FARM NOTES.

-Bowel trouble that carries off many chicks when one or two weeks old may be often corrected by taking away their drinking water and giving scalded milk instead.

—The green crop plowed under is composed of three chief parts. About four-fifths of it is water, or from 80 to 88 per cent; about one-fiftieth of the whole, or 2 per cent., is composed of what is called the ash ingredients, and the rest is the socalled organic matter. This organic matter, which is really the most useful part of the green manure, makes up, therefore, about a twelfth of the whole mass put under the

—A well known poultry raiser says that there will be a shortage of turkeys this fall and winter. The crop of turkeys last year was very short, and consequently fewer turkeys were kept over winter than usual. This spring was a particularly hard one on young turkeys, on account of the heavy rains. Young turkeys cannot stand much dampness, therefore the number lost was very great, and even fewer will be raised this year. It is also thought that chickens will be scarcer than heretofore, as they have been affected, though in a less degree, by the wet weather.

—Our old barn will be chuck full of clover hay this year, and for part of it we have a little lime to thank. It is not a hay year, but half a ton of lime per acre has done us a lot of good. Land can be improved when the first crop of clover is sold from the farm if it is cut early enough to get a big second crop. "Sell clover hay?" ex-claims some one. Well, why not? The price has struck the high notes this year, while the cowpea hay is richer, and we shall have more of it than the stock can eat. The peas will furnish the feed and improve the condition of the land and the eketbook at the same time. Hay is too high priced to feed.

—Avoid damp yards where poultry may be confined. A damp yard may be a very too far. good place, as long as the hens are on their feet apparently, but it is one of the best conductors of disease that can be found.

Dempines of the and best are tripleted that Dampness, filth and heat are triplets that work in harmony, and if disease breaks out in a damp yard it is much harder to eradicate than when the yard is dry. Roup always comes from dampness, even in summer, and when it gets in a flock it is as destructive as cholera. If the soil is very heavy it should be drained with tile, but the safest mode is to fill in the yard at least six inches above the surrounding surface. Spade up the yard occasionally so as to turn under the filth and also allow the air and sun to purify it.

-The ideal method of cultivating strawberries, according to one authority, is to have the land at all times in about the condition it would be if worked with a garden rake, and this can only be secured when tools with narrow teeth are used. If the soil is inclined to bake it will often be advisable to break the crust that forms about the plants after a rain, and during the season it should not be neglected whenever necessary to keep down the weeds and prevent the formation of a crust. As a substitute for the hoe a light potato hook is recommended, as this can be used to work closely about the plants without danger of injuring them and will leave the surface in better condition than the hoe.

-Probably never before was so much thought given to the fuel and timber question as now. It is a matter that concerns every farmer, and we should not stop here, but should take some action in the matter that will result in the starting of timber plantations, groves and the preservation of some of the forest growth already on our farms. Most of our farms have a portion of land that is better adapted to the growing of wood and timber than to anything else, and care should be exercised that such places be planted to valuable varieties of trees. It will add greatly to the beauty and value of the farm. Now is the time of all the year to make a start in this direcall the year to make a start in this direc-tion. Let a few trees at least be set out, to add beauty to the landscape and value to the farm, and in very many instances it will be advisable to plant trees on a much more extensive scale for the purpose of fur-nishing timber and wood to supply needs that are sure to come. The forests of the country are being used up very rapidly, and timber and lumber are increasing in value every year. Hemlock lumber has nearly doubled in price in the last ten years. Are these things not worth the serious consider-ation of the American farmer.

—It does not require a great outlay of money to prepare for raising turkeys, but to be successful you must not attempt to raise them in your poultry yard. You cannot do it, I am sure.

When your turkeys hatch do not put them out in the yard with the chickens, but put them in a quiet place where no other fowls, large or small, can get to them. Let it be a place where they can have grass, shade and sun. Do not feed them for at least thirty six hours after they are hatched. For the first twenty four hours I keep them in a basket lined with old flaunel and prefer a turkey for a mother, although a quiet, domestic hen will raise a brood of turkeys to the age of six weeks very nicely.

Then the poults will generally associate shoulders and head go back until the head turkeys to the age of six weeks very nicely. Then the poults will generally associate with the other young turkeys if there are any, though unless they happen to be nearly the same age the turkey hen will sometimes fight those that she deems intruders. A Brahma or Cochin hen makes a better mother for turkeys than the smaller breeds because they carry the young longer.

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One essential point in raising turkeys is to keep the poults free from vermin, for a lousy poult is as good as dead. If they are allowed to become lousy they lose their vitality before the lice are discovered; so in this, as in all diseases, prevention is better than oure. When the hen is set on the eggs she must be thoroughly dusted with insect powder. I paint the outside of the barrel—for I set my turkeys in barrels—with some good liquid lice killer. This prevents gnats, which are often very troublesome and sometimes kill the setting turkey hen. When the poults hatch I again dust the hen, but I let her shake herself well before giving her the little ones, for the insect powder is very hard on them, as it often causes them to become blind. Just a touch of thick cream on the head, under the neck and on the wing will kill the lice if there are any on the little birds, but I would not use that until they are a few days old, and then I would use it at night so they will get all the benefit. After they are two weeks old the cream can be used once a week and may be used early in the morning and kept up a short time. I would never use this or anything else, on a wet morning.—Bettie Glover Mackey in Reliable Poultry Journal.

Dainty green ribbons tie the bread sticks and cakes where ferns are used in table decorations.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

One of the first things to be considered when you are cutting and fitting the new gown is its outline.

A tailor keeps the silhouette of the woman he is costuming present, as a whole, in his mind. The woman who makes her own clothes is apt to lose sight of it in looking after less necessary points.

The professional looks first to the general effect; then to the particular lines. A home dressmaker, although she does not al-ways want the severe tailor lines, should accustom herself to regard her work in the

The very long lines of the tall woman may be effectively broken by fluffy trimmings, while the short woman, if she wears fluffs, should adapt them so that they increase her length rather than detract from

By this it is not meant that a short womin must confine herself to "tailor mades."

For example, the accordion pleated draperies of the present, if of soft, clinging material, have all the pretty perpendicular lines which add to the height.

If the body from the waist up is long in proportion to the rest a belt which does not alone should be ween.

slope should be worn.

The short waisted woman should have a soft belt, which can be drawn down well over the hips. This curve will make the upper portion of the body appear longer.

The dip of a belt should never be too pronounced. There are few uglier things than the girdle which slopes to an exagger-

ated degree in front. The long shoulder line which is so much in vogue at present is beautiful from an artistic as well as a fashionable viewpoint. No trimming should ever be allowed to break in on this line. If a yoke occurs in a dress it should extend to the shoulders. Narrow shoulders can be broadened by

wearing a shoulder cape which extends a trifle beyond the shoulder line.

The idea that they can be brought to look broad by setting the sleeves in low is

a serious mistake.

While the smoothly fitting skirt now in vogue is artistic, the tightness when overdone becomes one of the ugliest features of present day fashions. The tightness over the hips and back must not be continued

In many of this year's skirts the incurving back lines make the entire costume

ugly and inartistic. The sleeves of the present are a test of good individual taste. For, while a small amount of fullness is becoming and graceful in the most diaphanous materials, it is entirely out of place in heavy, unpliable fabrics. A quantity of material clinging at the wrist creates an unnatural bulging line along the hips.

Since the obstinate fruit stains as well as those from tea and coffee, can be removed by the use of javelle water, it is well to prepare a quantity for use during the summer. The recipe follows:

Pour four quarts of hot water over four pounds of bicarbonate of soda, in a large earthen dish. Stir with a stick until thor-oughly dissolved, add one pound of chloride of lime, stirring again until all is disand settle, strain through a thin cloth into jars or jugs and cork tightly. The sediment will be found good for cleaning kitchen table, sink and drain, and should be bettled the solution of the trees, and there espied a bare footed family of mountaineers—father, mother and two grown sons—in a great extend of constant in a great factor. solved. After allowing the liquid to cool bottled also. For removing stains use one part javelle water to four parts of soft water, allowing the article to soak in the preparation for several hours, then thoroughly wash and rinse. This applies only to white ground a fifth member of the family, a 4 year old youngster who was writhing in agony upon a flat rock.

The mother had her own superstitious goods, however, as javelle water is likely to fade colors. A cupful of the preparation added to a boilerful of water occasionally will keep clothes very white.

New tailored skirts fitting snugly around the waist, flaring toward the foot, swing-ing clear of the ground—most of them, es-pecially the tweeds and zibelines. The longer skirts are of broadcloth and smooth cheviots, strapped and stitched and buttoned in many pretty ways.

A hat and bonnet party is something of a novelty, and may serve to amuse members of a house party for an evening. Every woman invited must wear a bonnet and every man a hat of some old fashion or characteristic of some race or set, age or nation. There can be nun's bonnets and hoods, bridal "top-knots" of all ages and countries, Gainsboroughs, Pamelas, helmets. Shaker and Quaker headdress, calashes, "fascinators," "clouds," old bell crowns, Scotch Glengarrys, Tam o' Shanters, Balmoraes, even a bonnet rogue or lib-erty cap, as well as Turish fez, high pointerty cap, as well as Turish tez, high pointed Tyrolese, Indian feather headdress, a three cornered Continental and a G. A. R. cap. Guess cards may also be distributed and prizes awarded to those making a complete and correct inventory of the apparel worn. The effect of the commingling of all the colors and shapes and fashions is most striking and entertaining, and the first one to introduce the hat and bonnet idea in the ommunity is sure to "make a hit."

An exercise for the nervous girl who can't sleep and who thinks she is the chief of martyrs and the saddest of mortals is to cover them well with a woolen cover. I stand erect and very slowly relax every rests on the back. Sway the shoulders forward, and in that way bring the head in position without any force or tension. There must be no muscular movement of the neck. It is the swaying of the shoulders that takes the head from one position to another. Drop right shoulder and lift left, allowing head to drop to right. Back slow-ly to position. Of course all the muscles of the face must be completely relaxed.

> Chicken Tamales.—Joint a four pound chicken, cover with hot water and simmer until tender. Add to the water four onions, a clove of garlic chopped fine, a stick of cinnamon, ten whole allspice and cloves, three red Chili peppers, one and one half teaspoonful of salt. When the chicken is cooked remove from the pot and cut into very small pieces. Strain the liquor and put the chicken meat into it. Then add enough yellow meal to make a thick mush, boiling about ten minutes. Have ready green corn cut from two dozen ears, two pounds of seeded rasins (if you desire you can also have string beans, out small, and peas), put into the mush and mix. Add one teaspoonful of red pepper. Take corn husks and fill with the mixture, tying up securely at both end. When the husks are filled throw into hot water and boil for half an hour. Then serve.

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which, under certain conditions, is still unaccountable, but plainly to be seen.

Mr. Eby was strolling through the mountains near Rockville, during the berrying season of a decade past. In his ramble he came suddenly upon a spot in the forest where a ledge of rocks denied a foothold to

views on the treatment of snake bites and insisted on placing the child in a near by pool of water. She explained that if the bites had been those of water snakes no harm would result and that the skin of the child's body would not become discolored when he was dipped in the pool. Plung-ing the suffering boy into the water, a weird and startling transformation occurred. The flesh upon three different parts of his body changed into as many different hues. The trunk assumed the dull clayed color of the viper, the arms the glossy, glassy hue of the blacksnake, and the legs became plainly tinted with the rainbow shades of the treacherous mountain rattler. The mother was now positively convinced that the child was bitten by three different kinds of snakes, of which the colors devel-

The life of the youngster was saved through the attention of a snake doctor who was promptly summoned and ad-ministered herb potions, the efficacy of which in counteracting the effect of snake bites is well known to most mountaineers. The most remarkable fact in connection with the lad's recovery, however, is the permanent effect it had upon his appearance. He is now a bright healthy boy of 14, but every time he enters the water for a bath or a swim the colors of the reptiles cannot be different to the different appear as distinctly upon the different parts of his body as upon the day that the three snakes stuck their fangs into him, ten years ago.

The Art of Getting to Sleep,

All the conditions must be favorable to sleep. The bedroom should be quiet, dark, and airy. In winter it is better to have the window away up than to shut it so that a knife-edged draught shall chill an exposed shoulder. The temperature of the exposed shoulder. The temperature of the bed should be agreeable. Getting to sleep when the feet are cold is as slow a job as getting to sleep when hungry. A hot-water bottle in one case and a piece of bread and butter in the other will help things. I leave it to you to decide which is for which. A warm bed in winter is easily got, but a cool bed in summer is not so simple a proposition. However, a sheet simple a proposition. However, a sheet made of straw matting, interposed between the regular sheet and the mattress, will be found to mitigate sensibly the horrors of a hot night. It preserves the softness and springiness of the bed' and yet is pleasantv cool, without being too cool. Personaly, I find that sleep comes soonest when I

have no pillows at all.

The next thing is to relax utterly. Remember that the corner of the jaw is the citadel of tension. While that is clinched no sleep can come. But most important of all is the disposition of the mind so that sleep can come. The reason why we fail in this is the same as the reason why we fail in other things: We do not very gen uinely want to succeed. As we lie stretched out after a busy day, there are so many thoughts we want to chase after that we drop the notion of sleep, though we know that to-morrow is another day on which we can think. It is all very well to say : "Dismiss these thoughts." dismiss them is the problem that each must solve.-Harvey Sutberfield, in the September Everybody's.

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