

FARM NOTES.

The largest tree in the world is said to have recently been discovered in Africa in the region of the Upper Nyanza.

Dr. Hexamer in his recent work on asparagus growing explains that shallow planted asparagus sprouts earlier.

Buds put on last August or September, if growing should not have the stubs cut off. The stub is the three inches or so of the stock left above the bud.

The cutting is not difficult if the stub is half an inch or less in diameter, but care is required to avoid cutting the bud.

The proper cut is a somewhat rapid draw out from left to right, slightly inclining upward, and if properly managed the point of the knife will be drawn before the edge.

Cutting off the stub during the growing season in July or August, the healing process will proceed at once, and by the time the leaves fall the wound will in many cases be entirely covered by the new growth.

A test of wheat versus corn gave results in favor of wheat for egg production. In the case of Leghorn pullets the addition of dried blood to the ration considerably increased the egg yield.

There is nothing more unpleasant than an oily skin; a simple remedy which will remove the shiny appearance of the most obdurate oily face.

For morning wear there is a perfect epidemic of white bodies. Not pique or muslin, or lawn, or any of the hundred and one varieties of white thin goods.

By the comparison of a nitrogenous and a carbonaceous ration for laying hens it was found that the fowls were heavier and the eggs more fertile by the use of the nitrogenous and, although this cost more, it resulted the more profitably.

Some time ago we gave in this department of the paper a full account of the new Schmidt method of treating milk fever with a solution of iodide of potash infused into the udder.

The very last craze in the fashion line comes, of course, from Paris, and is the button dress fad.

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While green is a most effective wall covering and one in high favor at present, unless it is carefully chosen it absorbs the light and will darken a room considerably.

All the correct walking skirts are now made after knit models.

Quite the most popular skirt, says Le Bon Ton, is the one composed of three flounces from waist to bottom.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

The first hints we have gleaned of what good styles will be this fall and winter are ready. The dresses are surprising, in the departure that has been made in material.

Paquin's new flounce is here—a out flounce with ripples at the bottom. Nearly all of the jackets are blouse jackets, with accentuated straight fronts and many trimmings, most of which dangle at some point or other.

The walking suits are lined with silk, and some have the low, round, flat collar, which was seen first on some of the little Etou jackets copied after Frances' famous style.

There are four degrees of dress this fall: The evening, or house-gown, with a train; the reception gown with a train, of heavy materials, generally novelty stuffs, with a blousing jacket.

A book might be written on the evolution of the corset. It is growing taller and lower at the top every day, and straighter and straighter down the front.

White linen coats are exceedingly smart. They are tabbed round the hips, belted in at the waist, and faced with spotted or striped linen.

The double chin is a hard thing to remove by home treatment, but it can certainly be modified by persistent application of the following treatment.

Grasp as much of the chin as can be held between the thumb and forefinger, and twist until it slips out. Do this many times, on both sides of the chin.

Today there is in West Keating township, as the gradual outgrowth of that union, a community of prettier young women, more homely men and more superstitious old women than can be found between the covers of a novel.

The homes there are little, ramshackle dwellings—part logs, part boards—overrun by grapevines and ivy, while in the little gardens grow rows of sage, tansy, oarlander, pennyroyal and matherwort.

Public attention was first prominently drawn to this odd community four years ago, when John Rohn, a wealthy lumberman, whose home is not far away, dropped out of sight one morning.

Then came the story of a white dove that flitted tirelessly back and forth at all hours of night, as though seeking someone in whom to confide a secret.

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Twist of Hand Made Her Blind.

Although Miss Sarah Fowler, of Beverly, N. J., was so apparently perfect eyes, she cannot see as a result of a strange accident.

Several weeks ago she was playing with her brother when he suddenly twisted her hand in fun. He released her at once, but the pain was so intense that she was compelled to go to bed.

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The Story of a Strange People.

A Little Colony of Half-Breeds, Half-Civilized People Who Have Lived Within a Hundred Miles of Us for Nearly a Hundred Years, Yet Are Scarcely Known.

From Clearfield comes a story that reads almost like the musty pages of long neglected history. It seems impossible that such a colony of people as have just been brought to public attention should have flourished for so long under the very shadow of civilization.

Clearfield, Pa., August 23.—The roar of the trains on the new West Branch railroad just opened between this town and Keating, disturbs the slumbers of one of the strangest communities in the State.

The negro's name was Smoke, and he was a magnificent specimen of man, physically. He was then but 23 years of age and had escaped from the South a year before.

Ardee Wilson, colored, who was arrested at Sparks, Ill., for an assault on a young white woman, was riddled with bullets by an angry mob.

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Received the Announcement of Appointment While Dying.

Robert W. Billingsly Served as Superintendent of P. L. & W. R. R. but a Few Hours.

Receiving the announcement of his appointment to the superintendency of the Pittsburgh, Lisbon & Western railway on last Wednesday, Engineer Robert Wallace Billingsly, aged 22, one of the brightest and most popular young men of Lisbon, O., lay a corpse on the following Friday.

Last year ill health compelled him to abandon his college career temporarily, and as the outdoor life agreed with him he again took up the work on the railroad, and was soon raised to an engineer.

Shot Him to Death.

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