Farm, Garden & Household.

WORKING THE SOIL.

You cannot well work the soil too much; it is almost always worked too little. We have, for a few years experimented in this particular. The effect where the soil is a fair one is almost miraculous. People do not experiment, and therefore do not know; scarcely ever is the thing thoroughly tried. Who works the soil once a week, or but once in two weeks, to say nothing of daily stirring? Very few indeed can answer in the affirmative.

Now, there is such a thing as soil being so poor as that stirring however much it is done, will not benefit, it, or but a little. This is the case with soil composed nearly all of sand. But where there is a good proportion of clay, with other constituents to make as we have said, a fair or medium soil, great benefit will be derived by turning it up side down often. A rich soil will also be favorably effected—but especially a soil having clay pretty largely, as clay is a conductor. And the advantage which results from stirring the soil is based upon this: it is by throwing the ground to the air, which imparts its fertility to it—the ground, particularly the clay, attracting it. The more it is stirred, the more porous it will become; and the more new and unaired ground will be brought in contact to receive the benefit. Hence an almost constant stirring is an almost constant feeding. Besides, the texture of the soil is improved. Water, heavy and long continued rains, are of no consequence. They pass through it at once, leaving also the ammonia and the carbon and other gases of the atmosphere, which the soil abstracts from the water. A rain, therefore, is not hurtful as it generally is when long continued. The ground does not become soured and packed, to crack when the sun strikes it, which is so common, and such a detriment. The cracking is a sure sign that the soil is not in a proper condition. A properly worked soil is springy, lively and mellow—just the soil to hold moisture through a drouth, which is such an infliction in our hot summers. But it lies there defying the rain, and the frost. It is its own protector. And it will keep; you cannot readily spoil it. It will bear sooner plowing after a rain, and sooner putting in. And when it comes to the working, it will almost work itself. Compare it with other hard soil in this respect.

But its fertility is after all its greatest point That is its greatest improvement. Tilling the soil, therefore, is an expressive word. It means work; it means less land; it means security against mishap, such as drouth, rain, &c., it means improvement without manure proper—not that it excludes manure; it but the better prepares the soil to receive it and appropriate it. It means a garden. Were each man's farm like his garden, there would be the greatest improvement the world ever knew; less so in the richer soils of the West.

Even our gardens can be greatly improved in this respect; not so much on the surface as in the debths, The soil wants to be worked up from beneath. That is, the soil in most cases wants to be fed by the air and changed.

Summer fallows are an improvement on this principle, and this alone. Twice plowing is better than once, and three times better than twice; and if thoroughly cultivated between each plowing, all the better.

And it is this working of the soil that kills weeds; it cleans the ground, and prepares it better for sowing anything else.

Thers is no heaving of such a soil by the frost. The frost but improves it; it cannot hurt it.

And the deeper a soil is worked, stirred, in this way, gradually, the better. This gives you the under benefit which is otherwise lost.

Less land, and thoroughly worked, is the doctrine of the day. And it has been the doctrine from time immemorial. But it is only good when applied to land thus thoroughly worked, manured, and taken care of. Then less land becomes a necessity.—*Rural World.*

Humorous.

JONES says his new hair is as like his old as *tou-pees* ever were.

WHY is a water-lilly like a whale? They both come to the surface to blow.

WHY are ships called she? Because they always keep a man on the look out.

WHAT is that which ties two persons, and only touches one? A weeding-ring.

WHAT gentleman can, with any sense of propriety, ask a *fat* woman to *lean* on his arm.

WHAT is the difference between a young girl and an old hat? Merely one of time; one has feeling the other has felt.

WHY is a man who fails in kissing a lady like a shipwrecked fisherman? Because he has lost his *smack.*

IF a man waits patiently while a woman is putting on her things, or "shopping," he will make a good husband.

WHAT axe holds its edge the longest, cuts the closest, and is the most expensive for a man to buy? A meat axe.

SOME women paint their faces, and then weep because it doesn't make them beautiful. —They raise a hue and cry!

IF a young lady wishes to encourage her lover when he gives her a squeeze the best thing she can do is to re-press him.

"I HATE to hear people talking behind one's back," as the robber said when the constable was chasing him and crying, "Stop thief!"

"OH ma," said a little girl who had been to the show, "I've seen the elephant, and he walks backward and eats with his tail."

"YOU want a flogging, that's what you do," said a father to his unruly son. "I know it dad; but I'll try and do without it," returned the boy.

A country paper says:—"A cow was struck by lightning belonging to the village physician, who gave birth to a beautiful calf a few moments before and was instantly killed."

A LADY took her little boy to church for the first time. Upon hearing the organ he was on his feet instanter. "Sit down," said the mother. "I won't," he shouted, "I want to see the monkey."

AN incautious individual at Terre Haute the othor day, after smoking, put his pipe into his pocket where he had some powder. He was seen shortly after inquiring for himself and a large piece of his pantaloons.

AN aged Quakeress the other afternoon, was seen gazing very intently on a piece of brocaded silk displayed in a linendraper's shop in Fleet street A cockney passer-by observed that it was *satin* tempting Eve.

AN acquantance of ours, a mother, too, not long since was lamenting the loss of a child (one of a family of eight.) "Because," said she, "there was just enough for a cotillion, and they did dance so very prettily."

A LADY at sea, of delicate apprehensions in a gale of wind, cried out, among other pretty exclamations: "We shall all go to the bottom! Mercy, how my head does swim." "Never fear, madam," said one of the sailors "you can't go to the bottom while you head, swims."

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with a large two story

LOG FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

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Shoemakers findings, and all kinds of Leather. A complete stock of builders Hardware, Barn Door Hangers, Hinges, Oils, Paints, Iron and Nails.

Also, pipe and everything else in the Hardware line, including the

CHAMBERSBURG COOK STOVE,

all of which we will sell at

EASTERN PRICES FOR CASH.

HARTLEY & METZGER,
31july Sign of the Red Padlock.

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Dry Goods, &c.

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AT THE

CASH AND PRODUCE STORE.

J. M. SHOEMAKER

HAS JUST RETURNED FROM THE CITY.

HE HAS BOUGHT A LARGE AND

CHEAP STOCK OF GOODS, JUST AT

THE RIGHT TIME, AT REDUCED

PRICES, WHICH HE WILL

SELL VERY CHEAP.

GIVE HIM A CALL AND SEE FOR

YOURSELVES.

Bedford, Pa., June 12th, 1868.

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IF YOU ARE IN SEARCH OF GOOD DRESS GOODS, call at J. M. SHOEMAKER'S. jel2

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IF YOU WANT A CHEAP BOOT, SHOE OR GAITER, call at SHOEMAKER'S Store. jel2

A VERY LARGE ASSORTMENT OF MEN'S WEAR, just received at SHOEMAKER'S Store. june12

A FULL LINE OF LADIES' AND MISSES' LATE STYLE HOOP SKIRTS, just received at SHOEMAKER'S Store. june12

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A FULL AND COMPLETE STOCK OF GOODS OF ALL KINDS, just received and for sale CHEAP, at J. M. SHOEMAKER'S. jel2

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WANTED—$20,000

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LARGE AND SPACIOUS NEW STORE,

to buy the large and attractive stock of

NEW AND CHEAP GOODS,

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LATE DECLINE at

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES,

comprising a great variety of

LADIES' NEW STYLES OF DRESS GOODS,
HEAVY BLACK GROS GRAIN SILK, for SACQUES and DRESSES.
BLACK ALPACA LUSTER, BOMBAZINE,
MOHAIR, all the new shades for
WALKING SUITS,
MELANGE FOR TRAVELING SUITS,
Handsome POPLINS, ARMERES, DELAINES,
FRENCH ORGANDY LAWN,
ELSTON AND SCOTCH GINGHAMS,
WHITE MERINO, WHITE MOHAIR, WHITE PIQUE FOR SACQUES AND DRESSES,
DOTTED AND PLAIN SWISS, STRIPED AND PLAID NANSOOK, ORGANDY, VICTORIA LAWN, SHIRRED MUSLIN,
DIMITY, INDIA TWILL, BRILLIANT, ELASTIG, SHIRTING AND TABLE LINEN,
NAPKINS, TOWELS, MARSEILLES, ALLENDALE AND HONEY COMB QUILTS,
DAMASK TABLE-COVERS,
ALL THE LEADING MAKES OF MUSLINS, New York Mills, Utica, Wamsutta, Lonsdale, Williamsville, Semper Idem, Whitney, &c.
A LARGE STOCK OF CLOTHS, CASSIMERES TWEEDS, JEANS, LADIES' CLOTH, COTTONADE, TICKING, SHIRTING STRIPES, CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS AND SHOES,

DECIDEDLY CHEAP.

CARPETS, OIL CLOTH, WINDOW SHADES.

Wool Filling, and All Wool Ingrain Carpets, Venitian, Entry and Stair Carpets, new listing and Dutch Yarn Carpets, the cheapest in town; Floor and Stair Oil Cloth, Gilt-Bordered Window Shades, cheap.

FRESH FAMILY GROCERIES:

Choice Java, Laguayra and Rio Coffee, choice Imperial, Young Hyson, Oolong and Japan Tea. A choice assortment of Sugars, Syrups, Extracts, Spices, &c. In a word, everything you want.

CALL AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES.

Bedford, June 19th, 1868,

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AMONG THE DRY GOODS MERCHANTS!

FISHER & BURNS

Have just returned from Philadelphia, New York, and Boston, with a large and well selected stock of GOODS ADAPTED TO ALL THE WANTS OF THE COMMUNITY.

It consists of—

DRY GOODS,
NOTIONS,
BOOTS & SHOES,
GROCERIES,
QUEENSWARE,

and all other articles usually kept in a retail store. All of which are to be sold

"BELOW LOW WATER MARK"

for cash or approved country produce.

Their stand is at the

OLD POST OFFICE BUILDING,

formerly owned by C. Loyer, one door west o the Bedford Hotel.

june26:3m FISHER & BURNS.

C. N. HICKOK,

DENTIST,

Office at the old stand in BANK BUILDING, JULIANA STREET, BEDFORD.

All operations, pertaining to

Surgical and Mechanical Dentistry

performed with care and

WARRANTED.

Anæsthetics administered, when desired. Artificial teeth inserted at, per set, **$8.00** *and upward.*

As I am determined to do a CASH BUSINESS or none, I have reduced the prices for Artificial Teeth of the various kinds, 20 per cent., and of Gold Fillings 33 per cent. This reduction will be made only to strictly Cash Patients, and all such will receive prompt attention. feb7

Dry Goods, &c.

REMOVED

TO THE

COLONADE BUILDING

MILLER & BOWSER

HAVE REMOVED TO THE

COLONADE BUILDING

and offer great bargains in all kinds of goods in order to reduce their stock before making spring purchases. They have on hand

DRY GOODS,
READY MADE CLOTHING,
FANCY NOTIONS,
COTTON YARNS,
HATS,
CAPS,
BOOTS,
SHOES,
GROCERIES,
QUEENS WARE,
TOBACCO,
CIGARS,
BROOMS,
BASKETS, WOODEN WARE, &c.

Look at some of their prices:

CALICOES, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16.
GINGHAM, 12½, 15, 18, 20.
MUSLIN, 10, 12, 14, 15, 18, 20.

CASSIMERES CLOTHS, SATINETT and LADIES SACKING at very low prices, Ladies, Gent's and Misses Shoes, Sandals and Overshoes in great variety. Men's, boys and youths boots; best Coffee, Tea, Sugar and Syrup at market prices. Feed and Flour for sale here at all times.

We invite all to call and see the goods, and compare prices, before buying your goods. Our motto is, short profits.

TERMS—Cash, notes or products. apl3 68

REMOVAL! REMOVAL!!

B. W. BERKSTRESSER & CO.,

Take pleasure in informing their many friends and customers that they have moved the Bedford CLOTHING EMPORIUM to Shuck's Old Stand, one door west of the Washington House, where they have opened the largest stock of

READY MADE CLOTHING,

ever brought to Bedford and consisting in parts of

OVER COATS,
DRESS COATS,
BUSINESS COATS, PANTS, VESTS,

o match.

They have also a good assortment of

ARMY CLOTHING

at very low prices;

BLOUSES,
OVER COATS,
PANTS,
BLANKETS, &c., &c.

Our

CASSIMERE DEPARTMENT

is full and complete.

TRIMMINGS

in greatest variety.

Our Notion Department is also quite attractive

GENT'S UNDER CLOTHING from....$1 to 3.50
" OVER SHIRTS of every style and price.
HOSIERY,
GLOVES, NECKTIES,
BOW SUSPENDERS, LINEN AND
PAPER CUFFS, LINEN
COLLARS.

We have the largest Stock of PAPER COLLARS in Bedford and the greatest variety.

In *HATS* we defy competition, as we have the largest stock, and direct from the Manufacturers. The latest styles always on hand.

MUSLINS, DELAINES,
CALICOES,
TICKINGS, FLANNELS,
CLOAKING CLOTHS,

in great variety.

LADIES SHAWLS

of latest patterns, and cheaper than the cheapest.

Persons buying for CASH or PRODUCE would do well to call and see us.

But remember, our TERMS are *Cash* or *Produce.*

☞ Remember the place!!! ☜

One Door West of the Washington House.
Nov.8:tf.

SPRING GOODS.

A. B. CRAMER & CO.

Are now receiving the

LARGEST AND MOST ELEGANT STOCK OF GOODS EVER OPENED IN BEDFORD.

GREAT BARGAINS on hand in every department.

TERMS CASH—or six months approved credit
May 18, 1868.

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