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FARM NOTES.

Every farm should be a fertilizer factory, and every farmer can convert the manure on his farm into a soluble fertilizer with the same agents as are employed by the manufactures of fertilizers. For the information of those who are not familiar with the methods of the manufacture of fertilizers it may be stated that at the fertilizer factories anything that contains nitrogen, potash and phosphoric acid is used as ingredients of fertilizers, such as sulphate of ammonia, nitrate of soda, dried blood, bones, phosphate rock, the salts of potash, tankage, guano, castor pumace, cotton-hull ashes, dried fish, kelp, meat scrap and, in fact, even cotton seed meal, bran and other refuse substances may be employed provided the prices of such are not too high. Bones have long been known as a source of phosphoric acid, but the finest bone meal is not immediately available as plant food for the reason that the smallest piece of bones gives off its particles slowly, being insoluble, and, therefore, may be more serviceable for a succeeding crop than for the one desired. The manufacturer, knowing these facts, and being aware that many other substances will not be immediately available unless rendered soluble, takes advantage of the well-known law in chemistry that "an acid will form a salt with a base," and proceeds to "acidulate" the substances used (if necessary), and presents guarantees according to law.

THE RAW MATERIALS. Now, the "acidulation" of the many service for himself just as easily as it can be done for him by the manufacturer, and the farmer need not go off his farm to find izer. The solid manure, liquids and refuse of all kinds can be "acidulated" and "salts" created exactly in the same man"salts" created exactly in the same manthe materials of which to make the fertilner as the manufacturer performs the work, and it may be added that the manufacturer would just as quickly use fresh animal manure and urine if he could get those materials as cheaply as the farmer, and he eating and drinking. Look at your own would put them in bags and sell them by the ton, guaranteeing them in quality, and very truthfully, too, as they contain all the rather than the rule to find a family that elements that enter in the composition of commercial fertilizers. To give some idea of the amount of manure produced on farms care that has crept into the day's routine? of the amount of manure produced on farms if saved it may be mentioned that a horse produces in one year 12,000 pounds of solid manure; the cow 20,000 pounds; the hog, 1800 pounds, and the sheep, 750 pounds. The horse also produces 3000 pounds of urine in one year; the cow, 8000 pounds; the hog, 1200 pounds, and the sheep 350 pounds. Of course, these estimates may vary according to the animals, and the quality of the manure will largely depend upon the character of the food, but the above is the average. In the solid manure of the horse there is a large proportion of moisture, but the 12,000 pounds vill contain about 55 pounds of nitrogen (equal to about 350 pounds of nitrate of soda), 45 pounds of actual potash (equal to about 90 pounds of muriate of potash), and about 20 pounds of phosphoric acid (equal to about 100 pounds of phosphate). So much for the solid manure, but the 3000 pounds of urine procured from the horse contains about 48 pounds of nitrogen the farmer a fertilizer every year equal to 650 pounds nitrate of soda, 130 pounds muriate of potash and 110 pounds phosphate. Even the hog and sheep, though

"acidulate" his materials. The manufac-turer uses sulphuric acid, which is pur-chased in carboys, at from one and a quarter to one and a half cents per pound, a carboy containing about 175 pounds. If a pound of the acid and 10 pounds of water are mixed, and the mixture then sprinkled over fresh manure, or manure that is dry but free from litter, the result will be a fine powder. The manure may be forked over while mixing, and the sprinkling done as evenly as possible. It is not necessary to saturate the manure, but, as the acid costs but a fraction over a cent for each pound, it may be used liberally, as a single carboy will answer for a large bulk of manure. Five pounds of the acid placed in a barrel of urine will preserve it and convert the plant food into "salts." Care must be used in handling the acid, as heat is given off when it is mixed with water, and it should not touch the skin, anointing with ammonia and then vaseline should such happen. Use glass vessels, as the acid attacks wood, tin, etc., but the manure and liquids may be worked on the floor. Even the litter, such as straw, stalks, etc., will be disintegrated by the acid if they are made fine with the feed cutter or shredder before used as bedding. If the farmer will save his liquids and add the acid he will save his liquids and add the acid he will then have a solution of sulphate of ammonia and sulphate of potash, being just the same as he gets from the manufacturer, and in the solids he will also have sulphates and free phosphoric acid. Every pound of the fertilizer will be soluble and available when applied, and, if preferred, the solids and liquids may be mixed before using the acid, any absorbent material being added to prevent flow of the liquids. The fertilizer thus prepared should be placed under cover, like any other kind, and the farmer should "acidulate" once a week, so as to get the manure out of the way as fast as produced by the animals. The sum of \$5 for acids will save ten times its cost, the manure will be better, no loss of ammonia occurs, the phosphoric acid is soluble, the bulk of the manure is reduced, and the farmer saves a fertilizer bill by adopting factory methods.

The billis an everlent times its cost which a tooth can be subjected. Just why the habit is formed would be hard to say, because every work basket worth the name contains a pair of scissors, and only the merest fraction of time is lost in using them. The persistent biting is literally saving the enamel off the teeth, and nothing can take its place; yet I venture to to say that everyone of the thread-biting women would stoutly maintain that she takes the best care of her teeth, and cannot understand why she is forced to pay such frequent visits to her dentist. He will not tell her what is the matter, because he has undotbtedly grown weary of giving good advice which nobody follows. He will repair the damage as far as his skill goes, and bocket the fees like a sensible man. Never, never, expect sympathy for the result of your own foolishness, for it will not beforthcoming. factory methods.

—The fall is an excellent time for buying pure bred stock, as breeders are disposed to sell at lower prices in order to save room in the stables or barns and avoid the labor and care of carrying surplus stock that makes many a woman smile as she results to the plates in the Godover winter. Farmers who are interested calls the liteness to the plates in the Godin improvement in that direction should ey's Ladie' books that her mother or

—If there is a poor place on the farm do not neglect it as worthless, but endeavor to improve it. It is possible that such a piece of land may require drainage, or should be limed, and sometimes a green crop plowed lar.

This modern model is lined with white satinand is bordered all round with bands of gray, which go around the bottom and bias up the front. It has a notched storm collar. under may make an improvement. The poorest of soils can be improved.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

The period that succeeds the honeymoon is a critical time in the case of most marriages. The transition from lover and sweetheart to husband and wife is beset with little difficulties. This is just the time, therefore, when the tact and skill of the wife need to be exerted to prevent their union from falling to a commonplace

Advice to the woman of 30: "Keep your figure." How many women are rolling up and down the verandas of our summer hotels who are sights to look at! They have neither form nor shape and are only a little past middle age. If you watch them you will notice that their arms are help-less, like those of deformed people, yet they are in correct proportion with their bodies, but useless for want of exercise. Now, it is the arms that must act as propellers to reduce the size of the figure. If they had been used to slap the hands together over the head every day for a year the abdomen would have been reduced, the rolls of unsightly flesh scattered and a good walk, instead of a waddle, would have been the result. There is absolutely no need for a thickness of waist or cushions of fat because of advancing years. These are the result of lethargy in the beginning of

the increase.

Use dumbbells, practice lying on your face, then support the body by gradual lifting on the palm of the hands, rising slowly to full height. Join a physical culture class and have your weight recorded every day. and have your weight recorded every day. Work until you are bathed in perspiration—it will be a decreasing bath—and keep substances used (if necessary), and presents them to the farmer as a fertilizer, which he to your normal weight and condition.

> The rush of American lives is largely rewomen and children alike. It isn't the actual hurry that is the absolute and dominant cause, but it is the nervous desire to financial or domestic worry. In fact, we are too prone to drag our business, whathousehold or that of anyone of your accomes to the table determined solely to en-Father is silent and morose. He bolts his food with only a few curt remarks between mouthfuls and frequently reads the stock quotations instead of performing the services of carver and host.

> Mother tells of her trials with the cook or waxes indignant over the impertinence of the new house maid. The son grumbles because he cannot have an 1899 wheel and the daughter pouts because she cannot have as many new gowns as the heiress next door. The waitress looks flurried and unhappy, and it is no wonder that she "gives warning" when her week is up. The depressing atmosphere is enough to drive her away to seek employment in surroundings where the atmosphere is not con-

tinually charged with gloom and worry.
Why not, therefore, resolve that at the table, at least, no unpleasant topics shall be introduced? If the habit is so strong that at first it is hard to speak without introducing a grumble of some sort keep quiet until a cheerful topic presents itself. It will not be long before the dinner table convertible. Sign constantly stir the minutes of the state horse contains about 48 pounds of nitrogen (equal to about 300 pounds of nitrate of soda), and 45 pounds of nitrate of potash). Here we have enough solid and liquid manure from one horse to provide a mixed fertilizer equal to 650 pounds of muriate of potash. Here we have an one horse to provide a mixed fertilizer equal to 650 pounds of the meal. The banishment of worry in one place will lead to the banishment in another than the potassium ferrocyanide test is not used, it might be well to add another pound of lime.

Czar's Illness Serious: was intended from the first, a haven of rest ash and 100 pounds of 20 per cent. phosphate. The 20,000 pounds of solids and 8000 pounds of liquids from the cow give mittance.

Among the new skirts one in dark-blue is noticeable, since it has an overskirt of small, give even more fertilizing materials proportionately to size.

THE FARM FERTILIZER FACTORY.

Why are not such results found on the farm? Simply because the farmer does not "acidulate" his materials. The manufacture of the factor of t edge of the slightly trailing foundation in the back. The model feature is the edge of the overshirt, which is cut in shallow battlements and edged with black satin folds.

To those who have not pretty shoulders, but who rejoice in the coolness of an unlined lace guimpe and sleeves, a tight, flat little shoulder cap of the fabric of which the bodice is built is both smart and becoming. This is very effective on a white batiste robe, which is charmingly inserted with large motifs of straw-colored linen guipure, each motif outlined and connected with a shirred straw-colored ribbon. Through the lace a white taffeta lining gleams. The robe is in princess lines behind, and in front is draped softly in surplus fashion and gathered in at the waistline with a large gold buckle. The pointed decolletage and the opening down the side of the skirt are edged with a shirred, straw colored ribbon. Below the little shoulder cap I spoke of there is a long unlined sleeve of the guipure, of which, also, the plastron

The biting of thread is one of the worst abuses to which a tooth can be subjected. Just why the habit is formed would be

take advantage of the fall season in buy-ing.

grandmother kept stored away in the gar-ret. This modern model is lined with

-Suberibe for the WATCHMAN.

Where is John Roan?

The whereabouts of John Roan, who disappeared from his home in West Keating that they consider what was good enough township, Clinton county, Thursday, April for their fathers good enough for them. In 6th, 1899, is as much a mystery to-day as when the neighbors first began to search for him on Saturday, April 8th. So-called detectives and peace officers have traveled all over that country interviewing the natives, running down all kinds of rumors, but still John Roan remains absent and au Prince, connected over the intervening even his body cannot be located.

known and where he transacted business never used, though the streets surrounding daily before he disappeared, is that he was | it are packed to suffocation. The market murdered. Almost every person who has people swelter in the heat, and their meats given much thought to the case has some kind of a theory but all agree that the old sun that after business has been going on lumberman and farmer was "made away

views with Mrs. Roan and some neighbors. Mrs. Roan now denies the Grit interview and says she did not say half that is credited to her. Whether or not this is true is the open air, and that decides the matter. immaterial if the murdered body of John In some of the smaller places, where they Roan is ever found. It is now asserted that young Roan claims he found the Pennsylvania tie voucher in the bible, whereas people sit in the shade and thrust their his mother's story to the reporter was that it was found on the organ. She is reported as saying it was given to Dr. F. S. Nevling per's Magazine. in part payment of a bill. Dr. Nevling says it was given to him to take his bill out of and send the remainder of the mon-

ey to the Roans. Officer Reid, of Renovo, says he has several clues well in hand and can lay his hands upon the right parties whenever he can get a trace of the body. Other citizens Now, the "acidulation" of the many substances used in fertilizers is not at all sponsible for the numerous cases of indigitive difficult, and the farmer can perform that service for himself just as easily as it can as well as the physical powers of men, some arrests may be made soon.

The Roan family, that is Mrs. Roan and her children, are now talking of increasing the reward from \$500 to \$1,000.

A Rib Cracker.

David Squeezed Her and She Sued Him for Assaul

A little squeezing may be all right, but, according to Miss Alice Dill, of 6027 Broad street, Pittsburg, there is such a thing as getting too much of it. On August 7th Miss Dill entertained David Campbell, a carpenter, who called on her at her home. During the evening, when they were seated on a sofa, Campbell's strong right arm crept around Miss Dill's waist. She gently remonstrated, but David expected this and said: "Ah, gwan, yer only foolin". " He gave her another squeeze, and when she

gasped he released her.

A physician found that two of her ribs had been broken, and after she had been in bed two weeks she sent the doctor's bill to David. When he refused to pay it on Thursday she saed him before Alderman Negley, for assault and battery.

Standard Formula for Bordeaux.

The standard formula for bordeaux mixture, as presented by the Cornell station is Copper sulphate (blue vitriol),6 pounds; fresh stone lime (unslaked), 4 pounds

water, 50 gallons. Dissolve the copper in half of the water used, suspending the crystals in a sack

Czar's Illness Serious!

Paris Papers Say He Must Undergo a Trepanning Operation. Says He has Amnesia in a Dangerous Form—The Statement Thought to be Considerably

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The Progress of Civilization in Haiti.

The bulk of the Haitians will tell you consequence they are opposed to all progress. No stronger proof can be given of this than the new market erected by the late progressive President in the capital. This is a very large building, covering two entire blocks in the heart of the city of Port street by a very imposing arch and clock-The general impression of the people of that neighborhood, and of Karthaus township, Clearfield, Co., where Roan was so well comfortable place in the city. Yet it is and vegetables decompose so rapidly in the for a few hours the nose that is not trained to all the stages of a Haitian market must Some weeks ago a long story appeared in a Williamsport Sunday newspaper containing descriptions of the country, pictures of the principals of the Roan family and interturb the carefully carried on the windward side of the crowded pictures questions. the people would go under the cool, spacious, well-aired shelter provided for them; but their forefathers bought and sold in stock out in the sun so that the glare of per's Magazine.

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