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FARM NOTES.

The slightest degree of filth in a milk can will injure the milk...

Milk being a liquid is not considered as valuable as some foods...

The larger the top on a tree or bush, the greater the amount of plant food...

A tree that has been carefully trimmed and relieved of all useless wood...

A pound of comb is said to cost the bees ten pounds of honey...

Ground grain will be better digested if mixed with fine-cut hay...

A writer in the New York Tribune has no doubt that bad air in stables...

There should be no hesitancy on the part of the farmer in cutting down...

Contrary to all former notions in regard to duck raising, the thousands...

Some crops, like the grains, exhaust the humus in the soil...

The striped bug which destroys cucumber vines may be destroyed by placing...

It is not safe to manure potato ground heavily for late crop of potatoes...

Samuel Cushman says: You mark your turkeys so that you can identify them...

In his annual address President Goodrich, of the Illinois Horticultural Society...

In summer the churning should be done at low temperature...

Apparent perfection is claimed for the Cotswold breed of sheep...

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About Puerto Rico.

One of the important questions demanding attention is the disposition of the island of Puerto Rico.

The Spanish minister to the United States, Senor de Lome, was fond of citing Puerto Rico, now Spain's last possession in America...

But it is neither because its people have been happy under the Spanish yoke...

In his vague references to law-abiding and contented Puerto Rico, the Spanish diplomat was careful not to go into a detailed history of the island...

Puerto Rico has been held by the Spanish crown since the days of Ponce de Leon, who was so delighted with its loveliness...

As early as 1820 the Puerto Ricans attempted to gain their independence.

This year before Cuba had been fired by the torch of liberty. Indeed, at about this time the Cubans were taking oaths of eternal allegiance to the legitimate Spanish dynasty...

In Puerto Rico preparations were made for a great, simultaneous rush to arms. The Spanish government was so universally detested...

These exiles, dwelling in many different countries, have been the centers of active movements for the freeing of Puerto Rico...

The first article of the statement of principles of the Cuban revolutionary party, written by Jose Marti, declared that fomenting revolution in Puerto Rico...

This led to the organization of the Puerto Ricans as a part of the Cuban party. Native of Puerto Rico in and out of the country are hard at work for the independence of the island.

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Puerto Rico's mineral wealth includes rich deposits of gold, iron, copper, coal and salt.

Animal life is abundant and varied. Huge herds of excellent cattle swarm over the lowland plains, and in the more temperate mountain districts the celebrated Puerto Rican horses are bred.

The people themselves are superior in blood and industry to those of any island in the West Indies, Cuba not excepted.

Nature has done more for Puerto Rico than any little island could expect of her. The people have the qualities of an industrious and highly-civilized race, yet the island's resources remain mostly undeveloped.

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Spaniards are called, occupy every judicial as well as military post.

These alien office-holders drain the colony of its public money, and their venality has corrupted the public service to such an extent that bribery is now necessary in procuring a decision in every court of justice.

The taxes which are burdensome, are raised by duties on exports as well as imports, and by a series of petty personal taxes such as none but a spiritless people would willingly stand.

The regular military force in Puerto Rico under the command of the captain-general numbers 4,500 men, including two batteries of artillery and two squadrons of cavalry.

The fortifications of the island, while impotent before modern ironclads...

It is not to be wondered that the people of Puerto Rico, carrying, like Sinbad, the weight of a Spanish old-man-of-the-sea, have little surplus energy to expend in intellectual or commercial activity.

Class of George Dewey.

It was 44 years ago that Rear Admiral Geo. Dewey entered the naval academy with 71 other boys...

Before the termination of the four years' course at the academy 49 of these novice officers had resigned and one had been dismissed.

By such process of evolution and selection it is that we obtain our heroes. The foundation for the victory at Manila was laid in the section room at the academy...

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carry on a waiting policy, avoiding battle with the armorclads of this government...

So far as officials can learn, the only effective reinforcements he can expect are the battleship Pelayo, the armored cruiser Carlos V., the protected cruiser Alfonso XIII., and torpedo boat destroyers Audaux and Proserpina.

Help for the Wounded.

How to Stop Hemorrhages.—The Blood Vessels, Cuts and Rough Lacerations.—The Way to Work Expeditiously and Effectively.

The fourth lecture in the course (to those who have offered their services as war nurses to the Red Cross Society, was on "Blood Vessels and Hemorrhages."

THE HEART.

Our circulation, it seems shows our condition just exactly as that of a newspaper shows its condition.

HEMORRHAGE.

Hemorrhage is simply an escaping of blood from the body. Blood from an artery spurts.

GOOD TO REMEMBER.

A good tip to remember is that most men who die on a battlefield, or in ordinary crowds, die of hemorrhage.

LOCATION.

Proceedings were demonstrated on a small boy. If the wound is on top of the head, simply press it until the bandage can be put on.

Rank in the Army.

The highest grade in the Federal navy at present is that of Rear Admiral.

Cuba Must Have Freedom.

The Insurgents Urged by President Maso to Prepare for a Decisive Blow Against Spain.

The text of a proclamation issued by Bartolome Maso, president of the Cuban republic, has reached Tampa Fla.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 22.—Senor Domingo Mendez Capote, vice president of the Cuban republic, with three companions, arrived on Friday at Falmouth, Jamaica...

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