

FARM NOTES.

The best way to sell fruit is straight to the man who wants it.

Winter has not much work for the orchard, but orchardists can plan for the days to come.

The most valuable horse in the world is said to be Bayardo, an English three-year-old.

It has been found that soaking dry old corn for hogs is about equal to grinding, and certainly is more economical.

Never put pork into a barrel that has the slightest smell or taint about it.

The Pennsylvania State College (agricultural experiment station) has just issued Bulletin No. 95 on the subject of experiments in pig feeding.

The feed consumed by one cow will usually support five sheep, and with good care, the returns from the sheep will often be greater than from the cow.

If we could see all the bugs and worms that the frost put out of the way every winter, it would help us to bear cold weather with better grace.

A good way to protect a bed of tender rose bushes is to bend them carefully down to the ground, hold them in position with stakes, and then cover with leaves, straw or earth.

Professor C. P. Gillette, of the Colorado Agricultural College, has discovered a new insecticide for the codlin moth, which has proven effective in destroying the worms, and probably will be found not so injurious to apple trees as other arsenical poisons.

The Guernsey cow Dolly Dimple, 19,144, in completing her official record as a three and one-half year old excelled all other cows of the same age and breed in the world.

It is not advisable to touch a colony of bees at any time unless it is necessary, and never when it is too cold for them to fly.

The cowpea is sometimes sown in combination with other crops, such as corn, Kaffir corn and sorghum, for hay.

One of the most ingenious ways of furnishing protection to peach buds has been tried by Prof. Witten, of the Missouri Experiment Station.

The Indiana Agricultural Experiment Station has shown that dry fodder loses 25 to 35 per cent. of its nutrition as compared with corn silage in feeding.

Where it is absolutely necessary to store manure it should be kept under cover, if possible, where it will be free from heavy rains and melting snow.

The value of our annual farm products is now about \$8,000,000,000. It might easily be doubled.

Lobster Newburg.—Cooked in butter one cooked lobster cold, add glass of sherry, salt, pepper, cayenne, one-quarter pint cream; boil five minutes, then add the yolks of three eggs.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

DAILY THOUGHT.

I would be true, for there are those who trust me; I would be pure, for there are those who care; I would be brave, for there is much to suffer; I would be kind, for there is much to dare.

That long-neglected item, the waist-belt, is coming to its own again, and leading the revival is a belt of black patent leather that looks so awfully well with a velvet skirt and with Russian coats.

Another little fresh tendency of fashion, and also a revival, is the waving of the hair forming the chignon. We all have to buy little cages on which to mount our hair, and some of us have to buy tails of hair to the better achieving of that end.

Cold though it is, we are all turning an eye towards spring, and though we do not care to purchase new frocks as yet we like to know just what is going to be worn.

Gray effects will be prominent, together with many new and interesting shades of green. There are two styles of green shadings, one of a distinctly gray tendency and the other running more into the yellow.

Gobelin blue, if early rumors carry any weight, is to be extremely fashionable in silks this spring.

Soft finish satins in delicate colors are the smartest fabrics for evening wear.

There is a tendency on the part of the makers to increase the width of silks—a sensible tendency, too, as dressmakers and silk wearers will testify.

When the sleeve begins to grow it is pretty sure to keep on until an exaggerated arm covering is reached. But not until skirts take on more amplitude than they have had for some years will there be very large sleeves.

The new foulards—and these are to be as much in evidence as ever this spring—are in lighter color tones, following out the winter fashions—delicate violet, rose shades, blues and dainty greens.

One of the recent taffetas is firm and lustrous, with weaves of white or cream traced over its shining surface.

The pockets are placed in various positions; in one case the fold-over front of a coat hides it. In another instance, the pockets are placed inside the coat in the old-fashioned manner as part of the lining.

Delicate evening clothes which are not in constant use should be protected by slips which can easily be made at home.

The width of the material is used, doubled across at the top, with the two sides and bottom sewed in a seam.

The opening can be cut back and hemmed if preferred, and bound with narrow wash ribbon in contrasting color to the cheesecloth.

White mercerized cotton should be used for this, and the letters should be padded underneath to make them raised.

Butter slightly toasted bread cut in cubes, put in baking dish with plenty of rich grape juice with or without a little lemon juice. Cover with meringue, brown in oven, and serve with whipped cream.

POPULAR FALACIES.

Three physicians were standing in a downtown drug store the other day when one, who had been looking at an evening paper, exclaimed: "Great Caesar, here it is again! I see it in the papers at least twice a month."

"What's that?" asked one of the others. "It's that popular fallacy about a drowning man sinking for the third time. Here it says, 'Just as he was sinking for the third time he was saved by the timely arrival, etc.'"

"Why will people get that fool idea that sinking for the third time must needs be fatal to a drowning man? Why, bless you, I saw a man sink a half dozen times before he was rescued alive. An uncle of mine, witnesses said, never sank but once, and he was drowned. The number of times a man sinks has nothing to do with his drowning. He may sink but once, and he may go beneath the water any number of times. It all depends upon the person who is drowning, his physical condition and how quickly the lungs fill with water."

"That cycle of three," suggested another of the doctors, "is carried along by those who insist that a person dies in his third suggestive chill. But this is not true. The same rule holds good in congestive ailments as in the case of the drowning man. A person may die in the first or in any of a dozen and still live. The rule of three does not obtain there either."

The first physician, with great disdain, then told how many ignorant persons would swear that "if ye get th' malarial an' it runs into typhoid fever an' it runs into pneumonia it's shore death."

"There's that same old rule of three again," he continued almost angrily. "First and foremost, one disease does not run into another. There's no such thing as a collision between diseases, as many believe. If one has malaria he has that and that alone. The same thing is true of typhoid fever and pneumonia. Each one is a separate and distinct trouble, and a doctor with any sense should be able to diagnose his malady from symptoms which are always present in each and entirely different."

From popular fallacies in regard to medicine the conversation drifted to fallacies regarding the law. A lawyer present was called upon to explain first one thing and another, when one of the bystanders said: "I made a bet the other day that a person had no right to touch a dead body until the coroner arrived, and I won."

"Who decided the question for you?" asked the lawyer smilingly. "Well," said the man sheepishly, "it was a bartender, but he's an educated fellow and is a good judge of the law."

"You speak of the law as if it were something to be judged like cattle at a fat stock show," replied the attorney. "There is no law on any statute book in any state in the United States which says one may not touch a body before the arrival of the coroner."

"In case of murder the old English common law used to require that the body of the murdered one be left just as it lay until viewed by one in authority. That was done, it can plainly be seen, for the purpose of preserving the surroundings intact so that whatever evidence might be there would not be lost."

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disturbed. In case of a murder today, especially if any mystery were connected with it, common sense would teach a person to leave everything intact, not alone for the coroner, but for the police officials as well.

"I'll tell you what is the law," said a stoop-shouldered, long-armed man who had been listening long enough to get the gist of the discussion.

"Oh, piffle!" exclaimed the attorney. "I'm going to lunch. That's the limit. I was waiting for some yap to spring that, if that was the case and a murder should be committed in this room half a dozen of us could not be competent witnesses, if your statement is true, because we are wearing glasses."

"I heard my grandfather say that," insisted the long-armed man, "and he know'd law too."

"Yes," retorted the exasperated attorney, "and he no doubt gave it out."

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