

Rural Economy.

THE HYACINTH.

The hyacinth is one of the most beautiful, delicate and fragrant of the bulbous flowers, and is therefore exceedingly popular. They should be planted in October and November. Make the soil deep, mellow, and tolerably rich, and so that the water has a chance to drain off.

Hyacinth flowers may be cut freely without injury to the bulbs. Indeed, all flower stalks should be removed as soon as the flowers begin to fade. In about five or six weeks after flowering, and when the leaves are becoming yellow, the bulbs may be removed in about three weeks after the flowers have faded.

Hyacinths may be flowered in pots and glasses in the house, and they make the most beautiful winter flowers that can be imagined. Nothing can be more delightful, either for beauty or fragrance.

A NEW FOWL.

A fearful giant in the shape of a barnyard fowl has been introduced into Scotland from Central India, called the "Bengal Gamecock," a out of which is given in the August number of the American Agriculturist.

GOOD INVENTION.

The Chicago Tribune says:—We have just been shown a horseshoe which will be very likely to work a complete revolution in the practice of horseshoeing. The shoe consists of a hinged plate, with four or five little flanges or projections extending upon the outside of the horse's hoof, clasping it like so many little fingers, making a neat and perfectly effective attachment to the hoof.

WHAT IS "ONE HORSE POWER?"

The use of the term "horse power" is very common, yet few except good mechanics and engineers, attach a definite meaning to it, but regard it as indicating loosely, about the power which one horse would exert.

A horse hitched to the end of a rope over a pulley one foot in diameter placed over a deep well, traveling at the rate of about 2 1/2 miles per hour, or 220 feet per minute, will draw up 150 pounds the same distance he travels.

The dynamometer is an instrument made for measuring power, particularly that exerted in drawing. Those used for testing the draft of agricultural implements are simply very strong spring balances, or spring steelwires, graduated to indicate the power required to raise any weight within reasonable limit, at the rate of 2 1/2 miles per hour.

In ascertaining the draft of a plow, or reaper and mower, by driving faster than 2 1/2 miles per hour, the dynamometer would indicate more than the correct draft; and by driving slower, the draught would be less than it really is.

universally accepted rate with reference to which dynamometers are graduated, and an easy one to which to approximate in driving with almost any kind of team.

Miscellaneous.

BERRIDGE AND HIS PASTORATE.

The funeral services of Lord Buchan, with the faithful application made of them by the impressive oratory of Whitefield, produced a deep seriousness at Bath, and brought large numbers of the nobility to Lady Huntington's chapel.

"My lady," wrote Berridge from Everton, December 26, 1767, "I had a letter from your ladyship last Saturday, and another from Lord Buchan. His letter required an immediate answer, which I sent on Monday, and then went out to preach. I am now returned, and sit down to answer yours.

But what must I say? Verily you are a good piper, but I know not how to dance. I love your scorpion letters dearly, though they rake the flesh of my bones, and I believe your eyes are better than mine, but I cannot yet read with your glasses.

I do know that I want quickening every day, but I do not see that I want a journey to Bath. I have been whipped pretty severely for fighting out of my own proper regiment, and for rambling out of the bounds of my rambles; and while the smart of the rod remains on my back, it will weigh more with me than a thousand arguments.

All marching officers are not general officers, and every one should search out the extent of his commission. A Gospel minister who has a church will have a diocese annexed to it, and is only an overseer or bishop of that diocese; and let him, like faithful Grimshaw, look well to it: An evangelist who has no church, is a metropolitan or cosmopolitan, and may ramble all the kingdom, or all the world over; and these are more highly honored than the other, though they are not always duly sensible of the honor.

But enough of these matters. Let us now talk of Jesus, whom I treat in my letters as I deal with him in my heart, crowd him into a corner, when the first place and the whole room belongeth of right to himself. He has been whispering, of late, that I cannot keep myself or the flock committed to me; but has not hinted a word, as yet, that I do wrong in keeping close to my fold.

THE CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM.

All nations are capable of absorption, save the Jews. No nationality is so tenacious as theirs. The French, Germans, Italians, Turks, and English are all assimilated, and become organically Americanized. But a Jew is always a Jew, retaining his peculiar Jewish type, and countenance, on which the Creator has indelibly written his Abrahamic descent.

Without a national organization, they are a nation. Scattered over the wide world, each one seeming to be isolated from all the rest, the children of Abraham are a family as distinct and separate from other branches of our race as they were when Joshua led them across the Jordan.

This morning we overheard a venerable little Isaac remark, in passing, "I so train my children, that I need not be ashamed of them." "Hebrew, thou art wiser than many a Christian," we muttered to ourselves. In the training of their children, the Jews certainly excel. It does one's heart good to see how Jewish children revere and obey their parents, and how thoroughly they are indoctrinated in the Law.

Once it was a source of pride and hope to be a child of Abraham. Now it is a mark of contempt. Why should it be? We are not surprised that many a pious Jew still considers it the highest blessing of God that he has Abraham for his father, according to the flesh. We hold that, in an important sense, the Jews are still a chosen people. Their remarkable preservation as a nation is not without its object.

"Many a time, and oft, In the Rialto, rated him, About his moneys and his interests." In mingling and speaking with these Jews, one finds much to approve of and admire. Some are generous, tender-hearted, possessed of a keen sense of honor; but it is always Hebrew honor.

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