

Farm and Forest

The Double Ruin Wrought by Fires—The Mountains that are Being Carried Down to the Ocean.

Arbor Day in this State will be April 10th or 24th according to the locality. In Southern and Eastern Pennsylvania and in the valleys the early date will probably be selected.

On some farms trees are regularly planted every autumn to commemorate some event of the year or in honor of some guest or to betoken some great good or some special reason for thankfulness, or maybe to stand as the memorial of sorrow or a parting.

Dr. J. T. Rothrock, as State Forestry Commissioner, sends this reminder to the farmer readers of the Philadelphia Ledger of the value of forests as producers of fertility:

"It may safely be assumed that every particle of fertility on a hillside, or even on a flat, with a moderate inclination, is on its way to a lower level, and ultimately to the ocean.

"The oats will give what the pine sprouts need, shade from the sun. Tide them over with a crop or two and they will probably be able to shift for themselves.

"Streams which came directly on the mountains were almost wholly clear, while the Aughwick was turbid.

"There was, however, an aspect of the problem which was not so evident. That was, that as the process of destruction and impoverishment of soils begins on the steeper hillsides, so also, under normal conditions, the process of repair should commence there.

"The natural function of such places is to produce timber. It is in these that the restorative agency of the forest manifests itself. The action of the roots tends to break down and comminute the rock, and so also the smaller rootlets reduce the pebbles in size.

"This points another moral. When land is cleared of its trees there is, or may be, a justification for that if they were mature and served to support an industry so important to the country as the lumbering business has been; but when fires are allowed year after year to sweep over the same area, not the slightest excuse can be offered for this.

"The natural tendency of a hilly region, over which the tree life has been destroyed, is toward a desert condition. The elements, unaided, often seem unequal to the task of producing soil and fertility as fast as required or washed away.

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either of our chief streams and follow it from its origin downward to the ocean, studying as he went the deposits of sand, gravel and sedimentary humus he might encounter. No mere passing observer ever gains any adequate idea of the vast volume of soil which is thus in constant motion from the highlands to the lowlands.

At the meeting of the Bucks county National Science Association, of Doylestown, Saturday, Dr. Rothrock, speaking of the unreasonable and exorbitant tax upon timbered lands of the State, said: "Every hour a tree stands it is a citizen, earning its living; holding water for the Commonwealth and protecting the land.

"What shall we plant? I would banish every foreign tree, except for street shade, possibly, the Oriental plane. Foreign trees grow more rapidly at first, possibly, but our native trees are longer lived.

"The white pine seed is located under the scales of the cone. The first year and while the cone is green the seed is immature, requiring two years to be perfected.

"Walnuts must be planted where the trees are to stand. It is difficult to transplant, owing to its tap root.

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Professor F. W. Morse, of the New Hampshire Station, says maple trees with many branches and in the open, so as to have fullest exposure to the sun's rays, yield the richest sap; those in a thick grove the poorest.

Going to South Africa.

During the last year or two there has been something of a migration of miners from the Western States to South Africa, and advertisements of rates and routes to South Africa are printed in most of the mining papers.

A Boy's Horrible Death.

He Succumbed to Hydrophobia After days of Suffering.

HAZLETON, March 14.—Bernard McDeer, aged 8 years, died at his home in Jeddo, after several days torture, from hydrophobia. The lad was bitten three weeks ago by a rabid dog that ran through the town, snapping fifteen other canines before it was killed.

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America Must Do Her Share.

Appalling and terrible as were the Armenian massacres in Turkey, the only two countries which have raised money for the sufferers from the fleish crime were England and the United States.

The only two countries with enough Christianity and civilization to aid the sufferers were the two great English speaking nations of the world. In the van in all else, the are equally to the fore when mercy calls.

There is subject for just national pride in these figures. We are not responsible. No broken treaties, no disregarded pledges, no violated confidence stains our path.

The work is but just begun. A great population has been left naked, houseless, foodless. Money is needed for seed wheat in the Spring, to carry tens of thousands until food begins to come from the fields, to clothe those who have lost all.

"This new light they have discovered that enables one to take a photograph of a man's bones without skinning him will be a terrible factor in the wars of the future," said Wilkins.

"A woman shoemaker is one of the novelties in Williamsburg, N. Y. She is an elderly dame, and she works in a shop with her elderly husband, not far from the ferry-house.

"Five hundred land agents are said to have gone from the South to the Northwest to induce the farmers of the latter section to remove to the former.

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WOMAN'S RIGHTS.—In a recently published medical work, the author asserts that nine-tenths of the women of America are subject to uterine and kindred diseases and in consequence, maternity becomes to them a dreaded burden.

—The Orange Judd Farmer places the value of farm animals in the United States at \$1,504,420,000, or \$62,189,000 less than in 1894.

Had Seen a New Light.

Tramp—Yes'm it's hard to break away from all yer bad habits at once; but I've given up some of them.

Lady—Which one have you given up?

Tramp—Well, mum, I do 't get shaved on Sunday any more.

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We have Pillsbury's "best" Minnesota Flour and the leading brands of home manufacture. Bradford Co., pure Buckwheat Flour, new kiln dried Corn Meal, extra fine sugar cured Hams, breakfast Bacon and dried Beef, white, fat, new Mackeral, rich mild Cream Cheese, genuine Maple Syrup, pure-sugar table Syrups, fine roll dairy and creamery Butter.

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It has been almost impossible to get satisfactory Oranges this season, but we have secured some fine Floridas, also some Mexican fruit that is equally as fine as the Floridas and quite reasonable in price. Our stock of Cranberries, (at 10cts per quart,) white Almeria Grapes, New York Catawbas, (2 baskets for 25cts), Lemons, Bananas, and Sweet Potatoes have received careful attention.

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MUST USE THE KNIFE.

SAID THE SURGEON, BUT DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY WAS TAKEN AND THE KNIFE AVOIDED.

The Union and Advertiser of Rochester, N. Y., recently published the following interesting account of how William W. Adams, of 127 South avenue, that city was saved from a painful operation by the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

Mr. Adams said: "Three years ago I was taken with kidney disease very badly; at times I was completely prostrated; in fact, was so bad that the day was set for the doctors to perform an operation upon me. But I decided I would not submit. I had been put in hot water baths, and, in fact, nearly every means was tried to help me.

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

to many people, for it saved my life."

In speaking to Mrs. Adams, she said "About a year ago I was in a very feeble state of health, being completely run down. I had doctored considerably, but without permanent relief. One day one of my neighbors advised me to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, which I did. My trouble was dyspepsia, and for a long while I was unable to be about at all; but after taking a few doses I was completely cured, and now enjoy good health."

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COMMISSIONERS SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ACT OF ASSEMBLY PASSED ON THE 20th DAY OF MARCH, 1854, the commissioners of Centre county will sell at public sale at the court house, in the borough of Bellefonte on

TUESDAY, MARCH 24th, 1896.

the following described tracts of unseated land purchased by the county of Centre at Treasurer's sale and which have remained unredemmed for the space of five years and upwards.

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