

FARM NOTES.

Nothing should be given a mulch cow that, so far as quality is concerned, we would not be willing to eat and drink ourselves.

Damp houses and yards are where many of the poultry diseases originate, and this is the prime cause of the disagreeable disease of roup, which is so very disastrous after it once gets a good start.

The use of rich animal or other nitrogenous manures on grapevines should be avoided, as they cause too rapid growth of vine; immature growth is liable to mildew and rot to an increased extent, and makes a poorer quality of grape.

As for the bare neck carefully dressed women do not appear thus on the street in town, not because they would find it comfortable, but rather because idle ones would like to wear a stock of lace which does not keep out the air.

There are many causes why apples fail to ripen, which do not all, of course, affect the same trees, but one or more of them may cause the premature dropping of fruit.

1. The trees may be weakened by a severe winter, which may injure them in trunk, root or branches, leaving vitality enough to form and not perfect the fruit.

2. Wet weather following dry weather will cause a sudden growth and make the stems of the apple so brittle that they will break and fall.

3. Root lice may rob the roots of sap, weaken the tree and cause the apples to fall.

4. Sudden changes from wet to dry, will cause an irregular growth of the fruit, and consequently it will drop.

5. Borers may weaken the vitality of the tree. 6. Curculionids and codling moths may attack the fruit.

7. The soil may be too poor to support the fruit. 8. The tree may blossom unduly late, thus allowing the growth of the tree to get the start of the fruit and rob it of the nourishment, thus causing it to fall.

9. Cold nights may affect the vigor of the fruit germs, which may grow for a short time and prematurely fall.

10. Heavy winds may sway the half formed fruit so severely as to loosen the stem and cause the fruit to finally drop.

11. The apples may draw the sap from the leaves and weaken the tree. 12. Frost, such as rust and blight, may attack the leaves.

13. Overbearing the preceding year may exhaust the vitality of the tree. 14. Imperfect fertilization of the blossom in the spring may cause weak fruit that readily falls from the tree.

There are, also, many other causes. When the seeds of the fruit seem to be well—annually well—developed some seasons the fruit seldom falls prematurely.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

The habit of biting the finger nails is formed by a good many children, and it is one really hard to overcome, even with tireless patience.

Caramel Ice Cream.—Make a plain ice cream of a custard, of a pint of milk, four eggs and a cup of sugar, all cooked together until the custard coats the spoon.

A writer advises the following for dandruff: Alcohol, two ounces; witch hazel, two ounces; resorcin, fifteen grains.

Powdered borax, two ounces; boiling water, two quarts; powdered camphor, one ounce. Mix. When cold, bottle for use.

If you would have a fashionable morning gown copy one of the following: Here comes mother and daughter in correct morning dress.

The daughter is taller and broader than the slim mother, evidently a product of the new generation of girls bred up with plenty of outdoor exercise.

For day wear long chains of dull black beads that wind two or three times around the neck and hang below the waist are the last cry in watch chains.

To Preserve Brass Ornaments.—Brass ornaments, when not gilt or lacquered, may be cleaned and a fine color given to them by two simple processes.

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A cheap politician is a dear investment for the people. Giving the Lord lip service is adding to Satan's ammunition.

Our children are mischievous; other's children are simply mean. Our eccentricities are signs of boorishness when exhibited by others.

Waves of reform, like waves from the ocean, may recede, but they always leave something worth keeping upon the beach.

One of the amusing things connected with the hot spell is to beat a man who don't know the difference between alfalfa and alfalfa.

Little Girl Rescues Boy. Ortha Huyok, 11 years old, daughter of the proprietor of the Glenada, at Sea Cliff, N. J., is a heroine.

Don'ts for a Young Wife.—Don't weep in the presence of your husband; weeping irritates him or makes him helpless.

Don't imagine that love makes up all his life. Give him plenty of rope, he may love you ever so much, but he doesn't like to feel the pull of apron strings.

Don't nag. There is always a woman who doesn't. If you differ on things don't dispute them; agree to disagree.

Don't be jealous; give him the benefit of the doubt. He will secretly thank you. Be unselfish, even if he is not.

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Says Recorder Brown Was Murdered. At the inquiry into the death of the late Recorder J. O. Brown, of Pittsburgh, on Wednesday, J. R. B. Brown, a brother of the dead recorder, made the announcement that he was now convinced that his brother had been the victim of foul play, and that his death had been brought about by slow poisoning.

SUICIDE PREVENTED.—The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many.

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