

BEDFORD INQUIRER.

Agricultural.



From the American Agriculturalist.

Enlarging a Farm without Buying Land.

If a man does not know how much land he actually owns, and gets no benefit out of that part with which he is unacquainted, and then is informed that he has more, and is told how to use it, why is not this equivalent to the purchase of more acres? Farmers are often heard to complain: "Oh that I were rich enough to buy a little more land, then I could fatten more cattle and sheep; and I could carry more grain to market!" Now, to such men, at least to some of them, we beg leave to say, your farms are already larger than you suppose. You seem to think that your ownership extends only six inches deep into the earth; but this is a misapprehension. It is not very strange, however, since all the former owners of the soil had the same idea, and the Indians from whom your ancestors bought or stole the land, were content with only the surface, just enough to hunt upon and to grub a few roots out of. But this is all a mistake, as you will see on reflection. Examine the title deeds to your land and see if there is any limit to your rights in a downward direction. You will not find any; we know you won't.

Now, therefore, do not fear to go at once and take possession of the rest of your farm. It is virgin soil, covered over with only a few inches of partly worn land; and it will return you fine crops if you will only lay it open to the sun and air, or mix it with the soil you have long cultivated. Perhaps it will not be wise for you to try to use it all the first year; use a little moderation in entering upon your new property, for your own sake and for the farm's sake. [In connection with the advice here given, it may well for the reader to turn back to page 71 (March No.,) and study what is said about plowing deep and plowing shallow.—Ed.] Here is what some writer has said on the subject—not strictly correct perhaps, but highly suggestive: "At the present time, the average crop of wheat per acre in Great Britain, on a soil cultivated for centuries, is about doubled that produced on the comparatively new soil of Ohio. Why is this? Simply because the leading British farmers are educated men, and apply their work wisely. They pay back to the earth what they borrow from her; they endeavor by every means in their power to enrich their ground and in return it enriches them. If American farmers, instead of laboring to double the number of their acres, would endeavor to double their crops, they would find it a saving of time and toil, and an increase of profit. Many men never think of digging ten inches into the soil, unless they have dreamed about a crock of gold hid in the earth; but if they would set about the work of digging in earnest, every man would find his crock of gold without the aid of dreams or divination."

We once heard of some remarkable strawberries raised in a neighboring town, and called the "Washington Excelsior" strawberry. Rumor said that the leaves were large, vividly green all summer, the fruit large and abundant for a long time, and not diminished by the severest droughts. The plants were sold at half a dollar apiece, and were considered cheap at that price. Attracted by these wonderful stories of the new fruit, we went to see it and learn all about it. The plants were indeed beautiful, and the fruit very fine. But our eyes were opened when Mr. Smith, the owner, told us frankly, that the plants were some common sort, the name of which he had forgotten, but that they were grown on a bed in the corner of his garden which was made ground, for at least six feet deep. Why did not this account for the persistent verdure of the foliage and the size and abundance of the fruit? Yet, the superior beauty of the plants and berries had attracted much attention in the neighborhood and seemed to call for a high-sounding name; and so Mr. Smith dubbed them the Washington Excelsior. Plainly, this man's strawberry bed was enlarged without fencing in more land.

The Democratic Party has given up electing members of Congress, Governors, etc. It confines its attention exclusively, here and there, to electing a justice or a town councilman. Easy are the labors of those who do not aim high.

A man boasting in a company of ladies that he had a very luxurious head of hair, a lady present remarked that it was altogether owing to the mellowness of the soil.

"Shall I have your hand?" said an exquisite to a belle, as the dance was about to commence. "With all my heart," was the soft response.

The man who courted an investigation says it isn't half so good as courting an affectionate girl.

Executor's Notice.

LETTERS of administration have been granted to the subscriber on the estate of Susan Dickens, late of Cumberland Valley Township, dec'd. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment immediately, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement.

DAVID DICKEN, Adm'r.

Cumberland Valley Tp.

May 20, 1859.

NOTICE TO RETAILERS.

In pursuance of an Act of Assembly, approved the 8th day of May, 1854, requiring the Treasurer of each county, to publish in each year, a list of all retailers of domestic and foreign goods, wares and merchandises—NOTICE is hereby given to retailers in classes, as directed by law, that the taxes must be paid to the county treasurer, on or before the 1st day of August, next.

Bedford Borough.

Oster & Carn, Class License.

A. B. Cramer & Co., 13 10 00

Nicholas Lyons, 13 7 00

Reed & Minchin, 13 10 00

John Alsip, 13 7 00

Miss M. Fetterly, 13 7 00

Robert Ryan, 13 7 00

J. & J. M. Shoemaker, 13 7 00

Sarah E. Potts, 13 7 00

Hans Linn, 13 7 00

Charles Clegg, 13 7 00

Agnes Sampson, 13 7 00

John Arnold, 13 7 00

Wm. Hartley, 13 7 00

George Bymire, 13 7 00

Dr. B. F. Harry, 13 7 00

Dr. F. C. Reamer & Co., 13 7 00

A. Ferguson & Co., 13 7 00

A. L. Debaugh, E. H. 8 5 00

Bedford Township.

John B. Furney, 13 7 00

John S. Ritchey Distillery, 4 5 00

Edward Huffman, Brewery, 6 5 00

Brooktop Township.

John F. Lowry, 7 00

Colerain Township.

A. C. James, 7 00

James & Barnhart, 7 00

Cumberland Valley Township.

Jacob Anderson, 13 7 00

John May Jr., 13 7 00

Daniel R. Anderson, 13 7 00

Thomas Grunden, 13 7 00

East Providence Township.

John Nyeum, 13 7 00

D. A. T. Black, 13 7 00

Lauderbaugh & Pea, 13 7 00

Harrison Township.

Valentine B. Wertz, 13 7 00

John W. Smith, 13 7 00

Juniata Township.

Lewis Putt, 13 7 00

John Cypher, 13 7 00

Steel & Entriken, 13 7 00

Jacob Fechler, 13 7 00

Londonderry Township.

Jacob Devore Jr., 13 7 00

West Providence Township.

Jacob Barndollar, 13 7 00

James M. Barndollar & Son, 13 7 00

Thomas Ritchey, 13 7 00

Snake Spring Township.

Nicholas Koontz, 13 7 00

Schellsburg Borough.

B. F. Horn & Brother, 13 7 00

A. Bunn, 13 7 00

E. Stalter & Son, 13 7 00

John E. Colvin, 13 7 00

John S. Schell, 13 7 00

A. J. Snively, 13 7 00

John Smith, 13 7 00

Miller & Blackburn, 13 7 00

Duncan McVicker, 13 7 00

St. Clair Township.

F. D. Beagle, 13 7 00

G. B. Amick, 13 7 00

George Hinesling, 13 7 00

G. D. Trout, 13 7 00

John H. Schell, 13 7 00

Southampton Township.

Kirk & Fletcher, 13 7 00

Wm. Oas, 13 7 00

Union Township.

John Walter, 13 7 00

Middle Woodberry Township.

Jacob Brennenan, 13 7 00

C. W. Rickerton, 13 7 00

G. R. Barndollar, 13 7 00

Abraham Bechhofer, 13 7 00

South Woodberry Township.

Piper & Scott, 13 7 00

S. R. Oster, 13 7 00

George Kauffman, 13 7 00

D. F. Buck, 13 7 00

D. Beagle, 13 7 00

SAMUEL DAVIS, Treasurer.

May 13, 1859.-4t.

NEW GOODS.

THE subscribers have just opened a large and well-assorted supply of

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.

Including all the various fabrics usually found in a store, consisting in part of viz: Blue, Black, Brown and Olive Cloth, Black and Fancy Colored plaid and side Band Cassimers, Kentuckies, Kentucky Jeans, Cottonettes, Drillings, Linens, Chambangs, &c.

Very handsome Spring Calicoes, Lawns, Thread, Chaffles, Cotonettes, Cambric, Gingham, Barres, Checks, Alpacas, Flannels, Shirts, Plain and Barred Cambricks, Hosiery, Haukerchiefs, Lawn, Gloves, Mitts, Collars, Ribbons, Muslins, Tickings, Checks; a large assortment of Mens' and Boys' Wear, from 12¹/₂ cts. up; Linens, Shirts,

Black and Fancy Cassimere, Cloths, Hats and Caps, &c., &c.

A large assortment of

BOOTS and SHOES,

cheaper than ever.

A good supply of Carpets, all colors and prices, single and double carpet chain, looking glasses, umbrellas, clocks, &c.

Also, a large assortment of

GROCERIES,

Such as Coffee, Sugar, Syrup, Molasses, Tobacco, Soap, Egg, Calf, Saffron, Spices, Dye Stuffs, Soap, Green and Black Tea, Shoe Blacking, Knives, Spoons, Candle Wicks, Rice, Chocolate, Candies, Mustard, White Linseed and Fish Oil, Buckwheat, Tubs, &c., cheap for Cash and Produce, and to punctual customers a credit of 6 months will be given. Thankful for past favors, we hope to receive a liberal share of patronage.

Remember the place, Anderson's Row, opposite the Gazette Office, is Shoemakers Cheap Store. So come on with your Tin and buy cheaper than you have ever bought before.

April 29, 1859.

CHEAP CARPETINGS

Rag, Listing, Venetian, Half Wool, also Floor Oil Cloths, various widths. Our stock of

BOOTS and SHOES

cannot be surpassed in the County for extent, variety and cheapness.

GROCERIES

Rio, Laguira and Turkey Coffee, N. Orleans, Crashed, Granulated and Clarified Sugars, New Orleans Molasses, Golden Syrups, Teas, Chocolate Oils, &c.

Our stock is very complete, and we shall be happy to exhibit our goods to all who may favor us with a call, whether they wish to purchase or not. To good and reliable purchasers our terms are as usual prompt settlements, by money or note every January. All kinds of Country Produce received for goods for which the highest price will be given.

May 6, 1859. A. B. CRAMER & CO.

FRENCH BURR MILL STONE MANUFACTORY.

The undersigned keeps constantly on hand FRENCH BURRS of all sizes, and furnishes every article required by the milling trade. Complete satisfaction guaranteed for a very article sold. Millers who prefer the solid BURR, by giving 4 to 6 months notice, can have their orders executed at the quarries in France.

Address WM. H. KEPNER, Harrisburg, P. O., Pa.

April 9, 1859.-6m.

Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of administration have been granted to the subscriber on the estate of Susan Dickens, late of Monroe Township, dec'd. All persons indebted to said estate are notified to make payment immediately, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement.

DAVID DICKEN, Adm'r.