

Bellefonte, Pa., July 15, 1898.

## FARM NOTES.

-The best way to grow horse radish from the little roots four or five inches in length and not from the crown.

-The highly recommended Curtis sheep dip may easily be prepared by any farmer. It consists of tobacco leaves, 50 pounds; sulphur, 10 pounds; water, 100 gallons. The tobacco leaves should be steeped for an

first appearance of black knot cut off the branch containing it and consign to the flames, using Bordeaux mixture also as a suits. Black knot sends out its spores early in summer, which are scattered by the winds and to delay in destroying it is to multiply the evil.

-Burdocks can be destroyed only by persistent work and are considered nuisances and pests wherever they appear. They come regularly and remain, requiring work for their extermination when it can be given only by neglecting the crops. A remedy is now used for their extermination which is very simple. Cut down the plant and pour a small quantity of kero-sene into the head. The plant will then die and give no further annoyance.

-Oats can be made to provide an abundance of food by being grown and cut while the heads are in the milky stage. The straw is then in a palatable condition, containing portions of the nutrition which have been arrested on their way to fill out the heads. When cut in this green condition the straw and heads are cured like hay, can be bundled and then stood in the barn for winter use. The proper way to feed oats cured in that manner is to pass them through a fodder cutter and they will be eaten readily by horses, cattle and

the tail on the other. There should be plenty of daylight between the udder and the tail. One of the best ways to tell what kind of a cow you have is her temperament. A good dairy type has a sharp spine, strongly developed nervous system and sharp hip bones. A good cow has a large, wedge shaped stomach, for she must have a large and powerful digestive system to use up her food quickly and make the best returns for it.

-The Missouri experiment station has been experimenting for the past two years with asparagus growing, and has successfully grown asparagus in the open field in midwinter by running steam into shallow tunnels between the asparagus rows. The asparagus field was first covered with six or seven inches of heated horse manure, and the steam forced into the soil from the greenhouse boiler. By this means a large yield of asparagus was obtained throughout the months of December, January and February; the finest quality being gotten in the middle of January, when the weather was coldest. Many of the sprouts were twelve or fourteen inches long and an inch

—July is the month for planting turnips. As the seed is small, the ground must be plowed and then harrowed down to as fine condition as possible. The most important point in growing turnips is in fine soil. Sow the seeds in rows which will permit of pring heres here and seed with a head using horse hoes, and seed with a hand drill which is regulated so as to cover the seed perfectly. Use plenty of seed, as the fly does considerable damage some years to plants when they are appearing. If too thick in the rows the plants may be thinned with a hoe. Cultivate as soon as the growth of the plants will permit. If this is not done weed and grass may get the start, especially that persistent pest known as crab grass. A light skinning of the surface close to the plants after every rain, using a hand hoe, will prevent weeds and grass. After the turnip plants have made considerable growth they shade the soil and can hold their own against the weeds, but the best crops are secured when the turnips are kept clean. The ground should be manured and the manure worked in with the harrow before planting the

-In summer the pasture is severely taxed, not only to provide for a large herd, but also to make growth when the land has not been supplied with plant food in the form of manure or fertilizer. Some farmers relieve the pasture from close and constant cropping by growing some kind of green crop, such as sweet corn, oats or cow peas, the cattle being turned on the crops when the plants are young in order to take them off the pasture long enough to give the grass a start. As the crops so grown can be used at any stage it requires but a short time to provide such green food for the stock. But little labor is required, the land being stirred with a dise cultivator and the seed broadcasted and the land then rolled. The cost of such a temporary crop is but little, while the rest that is given the pasture will be of great service to the plants. If there is danger from trampling of the green food it may be cut and fed to the cows. A mixture of oats and peas, broadcasted together, has long been used by the farmers, but any

acre 480 tons of water are used, equal to golf. A dozen collars and a dozen stocks, nearly four inches of rainfall. To save then for neck wear, with a variety of ties. moisture first plow the land to a depth that may be permitted without throwing the subsoil to the surface, allow no weeds and keep the surface soil always loose and large the surface soil always loose and large

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

Stains of rust may be removed from fine inen and similar fabrics without injury to the material. The articles must be first well soaped, as if they were to be washed in the ordinary way. An iron is heated and on this laid a wet cloth. When the heat makes the cloth steam the rust stain is laid on it and a little oxalic acid is rubbed on with the finger. The heat and the moisture hasten the effect of the acid on the rust, and when this has disappeared the soaping and washing may be continued.

This is a distinctly white summer. White is used for everything. Golf, bicycle, hour and a half, the leaves strained off and the sulphur added, after which it is all to be kept well stirred and used while dresses will be developed often in white, pique, duck, woolen pique, a new material —Black knot has done more than its share to discourage growers of cherries, and share to discourage growers of cherries, and of stuffs will all be used for the dainty yet it is easily kept in check or entirely eradicated if attended to in time. On the fastened with pearl or jet buttons are con-sidered very modish with blue jacket

> Fashion is veering around to the tunic or double skirt. Many skirts are seen with three flounces instead of the single deep-shaped flounce. The lowest one of these is deep, and the other two moderately so. For the sake of variety some of the skirts so trimmed have the two upper flounces cut in crescent shape, so that the points reach nearly to the waist in front, while describing a deep curve behind. This is the reverse of the usual mode of making

> A skin whose pores are next door to small-pox pittings can be much benefited by tineture of benzoin, used in water (20) lrops to a quart basin of water, used twice daily.) Massage is a wonder-worker for this annoying blemish. "Hollows" in the front of the neck are easily filled up, when you begin to breath deeply, instead of from the top of the lungs. Try it, keep at it, and tell others and tell others.

Although the baby is an exceedingly tiny member of the establishment, it requires more steps and more care than any other, and sometimes more than all the rest put together. Especially is this the case if the child is at all ailing or irritable, —One or two signs will denote a good cow, Professor Haecker says, as well as twenty; in a poor cow the thigh runs down straight, so there is no space between down straight down strai the thigh and the udder on one side and deal of hard work and unnecessary trouble as they grow older. There is nothing so beneficial to the baby of any age as a rea-sonable amount of judicious letting alone. This does not by any means presuppose neglect or even the lack of sufficient attention, but it does include among other things that rest and quiet and freedom from continual nervous strain that wrecks so many babies, and is one of the principal causes of the remarkable number of deaths

that our staticians are forced to chronicle. Careful feeding, warmth and quiet are three imperative necessities for healthy and happy children. Continual fussing over babies is the cause of a great many bad tempers and a great deal of illness. There is very much more in the infant incubator idea than the general public is willing to admit. It seems a dreadfully cold-hearted and cruel thing to put the dear little creatures into a boxy place and shut them up there, where one cannot get at them to kiss and coddle them, but at the same time this kissing and cuddling business is just what does the most harm. Of course, all of the mothers all over the country cannot have incubators and brooders for their babies, twelve or fourteen inches long and an inch in diameter, bleached perfectly and very tender and delicious. The amount of steam required was very small, and for persons located near a good market the winter growing of asparagus would prove the winter growing of asparagus would prove the company of the compa but they can exercise a little selfmaking a toy and plaything of what is unquestionably the most interesting being in the world.

A charming costume is of old time book muslin, trimmed with many narrow ruffles, everyone of which is embroidered with pale green ribbon quilling. Threads of lace edge the ribbons, and alternating with the ruffles are set lines of lace insertion. Another is an organdy figured in pale blue and white, and strikingly relieved with ribbon quillings of dark blue. Two or three white mulls get beautifully delicate effects from insertions or overlayings of black lace; while half-mourning dresses, both for young girls and matrons, are boldly trimmed with a checkerwork of black ribbons, either upon the flounce or by covering skirt and bodice.

In millinery the Gotham devotee of fashion affects three styles - the toque which is worn with the simple tailor made gown; the mushroom hat laden with trimmings and drooping over the face, which is suitable for afternoon drives or outdoor functions, and lastly the hat turning bold-ly back from the face and revealing the hair, which is affected for evening wear at gatherings where hats are permissible.

Sashes go with everything. You can tie them or pin them and you can make them out of any material. Silk is always good, and if you want to gather a little ribbon ruffle along the edge so much the more fashionable.

The long, round, deep flounce, following the outline of an apron, so much to the fore this summer for skirts, looks easy enough, but none but an experienced hand can make it with success. Each width is shaped in gores and cut to fit exactly the rounding upper part. If it doesn't the effect is utter failure.

It goes without saying that only low shoes look well in summer, and of these there should be a pair of russet pigskins, made with round points, what is commonlong been used by the farmers, but any kind of green crop will answer, as the object is to take the cows off the pasture and at the same time provide a substitute for grass in a manner not, to diminish and at the same time provide a substitute for grass in a manner not to diminish the yield of milk by the cows.

When the days are warm and dry there is constant loss of moisture by evaporation. This evaporation occurs not only from the plants which give off moisture, but also from the surface of the ground. It has been estimated that over two-thirds of a pound of water per square foot is lost from the soil during dry weather. When the top surface is loosened it becomes a covering of dirt, and lessens the loss of moisture. The importance of preventing the escape of moisture may be shown by the fact that in order to produce one ton of hay on one acre 480 tons of water are used, equal to then for neck wear, with a variety of ties.

ing the appearance of a one piece skirt.

Torture in Hot Ships.

Some who Swam to Shore Were Shot Down by the Cubans on the Beach Who Were Driven

After the destruction of their fleet in the battle off Santiago, the Spanish sailors who swam from the burning ships were met by Cubans on the beach, who shot or mutilated them. The exhausted sailors turned back toward the advancing boats, terrified and pleading for mercy to

the Americans. Lieutenant Wainwright, of the Glouce ter, formerly the yacht Cosair, who had sunk the two destroyers, saw a Cuban shoot at an insensible Spaniard lashed to a floating spar and fired a blank shot to-ward him. Captain Evans sent his ma-rines ashore to guard against atrocities and o rescue the perishing.

MEN ROASTED ON RED-HOT DECKS. One of the officers who went to the Vizaya said : "The American shells had torn holes through her 12-inch Harveyized stern armor plates. Through them I could see naked men, bloody and gashed, roasting in the shell. Her guns had been left shotted, and were going off by themselves from heat but we took care and got alongside. "Her deck and sides were red hot. Two

men stark nude, were climbing down a kavit-tackle, and as the ship rolled they would swing against her scorehing side, then swing out and back again.

WERE STRIPPED FOR FIGHTING. "I took 110 off the Vizcaya, all bare as when they were born, and I know no worse sight than nude men with bleeding wounds exposed. One swam towards me.
'Are you an officer?' I asked. 'No,' he
answered, ''only a mournful soldier.''
From none of the wounded came a whimper or a groan. In my dreams I had seen the Vizcaya in just this distress and had succored her crew as then, and in doing so I disposed them about my little deck precisely as I had done in my dreams."

The third officer of the Maria Teresa

who with 450 of his men, is on the Harvard says that the Spanish ships were over-whelmed with the intensity of the Ameri-OVERWHELMED BY OUR FIRE.

"We could not breathe," he said, "and were blinded with the fire. We knew from the first we had no chance of escape."

The captain of the same vessel, who is voyage was made for political purposes, to save the monarchy.

WERE DRESSED FOR PARADE. On the Oquendo and Colon the officers and men took pains to dress as for parade. All the crew of the Colon were in fine, fresh clothes, even to underwear. While the vessel was sinking they put on their best, broke into the quartermaster's stores and filled their pockets with pies and cakes. The officers said that they had not had a full meal in a week, but probably were trying to arouse pity, as besides pastries, they had live cattle and chickens. But they had not a cent of money.

CERVERA IN A TAR'S HAT. The last I saw of Cervera he was sitting

on the quarterdeck of the Iowa, quiet and placid, wearing an American jacky's dirty Aboard the Colon the surrendered men were crying "Viva Americanos." Some of

the sailors were so drunk that they had to be hoisted in a sling.

The Spanish chaplains, surgeons and officers assisted in caring for their own wounded, but appeared all to be taking things contentedly, not having expected to be alive to-day.

IMPRESSIVE SCENE ON THE TEXAS. After the fight Captain Philip, of the Texas, called all hands to the quarterdeck, and, with bared head, thanked God for the

almost bloodless victory.
"I want to make public acknowledgment here," he said, "that I believe in God the Father Almighty. I want all you officers and men to lift your hats and from your hearts offer silent thanks to the Almighty.'

## Cruel Check-Reins.

Although the statement that over 500 veterinary surgeons signed a petition condemning the tight check-rein as painful to horses and productive of disease, has repeatedly been made public, horses are constantly to be seen whose drivers appear either ignorant or indifferent to the fact that while they sit at ease the poor animals who pull them are doing it under circumstances not only of discomfort but of absolute suffering. To those possessed of any feeling it is really disheartening to see, as the present writer has, on the hottest days of this season, checks so tight as to draw the necks of the poor victims into the most strained and cramped position—evidenced by continual twisting and turning—and expose their eyes to the blinding glare of the sun. One wonders what possible mo-tive there can be for such cruelty. Do any of the perpetrators of it really believe that if it were their fate to draw a burden they could do it more easily or be less likely to stumble if their heads were strained back by a strap and their eyes exposed to the strongest light? Sensible people who are accustomed to driving know this form of torture is quite often adopted by the inexperienced in their fear that they cannot properly control their steeds. It certainly is never a sign of really good horsemanship.

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