

FARM NOTES.

Many good cows give but a small quantity of milk because they are not properly managed.

The currant is a grass feeder. Plant the bushes 3 by 6 feet, early in spring, on heavy, rich loam.

Get your hot-beds ready for the sweet potato plants and use only seed that is free from rot.

Unless there is a convenient market for the sale of vegetables the garden should be no larger than is necessary to afford a full variety, and in abundance, for the family.

The ground cannot be made too rich for gooseberries and currants, and any extra attention given them the first year will have its effect for years afterward.

One of the best disinfectants for the stable, drains, poultry yard or contaminated ground is to dissolve a pound of copperas and a pound of bluestone in four gallons of boiling water.

It is claimed that land plaster attracts ammonia from the atmosphere and combines with it, the plaster being broken up in its combination and sulphate of ammonia formed.

In setting out a plum orchard give a northerly exposure, if possible, and one of considerable elevation.

Grass is always an important crop, and also an evidence of good farming, as no soil will produce a large crop of grass every year unless the land is well manured or treated with fertilizer.

It is not desirable to plant seeds of vegetables too early. If the ground is not warm the seed may rot before it can germinate.

This is the season of the year when preparations should be made for spring operations. One of the annoyances of farmers when they are ready to plant is that the seeds are not on hand for that purpose.

Wash the leaves, put into the inner vessel of a double boiler, with hot water in the outer. Cover closely and cook tender.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

A DAILY THOUGHT.

If we are "to do well," taking that phrase in its largest and noblest sense, we must "learn" to do it, acquiring the splendid power through attention, repeated endeavor and manifold sacrifice.

HAIR ORNAMENTS.

Ornaments for the hair are worn with all evening dresses, and, while there are charming wreaths and sprays of flowers which give somewhat a flat appearance.

The hair is still worn in pompadour, says Harper's Bazar, but the pompadour is pushed more forward over the face, while the rest of the hair is either in a small knot on top of the head or in a soft, graceful coil low in the neck.

SPATS SMART WITH SPRING SHOES.

All through the winter spats have been coming back into popular favor, and now a walking skirt is seldom worn without the ankle being modestly hidden by a light tan spat.

With a gray dress gray spats must be worn, and as gray is to be a fashionable shade of the spring, gray spats are coming forth in all possible shadings.

With the new spring fashions it will be noticed that tan and gray shoes and stockings are going to be quite the fashion.

Oxford ties after having been rather frowned upon for the last few years are once again becoming popular, for the small pump, which undoubtedly does make the foot look delightfully, has been found almost impossible to walk in.

Patent leather for the time being, at any rate, has given up its place to suede for an evening slipper.

For the street silk stockings are quite unnecessary, but with the reception dress either the finest lisle thread or else the silk hose should be worn.

SPINACH.

Spinach has received from one writer upon Dietetics the sobriquet of "The Broom of the Human System." Its virtues are manifold. It contains alterative and tonic salts, and besides being gently laxative, acts—also gently—as a nerve sedative.

SPINACH A LA CREME.

Pick over and wash the spinach. After soaking in the fourth water, put the leaves, with the moisture still clinging to them, into the inner boiler of a farina kettle and cover closely.

PLAIN BOILED SPINACH.

Wash the leaves, put into the inner vessel of a double boiler, with hot water in the outer. Cover closely and cook tender.

SPINACH IN MOULDS.

Boil the spinach, press out every drop of water and chop fine. Cook together in a saucepan a tablespoonful of butter and two of flour. Add the spinach with pepper and salt to taste; cook for five minutes.

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