WHY OUR YOUNG MEN LEAVE US.

The farmer, the mechanic, the tradesman, men in whatever employment or profession among us complain frequently that our best, most intelligent and enterprising young men are continually leaving us. We have no patience with such complaints. The fact stars us in the face; the complaint is well founded but the fault is with the complainer and not with those who leave us. Then why complain. Why not set ourselves to remedy the fault we all deplore? He who sits down idly lamenting troubles his own laziness or obstinacy has brought upon him deserves no sympathy. Bedford County is to day poor, with a

population scarcely larger than twenty years stead of there? For no other reason as a toes." general rule than that their parents have been old fogy, stolid and ignorant in their ways that their children, if they had the least enterprise in their composition, became so disgus-ted with the slowness of things at home that they would no longer endure it and left to seek their fortunes among strangers in a strange land. The ways in which the young are thus daily driven from their homes are multifarious. The method usually pursued is somewhat as follows. The farmer leads his sons at the first peep of morning light to the fields and then with brief intermissions for meals, they toil till darkness ends their labor for the day; no books or papers are allowed, for they take up time that should be emyloyed in labor. No improved farm impleme reapers or mowers or threshers-they costt much we can't afford them. No time for school there is too much work to be done-No holidays they are idle dissipations-Nothng but labor from dawn till dark week in and week out the year through-No experiments with new crops, new methods of culture; new implements or improved stock, they are expect to enjoy—There are no books kept—no estimates made of the profit of crops or work -The father complains of hard work, says farming don't pay, declares everybody makes money but himself and manages in the end to The same programme is followed by the tradesman and as a general rule with the same results. All these however fail to drive some of the more apt away from the found who through superior intelligence have seen the capabilities of their calling and out of genuine love for the business of their fath ers, propose to remodel things and try to im prove upon the order of things to which they have been brought up, there is one pretty sure method of curing their mania. This class of enterprising youths generally manifest a desire to improve the general appear ance of things at home by repairing broken down fences, cleaning up the grass plot, planting shrubbery, &c., and giving a general apnomestead. This is a dangerous form and is apt to be persistent. It indicates a tendency to make calculations, keep books, and a desir to know what things cost, how certain kinds of work pay, &c. These are all unmistakable indications that

Yankee he may do for western farming, but he is entirely too smart for a Bedford County farmer. The best way to get rid of him is to promptly forbid any of these demonstrations on't permit a loose paling to be fastened on the garden fence, the planting of a rose bush or the removal of rubbish from about the doorway, don't allow any books or newspe pers about at such a time-they are particular dangerous, especially if they are of a kind given to book-farming, horticulture or any other new fangled culture. Drive the youngster to bed as soon as he gets his supper and wake him up before daylight and send him to feed the hogs by moonlight or curry and gear the horses by candle light By this means you vill generally either succeed in driving him away from home, so you will be no troubled with him, or break his spirit into a tractability that will prevent his ever after thinking of modern improvements. If you succeed in accomplishing this last part of the your hard work and poor pay, your rickety fences and dilapidated buildings and scrawny cattle, and perhaps be able to reach your la days in the full enjoyment of a pack of dogs | CONCENTRATED LYE, die in the blissful and satisfying assurance that you have successfully combatted the nat ural tendencies of your race to better their condition and succeeded in leaving your pos tority as far, if not a little farther, behind the age than you yourselt were in the beginning.

FARM ITEMS.

How to Judge Cattle. - In all domesti animals the skin or hide forms one of the best neans by which to estimate their fattenin roperties. In the handle of oxen, if the ide be soft and silky, it affords a pro tendency to take meat. A beast having a perfect touck will have a thick, loose skin, pating, as it were, on a layer of soft fat, yielding to the slightest pressure, and spring ing back toward the finger like a piece of so leather. Such a skin will usually be covered with an abundance of soft, glossy hair, feeling like a bed of moss, and hence it is termed mossy skin. But a thick set, hard, short hai always handles hard, and indicates a hard

A MACHINE for harvesting corn, by taking the ears from the stalks while standing in the field, was exhibited at the resent State Fair in Illinois. The apparatus is constructed to strip two rows at once. The stalks are taken between projecting metal-faced fingers, and as the machine advances the butt of the ear is brought in contact with a short sickle, playing at the rear of the fingers, cutting off, while the stalk passes under the machin without being pulled up; the ears are received into a large hopper at the rear of the machine and discharged when it is ful!.

To Make a Balky Horse Draw. - In India where a horse can and will not draw, instead of whipping, spurring or burning, him, as is the Hardware line may be had at requently the practice in more civilized countries, they quietly get a rope and attaching it to one of the fore feet, one or two men take hold of it, and advancing a few paces ahead of the horse, pull their best. No matter how stubborn the animal may be, a few doses of such treatment effects a perfect cure.

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"THE name of this coach must be 'Regula or,' said a traveler, "as I notice all the other coaches go by it."

Dishonor, Disease, and Death. If there were seminaries for teaching spir

ology, knitology, weaveology, cookology, washology, &., we should have more W. F. F. W.s, or Women Fit for Wives. A RICHLY dressed lady stopped a boy truds

ago. Her sons are scattered in every state throughout the wide west, enterprising, thrifty little boy, have you got religion?"—"No, and prosperous. Why are they not here in ma'am," said the innocent, "I've got pota-

"Excuse this bit of sarcas,m" said Smith, to Jones, "but I must say you are an infa-

mous liar and scoundrel." "Pardon this bit of irony," said Jones to Smith, as he knocked him over with a poker.

"WHAT'S that?" said a teacher, pointing to the letter X to a little ragged urchin.

"No, no, my boy." "Yes it is, I've seed him write it a good

As a reverend doctor once passed through region of very poor land, he said to a far

"Sir, I see your land is not very produc "No sir," said the honest farmer, "or land is just like self-righteousness."

"Ah. how is that?" "Why the more a man has of it the poorer

A NOTED POLITICIAN was once asserting his HOOFLAND'S GERMAN BITTERS. entire indifference to the opinions of his opentire indifference to the opinions of his op-ponents, and to their personal abuse.

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so completely prevent any enjoyment by his Many a young lady who objects to be kissed children at home and to present so hopeless under the mistletoe has no objection to be and gloomy a prospect generally, that he manages to drive his children away from made an error in the above, rendering it, take it.

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