FARM NOTES.

—If crees are pruned properly while young the necessity of cutting if large limbs will be avoided.

-The first month of milking will decide the question of whether the heifer should be kept in the dairy or turned to the butchers' block.

-The sheep can be made to attain a large size. At the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, twenty years ago, an Oxford Down ram was exhibited that weighed 425 pounds. It is not unusual to find individuals of that weight now, and whole herds have been known to average 350 pounds per sheep.

-A sheep which sheds its wool is one which has impaired digestion. It is most common in sheep past their prime, when taken from pasture and put on dry, hard food. The bowels become constipated and the animal feverish, and the wool is loosened. Nothing can save the sheep after it

-It is the common custom to keep hay before horses continually. Besides being wasteful, this practice is injurious to horses that are large eaters. If not at work, they will sometimes founder upon it. A better, safer and cheaper way is to give them all the good wheat, oats or barley straw they will eat. during the winter, with a proper ration of oats or other grain.

-An ambitious farmer, with ten acres of land, says Western Plowman, can make an excellent living with a combination of dairying, swine and poultry raising, and bee keeping. The demand for gilt-edged butter will be a continual spur. A demand for a few hogs to consume the wastes will create itself. To the keeping of poultry and bees he should need no urging.

-There is never a time when corn stalks are quite so good as when they are first cut. Even when not exposed to rains there is a gradual drying up of their juices, or else a partial decomposition that is more productive of loss. Hay and grain will keep with less waste, and will be better to keep for late feeding. Dry corn stalks, after being alternately frozen and thawed during winter, are not worth much for feeding.

-American ivy, or Virginia, creeper, has beautiful digitate leaves that become a rich crimson in autumn. A very rapid grower, like the begonia and ivy, it throws out tendrills and suckers at its joints by which it fastens itself to anything it touches, and is one of the finest in vines for covering walls, verandas, or trunks of trees, and affords shade quickly. It is found along fences in the country about

-He who follows diversified farming is usually self-sustaining, even in the poorest of years, rather than he who stakes everything on a single crop. He has the sustenance for himself, his family and his working stock; he has a money crop from all other stations on the Pennsylvania syshis fields and his flocks; he fattens his tem at reduced rates. own herds from his own home-grown crops; he has his orchard, his garden and | ing event, and will undoubtedly attract his berry patch, and is to be envied by his a large number of people from every section richer neighbor.

-There should be no set date for storing vegetables for winter. It is poor policy sylvania railroad make this line the favorto start with the first appearances of frost, as a certain amount of frost will not harm and its enormous equipment and splendid cabbage, celery, beets, etc.; in fact, it will help them along, provided, of course, that they do not get hard freezing. As a rule, agreetables at the description of the state of the stat vegetables stored away before settled cold weather are apt to rot. Should they once start to decay it is a difficult or almost impossible matter to check the trouble.

-Farming pays as well as any other industry. Machinery has invaded the factory as well as the farm and made it possi-ble to supply all demands. If wheat was now harvested as was done fifty years ago the crops could not be taken off the fields. As civilization advances the "wants" become greater, and it is doubtful if the inhabitants of the world could now supply themselves with all the comforts desired if machinery did not contribute the larger share of the products.

-Good beef cattle should not weigh less than 1600 pounds each, and as it is not difficult to make every animal in a herd weigh 2000 pounds the cause of lack of profit in cattle can be easily pointed out—inferior stock. At the fairs many of the "prize" steers are the result of using pure-bred Southern or Hereford bulls with common cows and pushing them with liberal feeding. Any farmer can do the same. No prize steer has ever yet been seen that was not a pure-bred or grade animal.

-Good gardens and poor farms never keep company long. The growing of berries for family use is easily done. The growing of berries largely, and selling them in good market, requires considerable skill and a special business tact. Only those who have good location, good market and a taste for the business should attempt Many small farmers so situated are making a success by commencing moderately and increasing acreage from season to season as experience warrants.

-There is no better way to make manure soluble and quickly fitted to give its fertility to crops than to throw salt on it. Salt hastens decomposition when used in small quantities, and its attraction for moisture helps to keep the manure from firefanging. Applying salt and land plaster in equal proportions to manure heaps is an excellent plan. The ammonia liber-ated by fermentation will be absorbed by the plaster, making a sulphate of ammonia, which is a very powerful and quick-acting

-Milk is sure to absorb any odors with which it is brought in contact. Cream and butter, having a greater proportion of fats, absorb odors even more quickly than will milk. This fact emphasizes the necessity of keeping both milk, cream and butter out of reach of foul odors of any kind. This can hardly be done while the milk is kept where the odor of cooking vegetables of all kinds can reach it. Almost any kind of odor from cooking, when combined with butter fats, soon becomes exceedingly of-fensive, as in the fat the character of the odor is greatly changed.

-A ton of butter sold from the farm de- ring?" prives the soil of about 50 cents' worth of fertility, while a ton of wheat costs the farmer ten times that sum. When the farmer sells an article that does not take a large proportion of fertility from the soil diamond." he is just as much the gainer as though he had gotten his price for the same, as the plant food in the soil is always prepared and storad as so much raw materials for producing the next crop. In fact, when a farmer sells the ferlility of his soil he is really selling the farm itself, as he is conpelled to supply in some form to the farm
that which he takes from it to be sent to
first thing that she will ask is what the
men angels like best to eat.

Tours to California

California has been most fittingly termed the 'Italy of America.'' All the delicious balm, the cloudless sky, and the rich verdure of the great European peninsula are duplicated in this sunny land of the Pacific. Here nature basks in the sunshine of her own beauty; and here she has established her own sanitarium, where eternal spring inspires everlasting youth. With the snow-mantled peaks of the Sierras upon the one hand, the calm Pacific with its soft breeze upon the other, and a veritable paradise of flowers, fruits, and plants beween, man can find and needs no lovelier land. To visit such a country is a privi-

lege, a blessing.

The Pennsylvania railroad company recognizing the need of a more comfortable and pleasant way of crossing the continent, inaugurated a series of annual tours to California, running a through train of Pullman palace cars from New York to the Pacific coast, and stopping at the principal points of interest en route. The great popularity of these tours demonstrates the wis-

dom of the movement.

For the season of 1897 three tours have been arranged to leave New York, Philadelphia, and Pittsburg, January 27th, February 24th, and March 27th.

The first tour will run direct to San Diego via St. Louis and the Santa Fe Route, and return from San Francisco via Salt Lake City, Denver, and Chicago, allowing five weeks in California.

The second tour will run via the Mammoth Cave and New Orleans to San Diego, stopping at the "Crescent City" during the Mardi Gras Carnival. This tour will return via Salt Lake City, Denver, Omaha, and Chicago, allowing four weeks in California.

The third tour will run via Chicago, Denver and Salt Lake City, allowing pas sengers to return by regular trains via different routes within nine months. All of these tours, either going or re-

turning, will pass through the famous Colorado region, Glenwood Springs, Leadville, and the Garden of the Gods. Rates from all points on the Pennsylvania railroad system east of Pittsburg: First tour, \$310; second tour, \$350; third tour, \$210 round trip, and \$150 one

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ing:
"I want 'Rock me to Sleep.'" The clerk got the song and put it before | COLLECTIONS, LOANS,

song by that name had been published.

"Wh—what did you say, Miss?"
"'Kiss Me,'" said she.
"I can't do it; I never kissed a young lady in my life," said the clerk.

And about that time a veil dropped, young lady left in a hurry, clerk felt sick, and the dealer lost the sale of his music.

Methodists Against Foot Ball. Want the Game outlawed and Prohibited to the

Students. The North Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Church, meeting at Greenville, Miss., Bishop Galloway presiding, has adopted the following resolutions: "Resolved, That as inter-collegiate football, now so extensively played, is proving de-trimental to the morals and intellectual training of our boys at college, we, the SOLD TO EVERY PART OF THE GLOBE. North Mississppi Conference, especially advise all schools under the supervision of our church to outlaw such games and to forbid their students to engage in them.'

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—Tenant—"If you don't have that roof patched we will be drowned out."

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More Precious Than Gold

Gold is commonly considered the most valuable of metals, because it is the most precious metal produced in sufficient quantities for general use. There are many metals, however, that are far more costly than gold. Gallium, for example, is quoted at \$2,000 an ounce avoirdupois. Traces of Gallium are in zinc ore, tons of which must be worked over to obtain a small quantity. Gallium is a very odd metal. At the ordinary summer temperature of 86 degrees it becomes liquid like mercury, the latter becoming solid at 38 degrees be low zero.

Geranium comes next in its cost. It is quoted at \$1,125 an ounce. Numerous other metals range down in price till palla-dium is reached. That is worth \$24 an ounce and is about equal in value to gold. Most of these metals mentioned have no commercial value, but are curiosities of the laboratory, having been originally discovered by accident. It has been suggested that some of them might be coined, but the supply is so uncertain that the plan is not feasible. That was the difficulty with

platinum, which the Russian government

mined in the first part of the century. Iridium is used to some extent to make instruments that must not corrode. It is BROOMS, BRUSHES, BASKETS. obtained from an extraordinary natural mixture of iridium, osmium, rhodium, platinum and ruthenium. This mixture is a pure white and much of it is found in washing for gold in the beach sands of Oregon. It resists the action of all single ac ids and its only important use is for tipping gold pens. For this purpose the grains of it, which are flat, like gold dust, are picked out with magnifying glasses. It makes a great deal of trouble at the mint, where it has to be separated from the gold

-"Mamma," said little Mary, "what does amen mean?"

"It means that you join in with what has been said, dearie—that you approve of and believe it." "Oh, yes, I know," said the little girl. "It's the opposite to nit!"

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By virtue of a writ of Fi Fa, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the court house, in the borough of Bellefonte, Pa., on SATURDAY, DEC. 19th, 1896.

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at 10:30, o'clock a. m., the following real estate:

All that certain messuage or tenement and tract of land situate, lying and being in the Boro. of Philipsburg, county of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a point on the north line of Pine street 101 feet south 60° west of N. W. corner of Pine and Front streets, said point being located by an iron pin being driven into the ground and being the point where the west line of a private eleven foot alley intersects or cuts the north line of Pine street, south 60° west 84.35 feet to an iron pin, said pin being the southwest corner of this lot and the point where the east line of a private eleven foot alley intersects or cuts the north line of Pine street, south 60° west 84.35 feet to an iron pin, said pin being the southwest corner of this lot and the point where the east line of a private line of said public alley north 30° W 43.67 feet to an iron pin, thence further along the same north 21° 23′ W 50.55 feet to an iron pin, thence further along the same north 20° 23′ east 42.31 feet to a point on the south side of the public alley between these premises and property of I. O. O. F., thence along the last mentioned alley north 60° east 44.2 feet to a point on the west line of a private alley between these premises and lands owned by L. C. Brinton and others, thence along the west line of said private alley south 30° east 12.0.45 feet to an iron pin on the north line of Pine street and place of beginning

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Whereas, The Central Penna. Telephone and Supply Company has applied to the authorities of the Borough of State College, Penna., for permission to crect poles and run wires on the same, over or under the streets, lanes and alleys of said borough as provided by the 4th section of an act entitled, "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" as amended by an act approved 25th June, 1885.

THEREFORE be it ordained and enacted; the Town Council of the Borough of State College College, Penna., and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same.

Section 1. That the Central Penna. Telephone

College, Penna, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same.

Section 1. That the Central Penna. Telephone and Supply Company, its successors or assigns, its or their agents, servants and employees are permitted to erect and maintain in the streets, lanes and alleys of the borough of State College, Penna, and over or under the same, a line or lines of poles and wires, with all such necessary and usual fixtures therefore as may be necessary for the successful prosecution of a telephone or signal business by means of electricity.

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Section 3. That said Telephone Company shall, at such time as it may be requested, by resolution of Council pravide place and maintain in the

her.

"Now," said the young lady, "I want

"The Wandering Refugee."

"Yes, ma'am," said the clerk, bowing, and in a few minutes he produced the "Refugee."

"Now, 'Kiss Me,'" said the young lady, of course meaning the song above mentioned.

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Cartoons will continue to be a feature.

Seelal Stories. A New England story by Miss Mary E. Wilkins, will begin in January. A tale of a Geeek uprising against the Turks, by Mr. E. B. Benson, the author of "Dode," will follow. A sequel to "The House-Boat on the Stvx," by Mr. John Kendrick Bangs, illustrated by Peter Newell. More Suors Troods will appear in the WEEK-LY than it has been possible to publish during 1896.

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