FARM NOTES.

-It is not always the man with the biggest herd of cows who clears the most money from his dairy.

-Gilt edged butter is more to be desired on the average customer's plate than any delicacy of the season.

-The dairy woman who churns before "sun up" in the morning often makes firm grained butter without the use of ice.

-The reason some farmers never extract the latent gold in dairy cows is that they persist in looking to the grain and corn fields for it.

-It is a parody on cleanliness to try to strain filth out of milk when it might have been obviated by the exercise of the most ordinary precautions.

-It is a curious fact, and yet true, that some of the most profitable moments any one engaged in dairying can spend are in repeated washing of the hands.

-The bodies of dead animals are converted into fertilizer by some farmers, but something depends upon circumstances as to the advisability of so doing. If an animal dies of some contagious disease and is buried the earthworms will bring to the surface the germs of the disease. This fact was demonstrated by Pasteur, the famous French chemist, who made tests in that direction. Disease was communicated to animals that ate grass which grew over the body of a buried animal. The better plan is to consume the bodies of diseased ani-

clove in each bottle; cork tight, wire securely, keep in a cool cellar, and in three months it will be fit for use. Care must be exercised when opening to let the gas escape gradually or your bottle will be emptied all over the room. It makes a disk exercise to champage, and does not drink superior to champagne and does not make the hair pull after using. More than one raisin put in will burst any bottle made. - Country Gentleman.

-In writing about the care of horses an eminent English army officer has the following to say :

Regularity of exercise is an important element in the development of the highest powers of the horse. The horse in regular work will suffer less in his legs than another, for he becomes gradually and thoroughly accustomed to what is required of him. The whole living machine accommodates itself to the regular demands on it, the body becomes active and well conditioned, without superfluous fat, and the muscles and tendons gradually develop. Horses in regular work are also nearly exempt from the many accidents which arise from overfeshness. As a proof of the value of regular exercise, we need only refer to the stagecoach horse of former days. Many of these animals, though by no means of the best physical frame, would trot with a the weather be cold or warm, this style heavy load behind them for eight hours at the rate of ten miles an hour without turnthe rate of ten miles an hour without turning a hair, and this work they would continue to do for years without even being of these dainty conceits. Square, round, sick or sorry. Few gentlemen can say as or pointed effects are shown, and usually other hand, if exercise be neglected, even for a few days, in a horse in high condition, he will put on fat. He has been taking daily the large amount of material needed to sustain the consumption caused by his work. If that work cease sudden ly, nature will, notwithstanding, continue to supply the new material, and fat, followed by plethora and frequently by disease, will be the speedy consequence."

-A forest may consist of a single species, when it is known as a pure wood, or of different species, when it is known as a Pure woods are seldom mixed wood. found. While they are more easily man-aged than mixed woods, the dangers are greater, and the practice is seldom advis-able. However, mixed woods of few species are generally more desirable than those of

When different species are grown together, the light conditions demanded by each become of paramount importance. Certain trees demand full exposure to the sun light and will not grow in the shade of other trees. They are known as light demanding trees altogether. Generally trees with light and scanty foliage belong to this class, although there are some exceptions. The birches, pines, honey locust, black locust, black: cherry, ash and chestnut belong here. Other species thrive in partial shade and are known as shade bearing trees. Among these are the beech, maple, hemlock and oaks. If, then, light demanding and shade bearing trees are planted together, care must be taken that the former are more rapid growers or else that they are given sufficient start to enable them to keep in the lead.

Thinning becomes one of the most important operations in forestry. Here, again, the light conditions are all important and must be studied carefully. It is well known that a tree which grows in the open field becomes broad, sturdy and vigorous, beautiful to look upon, but useless to the lumberman. In forest management just the reverse of this type is demanded. The boles must be tall and straight and taper boles must be tall and straight and taper as little as possible. To secure this the forest should he thinned but lightly in its earlier years until the trees have attained their principal height. Thinning may then be increased, and these tall, slim boles will increase in size, making the type of tree most desired. By this method the annual layers of growth will be more uni-form and the quality of timber better because the tree grows less rapidly in its earlier years than it would do under normal conditions.

Nature must be made to do her own pruning in forest management, and, like all other pruners, her work will be more effective if done when the branches are small. When trees stand thick in their earlier years, the branches are killed out is making a fetching display in finest India from want of light while yet small; hence lawn. These shirts have either tucked no large knots remain to injure the quality

of the timber. years, 450; at 80 years, 350; at 100 years, 250. The number of trees trees per acre; at 40 years, 1,000; at 60 forests properly managed.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

How many girls one sees with a bow of black watered ribbon or of taffeta worn at the back of the head, just above the catogan braids, or at the crown of the head if the hair is dressed high! It is well that the girls wear this by daylight, but also well that they know that this style of hairdressing is rather passe. Wear an aigrette of an evening or a comb, butterfly or some other decoration, and reserve your black ribbon bow for daytime use.

There are just enough fashions in the windows of the city stores to hint of what to expect this spring. The skirts are ught lower and flare more; there are more ruffles; and where rufflss are missing elaborate stitching in contrast.

The jackets are simple-except for some bright little vest, which chirks up the spirit of the whole gown.

Some of the shoulders seem broader and squarer-just as they will be in the Spring ulsters and rain coats. Some are strapped with leather.

The linen shirt waist suit is already announced for summer morning frocks. First place is given to white and linen color navy blue and pale blue follow close sec-

Linen lends itself to severe tailor-made effects, which probably accounts for its place of favor. Faggoting is an odd sort You never think, when your harness breaks place of favor. Faggoting is an out sold of embellishment employed. It is hand-of embellishment employed. It is hand-worked, giving the effect of a unique linen worked, giving the effect of a unique linen not take care of the harnessmaker at home, wide. The sleeves have been growing perceptibly fuller, the tendency to widen out at the cuff apparent. One might call it your local dealers. the evolution of last year's bishop sleeve. The cuffs? Well, very much like those of last summer, sometimes deeper, sometimes pointed, again left straight.

The waist is tucked in all sorts of ways. Very effective is the stitching on the plain gored skirt and waist, simulating the Walls The following formula will keep cider sweet for an indefinite length of time: Let it ferment until sufficiently acid to suit taste; then bottle in champagne bottles of one quart each, putting one raisin and one clove in each bottle; cork tight, wire securely, keep in a cool cells. taken its place. Stitching and faggoting are its smart finish, carried out on cuffs and front as well.

> The best-bred women do not fuss. They take their gowns and their furniture, their jewels and their children as matters of course. They are unconscious of their veils and their gloves, and they expect every one else to be equally so. If they see an intimate wearing a handsome gown they refer to it admiringly but they also preface their comment with an apology. Their differences with their husbands are not aired, neither are the domestic upheavals caused by the desertion of the cook on wash

> The repose of well-bred women is not the quiet of weakness. It is the calm of trained faculties, balanced so nicely that an morning. earthquake may cause a change of color, but will not bring forth a loud cry. Wellbred women are a boon to the human race. They help the social and professional world to maintain a high standard both of morals and behavior.

Low-neck, short-sleeve night gowns are a fad at present, and it matters not whether much for their carriage horses. No horses, in fact, were in hardier condition. On the ribbon is used. The sleeves terminate in flowing ruffles of lace, which depend from tigh-fitting elhow bands, or else they are bell-shaped and trimmed with narrow

Artificial blooms are at present much worn, but in quite a novel form. They are disposed in close-set rows when meant for trimming purposes, or in a set of three when worn as a bouquet, and always without foliage. Some head a flounce or form a ruche around the bottom of the skirt. The very large flowers, with trails of foliage, are worn on one shoulder. Some of these flowers have the veings and leaves

outlined with paste. The chemisettes, or blouses, were never more elaborate than now, but the first favorites are in ivory white satin, the tucks of which are so small as to give the ap-pearance of a ribbed material. Since the cold weather has come upon us, some Russian blouses in Liberty velvet have appeared, trimmed with strappings and bands in Persion designs. These are very effec-

A New Idea in Fritters .- "Better than grandmother's doughnuts," was the ver-dict of the small gourmand of the family, and with such a recommendation the making of apricot fritters should be more generally known.

Drain the syrup from a can of apricots, bring it to the boiling point, add one-half of a cupful of sugar and one teaspoonful of cornstarch dissolved in a little cold water. Stir until clear and thick, drop in an inch stick of cinnamon and simmer for five minutes. Beat together the yolk of one egg and one-quarter of a cupful of cold water; add one-half of a cupful of flour, one-quarter of a teaspoonful of salt, one teaspoon-ful of powdered sugar and one half of a teaspoonful of olive oil, beaten until smooth. Whip the white of the egg to a stiff, dry froth, stir lightly into the batter, and set away in a cool place for at least two hours. Have ready a kettle of smoking hot fat; dip each piece of drained fruit into the batter, drop into the hot fat and cook quickly until a golden brown. Drain for a moment on unglazed paper and serve hot with the favorite pudding sauce.

Recipe for Face Bleach.-Bichloride of mercury, eight grains; tincture of benzoin. one dram; water enough to make eight ounces; use as often as agreeable. Do not forget that bichloride of mercury and corrosive sublimate are one and the same thing. Proper enough to use, in certain cases, but dangerous to be left within reach of ignorant persons and young children.

A firm noted for its shirt waist showings yokes, or else an embroidered band down the timber.

Statistics taken from the Black forest as broidery down each side of the band. There to the number of trees per acre growing in forests of different ages show the averages forests of different ages show the averages to be about as follows: At 20 years, 4,000 pily, pretty tucked collars with dainty trees per agree at 40 years, 1,000; at 60 turnovers come on the shirts, which means that we are to be spared the awful, cut-250. The number of trees per acre will ting choker. Sleeves are in the shape of need to vary with conditions of soil, cli-250. The number of trees per actions of soil, clineed to vary with conditions mate and altitude, but these ngures may est shirt waists buttons at the back, and give a general idea of the great difference in number between young forests and old these cost up to \$8.50. Done at home the cost may be very little.

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A Second Conference on Agricultural Education.

A very important meeting in the interest of agricultural education was held on Tuesday last (January 21st) at the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, representatives of all the State agricultural organizations, as well as of the Department of Public Instruction, of Agriculture and of Forestry, and of the Pennsylvania State College being present.

This is the second conference of the Allied Agricultural Organizations of the State, the first being held June 4th and 5th, 1900. At that time a program of legislation for the promotion of agricultural education in the Commonwealth was mapped out, which enlisted the farmers of the State in its support to an unprecedented extent, and which secured an overwhelming vote in its favor in the last legislature, but which received the disapproval of the Governor on account of insufficient State

The conference of Tuesday last was unaminous in its determination to renew this campaign upon an even broader scale, and to insist that the faculties for acquiring an education in agricultural and related subjects in Pennsylvania, instead of being, as now, entirely inadequate to meet the demand and inferior to those of most other States shall be such as this Commonwealth may be proud of.

Resolutions were unanimously adoped favoring liberal appropriations by the next legislature for an agricultural building at the State College, for the correspondence courses in agriculture, for equipment and instruction in Forestry, and for an elementary school of Forestry, for the maintenance of township high schools, and for the prompt publication of reports of the meetings of agricultural organizations.

An Executive Committee, consisting of one member from each of the sixteen organizations represented, was appointed and provision was also made for a legislative committee to take active charge of the campaigu. The meeting was earnest and enthusiastic and the reports presented demonstrated that the farmers of the State are behind this movement, and are determined that Pennsylvania shall no longer be in the rear of the column in the march of agri-

Enemy of the Steel Car.

The greatest enemy of the pressed steel car is corrosion. The sulphur and other minerals from coal eat into the material of the car body rapidly. Dumping in coal, limestone and other rough materials cut off the paint and the sulphur begins its work. It has been found advisable to repaint these cars inside and out at least every eighteen months. The painting process has been reduced to the minimum of expense by the spraying process, but the cleaning of the metal is quite expensive, although simplified greatly by the use of the sand blast. How to prevent the sulphur from damaging the cars is a problem which now confronts the railway officials as well as the manufacturers of the cars.

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