

Bellefonte, Pa., May 21, 1909.

FARM NOTES.

In feeding table refused to fowl grain should always be mixed with it.

Sugar For Horses.—Every army horse in Argentina receives with its regular supply of food two ounces of sugar.

A Pottsgrove, Pa., reader wants to know the average price of nitrate of soda, phosphate acid and muriate of potash.

The advantage of starting a few cucumber vines by planting the seed in a piece of sod and starting in the house or hothouse lies in the fact that when transplanted into the open ground they make such a start that they grow right away from the striped squash bug.

For roop to each quart of drinking water add one-half teacupful of a grain of arsenic and a half-teaspoonful of kerosene.

A farmer writes that he cut timothy when it was in bloom, which looked nice and sold well at sight, but his horses would not eat it unless there was no straw for them to eat, it was better.

Up to date no effective method has been discovered for checking the damage done by the stalk borer, which seems to be no respecter of plants, attacking pig-weeds, potato vines, salsina and other vegetable and garden flowers with equal avidity.

The department of agriculture at Washington has arranged for the establishment of two experimental farms in western South Dakota, one under the national irrigation project and the other for the purpose of putting to the test what is known as the Campbell system of dry farming.

A number of states have adopted the cash plan of paying road taxes, with the result that there has been an improvement both in the quality and the amount of road work done.

A correspondent writes: "If I plant apple, pear, plum or nut seeds in the ground, will the trees bear the same fruit, or do they have to be grafted?"

Probably this year there will be more corn planted to husk than for some time past. When managed rightly there cannot only be a good crop of ears produced, but in addition the stalks or stover can be made a large addition to the amount of fodder grown.

If the potatoes you intend to plant for seed show any tendency to be scabby, give them the formalin treatment. This may be done by placing the seed after it is cut up in a coarse sack and suspending it for two hours in a solution made by adding one pint of 40 per cent. formalin to thirty gallons of water.

A Wenonah, N. J., reader asks: "Can you tell whether bones burned in a wood fire have any value as a fertilizer?"

A "Record" correspondent wants to know how to make Bordeaux mixture. Bordeaux mixture is made of sulphate, quicklime and water.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

DAILY THOUGHT.

The very name and appearance of a happy man breathe of good nature and help the rest of us to live.—R. L. Stevenson.

The only garment that is at all stiff and crisp in the wardrobe is the tailored shirtwaist which the girls cling to.

The white shirtwaist striped with color matching the suite with which they are worn are in great favor with the girls just now.

There are lovely Scotch madrasas with narrow lines of any color at all that a girl may want.

The new hats press down over the hair framing the face with a hard line.

"Behold the bang," says the hairdresser, that would settle the matter.

It is not as simple as it looks, however, and cannot be done at home with the shears.

It is not out straight across. It is rounded and then made into soft, loose little curls that are just visible under the drooping hat brim.

The hair must be wider at the sides and half low and fall at the back.

The willow furniture for the summer piazza is prettier and more summery looking than ever.

It is best either in natural color or stained in any of the pleasant, natural shades of green or brown.

There are low, comfortable chairs shaded with arms, or rockers, or both.

They have pretty cushions of denim or cretonne, which cannot but give an inviting look to the plainest square piazza.

One set of porch furniture shown in a shop is of a natural color willow, with red denim cushions in the chairs and in the swinging seat.

Another for the country cottage, has cushions and lilac flowered cretonne. Fancy a porch furnished thus, with a big bowl of lavender sweet peas on the low wicker table!

Besides the various chairs, there are tea tables and card tables of willow, and a charming hanging seat, which swings from the roof of the porch, and is cushioned, as are the chairs.

There are wicker baskets for flowers, and others designed as jardiniere, to cover the inevitable flower pot.

There is also a desk in willow ware, with fascinating little drawers and pigeon holes, and a rack on top for picture or flower vases.

There is an ingenious telescope table, which is really four tables of graduated sizes which may be pulled out and used separately.

For Elderly Women.—Turnover linen collars are required by tailor made shirtwaists.

A little bow is the usual confederate of this collar.

A fluffy net bow should not be assumed by the stout woman.

But will fill out the hollows in the scrawny neck and face.

Frisly jabots that end at the waist line must be shunned by the unco stout.

The finger collar attached to dressier shirtwaists is not elaborate enough for elderly women.

Substituted in its stead a dainty, well-boned stock is effective.

A pretty brooch fastens this stock in front and small beauty pins attach it in the back.

Hose hooks for the substantial matron should have V necks.

But the spare woman of advancing years will retain the stock with something fluffy at the neck.

Afternoon frocks on the shirtwaist order are finished with lace stocks or jabots.

The wide soft white collar fastened to the neckband and starting at the base of the neck is quite in fashion, and is exceedingly pretty.

These are not only in pictures and in writing. They have appeared on the streets. They go very well indeed with the large sweeping sailor which has a large crown.

It is a little difficult to get the Byron collars, but they can easily be made.

Since women have gone in for gardening with such enthusiasm they have adopted an apron to wear during these hours.

Some Sons of Presidents.

Only eleven of our Presidents have left sons who grew to manhood.

"Dick Taylor," son of President Zachary Taylor, was a general in the Civil War, on the side of the South.

Frederick Dent Grant has served as Minister to Austria, as Police Commissioner in New York city, and has risen to a higher rank in the army than the son of any other Civil War man.

Webb C. Hayes was a gallant soldier in Cuba and the Philippines and bears the title of Colonel.

Russell B. Harrison is also a Colonel, having served in Cuba and the Philippines. He now is a business man, as are the second and third sons of President Grant.

Two of President Garfield's sons have been before the public: James, who was Secretary of the Interior under President Roosevelt, and Harry, who is now President of Williams College.

The sons of Presidents Roosevelt and Cleveland are yet boys in early youth.

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America Alone has Humming Birds.

Though the art museums of Europe may have some treasures of which America cannot boast, our continent has the distinction of a monopoly of the world's supply of humming birds.

The popular idea is that the hummer lives only on honey, gathered from flowers. This is a mistake. The bird does secure some honey, but its food consists mainly of the small insects which frequent the flowers.

Some of these insects are injurious to the blossom, and the tiny bird fulfills a useful function in destroying them.

The hummer is insectivorous is also shown by its habit of catching tiny insects on its wing, which is occasionally observed.—H. J. Job, in the Oatling Magazine.

The young man and young woman who undertake the voyage of life without some reliable chart, showing the rocks and shoals are sometimes difficult to amuse.

Try putting a looking-glass where it will reflect outside objects—so that the little one can see them. It often proves a most fascinating amusement.

Do you know where to get your garden seeds in packages or by measure, Seehler & Co.

For Inky Fingers. A girl I know has made a wonderful discovery, which she thinks all other school-boys and school-girls should know, too.

"It's so useful, mamma," she says. "All boys and girls get ink on their fingers, you know."

"Sorely they do, and on their clothes as well," said her mother.

"I can't get the spots out of my clothes, but I'm sorry when they get there," responded the girl. "I try very hard not to. But I can get the ink spots off my fingers."

She dipped her fingers into water, and while they were wet she took a match out of the match safe and rubbed the sulphur end well over her ink spots.

One after another the spots disappeared, leaving a row of white fingers where had been a row of inky black ones.

"There," said the girl after she had finished. "Isn't that good? I read that in a housekeeping paper, and I never knew they were any good before. I clean my fingers that way every morning now: it's just splendid!"

So some other boys and girls might try Alice's cure for inky fingers.—[Harper's Round Table.

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