

FARM NOTES.

It is said that a coat of boiled linseed oil and ground charcoal on any kind of post will prevent it rotting.

There is a right and wrong way to water plants. When sprinkling small plots or vegetables use plenty of water and make the ground wet.

The small farms should always be devoted to those crops that are not grown extensively.

Gardeners are frequently advised to grow onions on the same location every season, but this can be done with success only when the ground is well supplied with manure.

Potatoes which are dug in clear weather and thoroughly dried in the sun will keep in much better condition in the cellar than those put into bins without being sundried.

The increase in a flock of sheep that has a good range and is well taken care of is very rapid, and by the use of improved blood the flock can soon be made very valuable.

Those who planted early this year should be convinced that nothing is gained by planting the seed when the ground is cold.

A difficulty with sandy soils is that it possibly permits of the rapid evaporation of moisture from the surface during periods of drought.

Evening coats promise no end of changes. Everything about them, it is said, will be different. Empire styles will probably be most marked in them, and short sleeves very much in evidence.

As to colors, black is back and plum color promises to be strong. Blue is staple and is popular this year as well, carrying out the predictions made last spring and summer.

It is most profitable to make pork from young pigs than from adults. A bushel of corn will produce more pounds of increase in weight when fed to a pig three months old.

Farm News and Views.—The results of seed testing depend largely upon the conditions under which the tests are made.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

Shop Notes.—All sorts of supple cloths are high in favor for every sort of use.

But broadcloth promises to be first and foremost for the dressier sort of clothes.

As a consequence of this interest in broadcloth, new, beautiful shades of colors have come out, made still more beautiful by the satin sheen of the finish.

Of course, all broadcloth used is the sort that was achieved a year or so ago, robbed of all its old-time stiffness, and made supple and light in weight.

Elbow sleeves are coming in for everything but the more workaday styles of dress.

Corded handkerchiefs have developed from the quaint styles with "dimity borders" to styles with cords crossing and recrossing at intervals over the whole handkerchief.

Voiles are still high in favor, promising to become another of the staples we're so dependent on.

Velveteen is struggling back, mostly in blue, black and green.

And velvets are strong—even to velvet ribbon. For velvet usually comes in when the plainer cloths are used.

Checks haven't gone out, as almost everybody prophesied they would; and they've faded to "invisible checks."

The new herringbone suitings are stunning, especially those of gray. Both the definite and indefinite herringbones—like the checks, only in the weave—are good.

Mohairs have taken a vigorous new lease of life for shirt waist suits.

Covert cloth makes hosts of separate jackets and coats, and whole suits as well. There's a darker shade than the usual pale tan we're most accustomed to which bids fair to be wonderfully popular.

Gray covert cloth is gaining ground steadily. It's a copy of English styles, that clear as one gray being as staple in England as the tan coverts have been here.

Broadcloth, as usual, will make a great number of the evening coats, but mohair—white, of course—will, for the first time for years, come into service for that use.

Chiffon and chiffon cloth will be made up over white for blouses. Some of them will be made in a lighter shade of the color of the broadcloth suit they're worn with.

More separate coats will be about than have been for many a season. They won't take the place of suits, however, but establish themselves as an extra.

The popularity of green is the natural sequel to the fad for brown, which has practically worn itself out, although, in Paris, a warm chestnut brown is taking things mildly by storm.

Among the most popular materials for shirt waist suits are voiles, herringbones and mohairs, both the plain and novelty cloths; green and blue checks and plaids, and some brown and black; and in the novelty cloths, quiet effects.

There's to be plenty of two-tone effects—that is, cloth of one shade trimmed with a lighter or darker shade of the cloth of the same color.

Changeable effects in cloth are over and done with.

Every indication of the styles of the season's materials is that they will be quiet in design, but brighter as to color.

Raincoats show the influence of Empire styles, in stitings and yokes that indicate, rather than actually employ, the belts so marked in everything of the Empire.

Some of the newest coats show a good deal of flues below the waist line. Some are even planned to get more fullness in.

Among blouses, there's an exquisite one made of the palest of blue batiste, with a tiny dragon harmlessly stretched out on each side of the yoke.

Another blouse had tie-ends apparently hanging from the attached collar. But a closer examination proves that they are inset in the blouse, joined with the inevitable herring-boning.

A blouse, in the palest pink, had embroidery applied like a yoke of edging. But yokes and blouse proper were all in the same piece.

JAPS MUST WINTER IN SAKHALIN

Heavy Snow Prevents Their Leaving Russian Territory.

Tokio, Oct. 2.—Snow is falling on Sakhalin Island, and owing to the impassable condition of the roads the Japanese troops still remaining at Alexandrovsk cannot be withdrawn overland into Japanese territory.

Strong gales are constantly prevailing, making it next to an impossibility to remove the troops on transports before navigation completely closes.

A fire that broke out in an army storehouse at Hiroshima, and continued for more than three hours, destroyed 27 temporary buildings, together with their contents, consisting principally of provisions and clothing.

STEAMER SUNK BY MINE Was Probably One Used in Naval Battles at Port Arthur.

Chefoo, Oct. 2.—The coasting steamer Hatesho, plying between Shanghai and Tien Tsin, struck and was totally destroyed by a mine 90 miles south of the Shantung promontory Saturday morning.

19 YEARS FOR BIGAMIST Fred Carlton, Who Married Many Women, Sentenced.

New York, Oct. 3.—Frederick E. Carlton, who was convicted of three charges of bigamy and one of grand larceny in Brooklyn, was sentenced to an aggregate term of 19 years in state prison.

Judge Aspinwall was most bitter in his denunciation of the prisoner's crimes, and said he was convinced that the prisoner attempted murder when he tried to rob Schaub.

ADDICKS WINS FROM ALLEE

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Dover, Del., Oct. 3.—J. Edward Addicks, fighting for political life, was able to effect a draw after days of missionary work the Union Republican state committee of 18 members was divided evenly between followers of the gas man and of United States Senator Allee.

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