### AGRICULTURAL.

Value of Corn Cots.

Few farmers stop to consider how much of fertilizing matter is annually wasted about the farm, nor the expense incurred in purchasing the same ma-terials in other forms. Thus in the apparently insignficant matter of corn cobs is an item worth saving. If the accumulation of corn cobs were gathered up and thrown into the hog pen. they would, by the next spring, be reduced to manure. It has been estimated in the corn cobs grown in the country last year were upwards of two hundred thousand pounds of potash. Where corn cobs are used in lighting fires at the farm house, the potash may be saved in the increased value of the

It is well known that the different varities of wood, when burned, yield varying proportions of potash. At the head of the list in the production of potash stands the willow; hence its ashes are of superior value in this respect, yet corn cobs contain double the amount of potash carried in the willow; so, in this manner, we may approximate the value of the ashes obtained in the burning of corn cobs, and preserve the same for future use in the fertilization of the soil of the farm.

Successful farming is commonly the result of careful attention to little things, to the economical use of smallest element's of value. Hence, even sold by all Druggists. the corn cobs, with their product of potash, are worthy the attention of the practical and thrifty farmer. The enormous cost the farmer of potash—whether in his barnyard manure, in his commercial fertilizers, or in his more direct purchase of potash in one form or another-renders the economical utilization of corn cobs a matter of some importance. It is but a few years since the most of our New England farmers thought that they could purchase Western corn cheaper than they could raise a superior article on their own farms; but when the proper methods of utilizing the fodder were understood, the advisability of growing their own corn became apparent. Again, as an additional argument in favor of corn raising, even though a small one, we have the fact that every bushel of corn cobservations are apparent. contains upwards of a pound of potash.
And, in conclusion, if the growing of
corn makes a draught upon the soil for
the neccessary potash, how important
that some method should be adopted, through a proper use of the corn cobs, to return this valuable element to the soil from whence it was dawn .- American Cultivator.

#### Raising Violets.

There is no more popular flower than the violet, and as it is one that can be enjoyed by all with very little labor, while the expense is not to be thought of, we are often surprised of its absence in many households. It is one of the earliest to bloom; in fact, it can be enjoyed almost throughout the entire year; and is so hardy that it requires very little protection. At most a cold frame, covered in winter with straw matting, which a bundle of straw will supply, will be sufficient to give us flowers in the latter part of March, when the plants, which have been increasing, should be partly removed and set in the open ground. A portion of well covered with manure, to be uncovered early in March. It is also one of the prettiest and most welcome house flowers, being planted in a suitable wooden box and placed in a cool part of a room, and aired occasionly by being set in the sun at a window in the room, in which there is no fire, and allow the sash to be raised for an hour at miday when the weather is not too severe. There was very little inter-mission the past fall, winter, and this spring so far, in which we could not gather a little bunch of violets; and we should consider it a real deprivation to be without them.

### Irrigating Strawberries.

Often when writing of strawberry-cuture we have remarked that nothing seemed to make strawberries swell rap idly, and produce a large crop of fine fruit, as two or three thorough soakings of water just when the fruit was about half grown. We suppose numberless persons who grow small quantities in gardens and can readily follow such advice as this, have profited by it in the past. These and others who have learned this little hint in strawberry-growing will be surprised to learn that it is rather a new idea; and it is said so much profit has been found in this watering of strawberryplants about fruiting time, that large reservoirs to hold water enough to irrigate acres are likely to be consid

ered essential parts of a well ordered strawberry patch.

One should think that in New Jersey, where marketmen generally grow their fruit in narrow beds, this idea of is swelling, require an enormous amount of moisture, as so much water is required to make up the juicy parts of plants. But most trees have some roots that go down some distance below the surface, where the moisture is more regular than near the top of the ground. The strawberry, in pro-portion to the total weight of the whole plant, has probably to collect more moisture for its fruit than almost any other plant; hence its roots, small and fibrous, do not go many inches below the surface, and are thus pecu-liarly sensitive to a lack of moisture in a dry time.

This hint it is well for those who

cultivate the strawberry for domestic consumption to bear in mind. They will find, if these waterings are abundant and thorough—not mere sprink-lings from the rose of a watering pot, but copiously from the spout, so as really to flood or overflow the bed they will be repaid so liberally as to wonder that somebody had not told them about it before. It is true we and our correspondents have done so on several occasions; but where the strawberry crop is intermitted a season or two, as is the case for various reasons sometimes, it is forgotten and neglected. - Germantown Telegraph.

The days in which a crow can be destructive to the corn crop are but few, and all the rest of the year it is really the friend of the farmer. This black-coated bird is one of the greatest ene-mies to the "White Grub," the enter pillar or larva state of the "Jone Bug" or "May Beetle," and for this service, if for none other, the crow should be spared, and even encouraged. A flock of crows upon a newly-plowed field will destroy vast numbers of white grabs and cutworms, enough to make a de-cided difference with the following crop of grain. In many cases the crow only pulls those spears of corn that are wilt ed, it thus securing the marander that has been at work below the surface of



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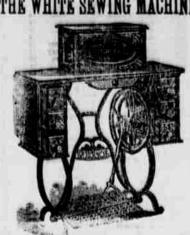
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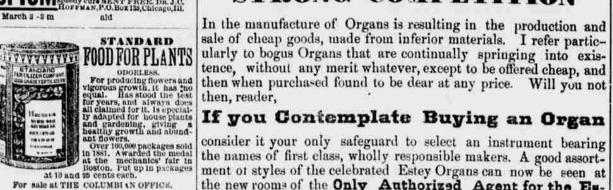
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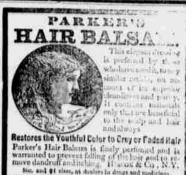
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