

WEATHER SIGNS.

When the Parrot shrieks his strain... Weather's likely to be bad...

WHEN THE STARS FALL.

It was Aunt Silvey's time to tell a story, and she hobbled forward leaning on her stick...

The other negroes said that Lish was as good as free, for since he put out the fire in the gin-house all by himself...

All the girls in the Quarters made eyes at Lish, and the mothers always had a word of praise for him...

But when spring came again and the peach-trees blushed down in the orchard, and the apple-trees wept their white petals on the hillside...

Blessed though he was with treasures among the men of the Quarters, day after day he had brought them all and laid them out at her feet...

"Lish!" crooned Dickey, as she swayed her body to and fro. "Des ee er pinin' an' er honin' for some er dem kivers, 'fore I kin be convinced!"

So it came to pass that now, since they had been folded away for the summer, one by one of the patient dead...

"Naw, you hain't convinced me, Lish! Dar's mo' in dat chist uv Uncle Bob's!" Lish groaned in spirit...

Lish lay out on the grass alone and looked up at the sky. Modly he watched the afterglow fade and the swift twilight come on...

Uncle Bob loved few things on the face of the earth, of these things, the first was the "kivers" his dead Marthy had made with her own hands...

Trembling with rage, he picked up his knotted stick, but when he looked out upon the grass at the prone figure still staring up at the sky...

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and held her hand. Above them the stars winked and twinkled, and afar they could hear the hum of voices, but Lish was in despair.

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Disease of Chestnut Trees.

Within the past few years an entirely new disease of the common chestnut tree has appeared. It is evidently spreading in all directions from the neighborhood of New York City...

However, that may be, it is well worth attention of all who have chestnut trees or timber. A strong effort should be made to arrest the progress of the disease as soon as it appears...

While the State Forestry Department is personally directing work of this kind it behooves every individual to exert himself immediately, and co-operate for the common good...

Roosevelt's Trip Cost \$3,444.

Theodore Roosevelt's circuitous excursion to Cheyenne, Wyo., is costing the Outlook a pretty penny. The railroad expenses of the colonel and his party for the 19 days' trip over nine roads...

Besides the railroad fare and the cost of living on the train there are, of course, incidental expenses not included in the contract with the railroads...

In addition to the railroad fare the commissary department of the railroads will ask about \$15 a day to feed the party. This includes three meals for Mr. Roosevelt, Ernest Hamilton Abbott and Frank Harper...

A wondering Englishman expresses in one of the papers his astonishment that Americans should sometimes use the title, or the abbreviation, "Esq." as a form of address on the superscription of letters...

An elephant moves at a walk, or rather rack; a giraffe has a very peculiar leisurely looking gait, both hind legs coming forward at the same time...

The remarkable intelligence of elephants and their docility and faithfulness have laid the foundations for many engaging stories of India depicting their characteristics...

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

DAILY THOUGHT.

Jealousy is the apprehension of superiority.

It is a happy bit of news to most women that fashion is not only approving but emphasizing the vogue of the separate waist for autumn, says Grace Margaret Gould in Woman's Home Companion...

Many a chill is caught by children sitting in wet shoes and damp clothes all day at school. The floor draught and the damp footgear sometimes combine to lay the seeds of rheumatism and even consumption in the future...

The first thing that the corsetiere says to you these days, when being fitted for a new pair of corsets, is that you must not adjust them in the modern way, but in the old-fashioned way...

Every one knows the result. A narrow pair of hips, abdomen that curves in, a thick waist and diaphragm, and a flattened bust.

You must not follow this method now. This is the thing that the corset fitters impress upon you. They tell you with emphasis that the new corset is made to offset this work.

Satin is cropping out again in the tailor-made and is used liberally for ornamentation. In black and navy blue the soft, sheeny fabric leads.

Some bit of color here or there makes the most serious trimmings. A few buttons and a little strapping usually serve for the entire finish of the coat.

Immediately on knowing of a death in the family of a friend, one should show formal recognition of the fact, even though the acquaintance be slight.

Don't wait if you are showing symptoms of "lung trouble," but get a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and begin its use.

FARM NOTES.

This month and next will be the time for saving vegetables for pickles and relishes—cucumbers, tomatoes and peppers.

—Lettuce will be had for table use till late in winter by starting the plants now and protecting them with a cold frame when cold weather comes.

—Apply cow manure around rhubarb clumps and work it into the soil so that fall rains will dissolve out the richness and carry it to the roots of the plants.

—Many people make the mistake in winter of letting milk and cream stand too long before churning.

—Prof. Gamnitz of the Division of Animal Husbandry at the University of Wisconsin, says that fine-wool sheep live longer than the coarse-wool sheep.

—The four-year old has a full mouth of four pairs of large teeth. The younger ones are never as large as those in the center.

—In certain sections of the country apple trees do not grow to proper size, neither do they show sufficient vigor so that they may produce fruit of size or quality to make it good, marketable fruit.

—The Hatch Experiment Station gives the following formulas for fertilizers:

No. 1. One pound to five pounds nitrate of soda, one pound to five pounds sulphate of potash, and two pounds to 10 pounds acid phosphate.

No. 2. One pound to five pounds nitrate of soda and 10 pounds to 25 pounds good hard wood ashes.