

FARM NOTES.

For embellishing lawns and half-shady corners nothing exceeds the hydrangea grandiflora.

An excellent combination of grass seeds for a meadow is two bushels of orchard grass, two of meadow fescue, half-bushel Kentucky blue grass, half-bushel meadow foxtail, adding half-bushel of red top if the soil is moist.

If young trees are received from the nurseryman be careful and not expose the roots to the action of dry winds.

There is nothing so repulsive as a wet and filthy barnyard, in which the animals are compelled to walk knee-deep in filth.

Foot and mouth disease among cattle has recently been giving much trouble to farmers in Massachusetts and other parts of New England.

A horse will leave mucky hay untouched in his bin, however hungry. He will not drink of water objectionable to his questioning snuff or from a bucket which some odor makes offensive, however thirsty.

Just as soon as possible plow up the ground and turn up the cut worms for the frost to kill. This is the only way to kill them.

Killed by Tree She Had Felled. In an attempt to secure fuel to prevent her crippled husband and four small children suffering from the cold, Mrs. John Carnaky, of Torrington, Conn., on Thursday went into the woods in the rear of her home and began to fell a tree.

Value of Quail. Every flock of quail is worth a dollar a head to the man upon whose farm the bird lives, just as weed seed eaters and insect destroyers, and yet there is no live thing on the farm which is so difficult to protect as these same little friends of the farmer.

Both Green. Mrs. Howso—Did the butcher send the lobsters? Bridget—He did, mum, but I sent them back. They wuzn't ripe.

Is Getting There. Briggs—Well, the next thing J. Pierpont Morgan will own the solar system. Griggs—Why, he already controls the Sun.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

To the uninitiated there may seem nothing new in the various knottings of soft satiny ribbons displayed in such abundance.

As for the twist for the hair, it is a sort of half wreath with a knot of ribbon at each end, which hangs down behind the ears, somewhere between them and the soft knot of hair at the back.

Purely Colonial furnishings are in best style with a room the woodwork of which is done in white enamel.

As the season grows older it becomes more evident that this is an era of trimmings, braids, tassels, sequins, buttons, folds, bias bands, embroidery and laces.

Madam in Mode prophesies most confidently that the full skirts is the coming model.

Bunchy or fluffy neckwear is quite passe; flatness alone prevails. The low collar is the smartest for the street, to accommodate the flat, drooping hats so popular now.

How much we give up to "the care of things," we women. Some women must be looked at with compassion when we see how they miss the real pleasure and freshness and activity of life through guarding their possessions, their ornaments, their houses, their carpets and curtains, their jewelry and silver.

Domestic virtues ought to be kept in their place. They ought not to be allowed to bring wrinkles to women's faces and to spoil the good tempers which are normally given to all women.

There are ever so many women who work hard and faithfully, yet the value of their work is utterly destroyed by regarding it as mere toil and missing the beauty and dignity of work.

The skirt yoke is having immense popularity with girls and women inclined to "embonpoint." It gives a fresh starting point for pleats, and gathers or shirrs, and keeps all redundant flounces away from the waist line.

Hand-embroidered linen waists have very elaborate designs on them. Three maple leaves embroidered on one of these for a decoration were so large they entirely covered the blouse from the waist line to the shoulder.

The swagger bodice has most of its garniture around the shoulders and drooping over the upper part of the sleeve, in the 1930 style.

Candelabra are oftener reserved for ornament use these days. Single candlesticks are preferred by Dame Fashion for table use.

Instead of wash flannel, which has held its own well, the newest blouses for house wear of a morning are made of fleece-lined chevrot. This comes in the assortment of patterns and colors which we choose in our summer gingham frocks.

Altogether fashionable and graceful is the box-pleated skirt, with a deep, shaped yoke which, because of the shaping, fits like the proverbial paper on the wall, though it is more sane and to the point to compare it to the wondrous skin of the serpent, which, though clinging without a wrinkle, gives and shapes itself to every move of its graceful wearer.

But we came not to praise this skirt, admirable as it is. Rather have we our eye on the sleeves of the box-pleated waist, which is slightly double-breasted and shows a "hoodlike" dangling front, the fastening at the left. The sleeve is box-pleated, too, the pleats stitched down to about the elbow, while the lower flounces

is caught into a shaped wrist piece, which is elongated in tub shape at the inside of the arm. The "bulge," has moved from the wrist nearly up to the elbow.

Black Letter Days of 1902.

January 8—Rear end collision New York Central railroad train in Park avenue tunnel; 15 killed, 35 injured.

January 27—Explosion in subway, Park avenue and Forty-first street; 6 killed, 75 injured.

January 27—Earthquake in Mexico; killed, 300.

February 2—Fire in Waterbury, Conn., destroyed property worth \$2,000,000.

February 8—Fire in Paterson, N. J., destroyed property worth \$10,000,000.

February 14—Earthquake at Shannaika, Siberia; killed 2,000.

February 23—Fire in Park avenue hotel and Seventy-first regiment armory; 16 killed, 35 injured; loss \$400,000.

March 1—Floods in New England and Middle states; 25 lives lost; loss, \$5,000,000.

March 19—Steamship British Queen burned at Hoboken, with wharf; loss \$800,000.

April 3—Fire at Atlantic City; destroyed 11 hotels, with loss of \$1,000,000.

May 8—Eruption of Mount Pelee; St. Pierre, &c., destroyed; 40,000 lives lost.

May 10—Great anthracite coal strike began; loss \$142,500,000.

May 12—Fire in railroad yards, Pittsburg; killed 25, injured 150.

June 26—Explosion gas works, avenue C, New York; injured 60.

July 16—Explosion in Daly mine, Utah; killed 0.

August 4—Severe earthquakes in Italy, and Portugal.

August 7—Explosion in coal mine, Bourn Col.; killed 16, injured many.

September 2—Another outbreak at Mont Pelee; killed 2,500.

September 28—Earthquake at Smyrna; killed 1,000.

September 26—Earthquake destroyed Artasch, Turkestan.

October 7—Fire at Texas oil wells; killed 30; loss \$500,000.

November 4—Fireworks explosion, Madison Square; 14 killed, 55 injured.

November 10—Spectacular fire on East river bridge; loss \$150,000.

December 17—Earthquake at Andijan, Asiatic Russia; killed 2,500.

December 27—Railroad collision, Wainstead, Ont.; killed 28, injured 33.

Health Hints.

Little Suggestions of Cures for Trifling Complaints. If you have a bad headache rub slices of lemon along the temple. The pain will not be long in disappearing, or at least in growing easier to bear.

The juice of pineapple cuts the membrane from the throat in diphtheria.

Cranberries are used internally and externally in cases of erysipelas.

Don't use your voice when hoarse.

Don't sleep in a room without proper ventilation.

A Roman remedy for malaria is this: Crumble into a pint of water, peel and all; boil down to one half. Take one teaspoonful before meals. Better than quinine.

Don't sleep in a draft.

Don't go to bed with cold feet.

Don't stand over a hot air register.

Don't try to cool off quickly after exercising.

Let your heartiest meal be at night, or whenever your work for the day is over. Fruit, toast, soft boiled eggs, and oatmeal make a good breakfast.

At a Guessing Match. —A dangerous cat (Catastrophe.) —An inspiring cat (Catanant.) —A cat that can swim (Catsfish.) —A cat that can fly (Catbird.) —A cat that will be a butterfly (Caterpillar.) —A library cat (Catalogue.) —A cat that asks questions (Catechism.) —A cat's near relation (Catkin.) —A cat that is good to eat (Catsup.) —A horned cat (Cattle.) —A cat that throws stones (Cataapult.) —A tree cat (Catalpa.) —A water cat (Catatract.) —A cat that flavors the grapes (Catawba.) —A cat that covers acres of ground (Cataclysm.) —A subterranean cat (Catacomb.) —A cat that, living, appears dead (Catalepsy.) —A cat prized as a gem (Cats-eye.) —A cat with a cold (Catarrh.) —Ladies Home Journal

Cake Riddles. —What kind of cake should a geologist eat? Layer cake. —What kind a puglist? Pound cake. —What kind a lover? Kisses. —What kind a gardener? Fruit cake. —What kind a glover? Lady-fingers. —What kind one who lives on his friend? Sponge cake. —What kind a politician? Election cake. —What kind a jeweler? Gold and silver cake. —What kind would one have who ate all these? Stomach-ache. —Ladies Home Journal

The Game Laws of Darktown. "I hear you 'son's been 'rested, Mrs. Johnson." "Yes, but I like you to know he 'rested fu' a gentleman's 'musement. De perlice says he done shoot craps outer season." —Washington Times

A Kansas clerk who found out last week that his own suit of clothes cost \$10 more than the one worn by his 'boss' has been doing some hard thinking. —Philadelphia Public Ledger

A MARVELOUS INVENTION. Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seems to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and saved many a life. Thousands have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: "It's the best and most reliable medicine for throat and lung troubles. Every 50c and \$1.00 bottle is guaranteed by Green's Pharmacy. Trial bottle free.

Save the Woodpeckers.

Two very important small birds that remain with us all winter and feed entirely upon insects, especially in orchards, are the downy and hairy woodpeckers. Members of this family can be known by their dipping flight, their short, sharp notes, their sharp, rigid tail feathers pressed against the tree for support, two toes in front and two behind insuring a firmer grasp, their hard pecking against wood, their modest white and black colors, and the patch of red on the head of the male. They are found mostly on the trunks and larger limbs of the trees, head upward, searching for grubs, chrysalids, etc. They are erroneously called "Sapsuckers," are killed through ignorance of their own value. They do not suck sap, and do not injure the trees. Protect the small woodpeckers of the winter time and thus protect your fruit crops.

Found Money Under Stone.

Canteen of Union Soldier Held Large Amount of Cash. Frank McClang, a farmer living near Lookout, Fayette county, W. Va., made a valuable find a few days ago.

The canteen contained the following inscription: "George Hedges, Twenty fourth Ohio." It was found in a field in which a party of Union soldiers camped during the Civil War.

Gift by the Studebakers.

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