

FARM NOTES.

—To prevent smut in seed corn or oats steep the seed in a solution of four ounces of sulphate of copper (blue vitriol) in a gallon of water for every six bushels of seed.

—Like the blackberry the raspberry bears its fruit upon the canes of the previous year's growth which, after fruiting, dies, the new cane coming forward for next year.

—The soil should be cleaned around the trunks of trees. Piles of rubbish, dead grass, stoves or other accumulations afford harboring places for insects. Washing the trees with strong soap suds and giving them thick coats of whitewash not only add to the appearance of an orchard, but also benefit the trees. It may be done several times during the year.

—Wood ashes may be used freely on the fruit trees and vines, broad casting the ashes. They are also excellent for clover. Ashes contain a large proportion of lime and from 5 to 7 per cent. of actual potash, which will give good results on all lands requiring more potash. One objection to ashes is that they vary greatly, some being more valuable than others.

—For a lawn sowing blue grass seed, at the rate of three bushels per acre. It may cost more in the spring per bushel for good seed, according to the supply and demand, as it is high in price during some seasons. It is light, weighing about 14 pounds per bushel. It is the best grass for a lawn, and plenty of seed should be used. For a moist soil red top should be preferred. No lawn will prove satisfactory, if new, unless the ground has been well prepared. The seed should be sown as early as possible.

—One reason why more good horses are not produced in this country is that the dams are not well fed when carrying their foals. If a mare is not working she is not fed enough strengthening food to keep her vitality high and produce a husky colt. It takes feed to make good animals, and it takes feed before they are born to make them. No use feeding heavily after the foal comes if it is a born weakling, with knuckling or weak joints and flabby muscles. The time to make foals strong is before they come, and then their dams will have plenty of milk and the foal will have the ability to get and use it. —National Stockman.

—For all kinds of young stock milk is the best food, and it also answers well for young chicks. The early ones will be hatched in March and April, and if given warm quarters should be raised without difficulty. When giving milk to chicks let it be fresh and not too cold. Sour milk is unsuitable for chicks, but may be allowed to adult fowls. The milk for chicks may be given as drink or it may be used with other foods. One of the best foods for chicks that is frequently used by those who have tried it is millet seed, which they enjoy very much. It is also very nourishing and adds to the general variety. A little linseed meal in the mixed food, once a week, is also excellent.

—You cannot feed moldy hay, bad silage, musty corn fodder that has been put into the mow when it was not in shape to go there, and get good milk. The use of any such materials will get you into trouble and will of itself prevent you from making high-grade milk. No feed that has an odor should be permitted to remain about the stables. You may set a vessel filled with milk in a silo for an hour; then, if you take it out and heat it, you can tell by the nose if it has been in the silo. At the Vermont station we could heat the milk up to 110 degrees and by the smell tell whether it had been near a hog pen or not. —H. B. Gurler, before the Illinois Dairymen's Convention.

—An error which is frequently committed is the turning out of lame horses to pasture. He is obliged to exercise as he picks his living, said Dr. W. C. Fair, before the American Veterinary Medical Association. Another mistake is the exercising of trotting and running horses on race tracks, thus preventing them from making satisfactory progress toward recovery. By exercising a lame horse we retard his recovery, and frequently produce atrophy of the healthy muscles in the same limb. If hard pulling or fast driving causes lameness, why not remove the cause and give him absolute rest? That is the very reason why so many track horses never fully recover. They are not allowed to rest after meeting with an injury. True, exercise will develop muscles, tendons and ligaments, provided the animal be not lame and weak in any one quarter.

—On no subject, perhaps, is there a greater conflict of opinion than on the preservation of eggs. Some urge that the newly laid egg should be kept dry, and others that it should be kept moist, or even immersed in a fluid. Of course, by effectually sealing the pores of a shell, with wax or grease, the moment the egg is laid, no difference in weight by the loss of moisture can occur, and it is unlikely that anything can enter the egg from the outside. There is little doubt that the change from a fresh to a stale condition is partly a question of the loss of moisture and partly a disturbance of equilibrium by external agencies. The simple method described by Sir W. T. Gardner would appear to establish this view.

The method consists merely in greasing the eggs the moment they are laid and before they have cooled. This procedure is so successful that eggs so treated are said to be as fresh to the taste when weeks, and even months, old as they are when eaten an hour after being laid. It is also suggested to immerse eggs in a strong solution of silicate of soda or water-glass. In this case the preservative effect is probably due to the formation of a hard glassy silicate of lime within the substance of the shell, forming, so to speak, a perfectly air-tight envelope of glass. The egg is in a way hermetically sealed. This, however, is no argument in favor of wet storage, and even by the silicating process we imagine that the absolutely newly laid warm egg must be selected for the purpose. It is well known, further, that water-glass possesses a powerful antiseptic action. Eggs treated in this way are said to preserve their fresh, milky taste for six months, and to be indistinguishable from the egg taken straight from the nest.

Eggs, of course, merely submerged in water would probably get stale more quickly than when kept under dry conditions. The question of the effectual preservation of eggs is of the utmost importance, and one which British producers have persistently ignored, an inexplicable attitude by which much valuable food is wasted and a source of profit thrown away. —The Lancet.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

In getting your wardrobe in order for spring remember to see that your dressmaker provides a perfectly flat back for the skirts. In sheer summer frocks, such as dimities or organzies, there must be more or less fullness at the waist band at the back of the skirt. But in tulle, bareges and "summer silks," such as taffeta, "China," or foulard, the rule holds good for flatness. This means that most of the skirts will have a shaped flounce, the fullness requisite below the knee, not extending much above it.

Linon gowns, both in white and colors, promise to have great popularity this season. Blue, dull pink, green and beige are first choices in colors, and some embroidery in white, even if it is only on the waist, is the modish decoration, with tucks and stitched bands in addition. Hand embroidered polka dots and flounces with scalloped edges are one feature of the trimming. Most of the linon gowns made by the tailors have a jacket and skirt worn with a white shirt waist, but the dressmaker's linon gown has a blouse waist daintily embroidered and finely tuckled.

The white waist is to be the trump card of the wardrobe. Sorry it is for those who have to think of laundry bills, but it is an obligatory matter that the shirt waist of summer and the skirt waist, even of spring, be white. And that it be scrupulously neat. All winter the shops have been selling waists of white duck and white linen and white cotton goods, looking like Ottoman weave. Now that spring is coming, these materials will be brought out first, and for Easter Sunday we shall see many a white shirt waist of duck peeping forth from a very up-to-date Easter bonnet and skirt.

Chinese blue is to be such a fashionable shade. It is a clear, lovely blue, and always reminds me of cerulean blue, as cerulean looks when it lies upon an ivory palette ready for the brush, not light and not dark, it is just right. It is becoming to most complexions, and can be worn next to the face.

"One of the mistakes of women," said a woman lecturer the other day, "is in loving too much; they can never make a mistake in picking out the man; they are rather apt to do it on the grab-bag principle. Another of the mistakes of women is not knowing how to rest, and still, another is not knowing how to eat. What women don't know about both has built ten thousand hospitals. Consider the ways of man and be wise. Women worry too much; they hurry too much; they are misers to jolly, and they nearly always die leaving a large account in the Bank of Meriment. Women not only cross bridges before they come to them, but they are gifted as bridge builders. Men can stop in the midst of perplexities and have a 'guffaw.' It is this faculty that keeps them young. Women cannot, and that's why they fade earlier. Worry not only wrinkles the face, but it wrinkles and withers the mind as well. Some women make the mistake of thinking that they are jealous of their husbands, when, as a matter of fact, they are simply selfish. They seem to think that if a poor man's eyes or feet stray his heart has gone. A woman arrogates a good deal to herself when she thinks she is going to be the whole world to a man twenty-four hours a day, year in and year out. If a man's wives would keep their eyes and hearts alert to see that love did not get away, there would be less domestic frictions."

Doctors are not as a general rule greatly influenced by purely sentimental considerations, and they have issued the mandate, "Babies should not be rocked to sleep." This would at first seem cruel and arbitrary, but it is not as unreasonable as would appear. It is vastly better for the baby to be undressed and laid down in the crib, with a cool, fresh pillow under the little head, to drop into a quiet sleep than to be held in mother's warm arms close against her breast and rocked for half an hour or more. With most babies a very little training will be sufficient to induce them to sleep when laid down if they have never become accustomed to the rocking. If you are not vigorous enough to leave the baby while he is vigorously protesting against this procedure, sit by the crib and gently pat him to sleep. After a while even this will not be necessary. It is not only better for the child, but also for the mother, as the rocking habit, if persisted in, soon becomes a tax rather than a pleasure.

—Arthur W. Yale, M. D., in the *Woman's Home Companion*.

Box pleats will reign superior this spring. They are to appear on everything but hats—even on parasols. The spring jacket is to have tiny box pleats set close together all around, back and front. The spring walking jacket is to have box pleats at the foot of the skirt—very narrow box pleats, almost like flat tucks, but bonafide box pleats, nevertheless—and the shirt waist gown or "tub-gown" of the coming spring and summer has a decided note of novelty, the bodice being made with five box pleats in front and the skirt with three box pleats in front. The back of bodice and skirt is box pleated or gathered.

Box pleats and coats (with and without basques, but in almost every instance with tails) may be set down as the two salient features of spring frocks and costumes. A dinner gown which shows these characteristics is exhibited at a smart courtier. It is of white cloth, the skirt has a wide box pleat in front and smaller ones at either side of the wide one. The back is set in pleats. These box pleats are not continued down the length of the skirt, be it understood, but permit the material to flow out until at the foot the skirt is very voluminous. The bodice of this gown is low-necked and short-sleeved, a tiny basque finishes the coat, which is of white cloth, embroidered with white chenille flowers. A waist-coat of pale blue velvet is fastened with paste buttons, and the décolletage is finished with a tiny ruche of stiffened cream lace. The elbow sleeves of the chenille-embroidered white cloth have frills of lace, headed by twists of pale blue velvet, held by paste buttons.

Very rich and elegant is one of the new spring coats of black taffeta over white silk. The coat is a dressy affair and all over there is a design of small cut-out wheel embroidery, showing just a glimpse of the white underneath. The flat collar and turn-back cuffs are of white, embroidered with French knots in black, and the effect of the whole is uncommonly good.

The signs of the times point to the adoption of the skirt which curves in a little at the knee, and then out in the full circular bottom. To do this several seams are necessary in the skirt, and then are disguised with stitched braids or other trimmings.

Baptism in River Jordan.

New York Millionaire Journeyed to Palestine For this Purpose.

According to advices received in New York, from the Orient, Cornelius Van Ness, an octogenarian millionaire, has been baptized in the River Jordan, near the spot where Christ received His baptism at the hands of St. John. Mr. Van Ness sailed on the Celtic last month for this purpose.

Millionaire Van Ness, who for years owned and occupied a palatial residence on the Hudson and has extensive real estate interests in New York, two years ago created a sensation by marrying Miss Alice Wood, an attractive young woman of Port Jarvis, upon whom he bestowed his wealth with great liberality. The late proceedings in the supreme court by means of his former wife to restrain Mr. Van Ness from the further distribution of his estate. He settled the case by transferring to his nieces property worth more than \$100,000.

Among the 1,200 passengers who sailed on the Celtic were Mr. and Mrs. Van Ness. It is now transpired that for years Mr. Van Ness had cherished a desire to be baptized in the Jordan, and that the journey was undertaken for no other purpose. According to reports received from the Celtic, Mr. Van Ness was baptized by Rev. Dr. William K. Hall, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Newburg, one of the passengers, and an intimate friend of the aged millionaire.

A dispatch to the "Journal" from Constantinople says:

"The American tourists on the Celtic have had a lively time here. Apparently the sultan did not want them to land, and every possible obstacle was raised. The Celtic first was refused admission through the Dardanelles. The sultan objected to the presence of so many foreigners in the city."

"When the Selemlik finally gave permission to pass and the ship arrived at Constantinople the chief of police himself scrutinized each passport. He took 20 hours to finish. The tourists, all but the Englishmen, of course, were swearing madly. The ships were with police spies. When the tourists went ashore they were dogged everywhere. There were many fights between sailors of the Celtic and the spies detailed to watch the ship. The tourists were glad to depart."

"When the Celtic was at Malta it was unable to land passengers, who went ashore in small boats in a heavy sea. The boat containing J. L. McCutcheon, of Pittsburg; William Reader, of Marietta, Ohio; Rev. J. T. Dickinson, of East Orange, N. J., and J. C. Dickinson, of Pittsburg, upset and they had a narrow escape from drowning. Malta boatmen, who went to the rescue, declined to lift them out of the water until they gave up all their valuables. The victims submitted to the robbery gracefully."

The West Branch Road.

A Brief History Given of its Construction.

John E. Harder, of Clearfield, in a lengthy talk up on the West Branch railroad, gives a list of the murders and accidents that have occurred during the construction of that line. He states that fully thirty men have lost their lives. The laborers are colored men from the south and Italians. The former use fire arms and the latter knives. The murders have been the outcome of sprees. In addition to the murders, fatal accidents are of almost daily occurrence. A short while back a negro was hauled up from the bottom of the shaft at Fulton's tunnel, which is 150 feet deep, with such lightning swiftness, caused by the breaking of the windlass, that he was smashed up against the top rigging into a shapless mass. He never knew how that mile a second ride terminated. Men have been killed almost weekly by having dynamite; indeed this seems to be a favorite way of the Italian to pass beyond the "Great Divide."

The total cost in dollars of the West Branch railroad will run up into millions. All of the grading and open work is practically completed. Ballast has been laid, and the ties have been distributed all along the road, and the first bridge has been finished. This bridge is about two miles below Clearfield, at Wolf run. The other bridges cannot be built until the tunnels are completed and the rails laid, as the structural steel is too heavy to haul in any other manner than by rail; some of the steel beams being ninety feet long weighing many tons each. Some of the bridges that cross the West Branch of the Susquehanna river, notably the Shawsville bridge, are fifty feet above the river, and as they cross diagonally they are necessarily very long.

The road runs high up along the mountains above the river, through cuts where landslides may be looked for in the years to come, and over high hills, through tunnels and over high steel bridges, through the wildest mountain scenery to be found anywhere in Pennsylvania.

Brain Leaks.

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Mr. Burke was aged about seventy five years, and on account of his advanced years his hearing and eyesight were impaired, and in all probability the train was on him before he knew of the danger.

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