Farm Notes.

-Much as may have been stated in regard to the decline of the sheep in dustry, there are some facts in regard to sheep which should be made plain, and although the subject has not es-Skirts of dove-colored coating, gored on the front and sides, are worn under the long covert coats of Russian-blue, dark green or claret-colored cloth that are made with large-topped sleeves and to know that the sheep industry is separate and distinct from the industry of wool growing. Second, that the wool is only a product of the sheep, and is but a small portion of the value of good. caped this department in the past, yet this is an excellent season of the year sheep. Farmers are selling their ewes off as fast as they can get rid of them in some sections, while wiser farmers, who have given up wool for sheep are going into the sheep business on a more extensive scale.

WOOL ALONE NOT PROFITABLE. In order to produce the fine wools the American farmers have given their attention mostly to the merino, which is a very small sheep, active, and well adapted to scanty herbage. After the wool is removed the carcass is too small to allow of a fair profit, while make sufficient growth, in order to pay who does not consider the demands of the market. While some are eneven at a great advance in prices, average over 25 cents greater profit on the sheep, owing to the inferiority of the lamb and mutton of the fine wool animals, other farmers who give no value to wool at all, and can really throw it away if they so desired, are making sheep pay.

A GREAT FIELD FOR SHEEP.

-Despite the claims of some of our farmers that there is no money in sheep (wool,) the reports of the last fiscal year show that Canada has sent over 300,000 sheep to this country, and paid \$1.50 per head on them, and 75 cents per head on lambs. But the sheep were mutton sheep of the best quality, and our farmers have not, as vet, equaled Canada or England in supplying their markets with choice mutton. In fact, but few people who buy in our markets have ever seen such carcases as are displayed on English stalls, owing to the culls from wool sheep being shipped to the large cities in place of the breeds which should be used. A single lamb of the large mutton breeds will bring more money than all the mutton, wool and lamb of a merino combined. England does not grow would think her method of treatment. keeps mutton sheep, and keeps them on farms that rent for more than the value of some farms in this country. Do not sell your ewes, but begin and grade up by using rams of the Oxford, Shropshire. Hampshire and other vet covered with jet. large breeds.

-Sometimes when the land is very rich, young apple and pear trees make very rapid growth, and produce more wood than should be the case, while larger trees that have grown much finished by a deep ruffle of cream-white wood will not bear fruit proportionately. In such cases a grass crop in the orchard will do no harm, especially to the young trees, but the sod should be turned under the second year. If the season is dry the grass may secure the greater share of moisture, hence when the orchard is in grass and a drought appears, the grass should be plowed

-The estimates for this year's crop of oranges is about 4,000,000 boxes. Apples, however, seem to be a better crop than oranges. The fruit grower who gives his attention to the best variety of apples, and who knows how to keep them until winter, will make more profit than can be made from oranges on the same area of land.

-Some farmers have curtailed the area of land devoted to wheat, because of the low prices that prevailed for last year's crop. A safe rule to follow is to plant more corn and grow more wheat than before, as it often happens that high prices follow simply because less wheat is grown the next year, owing to the reduction of area.

-Do not waste time and money trying to grow profitable crops from land whose first need is thorough draining. whose first need is thorough draining. Save your money and put it into good tile properly laid, and in a few years it will be returned to you with compound interest. Farmers who have tried this

Poultry droppings, when allowed to become very dry, are almost insoluble, and remain in the ground for months without benefiting the crops. It is best to mix them with dry dirt and keep them moist (not wet) with soap-

-There is not an over-production of everything. Some crops may be abundints of terra cotta and brown bronze dant, but there will always be some.

-Have all kinds of seeds ready so suit that we are daily compelled to unthere will be no delay when planting dergo all sorts of painful emotions caustime comes. It is a good plan to try the seeds and be sure they will grow.

-Much has already been said about the sanitary condition of the cellar, and now is the time to carefully heed past advice in that direction.

-Good bulls are cheap now, and this is a good time to go to grading up the herd

-Stock need an increased ration during extremely cold weather.

For and About Women.

Sarah Grand, author of "The Heavenly Twins," is so absent minded that a visitor discovered her looking for her lost pen among the "p's" in a dictionary.

Double-width bordered silks are imported for circular skirts.

White suede gloves having a broad black stitching are dressy to wear with black suits.

Sweet peas in all their colors are tied up in bunches with pink ribbons to decorate ball gowns. Parma violets blussom out in the midst of furs on hats and bonnets, on muffs, and against fur garment, and fringes of real violets, fragrant and frail, decorate the ball gowns

ROSA BONHEUR AT HOME.-Jules the lambs require too much time to Claretie has been visiting Rosa Bonheur in her retirement at the little village of reach the early market; the consequence being but a small return for all—wool, mutton, and lamb. The size, quality and weight of the sheep is sacrificed for but a scanty fleece of wool. It is plain that no farmer can make sheen is plain that no farmer can make sheep by workmen, special permission having pay who does not consider the demands been obtained from the Legislature for her to wear masculine attire. Years deavoring to secure a few cents more per pound on wool, which would not, slaughter houses in Paris to study cattle from life for her paintings, Mlle. Bonheur adopted this dress, and she has never yet changed it. She is an old lady of 70 odd years, but M. Claretie says she is still bright, alert and youthful in manner, and she is not idle a minute of the day.

> Women are compelled to remove their hats before they are allowed to oc-cupy their seats at the opera in Paris, but they wear such enormously puffed sleeves in their dresses that a small, man or woman has less show than ever of enjoying the performance.

It is told of Hannah More that she had a good way of managing talebear-ers. It is said that whenever she was told anything derogatory to her invaria-ble reply was; "Come, we will go and ask if this be true." The effect was sometimes ludicrously painful. The talebearer was taken aback, stammered wool to any extent, but every farmer | would think her method of treatment would be a sure cure for scandal.

A peculiarly novel costume in accordion plaited black chiffon, with big

The large moire bows are the newest things in woman's toggery. These have loops about a half yard aross and ends reaching to the waist or below it. They are made of black moire and are either lace or have several rows of insertion set in near the edge. These look very chic on some women, but only the ultra-stylish creature can wear them. They will California Wines, Gins, Rum and Brandy, a undoubtedly be copied by the rank and life, who will convert the original idea All goods bottled and bearing the signature. into a hideous night-mare, and the haut ton will then be obliged to look for another novelty.

All women should bear in mind that the brightest and most striking colors, like yellow and scarlet, are seldom to be used in a mass except for very striking effects and as a luxury, and in the orna-ment rather than in the body of a toilet. If they are of the blown and blowzy sort, the high colors will only make their defect more noticeable, and if they are of the washed out and gray skinned type then the contrast is disagreeable. The former variety can tone themselves down, the latter would best accept their fate, and they will find themselves in the dull blues and soft rose colors much pleasanter objects to the eye than in any thing abrupt, or even the grays and browns that make them seem all of a piece and as if they were fading out of

White indeed is one of the colors that are becoming to almost all women, eswhite a fair and rosy woman seldom looks so well in anything as in pale pink: she may be almost plain, and a white dress and pink ribbons will make her seem lovely. Pink, the delicate pink with a yellow cast in it, is peculiar-ly suitable to the red haired woman who has a clear complexion; yet such a women should avoid scarlet and crimson as she would fire. Pale blue suits her, but she will look delicate and perhaps pinched in it; in pale green she will be as fresh as Galatea—other things being equal, in dark green, as blooming as a wood nymph; and there are that will shade up to her hair and min-

thing of which the supply is less than gle with it as if she were a picture.

So few women really understand the art of choosing the colors that will best ed by the poor taste of these females who might otherwise be attractive.

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