'troubling us' all."

Francis Marvyn pursued the matter till he had gained a pretty clear idea of all the facts of the case; then he lay still a while; his pale face settled into a strange gravity, as he kept counsel with his own thoughts.

At last he looked up in a sudden brightness.

"Don't feel bad any more, Ellen. If that wicked old fellow gets your house away I know of another a great deal nicer than this, with a beautiful garden, and white roses climbing all round the portico, that I think you can get."

"You do!" exclaimed Ellen, her eyes like pansies, wide for wonder. "How can you get it?"

"Oh, just leave that to me. It's such a pretty white wood house, with green blinds, large and old-fashioned, you know, but just the place to suit you."

"Mayn't I tell papa and mamma?" "Oh, no; you mustn't breathe a word to anybody in the world about it yet awhile; promise me that you won't, now."

"I won't breathe a word, true as I live and breathe, and draw a single breath," soliloquized the child, with solemn emphasis on every syllable. And she was conscientiously little girl. She kept her word.

"It seems good to have you back again, my child," said Mrs. Marvyn, putting her white hand fondly through the thick chestnut locks of her son, and playing with them, and looking in her face her husband knew that his wife's thoughts were going back to the time when she saw them lying all wet and dragged on the pillow.

"Come, come," he said, looking from the pale face of the mother to the pale face of her son, "I can't have two invalids on my hands at once. What in the world shall I do with you both?"

"We shall be quite equal to taking care of ourselves in a day or two, shan't we, Frank?"

"Yes, mother," but he scarcely heard what she said, sitting in the large arm chair by the window, through which the evening winds came to flutter in his hair.

"What are you thinking about, Frank?" asked his father.

"I was wondering whether you got a tenant for the house, father."

"No; what put that into your head?"

And then Francis Marvyn related to his interested parents the touching story which little Ellen Warren had told him, sitting by his bedside, and he concluded:

"It struck me, papa, that they would be just the tenants you would like to take charge of your house, and then, you know, Horace Warren saved my life."

"I know it; bless the boy! His father shall have the house. That is a bright idea of yours."

"Don't wait, father; see about it at once," interposed Mrs. Marvyn.

"I'll ride over to-morrow, Sara."

Mr. Marvyn was as good as his word. He was not too early, Squire Turner had called on Mr. Warren that very day to inform him that he must leave the premises in a short time, and the sick man and his son, and the family were overwhelmed with the glad tidings which Mr. Marvyn brought them, and their tears of joy and gratitude. A few weeks later they were settled in the pleasant old homestead, and the dawn of a fairer life began for them beneath its roof.

Farmer Warren's health improved, with the burden of care and anxiety removed from his spirits, and his small, thrifty family managed to obtain a comfortable livelihood from the cultivation of the garden and grounds about the old homestead. Horace Warren and Francis Marvyn were the best of friends, and the former gave such indications of talent that Mr. Marvyn assisted him to enter college.

The young man graduated together, while under the old homestead Ellen Warren blossomed into a beautiful and what is far better, a good and noble woman.

And in less than three years after he had graduated Francis Marvyn took to wife the daughter of his father's tenant, and Ellen Warren went out from the old homestead, which had been her husband's grandfather's to the new home, whose joy and light and ministering angel she was to become.

I must admit, said the mannikin girl, that I'm very fond of men's clothes. You don't like them, do you? Yes, I do, replied the girly girl, frankly, when there's a man in them.

Customer—Have you the same razor you shaved me with two days ago?

Barber, flattered—Yes, sir; the same identical one. Customer—Then chloroform me first please.

I would die for you! she exclaimed, following her head upon his shoulder. Oh, no, you needn't darling, wait the quick reply; I like red hair.

