

Democratic Watchman

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Farm Notes.

By placing broken bones in a hogs-head, or in any suitable vessel, and covering them with unleached wood ashes, using a layer of bones and a layer of ashes, alternately, the bones will soon be reduced to a pasty mass and can be used with immediate results on the land. The heat necessary to reduce the bones may be hastened by using urine and quicklime on the mixture, in the same manner as suggested for the manure heap. Or, if preferred, the bones may be reduced by applying four pounds of cheap agricultural sulphuric acid to 100 pounds of bones. If the urine from the stalls, the rakings of the stables, blood, or other refuse, be added to the manure, and the whole spread out on a floor, the sprinkling of the mass, by using a broom as a sprinkler, with a mixture of gill of acid and a quart of water, there will soon be a reduction and pulverization of the mass to a fine condition, while the acid will convert the ammonia and other ingredients into sulphates, thereby not only rendering the mass fine but also preventing loss of volatile matter.

The value of manure that is in a very fine condition, and which is well rotted, compared with that which is coarse and lumpy, is well known to all farmers to be superior in every respect, because the manure that is fine has already passed through one stage that it would have to undergo if placed on the ground in a coarse condition. Compost is always used on those plants which require an abundance of plant food as soon as they begin to germinate. To reduce the manure in the manure heap the quickest method is to handle the mass by turning it over, saturating the whole with liquid manure, with an occasional sprinkling of quicklime, which will cause heat to rapidly generate, which may be controlled by making holes in the mass and pouring in cold water, should the heat become too great. The lime will do no injury if the heat is carefully watched, and it will be but a short time before the entire heap will be in a fine condition.

The mode of applying manure depends upon the kind of soil. Heavy, clay land, that has a deep subsoil of clay, will hold the manure for years, because it cannot be easily carried down by the rains; but on light, sandy soils the soluble portions of the manure are sometimes carried off before it can be appropriated by the young plants. This may be partially avoided by applying only a portion of the manure in the spring, and applying another portion later in the season, working it well into the soil until thoroughly incorporated with it.

The manure heap is the laboratory of the farm, for in it many chemical changes occur. When manure is applied in the spring in a coarse condition the plants do not always derive immediate benefit, but when the work is bestowed upon it by the farmer, and the manure is rendered fine, with a large portion soluble, it will be just so much saving of the time that would be required for the manure to rot in the ground. When manure is applied in the fall it will become fine before spring, but at the present time the farmer should bestow some attention to the heap.

When plowing for corn the ground should be gotten into fine condition, and if the manure is broadcast and well worked into the soil, the roots will reach it better, and appropriate the plant food more easily. Too much manure cannot be applied to corn land, and by keeping the land well cultivated there will be fewer weeds for a succeeding crop. In fact, a corn crop is one of the best for destroying weeds and clearing the land.

There are hundreds of farmers who understand more than they put into practice. They are slow to make innovations on established rules and customs. No progress can be made on any farm, however, until newer methods are tested and tried, and it is important to progress in order to succeed.

The rot on grapes can only be prevented by vigilant work. The debris around the vines must be raked up and burnt, and the use of an slacked lime made on the ground, while the sprayer must be put in use not only early, but often, during the whole season.

If you intend to use the fungicides and insecticides preparations must be made early. There will be no time to get ready after the season opens. Blossoms must be sprayed as soon as they appear, and a day or two in delay may cause the loss of a portion of the fruit.

Broom corn should be a profitable crop. Not only is the seed valuable as food for poultry, but the brush commands a ready sale. At the present time the supply is short, and prices well up. It is a crop that is as easily grown as corn.

No animal should be compelled to drink water that is unfit for human being, and especially the cow which gives milk, as she simply hands to her owner that which he gives her in the shape of "raw material" from which to manufacture milk.

Rust on celery is caused by blanching with earth during warm weather. Boards or paper should be used until in the fall. Sow the celery seed in hot beds, and plant out to the open ground after frost is over. The ground should be very rich.

It is the small things on the farm that demand the closest attention. A leak will empty a hog-head, and yet it may scarcely be apparent.

Crude petroleum is recommended as one of the best and cheapest lubricants for wagon wheels, and also farm machinery, that can be used.

The Depth of Human Misery.

"The 'legger' is an English canal tunnel has a hard time of it," says a traveler. "I went through two canal tunnels last summer. The canals are just the width of one of the small barges used, and but very little higher than the board which runs from the alleged cabin to the tow-line pole. As it is impossible for a horse to tow the barge the animal is led around or over the hill, and a legger lies on his back on the board referred to, and, raising his legs from his hips, pushes the boat along by pressing on the dilapidated roof of the tunnel. As I sat and watched the man in this unnatural position I felt the depth of human misery had been discovered at last. The work is arduous, the light very bad, the atmosphere almost fetid, the labor degrading and the effect almost equivalent to making a man a cripple. Yet the most the 'legger' can make is seventy-five cents a day, and when traffic is light or there is ice on the canal he makes little or nothing. The old jail treadmill was bad enough in all conscience, but this is a thousand times worse."—Chicago Herald.

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—A neat compliment was uttered once by General Romaine. Meeting Lady de Brieux, whom he had known and admired in the loveliness of her youth, he commenced complimenting her. "You forget that I am an old woman," she said at length. "Madame," returned the gallant soldier, "when our eyes are dazzled by a diamond it never occurs to us to ask a mineralogist for its history."—London Standard.

—I have been a great sufferer from catarrh for over ten years; had it very bad, could hardly breathe. Some nights I could not sleep and had to walk the floor. I purchased Ely's Cream Balm and am using it freely, it is working a cure surely. I have advised several friends to use it, and with happy results in every case. It is the medicine above all others for catarrh, and it is worth its weight in gold. I thank God I have found a remedy. I can use with safety and that does all that is claimed for it. It is curing my deafness.—B. W. Sperry, Hartford, Conn.

Bather III Timed.

At a recent wedding, at which the bride had retained her "maiden meditation fancy free" a number of years beyond the usual marrying age, the organist most thoughtlessly or most ungalantly played as a prelude to the arrival of the wedding party, "Tis the Last Rose of Summer," thereby causing a visible smile among the listeners.

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—Prof. F. Nicholls Crouch, famous as the composer of "Kathleen Mavourneen," is still living at the age of 83, but is said to look very much younger. He has been married four times and is the father of thirty-three children, one of whom was the notorious "Cora Pearl," of Paris.

—One of my children having had a severe case of whooping cough I was induced to try Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, the child was entirely cured by the use of two bottles. In view of the above, I deem it a pleasure to forward this testimonial of its efficacy.

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A Story About the Big Deal.

When Asa Packer died he left \$15,000,000 invested in the Lehigh Valley railroad with the recommendation that it be allowed to remain there for an indefinite period. As is known Mr. Packer left but one child, a daughter. Some years ago she married Charley Cummings, a popular Lehigh Valley conductor, but who was poor and was not favorably received by some of the relatives. Cummings believing himself the representative of the Packer estate sought favor with the active management and attempted to advance himself in the presidency of the road. These advances were repelled, however, and the young man felt deeply the snub he received from President Wilbur. He told them that he would get even with them, and now he has done it by turning over a rival corporation the president, directors, managers, employees and the entire equipment of the Lehigh Valley. Cummings has had his revenge, and not only that, but he is to be the right hand man of President McCleod in the management of the great Port Reading road.

Mr. and Mrs. Cummings have been for several years enjoying their enormous revenue from the Packer investment in the Lehigh Valley. They have a sumptuously furnished private car and have traveled over the whole country in the most elegant style. Being a practical railroad man Cummings has since his fortunate marriage been anxious to become prominent in railroad management, but until now President Wilbur, it is said, has been in the way.

Great Fires in History.

The great fire in Moscow, which occurred in 1812, was the most gigantic conflagration in history. In it 80,800 buildings were destroyed, valued at \$150,000,000. The estimated loss in the great Chicago fire of October, 1871, was \$125,000,000. The buildings destroyed numbered 17,450. The number of buildings destroyed in the great fire in London in 1666 was 13,200, valued at about \$55,000,000.

The property destroyed by the great fire in Boston in 1872 was valued at \$10,000,000. That fire burned over sixty-five acres and consumed or ruined 776 buildings of all kinds. In 1870 Constantinople had a conflagration which entailed loss of \$25,000,000 and burned 1,000 persons and 7,000 buildings, valued at \$17,000,000. In 1852 Hamburg, Germany, had a fire which consumed 1,747 of the finest buildings in the city.

—Chauncey M. Depew has accepted an invitation to preside at the Eisteddfod at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., at the gathering of the Welsh singers there in May.

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