farm, Garden & Household.

SHOULD FARMERS BE EDUCATED FOR FARMING?

The intelligent reader may exhibit certain th because the question is absurd to him; he knows that evere profession should be edu cated ; that no man, no matter how great his natural abilities, can successfully prosecute a business without thoroughly learning its rudiments; without knowing its fundamental principles, then pursuing it with constant rech and diligent application. Yet if he goes into the country, to any farming com-munity, and asks the sarant of the neighborbood the simplest question in agricultural chemistry, vegetable physiology, scientific husbandry or animal physiology, the chances are that he will receive crude, inaccurate or very indefinite information.

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What material difference, in qualification s there between the duil, uneducated agriculturist, and the pseudo, spurious disciple of Blackstone? or the false, counterfeit follower of Galen? We can see none. The ignoran far her may be honest, industrious and a good member of society; but he is laboring in the lark; is attempting to cultivate the soil with out knowing anything of geological origin, of organic chemistry, of vegetable physiology, the agencies of heat, light, electricity, the food of planes, and must agriculture. And yet he expects to thriv increase his domain and lay up something for the evening of life. Plodding along, without knowing the rudiments of his occupation, rithout scientific training, without applying the fundamental principles of progress, he finds agriculture an "up hill business."

It the farmers of this country were as intelligent as they might be; using science as an aid; understanding the relation of the plant to its resources of nourishment; what is ne cessaay to make all soils fertile; what chemical properties are essential to crops, with all labor sharpened with observation and expe rience, they would become the wealthiest class of the country-the lords of the soil-the true chivalry of our glorious empire of agri But we shall never see all our far mers thus intelligent-most of them will re main fossils-but those who have a taste for mproved husbandry, scientific cultivation of he soil, and who never weary of progress we say GO AHEAD ! You will reap the fruits of your intelligence, add to the aggregate of national prosperity, and leave memories writ en indelibly in the golden harvests of your homesteads .- Farm and Fireside.

MULCHING FRUIT TREES.

Fruit trees and sometimes ornamental trees are mulched with harnyard manure; some-times with straw, old hay, salt hay, woodhavings from planing mills, and saw dust from saw-mills: and in some instances tanoark is employed as a mulch. Under certain ircumstances there is nothing better for a mulch than a dressing of mellow earth spread on the ground around the growing tree to the lenth of three or four inches, so as to cover end in every direction. If the land is pronellow earth will smother most of the vege- ring the bell." ation, and thus keep the soil moist and lively said Biddy. during the entire growing season, especially uloh be head over once every two ing the

weeks. When such mellow earth is spread -a tug that almost broke the wire and sent

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IF you would look "spruce" in your age. don't "pine" in your youth. The last place to look for the milk of hu-

man kindness is in the pale of civilization. PHAROAH'S daughter found a rich basket,

but there was a mighty small prophet in it. COLERIDGE was once asked which of Wads-

worth's works he considered the prettiest, when he promptly replied-"His daughter Dora.

At a meeting of unmarried printers, not long since, the following toast was drunk in silence : Woman-Heaven reward her, she is always in favor of a well-conducted press.

A YORPEDO, of a magnetic character, that would be drawn to the bottom of any iron vessel that was passing, is talked or. It would be a very attractive arrangement. ----

A MAN who was hit by a snow-storm from a ive-story roof wishes it had been "Aunounced by all the trumpets of the sky"

that the storm was coming.

Is a New Jersey village, a plain stone ov the grave of a young woman has this inscri tion : "Julis Adams, died of thin shoes, Ap. 17. 183%, aged eighteen.

----A METTON chop, in boarding house parlance means a piece of the bone of a sheep, from which the mutton has all been chopped.

"PADDY, why don't you get your ears cropped ? they are entirely too long for a man." "And yours," replied Pat, "ought to be hursthaned that are too short for a mule."

An editor thus indulges his delinquent suberiber : "We don't want money desperately bad; but our creditors do, and they no doubt owe you. If you pay us, we'll pay them, and they'll pay you.'

"MADAN, your boy cannot pass at half fare he is too large," said the conductor of a rail-way train, which had been long detained on the road by snow. "He may be too large now," replied the matron, "but he was small enough when we started."- The conductor

A DECENT farmer's wife, after having her child baptized in church, waited in the vestry till service was over to have the registrar's certificate endorsed in the usual manner. The minister, not being quite sure of the date, said in an interrogative tone :

"This is the twentieth, I think ?"

The worthy matron, understanding the query to refer to the number of her family,

ery indignantly retorted : "I think, sir, you're very impudent, for it's only the thirteenth.'

JUDGE ------ who is a very able Judge of the Supreme Court of one of the great States of this Union, when he first came to the bar, was a very blundering speaker. On one occasion, when he was pleading a case of reple in, involving the right of property to a lot of hogs, he addressed the jury as follows :

"Gentlemen of the jury, there were just twenty-four hogs, gentlemen-eractly twice as many as there are in that jury box !'' as many as there are in that jury box The effect can be imagined. + -----

THE Cleveland Plain Dealer relates the fol lowing : "A lady of this city, in giving dithe entire ground as far as the branches ex- rections to a new servant the other evening. said :-- "Now, Biddy, as soon at you have got lucing grass around the trees, a dressing of breakfast ready to-morrow morning, you m "Shure an' Fill do it mum,"

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