

FARM NOTES.

Blackberries are high this year, owing to short crop. If growers would give the canes fertilizer, both spring and fall, they would find it profitable.

Just before the asparagus plants produce seed cut them down, leave them on the bed, add straw if necessary and burn the bed over, so as to entirely consume all the seeds and parasites that attack the plants will be destroyed. Never allow the plants to produce seed, as the maturing of the seed takes plant food from the soil.

To cure a kicking heifer tie a rope around one hind leg down near the foot, and then take a slip hitch around the horns. Now make her kick to her heart's content. Then shift over to the other side. One dose was enough for the one I had. For a colic I would put on a surcingle with a ring on the side to slip the rope through. Hitch first around the neck and then a noose around the nose.

The watering troughs on some farms are never scrubbed and have a slimy appearance. They are breeding places of disease, as any disease affecting a single animal is more easily communicated to the others through the drinking water than in any other manner. While it may be impossible to prevent the animals from drinking from the same source, yet every trough should be cleaned daily.

Inferior butter frequently results from keeping the cream from one milking too long while saving it to add more cream for the next churning. Ripe and unripe cream should never be churned together. Bad butter comes mostly from those who have but one cow, or cows that are not in full flow of milk. The cream is saved until more can be obtained, and the first cream is kept too long, the result being that the whole supply is injured.

In the apple and pear orchards wind is said to play a very small part in the dissemination of pollen. Bees, flies and other pollinating insects, as a rule, visit a large number of flowers in succession of the same tree, and therefore do not bring about true cross pollination. In the case of apples and pears only a small proportion of the flowers are habitually fertilized (five to six per cent. in the former and about 13 per cent in the latter case.)—Rural World.

The Ohio experiment station has recommended the use of soda borax mixture in the treatment of vineyards for grape biter rot of apple. It offers the following formula for caustic soda of a certain tested strength: Copper sulphate (blue vitriol), four pounds; caustic soda (sodium hydroxide), one pound three ounces; water to make fifty gallons.

The solutions of copper sulphate and caustic soda should be put in the barrel or tank only after nearly filling it with water and afterward thoroughly agitated by pumping the mixture back into the tank through the hose with nozzle removed. The mixing of spray preparations of this sort outside the spray tank is unnecessary.

The value of whitewash in the poultry yard cannot be overestimated; in fact, we might say that it is absolutely necessary to the successful rearing of poultry. Now that the hot summer months are at hand, our first duty should be to look after this part of the work. It may be applied with a brush or if preferable, with a spray pump, which can be had now at small cost.

In either case, the work must not be slighted. Every crack and crevice should have a coat, and even the roosts and nests must not be overlooked. Dry lime should be sprinkled over the yards where the fowls stand, the unslicked bedding the best. If a bucketful of kerosene be put in each bucket of whitewash, we will have but little trouble with mites. Attend to the work now, and we will not see our fowls die when midsummer has arrived.

For years past we have been advising our readers against deep rebreaking of the corn ground for oats. This spring we thought to gain further experience on this point. Part of our corn land that was to be sown in oats was very thoroughly broken and put in fine condition, and the oats were sown. The remainder of the land was sowed broadcast and then plowed them in as shallowly as we could keep a one horse plow in the ground and than ran the smoothing harrow over the land. At the present writing the oats treated in this latter manner are fully one-third better and stronger than where the land was deeply plowed and they look as though the crop would be greatly bettered. This is simply a confirmation of our experience for many years and seems to show that after a piece of land has been well cultivated in a hoed crop the deep breaking for small grain is not only needless, but is an actual detriment to the crop.—Practical Farmer.

The work of spraying the fruit trees and vines is usually done in the spring, but even now an examination of the trees will show that they require nearly as much attention as in spring. The nests of caterpillars can now be seen in the orchards and in the forests. The catalpa trees have been almost completely stripped of leaves in some sections by large green worms that attack the trees almost before their presence is detected. In the vegetable garden there will be found worms and bugs innumerable, and that they can do considerable harm, even in a few hours, is well known. An eggplant can be entirely consumed by potato beetles in less than two hours, and the large green worm will strip a tomato vine in less than half a day. To save the fruit and vegetables, therefore, requires vigilance and work. The scale insect is the most destructive enemy of trees, as it attacks nearly all kinds, and its destruction must be attempted with the determination to succeed. A strong solution of whale oil soap has been found an excellent remedy. As the rains carry it away, an application should be made after every rain until assured that the pest has been eradicated. Kerosene emulsion, which is cheap, will instantly destroy all kinds of caterpillars, and is made by dissolving a pound of hard soap in a gallon of boiling water. When the soap is completely dissolved remove the solution from the fire and add a gallon of kerosene, churning the mixture for fifteen minutes by pumping with a sprayer. A minute mixture results. Add from 10 to twenty gallons of cold water (according to strength desired) and spray the trees. For peach trees the mixture should not be too strong, about one of kerosene to twenty of water being preferred. Success depends upon getting the mixture on every part of the tree. The mixture can be improved if a gill of crude carbolic acid is added for every gallon of kerosene used.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

There are two kinds of children who are not susceptible to the kind of torture foolish people call "teasing." One is of a naturally amiable disposition and will stand a great deal of teasing without resentment; the other would as soon be tormented as praised, because it does not care. But such children are not so promising as the more sensitive child whose quick responsiveness causes the amusement of its tormentors. If a sensitive child has a little weakness, its parents sometimes make that a subject of irritation; and the sight of its passionate impotent anger seems to them laughable. Should the child resent this treatment, they think it is naughty and ought to be punished. In either case, a tendency to petulance and irascibility is created, and the child's anger, whether suppressed or displayed, is excited against a supposed injustice.

In case of neuralgia or severe pain, a very excellent remedy is as follows: Take two tablespoonfuls of warm water, two tablespoonfuls of alcohol, with a small teaspoonful of red pepper, mix together and sprinkle on a cloth. Apply to the spot, and it will relieve the pain and the noise.

Now that the season of colds and coughs is on, the advice of a medical journal is useful. That is, that constant coughing is precisely like scratching a wound; so long as it is continued the wound will not heal. Let a person, when attempting to cough, take a long breath until it warms and soothes every air cell. The benefit will soon be felt and the control of the cough be much easier the second time.

A green veil draped over a blue one is a millinery fad just now. The veils are not worn over the face, but draped around the brim of the hat with long falling ends behind. Both the green and the blue are of the most vivid shades imaginable.

In Paris the rage for greens and blues has been superseded by one for red, and particularly for that of a geranium shade. Red lion de soie is very smart, especially when trimmed with coarse lace and touches of oriental embroidery.

One of the most notable features in the evolution of modern home life is the development of the living room and the doing away with the parlor or drawing room. Especially is this the rule in the summer cottages of those who know how to get the most comfort and pleasure out of their possessions, and this change has every thing to recommend it as sensible and progressive.

The living room answers every requirement of warm weather life and entertainment, while needing no special care to keep it in order. Its furnishings may be of a very inexpensive kind and yet combine artistic effect with great comfort in the using, which could not be the case with a richly upholstered drawing room or pretentious parlor.

Flemish oak furniture is a good sort for the living room, with the woodwork stained to match it, and burlap may be put on the walls by even an amateur with success, making a durable covering and the most artistic background for pictures—and pictures may be made the distinctive feature of the living room if one is devoted to them.

In most living rooms there is an entire absence of draperies at doors or windows, and the whole impression is restful because there are no frills and fripperies to impede the air or to remind one of care taking.

The few points that characterize gowns this season are in evidence in the flare of skirts and the abundance of trimming about the hem. Not only are there ruffles, but there are ruffles on ruffles. The drop-skirt is trimmed, and the underskirt is not less elaborately decorated. This is to give the requisite fro-fro about the feet. Sleeves are not so close fitting as they were last season. While there is an increase in the amount of material in the upper arm, in the lower arm about the cuff there is the fullness of the undersleeve included in the sleeve itself. The straight front scheme has proved itself so comfortable that the shaped belt is a necessity. Then there is the shirt-waist suit. This last is the very triumph of ideas for summer attire.

The shirt-waist suit is the frock which women long have desired, and it is safe to say that it will gain in popularity, and run itself into every new season for an indefinite period. The shirt waist has had its death-knell sounded times without number, but every season it returns to us with glories undimmed. And this year it brings a skirt with it. Years ago we had these cotton dresses all of one material, but certainly not within a decade. Now you may have a silk shirt waist suit, or a linen shirt waist suit or a pique or a gingham, in fact, any nature that the woman who is clever with her needle can manufacture her own. The white corded pique stock collar has ends of plain tinted French lawn or linen long enough to tie in a bow with tufts across the ends or trimmed with a lace edge. Then there are the dainty embroidered turn-over collars with scalloped edge and French knots in black. This style of neck wear is far more comfortable than the tall linen collar that has been the vogue. There are also the smart narrow ties, and the tie that matches the material of the shirt waist. A new idea is that of having collar, cuffs, and belt alike: called the shirt-waist set. It is fully within the providence of the wearer to make these for herself.

BEET SALAD.—Take two bunches of "beet greens," remove the tops and wash leaf by leaf in several waters; wash the young beets carefully with a vegetable brush, but do not cut. Put all in a granite stew pan and cover with two quarts of boiling water; when nearly done add one teaspoonful of salt. Cook until tender, which will take from an hour to an hour and a half. Drain through a colander, pressing firmly with the back of a saucer to remove all the liquor. Cut the tops with a sharp knife and put a layer in a hot vegetable dish, using about half of them, then a layer of the beets, which should be peeled and cut into quarters. Pour over this a teaspoonful of melted butter and a dash of paprika pepper; then add the rest of the tops and beets, and season with another teaspoonful of butter and the pepper. Cover with two hard boiled eggs, sliced, and when ready to serve pour over all one-half cupful of French dressing.

Home-made Elixirs.

How to Put Up Various Summer Beverages—Old Recipes Modernized—Gingerette, Ginger Beer, Berry Syrup and other Palatable and Cooling Concoctions.

From the time of the first sultry spring day to settled cold weather there is a constant demand for "summer drinks," that are helpful, cooling and refreshing. The serving of home-made drinks has come to be a regular feature of warm weather entertainments. The good old family recipes of grandmothers' days are eagerly resurrected and zealously guarded and while some generous hostess may pass on her treasured recipe for the benefit of her friends who have found the treat especially enjoyable, others will keep in absolute secrecy the method of concocting the liquid refreshment that has made famous her porch and lawn entertainments or her popular roof garden parties.

GINGERETTE.

Gingerette is the favorite of her "sharp" drinks. This is her method of preparing it: Put two gallons of water, eight sliced lemons (seeds removed) and two ounces of bruised ginger root in a porcelain kettle and boil ten minutes. While this is boiling put four pounds of granulated sugar in two gallons of cold water; add one ounce of cream of tartar and stir until the sugar is dissolved. Turn all in a large stone crock or jar, mix well and add three-fourths of a cup of yeast. Let it stand over night and bottle after straining. This is especially healthful, cooling and refreshing.

HOME-MADE GINGER BEER.

To make ginger beer take granulated sugar, five pounds; lemon juice, one teacup honey, one-fourth pound, bruised ginger root, five ounces; water, five gallons. Boil the water half an hour in one gallon of water, add the well-beaten white of an egg and one teaspoonful of winter green or lemon essence; stir thoroughly and let stand four days without being disturbed. Bottle and keep in a cool place. This will keep for months; longer than if yeast were used.

SPICED BERRY SYRUP.

For spiced berry syrup cook well-ripened berries in an agate or porcelain kettle on the back of the stove in as little water as will prevent scorching; when simmered stir with a wooden spoon and strain through flannel. To each pint of juice put one pound of granulated sugar, one-half ounce each of cinnamon and nutmeg, one-fourth ounce each of cloves and mace. The spices in a thin cloth, set the syrup or kettle in a larger pan to prevent burning the syrup, and when it comes to a boil remove spice bag and seal at once.

REGARDING LEMON SEEDS.

In all preparations calling for sliced lemons it is important to remove all the seeds; only a few allowed to remain will make the syrup bitter after boiling. The best strainer is a generous bag of cheesecloth. In making gingerette, for instance, the cheesecloth bag is necessary in order to press all the liquid from the lemon slices and the boiled sugar root. The liquid can be quickly strained from the stone crock to a large dish, and then bottled from the dish directly to the bottles and sealed with tight corks. It is best to use a glass funnel for bottling the various summer drinks as some of the syrups are injured by contact with the average kitchen funnel of tin.

Many of the old-time recipes like the spiced berry syrup, call for flannel for straining. Our grandmothers evidently had more faith in a concoction of lemons and flannel than the hurried housewife of today can command. Heavy cheesecloth or thin muslin is much more satisfactory; then with careful bottling and corking, the delicious compounds will keep indefinitely.

A Gigantic Trust.

Assets Valued \$1,400,000,000. Four Hundred Producing Mills Valued at \$200,000,000. Natural Gas Fields, \$20,000,000. Earnings \$140,000,000 a Year. Cash in Bank \$50,000,000.

For the first time since the organization of the United States Steel Corporation assets of the properties of subsidiary companies is furnished. These assets, it is stated, include: Four hundred producing mills of the value of \$300,000,000. Seventy-five blast furnaces, \$45,000,000. Iron and Bessemer ore properties, of \$700,000,000. Coal and coke properties, \$100,000,000. Natural gas fields, \$20,000,000. Cash in bank, \$60,000,000. Material in process of manufacture, \$80,000,000. Total value of the company's property, including cash and cash assets, \$1,400,000,000. Company earnings about \$140,000,000 a year. A saving of \$30,000,000 a year is credited to the ore properties, and it is estimated that the ownership of transportation facilities save the company \$10,000,000 annually. The earnings of the coal and coke properties are stated to be more than \$1,000,000 a month. These statements as to values and earnings were presented to a finance committee that Mr. Schwab, the president, and Mr. Trimble, the secretary, made a false certificate when they certified that in their judgment the properties were worth at least the par value of the preferred stock after deducting all indebtedness. And this is what any individual enterprise in the same line must "buck up" against if it is not able to do business. And it is but a type of scores of others in other lines that have grown up under the fostering care of the Republican party.

Belde's Gifts Worth \$1,300,000.

Remarkable Array of Presents Received by Mrs. W. O. B. Field.

The wedding presents received by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. O. Field, who were married at Lenox, Mass., to few weeks ago, numbered 475. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stone, the parents of the bride, gave her a diamond and ruby collar and butterfly valued at \$1,000,000, besides a house on Fifth avenue, New York, and a lot for a house near Elm Court. Frederick Vanderbilt gave two dozen gold plates. A gold table service was the gift of Mrs. Whitehead Reid. Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt gave the bride a large sapphire, surrounded by twelve large diamonds set as a brooch. Henry Sloane, the bride's uncle, gave her a silver loving cup which he bought in London. Harry Payne Whitney's gift was a gold and silver teaset. It is estimated that the presents are worth \$1,000,000.

Looked That Way.

Cobbler—Has Bilder had any trouble with his wife? Stone—I infer so. He calls his home Mont Pelee.—Life

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General Jacob Smith Admonished and Retired.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Secretary Root brought from Oyster Bay the case of General Jacob H. Smith, tried by court-martial at Manila on account of orders to Major Waller. General Smith was found guilty of the charges by the court and sentenced to be admonished by the reviewing authority. The President has so admonished General Smith and retired him under the law which provides that officers having reached the age of 62 years may be retired at will by the President. Secretary Root supplements the reprimand of President Roosevelt in a long circular in which he explains the conditions which resulted in the court-martial of General Smith, and shows that although Smith issued the "kill and burn" order, as a matter of fact, very few persons were killed as a result of that order, the casualties being confined almost wholly to the eleven natives killed under Major Waller's direction.

King's Condition is Excellent.

COVES, Isle of Wight, July 16.—A bulletin issued at 11:29 this morning says: "His Majesty bore the journey from London to Cowes extremely well and suffered no inconvenience in the progress of moving. "The King had a good night. His general condition is excellent. He is much gratified at the change and scene. "His Majesty had his coach wheeled out upon the open deck two hours yesterday afternoon."

Peary Relief Ship Sails.

NEW YORK, July 14.—The Peary relief ship Windward finished loading her supplies late this afternoon and sailed away. She passed Quarantine at 7:40 P. M. The Windward will go direct to Sydney, C. B., where she will take on coal and then head for the Arctic region. Mrs. Peary and her daughter will join the ship at Sydney.

The plans have been prepared for a fine new hospital for Johnstown to cost \$400,000. The building is to be of red brick, three stories high in part and two stories high above the wards. The dimensions will be 60 by 160, with a basement under the entire building, in which there will be three padded rooms for violent or insane patients. There will be accommodations for 100 patients.

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