

Bellefonte, Pa., September 16, 1910.

FARM NOTES.

-The manure for a garden should applied in the fall and plowed under in the spring, and phosphate used in the hill and drill. Do not keep one plot too long for the garden. A change of location means less trouble from weeds, insect and fungous diseases.

-A good, well bred breeding sow is a profitable proposition on the Eastern farm. Not long ago a farmer in Lehigh county, this State, sold a fine breeding sow at auction for \$50. She had two litters during the year, one of which brought \$186 and the other \$140. Together with her sale price the animal brought her owner \$376

-The asparagus bed should be liberally fertilized if large, tender stalks are de-Extensive Pennsylvania growers use a fertilizer composed of 300 pounds of nitrate of soda, 400 pounds of muriate of potash, 700 pounds of tankage and 600 pounds of acid phosphate applied at the rate of one ton per acre. This should be applied very early in the spring. In the fall, after the tops have been removed, the planting should be heavily manured.

-Prof. E. B. Hart, of the University of Wisconsin, says farmers need to be cau-tioned generally against the use of wood ashes and lime with manure. The ashes and lime produce an alkaline condition, resulting in the loss of the ammonia thich carries off the nitrogen. This point has not been sufficiently emphasized, and many well-meaning farmers have used ashes and lime with manure to disadvantage. The lime and ashes if needed by the soil should be put on in other years than those in which farm manure is ap-

—As a crop for green manuring buck-wheat possesses a number of valuable characteristics. It thrives on poor soil. It grows rapidly. It smothers out weeds, thus helping to clean the land. It leaves hard soils in a remarkably mellow condition. It decays quickly when plowed under. Buckwheat is free from insect or fungous troubles. It starts so quickly and grows so rapidly that most weeds get no chance to make headway against it. Buckwheat is one of the best crops for cleaning land by smothering out weed

-Butter is estimated to weigh about one-sixth more than the butter fat in the milk and cream. For instance, 36 pounds of butter fat, when made into butter, the quantity would be six pounds more, or 42 pounds of churned butter. Most creameries work on this basis. Whether there is fraud in computing the value of the cream at the creamery depends upon the character of the men. The amount of the creamers are becaused from the cream debutter to be secured from the cream depends upon the butter fat content of that cream. If cream tests 36 per cent. of butter fat, from 100 pounds of such cream 42 pounds of butter should be churned. If cream contains but 24 per cent. of but-ter fat, from 100 pounds but 28 pounds of butter will be churned.

-Peach Trees and the Kind of Treatment they Require.—A good soil is needed for peach trees, but a soil that is deficient in the food elements needed cannot grow the tree. The ground must be in proper condition. The peach tree needs no fertilizing until it has set a crop; then fertilizers should be applied freely, so that the vigor of the tree may be preserved and that it may grow the most perfect fruit. Wood ashes, five to ten pounds per tree, is very good. Stable manure applied in the fall or early winter that preserve the spring, unless the ter (but never in the spring, unless the land is very poor and the trees are weak) is excellent. Cowpeas grown in a peach orchard will be found to be a beneficial crop. They should be sown very late in the season (about now,) and are not to be removed from the land.

—Trees rapidly deteriorate when the orchard is overplanted. This is due to an overcrowded state. Thin out the trees before the branches begin to touch. Where the soil of the orchard is too wet for the theift of the trees, the land had for the thrift of the trees, the land had best be drained or the ground will sour. Sour soil should be treated to an application of lime.

Improper pruning will result in a worn-out orchard, which is shown in the un-symmetrical heads,dead or dying branches and a great growth of watersprouts. Pruning should be done to correct such defects, to allow air and sunlight to enter and to facilitate operations in cultivation, etc. Wood growth is caused by heavy pruning of the top. If trees are properly pruned, the trees will not only be reinvigorated, but errors of former years will

-The average beginner does not appreciate the importance of mulching the strawberry bed. It should not be neglected. The straw, in mulching, acts as a protection from injury by free alternate freezing and thawing. If the plants remain frozen all winter, and in the spring gradually thaw out, there will be little damage, but when left bare, and the beds are alternately frozen and thawed in spring, and during warm weather in winter, the plants are left partly out

of the ground, resulting in injury.

By mulching, too, the berries are kept clean. Mulching also conserves moisture and takes the place of cultivation in the spring, when the latter is impracticable. It also keeps down weeds, and the humus made by the decaying straw improves the mechanical and chemical condition of the

Mulching material must be loose and open in texture. Leaves and sawdust pack down and smother plants. The material must not be foul with weed seeds. Manure, which is sometimes used for a mulch, often fouls the bed with numerous weeds. Old wheat straw is usually the cheapest material, and straw manure can sometimes be used to good advan-

When in the fall the ground freezes hard enough to bear the weight of a wagon it is the proper time to mulch. If the ground should be covered with sevthe ground should be covered with several inches of snow, the straw can be placed on top, which will serve to keep the snow from melting. So long as it does not melt snow makes an excellent mulch. When mulching choose a calm day for the work. Should the litter be light and in danger of being blown away, manure or correstalks thrown over the manure or cornstalks thrown over the bed will keep down the mulch. Aim to have it spread to equal depth in all plac es. The covering need not be over an inch or two-just enough to hide the plants. Shake up well, avoiding leaving The Witch Finders.

Three hundred years ago the business of finding out witches was well established and accepted in courts of law as highly proper. In 1649 it is recorded that the magistrates of Newcastle, England, sent to Scotland for an expert witch finder. This gifted person proceeded to show his skill by discovering fifteen witches and securing their conviction. One Matthew Hopkins was a celebrated witch finder of that period. It was easy to discover witches when you knew how. The suspected person could be forced to weep and then detected by the well known fact that a witch could shed only three tears and those from the left eye, or she could be pricked with pins to discover the spot insensible to pain, which was a sure sign of dealings with the devil. That women were far more likely to dabble in witchcraft than men was conceded. The reason was satisfactorily explained by a famous German text book on witches published in the fifteenth century. It was simply that women were inherently wicked, whereas men naturally inclined to goodness.

The Coyote. The coyote is the little brother of the Indian. When the buffalo vanished from the plains the Indian shot his rifle into the air, wrapped his blanket closer about him and came into the reservation to grow fat and unpicturesque under federal auspices. When the jack rabbit and molly cottontail vanish from the plains and foothills the howl of the last coyote will sink into silence beyond the great divide. Until that far day arrives, however, hang the bacon high, for while the rabbit remains the most skillful four legged forager the world ever knew will bay at the moon by night and just keep out of rifle rauge by day. The coyote knows more about traps than a Canadian "voyageur." is an expert on strychnine and never falls for the deadfall. He is rather fond of lambs and calves, but rabbits are the oatmeal of this phantom highlander, and, as "Diamond Field" Jack Davis would say. "where two or three of these are gathered together there you will find the coyote, seeking to stow one of them into his midst."-Philadelphia Telegraph.

When a Burglar Calls at Night. "If a burglar breaks into your house at night don't try to corner him," said an old headquarters policeman. "If the visitor awakens you make noise enough to scare him away, but don't go after him with a gun. Ten to one he'll 'get' you before you can hit him. It's better to lose a few dollars' worth of goods than your life. I'm giving it to you straight. The average man. waked up in the middle of the night, always badly frightened, hasn't a chance against the man with nerve enough to break into an occupied house. Every burglar is a potential murderer and will shoot to kill if you try to catch him. And why not? He's got a big. long term in prison staring him in the face if he's nabbed, and be'll take a chance on murder every time to get away. Leave the capture of such gentry to the 'cops.' They're paid to be shot at; you ain't."-Kansas City Star.

The Normans.

The Normans were Northmen or, to be more precise, the descendants of Northmen, who had been expelled from their native Norway in consequence of an effort on their part to subvert its institutions and to make its lands hereditary instead of being divisible among all the sons of the former owner. A band of expatriated outlaws and robbers, they won and held the fair province of northern France, which they named Normandy, after their native land. When they invaded England they were Frenchmen only in the sense that they had lived for some generations on French soil. In blood they belonged to the great Germanic breed, along with the Anglo-Saxons, Danes and other Scandinavian and German peoples.-New York American.

Why She Was Silent. A very silent old woman was once asked why it was she had so little to say. She replied that when she was a young girl she was very ill and could not talk for a long time, whereupon she made a wow that if speech were given her once more she would never again say anything unkind of anybody. And thus she was as they found her.-Exchange.

The Soft Question. Mrs. Nuwed, Sr. (to son after family jar)-Don't forget, son, that "a soft answer turneth away wrath." Mr. Nuwed, Jr.-Well, I know a soft question of mine brought a lot of it en me.-Smart Set.

Generous. Tattered Terry-There goes a kind man. The last time I went to him I didn't have a cent and he gave me all he could. Weary Walter-What was that? Tattered Terry-Thirty days .-Puck.

Vain Mathematics. Absentminded Professor-My tailor has put one button too many on my vest. I must cut it off. That's funny.

Now there's a buttonhole too many.

What's the use of arithmetic?-Sourire Mostly Before.
Prosperous Publisher—Do you write before or after eating? Poet (faintly) -Always before unless I have something to eat.-Judge.

What men want is not talent, it is purpose; not the powers to achieve, but the will to labor.-Bulwer-Lytton.

With Scant Allowance For Necessaries Steel Workers Have Little Left.

[From The Survey.]

Two-thirds of the steel workers receive a wage not greater than \$12 a week; only one-fifth receive more than \$15. Let us see what a wage of \$12 will do in Pittsburg. Fortunately we are able to draw upon Miss Byington's careful study of the budgets of ninety Homestead families. Thirty-two of these had less than \$12 a week. Their average weekly expenditures were \$9.18-or at the rate of \$477.36 a year.

How do the families fare who spend from \$12 to \$15 a week? Miss Byington gives us the items for sixteen families in this wage group, with an average total expenditure of \$13.32, or a scant \$700 a year. These families pay about \$10 a month rent, but ten of them live with more than two persons to a room and only five have city water in the house. They pay on the average 24 cents per man per day for food, but four of the sixteen spend less than 22 cents. Clothing they buy at the rate of \$81.64 a year. Fifty cents a week for insurance provides only for burial, should death occur. The only item that looks hopeful is the margin of \$2.83 for all other expenditures. But the families in this group were not self-indulgent; 20 cents paid the weekly bill for liquor and tobacco, 47 cents went for medical service, 42 cents for papers, recreation, education and mis- and graft and extravagance will end. cellaneous expenditures.

It is no wonder that some of these sixteen families reported but 3 cents a week for recreation.

Assailing the Supreme Court.

In 1896. In 1910. Furthermore, the We are all per-Chicago convention feetly attacked the su-with the judges preme court. Again (or the United this represents a States supreme this represents a States supreme species of atavism court), who are—that is, of recurperfectly honest, rence to the ways but fossilized or of thought of remind. * * * I mote barbarian an—am, however, concestors. Savages do vinced both mote barbarian an-am, however, concestors. Savages do vinced, both from not like an independent and up-of those decisions right judiciary, with the tenor of They want the other decisions, judge to decide and furthermore their way, and if he from the very fact does not they want that they are in to behead him—flagrant and direct Theodore Roose-contradiction to velt in the Review the spirit and Theodore Roose contradiction to veit in the Review the spirit and of Reviews, Sepneeds of the times, tember, 1896—that sooner or latter they will be exidency and the plicitly or implicitly or implicitly reversed.—Theodore Roose veit in an address to the legislature

to the legislature of Colorado at Denver, Aug. 29, 1910.

He Made Them Come to Time. [From the New York World.] "I will make the corporations come to time," shouted Mr. Roosevelt at To-

He made the Equitable Life come to time with a \$50,000 campaign contri-

He made the beef trust come to time with a big campaign contribu-He made the Standard Oil come to

time with another big campaign con tribution. He made E. H. Harriman, after personal conference at the White House, come to time with \$260,000.

These are only a few of the corporations and plutocratic interests Mr. Roosevelt made come to time in the 1904 campaign when he was a candidate for the presidency to succeed himself.

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Mr. Longworth's Gloomy Future. Perhaps Mr. Longworth forgot that he's got to put up with Speaker Cannon all next winter until the end of the short session. What the nation's uncle won't do to the nation's son-in-law will hardly deserve mention.-St. Louis Re-

The Only Issue. President Taft's letter clearly outlines the Republican platform for the congressional elections-"anything to save the party."-St. Louis Post-Dis-

patch.

Harvest of Roosevelt's Activities. The Worcester Telegram calls him 'the advance agent of the poor house.' That is what he was in 1907, and that is what he seems determined to be in 1910.-New York World.

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