

Agricultural.

CARE OF POULTRY.—Animals of all kinds, not properly cared for, give poor returns. No stock on the farm pays better, in proportion to its value, than poultry; yet in nineteen cases out of twenty, no provision whatever is made for the comfort and convenience of this kind of stock.

Young Folks.

The Story of a Coat of Arms. A worthy bishop, who died at Ratisbon, had for his arms two fieldiers, with the motto, "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing?" This strange coat of arms had often excited attention, and many persons had wished to know its origin, as it was generally reported that the bishop had chosen it for himself, and that it bore reference to some great event in his early life.

Patent Medicines.

AN APPEAL. To Debilitated Persons, To Dyspeptics, To Sufferers from Liver Complaint, To those having no Appetite, To those with Broken Down Constitutions, To Nervous People, To Children Wasting Away, To any with Debilitated Digestive Organs.

Miscellaneous.

BOOTS & SHOES. AT E. M. KNORR'S SPRING STYLES. THE LATEST AND BEST. Every variety for Men, Women and Children. OLD STOCK. Selling at Cost to close out to make room for NEW GOODS. Bargains! Bargains! CALL AND SEE, A. J. EVANS.

Miscellaneous.

MILLER'S STORE. S. H. MILLER & SON, have removed their store to the room formerly occupied by Mendham, on Main street, Bloomsburg, nearly opposite the Episcopal Church where they are determined to sell on moderate terms as can be procured elsewhere. Their stock comprises: LADIES' DRESS GOODS of the choicest styles and latest fashions, together with a large assortment of Dry Goods and Groceries, consisting of the following articles: Carpet, Oil Cloths, etc.

Miscellaneous.

1872. 1872. NEW SPRING GOODS. M. P. LUTZ. Has just received from New York with a full line of BLACK AND COLORED SILKS. LYONS' SILK POPLINS, SILK TONGUES, plain striped cloths, SUITINGS, stripe and plain GRASS CLOTHS, WASH POPLINS, check and colored, ALPACAS, FANCY PLAIDS, COLORED CAMBRICS, PERCALES, WHITE GOODS, MUSLINS, TAMAHOON, BIRMINGHAM, NAINSOOT, CAMBRICS, LONG CLOTH, NAPLINS, TOWELS, LAKE CURTAINS, SHAWLS, NOTIONS, TRIMMINGS, HOSIERY AND GLOVES, and everything generally kept in a first-class DRY GOODS STORE. BROWER'S BLOCK, EAST OF COURT HOUSE, MAIN STREET. BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Miscellaneous.

Continental Life Insurance Company. No. of Policies Issued 43,000. ASSETS \$5,500,000. ISSUES all the new form of Policies and presents an excellent record of success. The company will insure temporary policies for thirty days' grace upon each premium, and the policy will stand during that time. No policy issued by this company is paid in arrears. No death claims are made until the policy has been in force for one year. The company is managed by the Board of Directors, and the management of the company is conducted by the President, J. P. CHAMBERLAIN, Vice-President, J. P. CHAMBERLAIN, Secretary, J. P. CHAMBERLAIN, Treasurer, J. P. CHAMBERLAIN. General Office of North-Eastern Pennsylvania. "COLUMBIAN" Building, BLOOMSBURG, PA. CHARLES B. BROCKWAY, General Agent. Jan. 1, 1872.

Miscellaneous.

Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Railroad. Schedule of Trains. Going North. Leaving Bloomsburg at 7:15 A.M. for Scranton, 8:15 A.M. for Binghamton, 9:15 A.M. for Elmira, 10:15 A.M. for Albany, 11:15 A.M. for New York. Returning South. Leaving Albany at 7:15 A.M. for New York, 8:15 A.M. for Elmira, 9:15 A.M. for Binghamton, 10:15 A.M. for Scranton, 11:15 A.M. for Bloomsburg.

Plaster on Potatoes. Mr. A. D. Compton, of Hawley, Pennsylvania, in his essay on the cultivation of the potato, which received the \$100 prize awarded by Mr. Wells, of the American Agriculturist, Mr. Fuller, of Health and Home, and Dr. Hexamer, speaks as follows of the beneficial effects of plaster: Astonishing results are obtained from plaster by dusting the vines with it as soon as they are through the soil; again immediately after the last plowing and hoeing; and at intervals through the whole growing season. The first application may be light, the second heavier, and after that more bountiful, say two hundred pounds to the acre. The action of plaster is not easily explained, but the results are undoubtedly beneficial, particularly in seasons of extreme drought. It renders plants less palatable to insects, and appears to be fatal to many of the fungal family. The vines are bright, healthy green color, and the tubers continue swelling until growth is stopped by the frost; besides, potatoes thus grown are so sound and free from disease as to be easily kept for the Spring market, without loss by rot. Mr. Compton has seen a field, all planted with the same variety, at the same time, on one-half which, that had received no plaster, the yield was but 60 bushels per acre and many rotters; while the other half, to which plaster had been applied in the manner above described, yielded 300 bushels per acre, and not an unsound one among them.

Liquid Excrement. How strangely we overlook the value of the liquid excrement of our animals! A cow, under ordinary feeding, furnishes in a year 20,000 pounds of solid excrement, and about 8,000 pounds of liquid. The comparative value of the two is but slightly in favor of the solid. The statement has been verified as heretofore, and over and over again. The urine of herbivorous animals holds nearly all the secretions of the body which are capable of producing the rich nitrogenous compounds so essential as forcing or leaf forming agents in the growth of plants. The solid holds the phosphoric acid, the lime and magnesia, which go to the seeds principally; but the liquid, holding nitrogen, potash and soda, is needed in forming the stalk and leaves. The two forms of plant nutrient should never be separated or allowed to be wasted by neglect. The farmer who saves all the urine of his animals, doubtless his manure resources every year. Good seasoned peat is of immense service to farmers, when used as an absorbent, and the stall for animals should be so constructed as to admit of a wide passage in the rear, with generous room for peat, to be used daily with the excrement.—Boston Journal of Chemistry.

Cucumber Bug. A correspondent of the Maryland Farmer says: The following effectually protected my melons, cucumbers and other vines from "striped or cucumber bugs" the past season, with only one application, viz: a strong solution of hen-house manure to one and a half gallons of water; let it stand twenty-four hours and sprinkle the plants freely with it after sunset. The above was suggested to me by a negro woman living on my place, who had some practical experience in gardening, and says she has used it for years and has never known the first application to fail to drive them off and they never return.

When Should Pigs Be Weaned. The Field and Factory gives the following answer to the above question: "Eight weeks old is the best age. Seven weeks old is the best age. Seven weeks old to food such as is ordinarily given to hogs before weaning, and then there will be no need of any loss in profit from the loss of the mother's milk. If they are at all inclined to scour, one of the best preventives is an occasional day's food of whole corn, or a few kernels with their other food each day. They should have all they will eat, and the growth will generally pay at least fifty per cent. over and above the cost."

This maple sugar season is said to have been a bad one in the Northwest, opening late and being very windy.

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