Bellefonte, Pa., March 3rd, 1899.

FARM NOTES

The early weeds do the most harm to crops that are planted late, as the weeds always secure a good start and entail considerable work after the land is prepared. Even if the land is plowed early and the regular crops do not go in until later there will be an opportunity to destroy millions of weeds that appear as soon as frost leaves

-A cow that calves in the spring has the best milk producing feed at a time when she will do well with any good ration. As the flow begins to slacken, the quality of the feed grows poorer, and flies and heat help to cut it down still lower. In the fall, when the milk begins to drop rapidly on account of the time from calving, the cow goes from green pasture to dry feed-a change that tends to reduce the yield and dry up the flow entirely. Winter dairying avoids injury to flavor of butter from weeds in summer and fall pastures.

-The foundation of wealth on the farm is the manure heap. It is the savings bank into which everything is placed that can be retained for use at some other time. It represents a large proportion of the gross tion of the product which is not sold off the farm. There is much yet to learn regarding the proper management of manure. It is yet to be decided at which period of the year it should be spread on the land, and its real value as a mechanical agent in the soil must be determined by future experito add everything to the heap that cannot be used for some other purpose and then to avoid loss of the plant food in the heap. It matters not when the manure is spread on the land if all the materials are thoroughly decomposed. When the manure is coarse and full of litter it is unavailable to plants until it decomposes on the soil, and it is therefore a gain of time when such can be accomplished in the heap before spreading.

—The first symptom that manifests itself in any form of indigestion in cattle is the cessation of rumination or loss of cud. We have known people to foolishly force down the throat of an unoffending animal a chunk of fat pork or even a greasy dish rag, with the idea that it would supplant the so-called lost cud and restore the patient to health. If the case is one of mere bloating the symptoms soon manifest them-The animal soon becomes dis tressed, will grunt, eyes will protrude, it will have difficulty in breathing and the abdomen, particularly on the left side, will become distended to abnormal proportions

Striking over the region of the stomach with the hand will produce a drum-like sound and unless the patient is soon relieved death may be very sudden. When the rumen becomes impacted the symptoms will be somewhat different. Bloating will not appear so suddenly and pressed upon by the hand, instead of the resonant sound given off in a pure case of bloating the stomach will be noticed to pit under the pressure or leave the impression visible after removing the hand. When other parts of the stomach become affected there is frequently more or less nervous disturbance, which may be manifested by delirium,

come convulsive fits or paralysis. Whenever there is cessation of rumination, bloating, diarrhoea, constipation or refusal of food there is usually something wrong with the digestive organs. The first essential in the treatment of indigestion in any form is to as far as possible re-move the cause by proper diet. In impaction of the rumen purgatives are indicated. From one to two pounds of Epsom salts and an ounce of ginger dissolved in two quarts of luke-warm water is a good purgative for cattle. Besides this stimulants such as aromatic spirits of ammonia in two ounce doses, or whiskey in three ounce doses mixed with water should be given every hour or two to encourage action of the stomach.

-The farmer who gets his seed in the ground early has an advantage in several ways, as he must first plow his ground as soon as the teams can go on the land. A week's difference in the plowing has much to do with getting the soil fine, for should a heavy frost come on the plowed land it of time to have the water carafes on the will greatly assist in pulverizing the lumps, table instead of going to the buffet or into as well as destroy many insects which are thrown to the surface in such cases. The early plowing also gives the farmer more time to thoroughly harrow the ground un-til it is in a very fine condition, and that is one of the most important matters connected with the breaking up of the soil in the spring. One of the lessons that farmers have received and which is confirmed by their own experience is that the land will yield a much larger crop when plowed early and worked over until fine than when simply plowed and harrowed once. Deep planting, especially if subsoiling is practiced, permits surface water to go down, and as the water goes down the soil becomes warm. Later on, when moisture is not so plentiful at the surface, the roots of plants will be better enabled to obtain a dozen of these mats with a dozen hemsupply than would be the case with hardpan subsoil, but the working of the soil with harrow and cultivator also does much to prevent loss of moisture, as well as preserving a larger proportion of plant food to the crop by reason of the soil being more friable and capable of absorbing a greater amount of moisture than does soil filled

There are advantages also to be gained by planting early. When the seeds are in the ground some of them will fail to germinate and may be replaced by others, the full seasons for growth being obtained, but should the seeds go in late and many of of them fail the whole season may be lost, because to replant may incur the risk of frost in the fall. Much loss occurs to farm-ers from late planting, and should the rains in spring not be up to the average in frequency, with a dry period early in summer, the farmer will have to lose more time by waiting for rain before he can prepare his ground or replant that which is not filled out in the rows. The best results from fertilizers are also obtained when the crops go in early, as it takes a large amount of water to dissolve them, and if a scarcity occurs at any time the effects of drought will be more marked on plots on which fertilizer has been applied than on land not fertilizer has been applied than on land not given such material, for the reason that the plants will have made more growth and their demands are correspondingly greater. The loss of fertilizer unused by reason of insufficiency of moisture will also be an expense or charge against the crop which will reduce the profits. Crops never "burn up" because of too much manure or fertiliary makes the hands look smaller. They only make the hands look pudgy and discovered the profits or broad belts. They both tend to increase the apparent size. Black or pin stripes, the latter running up and down, are the cidedly pointed-in-front belts. Don't if you are stout, wear plaids or broad belts. They both tend to increase the latter running up and down, are the cidedly pointed-in-front belts. Don't if you are stout, wear plaids or broad belts. They both tend to increase the latter running up and down, are the cidedly pointed-in-front belts. Don't buy gloves or shoes that are too tight with the fond impression you are going to make your hands and feet look smaller. They up' because of too much manure or fertili-zer, but from lack of moisture, and the zer, but from lack of moisture, and the carrier the seeds goes in other conditions permitting the less liability of damage should there be but little rain after the growing season sets in.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

Miss Elizabeth Larkin, whose will was probated in Chicago the other day, left \$35,000 as a trust fund to furnish education to deserving boys and girls who may be financially unable to attend the higher

The overskirt in outline is sure to be one of the features of summer frocks, as a real double skirt is a nuisance after laundering. Besides, in the linens and crashes it will diminish the weight to a great extent. So all there's to do is to cut a slender over-skirt, as your fancy dictates, and join it by means of an embroidered band, or lace, or a mere stitched fold, to the flaring piece with which you choose to drape your feet.

"Gymnastic movements for developing the muscles of the neck," says a wellknown beauty expert in the New York "Herald," are: 1. Slowly but firmly bend the neck forward until the chin nearly touches the neck; then gradually raise the head. 2. Slowly but firmly bend the head backward as far as you comfortably can. Repeat this movement 20 times. 3. Bend the head sideways to right 20 times and to the left the same number of times. 4. Roll the head slowly to the right, then to the

left, 20 times.' After these exercises the neck should be bathed in warm water and olive oil soap, and rubbed with a soft towel. Following this by anointing the neck with retiring receipts of the year and exhibits that porwill soon be rewarded by being the proud possessor of a beautiful, white neck

I have heard men say they feared and ran away from sarcastic women, remarks a wide-awake member of the gentle sex. ment. The best way to handle manure is taining, but her intellect is often warped and she delights in uttering sharp and hard things; and she will sacrifice a friend's feelings for a witty fling. Men are usually more considerate. They are held in restraint for fear of being called to account or held responsible. But women too often give their tongues free rein, and sarcasm in their hands is a dangerous gift. They are flattered, their friends laugh and praise their witty speeches, until they acquire a habit which in time becomes offensive and savors almost of malice. You feel that if a woman will secure praise at the expense of one friend, she will at that of another, and thus no one can be safe in her hands.

If you have intellect and accomplishments, give them to the elevation and delight of the circle in which you move. There is nothing more beautiful than consideration for others' feelings which leads one to speak of faults or weaknesses with some tenderness and forbearance.

Tall, slender women will be glad to learn that the skirts of several of the "special" French costumes are trimmed around half their length, from hem to knees, with rows of Hercules braid or silk guimp. Velvet ribbon rows in clusters of three or five, with a tiny line of jet at each end, are also used, and a gored skirt model made of dark green corded silk has rows of narrow fringed ruches set on about eight inches apart.

Little things count so much in setting a gracious table. The folding of a napkin, the placing of the bread, the use of a chilled plate for a food that is cold-every little point is of importance.

Napkins are no longer folded in fancy shapes, and the bread or roll is seldom wrapped in them. At the family table where many sit down individual rings prevent confusion and are entirely advisable. When entertaining guests no rings are, of course, need. The napkins are laid beside each cover as they come from the laundry, or with one extra fold doubling them in half.

Forks are laid always at the left side of the cover; knives at the right whether for ceremonious entertaining or for the every day meal. Arrange the forks and spoons with the bowl up. Glasses fall to the right of the plate. The water glass just touches

the point of the knife.

If individual salt cellars are used they should stand at the top of the plate and each cellar should have its own spoon. Don't oblige your family or your guest to begin a mining operation in order to get a pinch. Keep the salt well pulverized. If larger cellars are used, provided four of

Where the family is large it saves a deal the pantry for them. If the water is to be iced, have the bowl of cracked ice, with its ladle, placed near the carafes.

Comparatively few women know about the new asbestos mats. So many meals are now served without a cloth and with only a set of simple little linen doylies that these little articles are almost a necessity. The Sunday night tea and the midday luncheon are both served now with uncov ered tables by housewives who are quick to take up a new and pretty idea.

A doylie goes under each plate, and if hot dishes are to be served, one of these asbestos mats is laid under each doylie. This protects the polish of the table from the heat of the dish. The mats are not ex-

stitched doylies is a favorite wedding gift. "Bread-and-butter plates" are much used

seems able to oust them. They solve a problem, too—what shall be done with the bread or rolls at the beginning of and during the meal?

A very pretty costume is made of olive green cashmere, of the finest, silkiest quality. The skirt is lined with striped percaline, combining many delightful color effects, and it fits perfectly smooth over the

hips.

The waist is tight-fitting and doublebreasted. It is bound with black silk and wool braid, and the seams are stitched very heavily, to give the bodice a tailor-made

finish. The underskirt is of dark green poplin. with a silk ruffle of a lighter shade overlaid with another ruffle of black cotton lace around the foot. The effect is most desirable, since the silken ruffle affords the necessary frou-frou, and the skirt does twice the service of an all-silk petticoat.

Don't if you are stout, wear plaids or the gracefulness of a natural step.

Spain will be Paid.

House Passes the \$20,000,000 Appropriation Bill-Senate Will Act on the Army Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-A separate bill appropriating \$20,000,000 for payment to Spain under the provisions of the treaty of Paris was passed to-day by the House under suspension of the rules. No amendment was in order, and an attempt to secure unanimous consent to offer an amendment declaratory of our policy not permanently to annex the Philippine islands was objected to. Mr. Wheeler, Democrat, Kentucky, upon whose point of order the appropriation went out of the sundry civil bill, made the only speech in open hostility to the measure, but upon the roll call 34 members—31 Democrats, 2 Populists and 1 Silver Republican-voted against it.

The votes of 213 members were cast for it. The Senate bill to reimburse the Governors of States for expenses paid by the States in organizing volunteers for service in the war with Spain before their muster into the service of the United States was also passed under suspension of rules.

Mr. Grow, Republican, Pennsylvania, called up a bill to pay the heirs of Samuel Tewksbury, of Scranton, Pa., \$5,697 for a war claim. Mr. Maddox, Democrat, Georgia, opposed the bill as an unjust discrimination against a similar class of claims in the South. The bill was defeated, 128 to 77, two-thirds not having voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Mahon, Republican, Pennsylvania, moved the passage of the Senate bill to reimburse Governors of States for expenses incurred by them in the organization of volunteers for service in the war with Spain. Mr. Mahon said there were claims from the various States for this work aggregating over \$3,000,000. Under existing law only \$496,000 of these claims had been liquidated. The passage of this act was ecessary for the settlement of the remain-The House amendment, he said, would compel the Governors of the States to produce detailed vouchers and the reimbursement would be made through the government's accounting officers. The bill was passed, 155 to 15.

The reading of the Hull-Hawley bill was begun, and when concluded Mr. Quay asked unanimous consent that the army bill be laid aside temporarily and that the consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill be resumed. There was no objection.

Senator Frye reported from the Committee on Foreign Relations the amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill for the construction of a sub-marine cable in the ments increases the subsidy to be paid every year for 20 years to \$175,000, and extends the time in which the contracting company is to be given to complete the line to the Philippine islands to the first of January,

A favorable report was made to-day from the Commerce committee on Senator Quay's amendment to the river and harbor bill authorizing a contract of \$900,000 for improvement of dam No. 7, Ohio river.

Whatever the Cost England Will Not Yield.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The last meeting of the French cabinet held by President Faure on the day of his death decided on a rather strong policy of opposition to England in connection with the dispute about the coaling station near Muscat, on the Persian gulf. Foreign minister Delcasse submitted to the cabinet a draft of a protest against England's claim of sovereignty over the province of Oman, and her consequent right to forbid the Sultan to cede to ance a coaling station

It was arranged that Russia should join in a similar protest. President Faure agreed to the matter, and the minister prices. Estimates on new work gladly fur of foreign affairs went back to the Quay D'Orsay to prepare his note to send to the British foreign office. This protest was delivered to Lord Salisbury on Monday, the day of the death of the French President not interfering with the policy

decided upon.
Great Britain in the meantime had been proceeding in active manner at the seat of trouble. The commandant of the Bombay naval station had been ordered to notify the Sultan of Oman that he had no right to grant France a station on his coast, and them and place them at each corner of the his instructions in a rather unexpectedly the commandant had gone about enforcing effective manner.

When her Majestv's cabinet assembled BEARS to-day in Downing street to consider the Muscat question and France's note of protest dispatches came from the Bombay naval officer saying that the Sultan had concluded it best to withdraw his grant to France. Just how this was effected is not yet known, but the English emmissary was undoubtedly more vigorous than diplomatic and settled matters himself. The cabinet decided to maintain a firm policy in connection with Oman affairs, whatever the cost.

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Ashbridge Elected by 90,000 Majority.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—By the un-precedented majority of about 90,000 the Republicans to-day elected Coroner Samuel H. Ashbridge mayor of Philadelphia. His Democratic opponent, Dr. W. Horace Hoskins, had an aggregate vote of probably not over 20,000, against 42,906 cast for Jenks. Democrat, for Governor in this city last fall, and 125,462 for Stone, Republican, for governor. A disorganized and divided Democracy and the most popular Republican candidate for mayor of Philadelphia nominated in a quarter of a century explain today's enormous discrepancy between the two leading parties in the aggregate of votes cast. There will be ten or a dozen Democratic and fusion members of the new city councils out of 97 elected.

John L. Kinsey was elected to succeed himself as city solicitor, and C. Harry Fletcher and J. D. Likens, Republicans, and J. A. Thornton, Democrat, were elected police magistrates, the minority party being entitled by law to one of the offices Select and common councilmen, school directors and other minor ward and division officers were also elected. Mayor-elect Ashbridge's plurality will be about | Fine Spices, 50,000 in excess of that received by mayor Fine Cheese, Warwick in 1895, when a total of 214,742 Fine Syrups, votes were cast for him and his Democratic opponent, ex-Governor Pattison. To-day's Fine Olives. election was the quietest in years, and little interest was manifested.

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